

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 3, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.
County Boardroom – Warren

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

GIS Administrator Liz Dustin met with the Board during open forum to inform them she will be moving forward to purchase a power bank for the Board room for \$1,999.00 as earlier requested by the Board..

The October 3, 2023 agenda was approved with additions. **M/S/C – Bring, Nybladh (5,0)**

The Board approved the September 19, 2023 County Board Meeting Minutes. **M/S/C – Bring, Nybladh (5,0)**

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.

RESOLUTION 10-03-01

Auditor Warrants

September 22, 2023	\$11,331.31
September 22, 2023	\$11,159.20

Commissioner Warrants	\$573,324.76
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M/S/C – Kiesow, Duckstad (5,0)

Court Administrator Pamala Shaw met with the Board to discuss old Courtroom needs. The jury box chairs are not safe for any possible jury trials and are in need of repair or replacement. Maintenance Engineer Rodger Haugtvedt was also present and suggested redoing the original seating to meet all safety concerns. They will look at options that address the concerns.

Public Health Director Fran Tougas provided a Bi-Monthly Public Health Update.

1. Infrastructure Project Update – funding is now available, working with other Counties on Environmental Health Intervention
2. Quin – working on better data collection
3. Foundational Public Health Services Framework
4. Healthy Families America (HFA) Accreditation
5. COVID 19 – numbers are going up across the State
6. Flu – providing flu shot clinics across the County
7. RSV – new passive immunization recommendations for newborns, pregnant mothers, and persons over 60
8. New State Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Funds

Maintenance Engineer Rodger Haugtvedt met with the Board regarding Courthouse Building needs and funding. Tuckpointing is needed. Historical Grants will be looked into for possible funding sources. Carpet and ceiling tile will be completed in the new courtroom area over the next year. The County Park water lines were blown out yesterday.

Highway Engineer Lon Aune and Maintenance Supervisor Mark Reieron provided the following report to the Board.

1. Highway Packer Discussion
2. They have received 3 applications for the open Assistant Engineer currently
3. The Board recessed the Regular Meeting and opened the Ditch Authority Meeting. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)** A cleaning request on County Ditch 45 in Section 24 of Donnelly Township was reviewed and approved. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Miller (5,0)** Mr. Aune informed the Board that he did receive a response from Congresswoman Fischbach’s office in relation to possible funding possibilities of a major project on CD 45. The Board closed the Ditch Authority Meeting and reconvened the Regular Meeting. **M/S/C – Miller, Bring (5,0)**

The following Commissioner/Committee Reports were shared:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Meeting/Report</u>
Bring	Area Transportation Partnership
Nybladh	Employee Benefit Committee
Duckstad	MST Watershed Meeting, Jail Planning Meeting, Alluma, Hazardous Mitigation Plan
Miller	Counties Providing Technology

The Board met with Employee Benefits Committee Members Katie Benson, Pam Hesse and Chris Kujava. The Board approved to increase the Family Insurance Contribution by \$30 per month and to add orthodontic coverage on the Dental Plans in 2024. **M/S/C – Nybladh, Bring (5,0)**

Environmental Services Administrator Josh Johnson met with the Board on possible uses for the new one-time 2023 Public Safety Aid. A committee will be formed on how to best utilize these funds. The 2022 EMPG Funding should be released soon. 911 sign and septic projects are moving forward nicely. The Hazard Mitigation Plan should be completed soon. Mr. Johnston received approval on the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 10-03-02

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota is in the process of changing the rules which regulate the operation of unlined construction and demolition (C&D) landfills. The proposed changes would lead to costly modifications to line, collect, and treat leachate, resulting in the closure of unlined landfills within the state; and

WHEREAS, Hubbard County, on behalf of the Counties of: Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Mahnommen, Marshall, Norman, Polk, Red Lake is applying for capital funding through the state legislature for the NW Minnesota 9-County Regional Hub & Spoke Project; and

WHEREAS, the 9 County region is proposing to create a regional hub and spoke system to primarily manage construction and demolition debris (C&D), as well as improvements to increase recycling, reuse, organics, and management of special wastes for long term solid waste management within the 9 County region; and

WHEREAS, this project will result in the creation of a new, one-of-a-kind regional collection, management, diversion and disposal system based on a 2023 MPCA funded Study on alternatives to unlined C&D landfills; and

WHEREAS, the Hub & Spoke system which will replace the unlined landfills, consists of 12 new or modified mixed use collection and processing facilities (Spokes), 2 new lined debris disposal facilities (Hubs), incorporation of artificial intelligence robotics into the regional recycling facility and upgrades to the regional organics composting facility to increase processing capacity needed for the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Marshall County supports Hubbard County in this effort to secure capital funding from the state on behalf of the 9 County region in order to implement a regional hub and spoke system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if state capital funding is allocated for the 9 County project, Marshall County pledges to implement its portion of the project and provide any required local matching funds. **M/S/C – Bring, Nybladh (5,0)**

Auditor/Treasurer Peters provided the following for his report.

1. 5 Year Financial and Ditch Reports through September will be out this week.
2. The Board set Commissioners 2024 Salaries at \$27,000. **M/S/C – Kiesow, Miller (5,0)**
3. Property Cleanup/Forfeited Tax/Mobile Home Delinquent Tax Report
4. Actual Expenditures versus Budget Report for 75% of Year was shared
5. AMC Fall District 3 Meeting Information – October 19 at Middle River
6. Open Enrollment will be held the week of October 16-20
7. Jail Bond Update
8. LAHBNP Funding Thank you notes were shared
9. 2 Lost Warrant Resolutions received approval

RESOLUTION 10-03-03

BE IT RESOLVED, Marshall County officials are directed to cancel a lost warrant #319858 dated December 20th, 2022 issued to the Hwy 75 Repair, LLC, in the amount of \$120.95.

The Board also approved to waive the furnishing of a bond and authorizes said office to reissue a new warrant in the above amount using a new warrant number. **M/S/C – Bring, Kiesow (5,0)**

RESOLUTION 10-03-04

BE IT RESOLVED, Marshall County officials are directed to cancel a lost warrant #324203 dated July 7th, 2023 issued to the Hwy 75 Repair, LLC, in the amount of \$1,286.79.

The Board also approved to waive the furnishing of a bond and authorizes said office to reissue a new warrant in the above amount using a new warrant number. **M/S/C – Miller, Kiesow (5,0)**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m. by Chairperson Duckstad.

CHAIRPERSON,
MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST: _____
MARSHALL COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER