

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

Serena Gutnik, new Rock County Library Director was introduced to the County Board.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Thompson, to call to order the Public Hearing for potential adoption of the 2015-2019 CIP and the sale of GO bonds at \$1,225,000, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of no written or public comment; motion Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to close the public hearing, declared carried on a voice vote

Motion by Thompson seconded by Boyenga, to call to order the Public Hearing regarding amendments to the Rock County Zoning Ordinance, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of no written or public comment; motion Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to close the public hearing.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve Resolution No. 15-15, giving preliminary approval for the issuance of the County's General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 and adopting the Rock County Capital Improvement Plan 2015-2019, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve Resolution No. 16-15, amendments to the Rock County Zoning Ordinance No. 2000-01.3, declared carried on a voice vote.

By order of the Chair, the June 16, 2015 County Board Agenda was approved.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Hoime, to approve the June 2, 2015 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director and Doug Bos, Assistant Land Management Office Director presented a conditional use permit for a feedlot expansion located in the SW ¼ of Section 18 of Mound Township; motion by Williamson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Hartman also presented a review of the 2015 legislative session and informed the County Board of the impacts it has on the LMO department, specifically the fifty foot buffer enforcement on DNR waterways as well as disaster aid funds for agricultural erosion repairs for agriculture land residents; these programs will have a substantial impact on staff with the potential of additional staff. Additional details regarding these funding sources will be presented as they become available.

The LMO Director and the Administrator discussed the lease agreement with DD&JJ Partnership, represented by Don Walgrave and Kelly Valnes and presented a 10-year building lease agreement for the LMO department, with a 5-year flat rate of \$10.00/sf followed by a 5-year rate adjusted for inflation; the lease agreement moves the LMO department to a different section of the building, once previously

occupied. Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Williamson, to approve the 10-year lease agreement, with the addendum that if Farm Services Agency relocates, the Rock County lease agreement would also terminate, declared carried on a voice vote.

Doug Bos presented an update regarding the Rock River Terrain analysis; no action was taken.

Senator Bill Weber and Representative Joe Schomacker presented a legislative overview along with highlighting some of the legislation that was passed and signed into law:

- \$19 million allocated to the Lewis & Clark project which should complete construction in Rock County and into Nobles County;
- environmental legislation that gives SWCD the authority to enforce buffer strips on DNR waterways;
- \$850 million will remain in reserves going into the next legislative session;
- \$400 million additional funds for road and bridge funding;
- gas tax dollars generated by communities under population of 5,000 will retain those funds;
- 2% funding increase for K-12 education along with the create of the facilities maintenance account; counties have the option to contract for private audits with oversight from the State Auditor’s office effective January 01, 2016;
- elimination of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Citizen’s Board;
- higher education relating MnSCU facilities;
- workforce centers will receive an additional \$4 million in funding;
- broadband initiative grants of \$10 million will be made on a competitive basis;
- critical access hospitals will received a \$16 million increase
- MERCK funding for healthcare professionals allows for loan forgiveness if they work in rural hospitals;
- nursing home received a 20% increase in funding;
- tele-medicine and payment formulas were discussed with no resolution.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims; motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, declared carried on a unanimous vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer’s Office.

General	\$53,578.64
General Reserves	\$4,075.47
Library	\$2,191.52
Human Services	\$1,434.15
Road & Bridge	\$32,538.17
Capitol Projects	\$2,967.45
Transfer Station	\$18,204.68
Land Management	\$2,373.72
Vets Memorial Care	\$1,870.50
TOTAL	\$119,234.30

Claims over \$2,000

Computer Professionals Unlimited	\$ 5,893.70
Expressway-Luverne	2,269.63

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M & L Electric LLC	6,132.35
Nobles County Auditor-Treas	7,857.50
Office of MN.IT Services	2,280.97
Rock County Opportunities Inc.	3,985.66
Bear Graphics	3,787.62
CHS Eastern Farmers Coop	3,440.93
Contech Construction	3,443.63
W & N Construction	8,925.78
Lyon County Landfill	17,078.88
Busse Plumbing, Heating	2,967.45

Motion Boyenga, seconded by Reisch, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Williamson, to approve the final contract payment of \$37,197.59 for the 2014 CSAH box culvert projects to R & G Construction and the final contract payment of \$26,648.75 for the 2014 township box culvert projects to R & G Construction, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was informed that a little more than \$260,000 would be going the Quentin Aanenson Field Airport in Luverne in the form of a grant for taxi way improvements.

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