

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
July 6, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.
Marshall County Boardroom

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairperson Miller called the meeting to order with Commissioners Gary Kiesow, Sharon Bring, Larry Nybladh, Rolland Miller, Jim Duckstad and Auditor/Treasurer Scott Peters present.

The Board approved the July 6, 2021 meeting agenda with additions. **M/S/C – Duckstad, Kiesow (5,0)**

The minutes from the June 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and the June 15 - 16, 2021 County Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting were approved with corrections. **M/S/C – Bring, Nybladh (5,0)**

Wiktel Representatives Brian Wikstrom and Al Lundeen provided a County Broadband Service Needs Report to the Board. During the Covid shutdown, it was a challenge for their company to meet the needs for school and work at home options. Some underserved and unserved areas, particularly in the western parts of the County exist in Marshall County. Funding availability, bidding procedures and County Grant opportunities were discussed. A map showing what companies are serving the County was provided. Mr. Lundeen continued with a report on the Karlstad Airport. The Karlstad Airport Commission was recently successful in receiving a \$5.6 million dollar grant for a new airport southeast of Karlstad. Mr. Lundeen is requesting at a future meeting for the Commissioners to consider a resolution to adopt and enforce Airport Commission regulations as approved by MNDOT Aeronautics and its Commissioner. GIS Administrator Liz Dustin and Deputy Auditor/Treasurer Sue Peterson were available for this presentation.

RESOLUTION 07-06-01

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.

Commissioner Warrants

\$580,639.81

M/S/C – Duckstad, Bring (5,0)

Social Services Supervisor Chris Kujava met with the Board and received approval to move forward a contract for services with the Village Family Service Center of Grand Forks from July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2121 for Family-Based Counseling and Support Services. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)**

Employee Benefit Committee Members Katie Benson, Pam Hesse and Chris Kujava met with the Board to request consideration of 2022 Employee Benefits as follows.

1. Cost of Living Adjustment of 1.79% plus \$.23/hour – to continue with area Counties averages from the previous year.
2. Pay for Health Insurance to match Single lowest policy deductible and Family highest policy deductible.

3. Increase Deferred Comp Match by \$5 per 24 pay periods.
4. Add 35 and 40 year bands to longevity schedule, increasing payment of the 35 year band to \$40 per pay period and the 40 year band to \$45 per pay period.

The Board approved the above proposal, less the insurance option, which will be revisited upon notification of the 2022 PEIP rates. **M/S/C – Kiesow, Duckstad (5,0)**

County Engineer Lon Aune addressed the Board on the following Highway and Ditch Authority Business.

1. Approval Consideration of Resolution for Ditch Repair and Rip Rap on CP JD 23-21.
2. The Board approved to transfer Ted Rogus from Sign man to the Stephen Road Grader position with adjustment of pay from B-31-4 to B-24-5. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Bring (5,0)**

RESOLUTION 07-06-01

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Auditor be authorized to call for bids for:

CP JD 23-21: Ditch Repair and Rip Rap

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Auditor be authorized to set the time and date for receiving bids to comply with existing publication laws.

M/S/C – Kiesow, Duckstad (5,0)

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

1. MST Watershed Manager Application Status – no applicants
2. 5 Year Financial Report
3. Ditch Report through June
4. American Rescue Plan Update – Liz Dustin, Sue Peterson and Rodger Haugtvedt were available for this discussion. The County will be assisting all Townships and Cities as needed to access the funds for this program. Applications now being accepted by the State. The Board approved to accept a quote from Johnson Controls for 3 Air Handling Units on the Law Enforcement Center Building for \$36,870, using American Rescue Plan Funds. **M/S/C – Duckstad, Nybladh (5,0)** The Board approved utilizing American Rescue Plan Funds for adding jail doors to allow for improved security and separation. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Kiesow (5,0)** The Board approved to utilize American Rescue Plan Funds, accept the project quote estimates totaling \$13,350 and move forward with the permanent wall project in the Environmental Services, Ag Services and Extension Offices. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Bring (4,0)** – Commissioner Miller recused himself from this vote due to any possible conflict of interest.
5. 2022 Budget Discussion
6. 2021 Actual versus Budget Report for 50% of the year
7. Enbridge Tax Court Update

8. Fargo – Moorhead Metro Flood Diversion Authority – Alternative Dispute Resolution Board appointee consideration. The Board appointed the District 3 County Commissioner, currently held by Larry Nybladh, as the Marshall County Representative to serve on this Board. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)**

The following Commissioner/Committee Reports were shared:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Meeting/Report</u>
Nybladh	AMC District 3 Regional Meeting, Park Board, Middle Snake Tamarac One Watershed One Plan, County Drug Task Force Committee, County Veteran’s Memorial Park Dedication
Bring	AMC District 3 Regional Meeting, Northwest Community Action, Council on Aging, Living at Home Network, Enbridge Meeting in Viking, Park Board, County Veteran’s Memorial Park Dedication
Kiesow	AMC District 3 Regional Meeting, Northwest Community Action, Thief River One Watershed One Plan, County Veteran’s Memorial Park Dedication
Miller	Middle Snake Tamarac One Watershed One Plan, Counties Providing Technology, County Veteran’s Memorial Park Dedication, Middle Snake Tamarac
Duckstad	Northwest Mental Health (Alluma), AMC District 3 Regional Meeting, Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging, County Veteran’s Memorial Park Dedication

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m. by Chairperson Miller.

 CHAIRPERSON,
 MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST: _____
 MARSHALL COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER