

**CHISAGO COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
Wednesday, February 15, 2017**

The Chisago County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at the Chisago County Government Center with the following Commissioners present: Greene, Montzka, Robinson, Walker. Commissioner McMahon appeared via Electronic Means pursuant to MN Stat. 13D.015. Also present: County Attorney Janet Reiter, County Administrator Bruce Messelt, and *Interim* Clerk of the Board Danielle Lord.

The Chair called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Greene offered a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by McMahon and upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

The Chair opened the Road and Bridge Committee of the Whole at 6:31

The Board was given updates on the following current projects of the Public Works Department from County Engineer Joe Triplett; Projects being worked on in design for 2017 delivery ; Projects out for bid; Otta Seal project update; County Highway System Revisions; Cold Storage building update and the CSAH 19 Projects update. *No action was taken.*

On motion by McMahon, seconded by Greene, the Board moved items 1 – 2 to the Consent Agenda. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Walker, the Board moved to close the Road and Bridge Committee of the Whole. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

At 6:55 p.m., the Chair closed the Road and Bridge Committee of the Whole.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Robinson, the Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

- 1.) Accept County Engineer's Report
- 2.) R & B Committee Recommendation – Final Payment for CSAH 36 Bridge Replacement

- 3.) Approve Minutes from February 1, 2017 Meeting
- 4.) Authorize Payment of the County's Warrants and Miscellaneous Bills

Bills Paid 2/06/2017 \$ 897,410.10

Authorize Payment of County's Warrants for HHS:

<u>Prepared Check Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Mail Date</u>	<u>Type of Payment</u>
02/10/2017	\$59,806.03		County's Warrants
02/10/2017	\$35,816.61	02/15/2017	Auditor's Warrants

Lake Area Bank; Tracy Armistead; Sheriff; supplies; \$167.17
 Lake Area Bank; Chase Burnham; Admin; supplies; \$60.86
 Lake Area Bank; Amy Chavez; Court Services; supplies; \$224.78
 Lake Area Bank; Janet Converse; Recorder; registration; \$550.00
 Lake Area Bank; Richard Duncan; Sheriff; training; \$250.00
 Lake Area Bank; Jon Eckel; MICS; supplies, \$212.83
 Lake Area Bank; Keith Hoppe; Sheriff; supplies; \$360.01
 Lake Area Bank; John Keefe; Assessor; supplies; \$69.47
 Lake Area Bank; Renee Kirchner; Human Resources; supplies; \$477.02
 Lake Area Bank; Tracy Krona; HHS; supplies; \$301.90
 Lake Area Bank; Laird Mork; Parks; supplies; \$322.90
 Lake Area Bank; Janet Reiter; Attorney; supplies, registration; \$256.99
 Lake Area Bank; Scott Sellman; Emergency Mgmt; supplies; \$161.59
 Lake Area Bank; Brandon Thyen; Sheriff; registration; \$325.00
 Lake Area Bank; Jon Thompson; Facilities; supplies; \$238.23
 Lake Area Bank; Joe Triplett; Public Works; conference; \$656.28

****** All Bills and Receipts Available with the Clerk of the Board ******

- 5.) County Issued Credit Card – Training Sgt. Matthew Beckman

Environmental Services and Zoning Director Kurt Schneider updated the Board on the activities of the Environmental Services Department; Building Activity; Ditch Buffer Law Resolution, Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District, Water Monitoring and Aquatic Invasive Species Program Report (Brief Presentation); general department informational items. *No action was taken.*

At 7:09 p.m., the Chair opened Citizen Forum. 1 Citizen spoke; the Chair closed Citizen Forum at 7:11 p.m.

On motion by Greene, seconded by McMahon, the Board moved to accept the Environmental Service Directors reports. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by McMahon, the Board moved to approve a resolution of County Participation in the State Buffer Law – Minnesota Statute 103F.48 Program Conditioned on State Funding. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

RESOLUTION NO. 17/0215-X

COUNTY PARTICIPATION – STATE OF MN DITCH BUFFER LAW PROGRAM Affirming Chisago County’s jurisdiction to carry out compliance provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subdivision 12a and 103F.48 is contingent on the passage and appropriation of riparian protection aid

WHEREAS, during the 2015 First Special Session, the 89th Legislature adopted Chapter 4, creating the water quality buffer initiative; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 4 permits a county to opt in as the enforcement authority of the water quality buffer initiative for its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, improved water quality is a statewide goal, but is best administered by local policymakers, whose familiarity with their home communities will ensure a cooperative and efficient implementation of the initiative; and

WHEREAS, during the 2016 Regular Session, the state legislature passed House File 848 appropriating and distributing riparian protection aid to counties having affirmed jurisdiction to carry out the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103F.48; and

WHEREAS, House File 848 was vetoed by the Governor, resulting in no financial assistance to counties, thus making the water quality buffer initiative an unfunded state mandate; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota counties are already overwhelmed by unfunded mandates dictated by the state, which collectively cost counties millions, burdening property tax payers through inflated county budgets and levies; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, Chisago County, affirms its jurisdiction to carry out the compliance provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subdivision 12a and 103F.48 contingent on the passage and appropriation of riparian protection aid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, until riparian protection aid legislation is passed and appropriated, the County waives its authority to carry out the compliance provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subdivision 12a and 103F.48; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon the appropriation of adequate and ongoing riparian protection aid, Chisago County will identify the rule, ordinance, or official controls to carry out the compliance provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subdivision 12a and 103F.48.

The Board received a presentation from Environmental Services Director Kurt Schneider and Lake Improvement District Administrator Jerry Spetzman. ***No action taken.***

On motion by McMahon, seconded by Walker, the Board moved to accept the 2016 Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District Annual Report, 2016 County Water Monitoring Report, and 2016 Aquatic Invasive Species Program report. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Robinson, seconded by McMahon, the Board authorize the execution of a revised lease with Isanti County for Office and Garage Space in Chisago County's North Branch facility for Heartland Transit operations and administration for the term of January 1st, 2017 through December 31st, 2025. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by McMahon, seconded by Walker, the Board moved to appoint Douglas Greene as a representative on the Board of Adjustment; effective February 15, 2017 thru January 3, 2020. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by McMahon, the Board moved to authorize the Chisago County MICS Director to sign the yearly services agreement with Motorola for support of the ARMER logging and microwave systems. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by McMahon, seconded by Greene, the Board moved to authorize the Chisago County MICS Director to issue purchase orders for the required ESRI software licenses. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

County Administrator Messelt provided the following updates: Update on Mud jacking bill for Courthouse Loop, Legislative updates. . ***No action was taken.***

Several Commissioners offered reports of their respective committee assignments. ***No action was taken.***

On motion by Robinson, seconded by Walker, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Greene, McMahon, Montzka, Robinson, Walker **OPPOSED:** None.

Ben Montzka, Chair

Attest: _____
Danielle Lord
Interim Clerk of the Board