

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the Courthouse in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 2023. The following members were present: Tom Loveall, Bruce Anderson, Bill Groskreutz, John Roper, and Greg Young Commissioners. Deputy Tom Elmer, Acting Clerk to the Board Sarah Van Moer, and members of the public K. Mertens, and M. Steele also attended. Participating virtually were Faribault County employees T. Hanevik, B. Hov, A. Thompson, G. Paschke, A. Huber, M. Sonnek, B. Rauenhorst, P. Krill, S. Robbins, L. Mehrhof, E. Beske, L. Adams, S. Hauskins, and M. Daly.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Anderson.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the September 5, 2023 regular and drainage meetings, and September 12 special meeting.

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Loveall/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of September 19, 2023 with an addition.

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The calendar was updated.

No public comment was received.

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Committee reports were given. Loveall commented on the special meeting held on September 12. Roper reported on the AMC Fall Policy Conference, workforce, and MVAC. Groskreutz reported on the AMC Fall Policy Conference, and MVAC. Anderson reported on the AMC Fall Policy Conference.

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Kaley Hernandez with the Stronger Together Coalition gave a presentation on the plan to use the Opioid Settlement funds awarded to the county.

Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the proposal as presented to complete an assessment to guide decisions on how to best utilize the Opioid Settlement funds over the next 18 years, and to transfer \$9,050.00 of the existing Opioid Settlement funds to Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties to fund the assessment process.

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Central Services Director Pam Krill met regarding office business.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Eric Olson as a full-time deputy in the sheriff's office.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Chelsea Hall as a part-time dispatch/jailer.

Roper/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Kevin White as a part-time dispatch/jailer.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Amy Sathoff as auditor/treasurer with a start date of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

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Jessi Sturtz and Julie McMackins of Abdo Solutions met regarding the 2024 proposed budget.

Young/Roper motion carried to approve Resolution 23-CB-77 approving the preliminary 2024 budget and levy. Commissioner Loveall voted no, Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Young, and Anderson voted yes.

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** the Faribault County Board of Commissioner has considered the financial needs of Faribault County,

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,** that the budget of Faribault County for 2024 will be set at \$44,570,223 in revenues and \$44,448,366 in expenditures.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of said budget be kept on file in the Office of the County Auditor/Treasurer for public inspection.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the levy of Faribault County for 2024 will be set at \$17,202,771 before state aid reductions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the levy after reduction of program aid of \$905,324 be appropriated to the proper funds as follows:

General Fund (including Library)	\$11,310,406
Public Works Fund	1,150,380
Humans Services Fund	2,746,137
Courthouse Bonds 2020	258,289
Courthouse Bonds 2018	115,316
Jail Bonds	716,919
 Total Net Levy	 \$16,297,447

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of said levy will be on file with the County Auditor/Treasurer of Faribault County.

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Loveall/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the Drainage Project Manager position to transition to part-time.

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Discussion was held regarding windbreak requirements for hog sites.

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Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the gambling permit for Minn-Iowa Golf Club to conduct a raffle on November 18, 2023.

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the request of Brady Hanevik to resign as the Crew Lead Worker and return to his previous position as Maintenance Worker II; and approving the Public Works Director to post the vacant Crew Lead Worker position internally.

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Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to accept the resignation of Pam Krill as Central Services Director effective September 21, 2023.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the training requests from G. Paschke to attend the Fall Mn Assoc of Assessing Officers Annual Conference in Gull Lake, and E. Bonin to attend a Mn Fraud Investigator Assoc Fall Training in St. Paul.

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A budget work session was set for Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 2:00pm in the boardroom.

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Roper/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to pay the following bills:

Auditor warrants for August 1 to August 31, 2023 totaling \$1,908,732.13 as follows:

Auditor Warrant Approval List for August 1 to August 31, 2023		
DATE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
8/3/2023 Total	499,624.44	Auditor warrants
8/10/2023 Total	291,108.25	Auditor warrants
8/17/2023 Total	146,731.58	Auditor warrants
8/24/2023 Total	965,270.57	Auditor warrants
8/31/2023 Total	5,997.29	Auditor warrants
Grand Total	1,908,732.13	Total Auditor warrants

ACH-EFT warrants for August 1 to August 31, 2023 totaling \$5,393,007.32 as follows:

ACH/EFT Approval List for August 1 to August 31, 2023		
DATE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
8/1/2023 Total	676,633.55	Commissioners Warrants
8/3/2023 Total	140,024.45	Auditor Warrants
8/10/2023 Total	92,144.55	Auditor Warrants
8/15/2023 Total	4,477,139.61	Commissioners Warrants
8/24/2023 Total	2,109.75	Auditor Warrants
8/31/2023 Total	4,955.41	Auditor Warrants
Grand Total	5,393,007.32	Total ACH/EFT Warrants

Audit list and auxiliary totaling \$ 260,671.85 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 101,002.13
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	94,427.76
DITCH FUND	21,871.39
ISTS LOAN FUND	4,062.14
SETTLEMENT AGENCY FUND	34,250.08
SETTLEMENT AGENCY FUND - REC	5,035.00
NON-REV/DISB A	25.35
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Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to adjourn.  
The meeting was adjourned for September 2023.

Bruce Anderson, Chair

Sarah Van Moer, Acting Clerk to the Board