

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**  
**MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**August 4, 2020 - 9:00 A.M.**  
**Marshall County Meeting Room One**  
**Meeting is accessible via Zoom at**  
**I.D. 891 1807 1558 and passcode 653287**  
**Or by phone at 218-686-3507**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioner Borowicz called the regular meeting to order at 9 a.m. with Commissioners Sharon Bring, Kenneth Borowicz, Jim Duckstad, Rolland Miller, Gary Kiesow and Auditor-Treasurer Scott Peters present.

The Board approved the August 4, 2020 meeting agenda with additions. **M/S/C – Kiesow, Duckstad (5,0)**

The minutes from the July 21, 2020 Board Meeting and continued Regular Board Meeting on July 30, 2020 were approved. **M/S/C – Bring, Miller (5,0)**

**RESOLUTION 08-04-01**

BE IT RESOLVED, that after review of the following bills, authorization for payment of the same in the following total amounts, are hereby approved, with a detailed listing kept on file at the Auditor's office.

<b>Auditor Warrants</b>	
<b>7/21/2020</b>	<b>\$996.58</b>
<b>7/27/2020</b>	<b>\$232,659.45</b>
<b>Commissioner Warrants</b>	<b>\$230,663.77</b>

**M/S/C – Duckstad, Kiesow (5,0)**

Charity Brault, Heather Harbott and Tammy Johnson from Multi County Housing presented a 2020 Program Update and 2021 Levy Report.

Tracee Bruggeman from Brady Martz provided a 2019 County Audit Exit Interview Via Zoom. Auditor/Treasurer Fiscal Supervisor Mandy Rosendahl, Chief Deputy Krista East and County Engineer Lon Aune were available for this presentation. Overall the County received a positive Audit showing steady fund reserves. No instances of non compliance were found.

Public Health Director Fran Tougas and North Valley CEO Jon Linnell addressed the Board with a Bimonthly Update, 2021 Public Health Budget Review and a Covid-19 Update with Emergency Manager Josh Johnston.

1. Annual Budget Review
2. The Quin Data Sharing Agreement received Board approval. **M/S/C – Bring, Duckstad (5,0)**
3. Tobacco 21 law and local ordinance – Fran will complete needed changes on our ordinance and bring back for consideration due to law changes.
4. Covid-19 Update – One new case in the County for a total of 29, with one active case. Regionally, Red Lake County is currently seeing a spike in cases, with numbers up some with other counties as well. Cases statewide are up 19%, with a positivity rate of 5.1%. Masks are now mandated

statewide. School guidance for reopening is now established and is dependent on active cases per County. Jail testing and education on all Covid-19 related items are continuing.

5. Hepatitis A – 117 cases statewide with none currently in Marshall County.
6. Flu – starting flu shot planning for safety - vaccine comes in September.
7. New Budget period started July 1 – Many grant duties align with Covid.
8. Footcare Clinics with precautions is going well.
9. Ambulance coverage concerns were discussed.
10. Mr. Johnston indicated masks are available in his office.
11. Travel policies were discussed regarding safety for returning to work.

Veterans Service Officer Brett Brandon reviewed the 2021 Veterans Services Budget with the Board.

Highway Engineer Lon Aune met with the Board for Highway and Ditch Authority Business.

### **RESOLUTION 08-04-02**

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Highway Department proposes to replace Bridge No. 7291 on 310<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, with Bridge No. 45J63, and road realignment, known as S.A.P. 045-599-156; located between County State Aid Highway 6 and County State Aid Highway 48, from a point 1,543.24 feet north of the Southeast Corner of Section Twenty-eight (28), T158N, R40W., to a point 2,443.24 feet north of the Southeast Corner of Section Twenty-eight (28), T158N, R40W.

WHEREAS, the improvement consists of a bridge replacement and road approach grading of said roadway, as herein determined necessary to provide for the safety of the traveling public, and

WHEREAS, in addition to the existing highway easement, certain lands in fee are required to provide for said reconstruction, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, the Marshall County Highway Department has prepared a right of way plan which plan is attached hereto and which lands are more particularly described therein as follows:

<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Name</u>
1 & 2	DNR/Division of Land and Minerals

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the County Highway Engineer to proceed to acquire the fee simple, absolute and temporary highway easements over said lands in accordance with Minnesota Statutes,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that those lands as described herein, which cannot be acquired by direct negotiation, shall be acquired by eminent domain and the County hereby requests the County Attorney to file the necessary petition therefore and to prosecute such action to a successful conclusion or until it is abandoned, dismissed or terminated by the County or Court.

**M/S/C – Kiesow, Bring (5,0)**

**RESOLUTION 08-04-03**

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to advertisement for bids for furnishing and applying cattail spraying, the following bid was received:

Larson Helicopters, LLC	\$225.00	Per	Mile	-	Ground
.....					Spraying
	\$375.00	Per	Mile	-	Aerial
					Spraying

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Larson Helicopters, LLC in the amount of \$225.00/Mile Ground and \$375.00/Mile Aerial be accepted.

**M/S/C – Miller, Bring (5,0)**

Mr. Aune provided the following project status and other updates.

1. County 15,17 – completing paperwork with contractor.
2. County 11 – still on hold – Contractor moving back in area in two weeks.
3. County 6,12,46 – paving starting soon.
4. CSAH 20 – Finalizing paperwork – may begin in 2021.
5. CSAH 53 – Frostboil concerns on this project.

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting and opened the Ditch Authority Meeting. **M/S/C – Bring, Miller (5,0)**

The Board approved the petition to allow the North Half of Section 26 in Warrenton Township into the County Ditch 21 System, charging all appropriate fees.

**M/S/C – Duckstad, Bring (5,0)**

The Board approved the petition to allow the East Half of the Northwest Quarter and the Northeast Quarter, consisting of 180 acres into the County Ditch 3 System, charging all appropriate fees. **M/S/C – Bring, Miller (5,0)**

The Board approved the petition to allow the South Half of Section 9 and the South Half of Section 10 in Reiner Township, and the South Half of Section 11 in Goodridge Township, and the Southwest Quarter of Section 12 in Goodridge Township, all in Pennington County into the County Ditch 32 System, charging all appropriate fees. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)**

The Board approved a landowner request for repair to County Ditch 16, in Section 9 in Tamarac Township. **M/S/C – Borowicz, Miller (5,0)**

The Board approved a cleaning request for 2.5 miles on County Ditch 44 located on the north side of section 27, 28 and 29 in Oak Park Township. **M/S/C – Miller, Bring (5,0)**

The Board closed the Ditch Authority Meeting and reopened the Regular Meeting. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)**

Mr. Aune indicated that for 2021 CSAH funding will be down by up to 15%, which will affect projects, due to less driving from the Covid Pandemic. Savings ideas were discussed. Mr. Aune will be bringing the 2021 Highway Budget forth for review on the 18<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

County Assessor Russ Steer and Senior Appraiser Alison Wall addressed the Board to review the 2021 Assessor and Revenue Car Budgets. Assessor Appointment

was discussed with the Board. County Attorney Don Aandal was available for this presentation. The Board approved reappointment of Assessor Russ Steer in conjunction with accepting a letter of retirement from Mr. Steer as of 6/30/2021.

**M/S/C – Borowicz, Bring (5,0)**

Attorney Aandal indicated that the 2021 Budget for his office will remain the same as 2020 except for approved wage and benefit adjustments the Board will make.

Auditor-Treasurer Scott Peters provided the following for his report:

1. Forfeited Tax Update – 7 parcels remain and have been served notice of expiration of redemption.
2. A Midco Land Lease for Tower Agreement at the County Park was reviewed by the Board. This proposal will be reviewed further by the Park Board for suggestions and will be considered at the next County Board meeting.
3. The Board approved an Enbridge Line 3 Letter of Support to the Editor.  
**M/S/C – Kiesow, Miller (5,0)**
4. The Board approved the Marshall County CARES Act Funding Plan.  
**M/S/C – Kiesow, Miller (5,0)** GIS Coordinator Liz Dustin and Grant Writer Sue Peterson were available for this discussion, providing details on the above plan.
5. ODC Building Discussion
6. An Ultra Violet Ventilation light system proposal for Covid prevention from Johnson Controls was reviewed and approved by the Board from CARES Act Funds. **M/S/C – Kiesow, Miller (5,0)**
7. Election Update – Primary Ballot counting will begin Wednesday.
8. 2021 Budget Review
9. Investment Update
10. Ditch Report through July
11. Five Year Financial Report
12. Argyle HOPE Program Thank you

The following Commissioner/Committee Reports were shared:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Meeting/Report</u>
Kiesow	JD 13, Joint Powers Natural Resource Board, County Road 53 Meeting
Duckstad	MST Watershed, Northwest Mental Health
Miller	Counties Providing Technology, MST Watershed

Chairperson Borowicz adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

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CHAIRPERSON,  
MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
MARSHALL COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER