

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Board Meeting
March 7, 2023 - 9:00 A.M.
Marshall County Board Room

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

The Board approved the March 7, 2023 meeting agenda. **M/S/C – Kiesow, Miller (5,0)**

The minutes from the February 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting were approved. **M/S/C – Bring, Nybladh (5,0)**

RESOLUTION 03-07-01

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.

Auditor Warrants

February 24, 2023 \$56,151.03

Commissioner Warrants \$140,438.19

M/S/C – Kiesow, Bring (5,0)

The following Commissioner/Committee Reports were shared:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Meeting/Report</u>
Nybladh	Employee Benefit Committee
Bring	Living at Home Network, Area Transportation Partnership, Transportation Advisory Committee, Minnesota Rural Counties
Kiesow	Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board (NCLUCB), Inter Agency Meeting with Agassiz Officials, DNR and Watershed
Miller	Employee Benefit Committee, 2 Middle Snake Tamarac Watershed Meetings
Duckstad	Alluma, 2 Middle Snake Tamarac Watershed Meetings, State
Legislative State	Emergency Communications Board

The Board approved to send a letter from the County addressing language concerns with H.F. 2354 with Agricultural Drainage to appropriate State Legislators. **M/S/C – Miller, Nybladh (5,0)**

Maintenance Supervisor Rodger Haugtvedt provided a Maintenance Update for the Courthouse and County Park Updates and Future Planning.

Courthouse Update

1. Bathrooms in LEC Building are completed.
2. Sewer Pipe on west end of Courthouse was replaced.
3. Concerns on large crack in Northeast Corner were discussed.
4. Furnace for jail was replaced due to cracked heat exchanger.
5. Future use of lot across street to the Northwest was discussed. May put in fill and

seed to grass.

6. Parking lot will be recoated this spring.
7. New garage had dehumidifier installed and working well.
8. Fire alarm panel will begin soon.

County Park

1. New Dock ordered – using disaster monies.
2. New Polaris 570 Ranger is here, replacing damaged one.
3. Drain Tile may be utilized for water pooling from lot 47 to 49.
4. Trenching roots on bike path edges.
5. New Tornado Siren installed, will reach 2 miles.
6. STS is building 10 new picnic tables.
7. Excess Property – No bids were received on damages boats or floating dock – would like to scrap.
8. New Signage on lots are ordered.
9. Will be planting trees this spring.

Assessor Ryan Larson provided an Office Update and requested Vehicle Consideration.

1. 2023 Assessment is now completed. Equalization Meetings have been scheduled. Overall, values are higher.
 2. Education status on new Appraisers is going well and on track.
 3. The Board approved a pickup purchase from Dahlstrom Motor for \$42,900. **M/S/C**
- Duckstad, Nybladh (5,0)**

Assistant Highway Engineer Tyler Olson met with the Board.

1. The Equipment Rental Bid Resolution below was approved.
2. Electronic Bid Opening for the Great Eastern Project will be on 3/17/23 at 11 a.m.
3. A Box Culvert east of Warren and west of CR 36 on Township Road will be completed.
4. Grinding on some road dips is now taking place.
5. JD 19 - Discussion regarding gauging stations.
6. Options to fill Sprayer Position were discussed.
7. Gravel Road Shoulder Enhancements will occur this summer.

RESOLUTION 03-07-02

BE IT RESOLVED, that Marshall County does accept all bids for equipment rental as listed:

Anderson Excavating
Art Laudal & Son, Inc.
Beito Repair
Blawat Construction, Inc.
Blue Sky Blading
Conn Trucking, LLC
Danni Jarshaw
Demur Trucking, Inc.
Gowan Construction, Inc.
Higher Ground
Holthusen Construction Co.
TS Holte Construction
Holter Repair & Trucking
KB Enterprises, Inc.
Kraulik Excavating, Inc.
Lunke's, Inc.

Nelson Excavating, LLC
Olson Construction
Olson Construction TRF, Inc.
R.J. Zavoral & Sons, Inc.
Simmons Contracting, LLC
Thygeson Construction, Inc.
Triple D Construction & Leasing, Inc.
Weleski Excavating, LLC

M/S/C – Kiesow, Bring (5,0)

RESOLUTION 03-07-03

WHEREAS, The County of Marshall is writing in support of this important public safety initiative, HF1075/SF1576.

WHEREAS, Effective radios are the backbone of public safety in the State of Minnesota. Our first responders, firefighter, and law enforcement personnel depend upon the ARMER system to effectively perform their jobs. Radios save lives and serve every constituent of the State of Minnesota.

WHEREAS, Radios that serve the ARMER system are outdated in many jurisdictions. They are costly to maintain and replace. In local government units, where budgets are tight, it is very difficult to plan for the costly process of replacing this critical infrastructure. Local government units would urge the state to fund a grant program that allows for the critical upgrade of radios. We would also encourage sustainable funding to support ongoing replacement costs.

WHEREAS, The cost to replace the aging radios is a direct impact of our local taxpayers. ARMER radios are critical to deploying resources, protecting property and life, and protecting our workers. However, they often get overlooked for replacement because there is no existing funding source.

WHEREAS, In Marshall County, there are 220 radios on the statewide ARMER system, most of these radios are used by our small rural emergency departments. The emergency service departments who serve Marshall County rely on this interoperability. The radios allow for communication between all emergency service departments.

WHEREAS, Marshall County has aging radios on the ARMER system that are no longer supported, it is extremely difficult to find radio parts or used parts to fix or maintain the equipment. Our emergency responders rely on the ARMER radio system to provide the interoperability between the departments at the local, regional, State, and Federal levels. The replacement cost for the radios that are at the end of their life expectancy, range from \$2,500 to \$5,500 each, this expense does not include the radio programming or additional equipment, or supplies required to add the radio onto the Statewide radio system. The additional cost is approximately \$400 per radio.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Marshall County supports the HF1075/SF1576 and urges the importance of public safety initiative. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Kiesow (5,0)**

Auditor-Treasurer Peters provided the following for his report.

1. Annual Township and Association of Marshall Counties Meeting Information was shared.
2. Blighted Property Update
3. Tax Report
4. Financial Report
5. Appointment Discussion

6. DMV
7. ARP Reporting
8. AMC leadership Summit
9. 911 sign update
10. 5 year wage study
11. Opiod Settlement Information
12. Next Meeting Information
13. MACA Meeting Update
14. Jail Discussion/Planning
15. HR/Payroll Provider Review
16. Five Year Financial Report

Chairperson Duckstad adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON, MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST: _____
MARSHALL COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER