

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 16, 2021

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to the recess of March 2, 2021 in regular session via teleconference in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on March 16, 2021. The following members were present: Bruce Anderson, Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Darren Esser, Central Services Director Lexi Scholten and Kevin Mertens were also present. Also participating in the call were Faribault County employees: County Attorney Kathryn Karjala, D. Anderson, K. Anderson, Blair, Daly, and Lore; members of public: Milton Steele.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Roper.
The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Anderson/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the March 2, 2021 regular and drainage authority meetings.

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Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of March 16, 2021.

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The calendar was updated.

No member of the public appeared during public comment.

Committee reports were given. All reported about annual township meetings, Young reported on Blue Earth City Council, and Loveall reported on One Watershed One Plan.

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Public hearing on Capital Improvement Bond was held. No one appeared for public comment.

Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 21-CB-29 approving 5-year capital improvement bonding project as presented. Commissioners Anderson, Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE 5-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF
GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN BONDS

WHEREAS, Faribault County (the “County”) has published notice of its intent to hold a hearing on the adoption of its Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for the Years 2021-2025 (the “Plan”)

and the issuance of capital improvement plan bonds under Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 (the “Bonds”), at least fourteen (14) but not more than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date hereof, pursuant to and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 (the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) held a public hearing on the date hereof on (i) adoption of the Plan and (ii) the issuance of the Bonds for the purpose of financing the construction of various capital improvements, as described in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the CIP has been developed in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and (i) covers the five-year period beginning with the date of its adoption; and (ii) sets forth the estimated schedule, timing, and details of specific capital improvements by year, together with the estimated cost, the need for the improvement, and sources of revenues to pay for the improvement; and

WHEREAS, in preparing the Plan, the Board has considered for each project and for the overall Plan:

- (1) the condition of the County’s existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair or replacement;
- (2) the likely demand for the improvement;
- (3) the estimated cost of the improvement;
- (4) the available public resources;
- (5) the level of overlapping debt in the County;
- (6) the relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
- (7) operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
- (8) alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other counties or local government units.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

SECTION 1. Capital Improvement Plan. The Board hereby adopts the Plan.

SECTION 2. The Bonds; Purpose. It is hereby determined to be in the best interests of the County to issue its General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2021A (the “Bonds”), in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, contingent upon the satisfaction of the conditions described in the Act and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance the construction of projects described in the Plan.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

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Central Services Director Lexi Scholten met regarding office business.

Groskreutz/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Benjamin Bromeland as Public Works Shop Mechanic.

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Public Works Director Mark Daly met regarding office business. Discussion was held regarding replacing concrete panels along CSAH 32 in the City of Wells.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried to approve that Faribault County cover 1/3 of the total cost of \$1,500.00 to correct pavement around a structure owned by Huntley Sewer District on County Road 1. Loveall voted no.

Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to accept the sole bid for SP 022-598-010 for 2021 bridges of \$2,005,520.98 from ICON Constructors contingent on Office of Civil Rights certification.

Groskreutz/Anderson motion carried unanimously to accept low bid for CP 21-600-10 for 2021 striping of \$88,225 from Traffic Marking Services. Other bids received were from AAA Striping for \$89,000.00 and from Sir Lines-A-Lot for \$90,950.00.

Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to accept low bid for SAP 022-599-121 replacing Bridge L9793 for \$324,365 from Midwest Contracting. One other bid was received from Landwehr Construction for \$344,505.00.

Loveall/Anderson motion carried unanimously to accept low bid for CP 21-600-01 for 2021 seal coat oil of \$317,800 from Flint Hills Resources. One other bid was received from H G Meigs for \$332,416.00.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to accept low bid for CP 21-600-20 for 2021 crack sealing of \$29,896.23 from Fahrner Asphalt. Other bids received were from Lot Pros for \$37,183.00, MP Asphalt for \$42,285.00, Northwest Asphalt for \$56,212.00, ASTECH for \$62,016.50, and Allied Blacktop for \$81,812.90.

Daly briefly reviewed 2020 annual Faribault County Public Works report.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to recess to Drainage Authority at 9:48 am.

Drainage Manager Merissa Lore met regarding drainage business.

Anderson/Loveall motion carried unanimously to set the 2021 crop damage rates at \$710/acre for corn and \$515 for soybeans.

JCD202FM board members: Young, Roper, and Loveall were present.

Loveall/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve order to set the JCD202FM repair hearing for 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at the Holiday Inn in Fairmont.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve maintenance ads in the Faribault County Register, South Central News, local shoppers, and mailings to affected property owners.

Groskreutz/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve transferring 2008 Dodge Ram 1500 from Drainage department to the Planning and Zoning department with Planning and Zoning taking care of current maintenance needs.

No public comment was given for drainage.

Anderson/Loveall motion carried unanimously to adjourn drainage at 11:03 am.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to appoint Chris Ziegler of Winnebago to a 5-year term on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) ending December 31, 2025.

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Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously to approve 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant of \$19,016.00 for the term January 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 21-CB-30 for the repurchase of tax forfeited property Parcel No. 31.200.5640 in the City of Winnebago. Commissioners Anderson, Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Parcel No. 31.200.5640 was forfeited to the State of Minnesota in favor of the Taxing Districts and

WHEREAS, the prior owner, Lori Ann Schenk has applied to repurchase the parcel pursuant to Minn. Stat. 282.241 to 282.324, and

WHEREAS, the Faribault County Board of Commissioners has considered the application to repurchase the parcel and finds that it would be a hardship for the owner to lose said parcel and that the repurchase would be in the public's best interest,

BE IT RESOLVED that Lori Ann Schenk, the former owner of Parcel No.31.200.5640 described as: Lot Twelve (12) Block Forty-three (43), Original Plat to the City of Winnebago, County of Faribault, Minnesota be allowed to repurchase said parcel with the payment in full of the reinstated taxes, assessments, fees, and costs as follows:

Taxes	\$ 1,224.01
Special assessments	831.99
Penalty & interest	1,065.17
Fees	120.00
2017 payment	(177.03)
Forfeiture fee	120.00
County service fee	100.00
Deed tax	10.11
State deed fee	25.00
County recording fee	<u>46.00</u>

Total - Parcel No.31.200.5640 **\$ 3,365.25**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the repurchase price has been paid in full on March 10, 2021.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 21-CB-31 to sell Parcels No. 31.200.6980 and 31.200.3060 to the City of Winnebago to correct blight. Commissioners Anderson, Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Parcel No. 31.200.6980 and 31.200.3060 forfeited to the State of Minnesota in favor of the Taxing Districts on November 9, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Faribault County Board of Commissioners has hereby classified the parcels as non-conservation property, and

WHEREAS, said parcels have structures that are in a blighted condition and said blight has caused the value of the parcel to be reduced, and

WHEREAS, the Faribault County Board of Commissioners has set the market value of said parcels at \$100.00 each, and

WHEREAS, the City of Winnebago has applied to the Faribault County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Minnesota Statute 282.01, Subd. 1a, par. (d) to purchase the parcels for the reduced value of \$1.00 each and has documented that the city plans to correct blighted conditions on the property,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners hereby grants the request of the City of Winnebago to purchase Parcel No. 31.200.6980 and 31.200.3060 for \$1.00 each plus any associated fees involved in the transaction.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve request from B. Gehrking to attend a 5-day Law Enforcement K-9 seminar in Independence IA.

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve requests from M. Murphy, J. Casias, T. Bonin, and M. Sonnek to participate in a 1-day online Corrections Training for Jail Staff.

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Young/Anderson motion carried unanimously to open east Courthouse entrance no later than April 6, 2021 with the understanding the entrance will be temporarily closed if a snow event then happens after the entrance is officially opened.

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

Auditor warrants for February 1 to February 28, 2021 totaling \$ 1,802,502.50 as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
02/04/2021	569,389.08	Auditor warrants
02/11/2021	158,242.82	Auditor warrants
02/18/2021	189,752.39	Auditor warrants
02/25/2021	885,118.21	Auditor warrants

ACH-EFT warrants for February 1 to February 28, 2021 totaling \$ 1,429,568.06 as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
02/02/2021	565,276.59	Commissioner warrants
02/04/2021	31,435.87	Auditor warrants
02/11/2021	25,159.22	Auditor warrants
02/16/2021	291,194.82	Commissioner warrants
02/18/2021	106,791.69	Auditor warrants
02/25/2021	409,709.87	Auditor warrants

Audit list and auxiliary totaling \$ 305,774.41 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 93,553.58
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	179,711.13
DEBT SERVICE FUND	500.00
FORFEITED TAX SALE FUND	230.00
TAX AND PENALTIES (ODD)	166.00
NON REVENUE/DISB A	4,462.85
DITCH FUND	<u>27,150.85</u>
	\$ 305,774.41

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The meeting was adjourned for February 2021.

John Roper, Chair

Lexi Scholten, Clerk to the Board