

**Herreid Board Room
Rock County Courthouse**

**9:00 AM
April 08, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Williamson with all Commissioners present.

Motion by Jarchow, seconded by Reisch, to approve the April 08, 2014 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Jarchow, to approve the March 18, 2014 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Jarchow, seconded by Hoime, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. Joint Powers Agreement – MN Workforce Center
2. Resolution No. 15-14, opposing H.F. 29390/S.F. 2490 pertaining to Joint Powers Agreements and Collective Bargaining Agreements
3. Resolution No. 16-14, Rock County Snowmasters Snowmobile Club Trail Agreement – 2014
4. Resolution No. 17-14, Revision of the Rock County FTA & FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Policy
5. Rate increase for Heartland Express Sunday Driver position - \$100.00/Sunday; applicable to non-full time staff

Rock County Historical Society Board members Linda Bakken, Paul Rud, Dolly Remme, George Langford, Jan & Everette Brandenburg, Naidine Aanenson, Darrel Van Aartsen, Keith Elbers, Merlyn Lopau, Ron Feucht, Jane Wildung-Lanphere, Dave Smith and Greg Burger presented a project update. Currently the organization is in the process of purchasing the Herman Motor building and planning to conduct \$900,000 in renovations. They are in the process of securing financing and pledges for the renovation and requested \$100,000 from Rock County with the option to pay over the course of 3-5 years. The County Board congratulated the Historical Society on their recent project and tabled action until the next meeting.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director, requested approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Central Specialties for the placement and operation of a temporary hot mix asphalt plant to be located in section 35 of Mound Township; upon a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning board, motion by Hoime, seconded by Jarchow, to approve the Central Specialties CUP, declared carried on a voice vote.

The LMO Director presented a new ordinance #2014-01 Subsurface Sewage Treatment System, an update to Section 30 of the Planning and Zoning ordinance. The new ordinance is based upon Minnesota Rules 7080-7083 regarding subsurface sewage treatment systems and formalizes processes and procedures already in place. Hartman reported that a public hearing was held on March 31st and no opposition was heard; the new ordinance does not require a compliance check during the transfer of property, however, lenders/mortgage may or may not require the compliance upgrade. Motion by Reisch, seconded by Hoime, to approve Rock County SSTS Ordinance 2014-01, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented an update of the sale of tax forfeited properties; (5) parcels did not sell. After considerable discussion, motion by Boyenga, seconded by Hoime, to adopt Resolution No. 18-14, setting the a new sale price of tax forfeited properties with an auction date of May 5th at 10:00AM, declared carried on a voice vote. The following properties to be sold on May 5th:

PARCEL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	BASIC SALE PRICE
06-0068-000	A 23.33 ACRE TRACT IN E ½ OF SE ¼ N OF RAILROAD LESS 7.07 ACRE PLATTED TRACT, LESS TWO 2 ACRE TRACTS SOLD, LESS	8,900.00

	3.50 ACRE TRACT, LESS 2.45 ACRE TRACT, LESS 3.23 ACRE TRACT – 1.08 ACRES	
14-0067-000	LOTS THIRTEEN (13), FOURTEEN (14), FIFTEEN (15), SIXTEEN (16) AND SEVENTEEN (17) IN BLOCK THREE (3) IN THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF HARDWICK MINNESOTA. 105 N ROSS STREET – HARDWICK	5,000.00
16-0035-000	ALL OF LOT SEVEN (7) AND THE EAST HALF (E1/2) OF LOT EIGHT (8) IN BLOCK FIFTEEN (15) IN ROSE DELL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JASPER, MINNESOTA. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS: COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD, IF ANY. 101 W 3 RD STREET - JASPER	25,462.88
16-0036-000	THE WEST TWENTY-FIVE (W.25) FEET OF LOT EIGHT (8) IN BLOCK FIFTEEN (15) IN ROSE DELL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JASPER, MINNESOTA. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS: COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD, IF ANY. 109 W 3 RD STREET – JASPER	2,562.88
18-0028-000	THE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED (S.100) FEET OF THE NORTH THREE HUNDRED (N.300) FEET OF THE EAST ONE HUNDRED FORTY (E.140) FEET OF OUTLOT TWO (2) IN THE VILLAGE OF MAGNOLIA, MINNESOTA, DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID OUTLOT TWO (2), 200 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID OUTLOT; THENCE RUNNING SOUTH ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID OUTLOT, 100 FEET, THENCE WEST ON A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID OUTLOT, 140 FEET, THENCE NORTH ON A LINE PARALLET WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID OUTLOT, 100 FEET, THENCE EAST ON A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID OUTLOT TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. 208 N GARFIELD STREET – MAGNOLIA	22,100.00
20-0644-000	THE SOUTH 84 FEET OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 5 OF THE GREENVALE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.	100.00
20-1299-000	LOT FOURTEEN (14), BLOCK FOUR (4), RANDALL AND HOLBERT’S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LUVERNE, COUNTY OF ROCK, STATE OF MINNESOTA. 218 S DONALDSON STREET - LUVERNE	9,700.00

The Auditor/Treasurer also discussed tax forfeited properties in the City of Luverne identified as parcels 20-0389-000 and Parcel 20-1040-000 and the conveyance of those properties with blighted conditions; pursuant to Minnesota Statute 282.01, the City of Luverne has submitted a written plan to correct those conditions. Motion Jarchow, seconded by Reisch, to approve Resolution No. 19-14, authorizing the

conveyance of tax forfeited parcels to the City of Luverne for a purchase price of \$1.00, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to approve the claims and per diems of \$375.00, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

General	\$84,004.78
General Reserves	\$2,780.51
Library	\$3,668.47
Road & Bridge	\$40,638.58
Transfer Station	\$8,823.08
Land Management	\$4,276.68
TOTAL	\$144,192.10

Claims over \$2,000:

A.C.E. of Southwest MN	\$3,511.50
American Communications Inc	2,938.00
Computer Professionals	8,258.00
Fleet Services	5,033.30
Dave Haugom	2,664.18
Morris Electronics	4,789.58
Nobles County Aud/Treas	5,542.25
Regents of the U of M	16,632.51
Sanford Health	3,362.65
Thyssenkrupp Elevator	3,031.15
Tollefson Publishing	3,097.94
Universal Premium	3,218.40
Barr Engineering	3,616.29
Brock White	3,844.08
Center Point Energy	2,371.93
Powerplan (RDO)	2,561.84
SEH	8,287.25
Texas Oil Refinery	5,108.20
Widseth Smith Nolting	3,750.00
Ketterling Services	6,322.39

The Auditor/Treasurer presented the Fund Balance report; motion by Boyenga, seconded by Jarchow, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Administrator and Auditor/Treasurer led a discussion regarding the Capital Improvement Plan and projects/improvements identified in 2014 and how those projects were going to be paid:

- Highway infrastructure – 2014 CIP bond
- Heartland Express bus acquisition – as per MnDOT contract 20% match for equipment; cost to be paid from Heartland Express reserves
- Human Services building improvements (HVAC & windows) – Family Services reserves and re-payment from rent payments
- Highway building improvements – replacement of overhead garage doors – paid from operations; project pending per budget status

- Courthouse building improvement (carpeting) – cost to be paid from Capital Improvements account (balance \$108,898.59) and reserves; project pending as per status of other building improvements
- Highway equipment acquisitions – 2012 CIP bond
- Fiber project – to be determined
- Library Building improvements – exterior building repairs to be paid from building and/or Capital Improvement account; interior improvements to be paid from Library un-restricted reserves – project payment pending approval of the Library Board.

By order of the Chair, to direct the Building Committee to prioritize items identified as building improvements and bring back recommendation to the County Board.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, requested authorization to replace (3) disk mowers and presented the following price quotes:

- John Deere 265 Disk mowers - \$9,000 with trade in of existing disk mowers (3) 2010 Bush Hog Disk mowers
- Case Bush Hog HMG8 Disk mowers - \$17,700 with trade in of existing disk mowers

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Boyenga, to authorize the equipment replacement and accept the John Deere quote for \$9,000, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Engineer requested to purchase a pull-type pneumatic tired roller (model WRT PT15) from the state bid for \$18,500 plus shipping of \$400; motion by Boyenga, seconded by Jarchow, to approve the purchase from the state bid, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Williamson, to approve Resolution No. 14-14, a MN DNR application for a temporary construction easement on Rose Dell Township bridge L-2299, SAP 067-599-166, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of a letter from the MN Department of Human Services commending staff for perfect performance in meeting DHS Human Service financial reporting requirements for calendar year 2013; Lisa DeBoer with Southwest Health & Human Services was acknowledged as Rock County's local reporter.

The County Board was in receipt of a letter from Lyon County informing them of action taken at their April 1, 2014 meeting rescinding its intent to withdraw from the Plum Creek system effective 07/01/2014; was presented as information only.

The Administrator informed the County Board that the Bertrand et al v. Patten et al litigation has been completed and MCIT is in the process of remitting payment to claimants.

Southwest Crisis Center requested support in a campaign entitled Denim Day USA, bringing awareness of sexual violence prevention and education. The event date is scheduled for April 23rd which supporters are asking the community to wear denim jeans as a visual means of protest against the misconceptions that surround sexual assault. By order of the Chair, county employees are will be allowed to participate in the Denim Day USA event.

Commissioner Reisch informed the County Board that he and Commissioner Hoime attended a School/County Liaison meeting and discussed pedestrian crossing on Highway 75.

Commissioner Williamson informed the County Board that the Southwestern Mental Health annual meeting will take place today and that they will be conducting a walkthrough of the new building.

The Chair also congratulated Connie Wieneke, the 2014 Faces of Hope award receiptant from the Southwest Crisis Center fundraiser held on April 5, 2014 and Susan Skattum, the 2013 Outstanding Human Resource Professional of the Year, sponsored by the Minnesota Counties Human Resources Management Association at their Spring Conference on April 3, 2014.

Rock County Rural Water Board members Paul Arends, Dell Walraven, Paul Hieronimus, Matt Boeve, Lila Bauer and Plant Manager Brent Hoffman attended the County Board meeting to discuss proposed improvements to the existing system and a proposed expansion project in the northwest part of the county. Eight (8) options were discussed to include project financing for both improvement and expansion projects. Project financing also included the amount to be spent from reserves and the percentage of rate increases to pass on to the system users. After considerable discussion, it was determined to request additional options from DGR engineers and schedule an additional meeting; motion by Reisch, seconded by Jarchow, to schedule a Special County Board meeting on April 14 @ 7:30PM in the Herreid Board meeting room for the purpose of discussing the system's projects with the Rock County Rural Water Board, declared carried on a voice vote.

With no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting was declared adjourned.