

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
JANUARY 16, 2024

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 January 16, 2024. The following members were present: Tom Loveall, Bruce Anderson, Bill Groskreutz, John Roper, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Coordinator Brian Hov, Deputy Tom Elmer, Acting Clerk to the Board Sarah Van Moer, and members of the public C. Hunt and M. Steele also attended. Participating virtually were Faribault County employees E. Beske, A. Wachlin, C. Davis, T. Hanevik, M. Lore, L. Frommie, E. Skaden, S. Hauskins, M. Sonnek, S. Asmus, and J. Schmidtke.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Groskreutz.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the January 2, 2024 regular and drainage meetings.

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Anderson/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda of January 16, 2024.

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The calendar was updated.

No public comment was received.

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Committee reports were given. Loveall reported on Region Nine. Young reported on planning & zoning. Roper reported on the drug court steering committee. Anderson reported on MRCL, planning and zoning, soil and water, and Prairieland. Groskreutz reported on health and human services, transit, and state health advisory committee.

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County Veterans Service Officer Jenna Schmidtke met regarding office business.

Loveall/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 24-CB-03 to approve donations made to the Faribault County Veterans Service Office in 2023. Commissioners Loveall, Anderson, Roper, Young, and Groskreutz voted yes.

**RESOLUTION**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners accept donations made to the Veterans Services office in the year 2023, from Elks Clubs, Blue Earth County, American legion Post #89, Bevcomm, American Legion Auxiliary #569, DAV Chapter #32, First Presbyterian Church, American Legion Riders, Private Donors as listed below:

Date:	Donations Name:	Amount:	Account number
1/10/2023	Elks Club	500	Gift cards
1/27/2023	American Legion Charity Fund	2,000	01-121-5755
4/17/2023	American Legion Auxiliary Unit 569	10	01-121-5755
6/26/2023	DAV	350	01-121-6338
9/27/2023	DAV	400	01-121-6338
11/1/2023	First Presbyterian Church	10x25	Gift cards
10/31/2023	American Legion Riders	10x25	Gift cards
11/30/2023	Anonymous Donor	218	01-121-5755
11/30/2023	Peter Hartig	150	Gift card
12/4/2023	Gene and Patricia Schimek	500	01-121-5755
12/6/2023	American Legion Riders	550	Gift Card
12/18/2023	Crossroads Churh	200	Gift card
12/21/2023	American Legion Charity Fund	2,000	01-121-5755
12/21/2023	Bevcomm	330.57	01-121-5755

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SWCD Water Planner Nate Carr met regarding the Le Sueur River One Watershed One Plan Policy Committee.

Loveall/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve the Le Sueur River Watershed Collaboration Fiscal Agent Sub-agreement.

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County department heads Sara Hauskins, Amy Sathoff, Brady Rauenhorst, and Sherry Asmus met regarding property splits.

Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously directing the Planning Commission board to amend the Faribault County Subdivision ordinance to require county review of a deed or other instrument conveying a parcel for transfer or division for conformity with the county's land use regulations before the county auditor transfers or divides the land or its net tax capacity in the official records.

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Brady Rauenhorst met regarding assessor's office business.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Steve Robbins effective January 17th, 2024, as a part time contractor for the assessor's office 28-30 hours per week at a rate of \$23.72 per hour with a contract length of six months, and with the option to evaluate the position after that time.

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Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve a cell phone stipend in the amount of \$50 per month for Amy Wachlin.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve an SSTS grant in the amount of \$3,000 and loan in the amount of \$15,701.86 to Randy Lewis for parcel #15.002.0501 in Prescott Township.

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Anderson/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the training requests from T. Hanevik to attend the 5th District Jail Administrators Conference in Alexandria; B. Schaper to attend an online Pavement Rehabilitation class, Grading and Base Inspector Recertification, and Bituminous Plant Inspector Recertification class; S. Hauskins and L. Adams to attend the Mn Assoc of County Feedlot Officers Annual Conference in Prior Lake; and L. Frommie to attend the HSEM Governor's Conference in Brooklyn Center.

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Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve the training request from J. Schmidtke to attend the NACVSO Annual Conference in Denver, CO.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to pay the following bills:

Auditor warrants for December 1 to December 31, 2023 totaling \$577,782.95 as follows:

**Auditor Warrant Approval List for December 1st-31st, 2023**

WARRANT DATE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
12/01/23 Total	1,076.00	Auditor Warrants
12/07/23 Total	65,011.24	Auditor Warrants
12/14/23 Total	350,554.28	Auditor Warrants
12/21/23 Total	114,201.59	Auditor Warrants
12/28/23 Total	167,277.12	Auditor Warrants
12/07/23 Total	(120,241.98)	VOID Warrant Number 254651
12/14/23 Total	(95.30)	VOID Warrant Number 254855
Grand Total	577,782.95	

ACH-EFT warrants for December 1 to December 31, 2023 totaling \$774,969.46 as follows:

ACH/EFT approval list for december 1st - 31st 2023		
WARRANT DATE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
12/07/23 Total	432,476.64	Auditor Warrants
12/14/23 Total	135,288.48	Auditor Warrants
12/19/23 Total	143,922.10	Auditor Warrants
12/21/23 Total	40,617.27	Auditor Warrants
12/28/23 Total	22,664.97	Auditor Warrants
Grand Total	774,969.46	

Audit list and auxiliary totaling \$776,773.60 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 501,831.23
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	243,674.32
DEBT SERVICE FUND	500.00
DITCH FUND	28,083.20
ADVANCE TAX & OTHER	1,363.93
NON-REV/DISB A	1,320.92
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	\$ 776,773.60

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Loveall/Anderson motion carried unanimously to appoint Merissa Lore as an alternate for Commissioner Loveall for the AMC Environment Policy Committee at the 2024 AMC Legislative Conference.

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The meeting was adjourned for January 2024.

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Bill Groskreutz, Chair

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Sarah Van Moer, Acting Clerk to the Board