

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met in regular session via teleconference in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on September 1, 2020. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. Commissioner Tom Loveall was absent. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Darren Esser, County Attorney Kathryn Karjala, Central Services Director Lexi Scholten, and Acting Clerk to the Board Clara Vereide were also present. Also participating in the call were Faribault County employees: D. Anderson, J. Blair, C. Lewis, M. Lore, L. Rebuffoni; members of public: D. Koziolk, Milt Steele and Kevin Mertens.

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

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Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the August 18, 2020 regular meeting.

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of September 1, 2020.

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The calendar was updated. No member of the public appeared during public comment.

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Committee reports were presented Groskreutz reported on HRA and Warmka reported on GBERBA.

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County Auditor Darren Esser met regarding Huntley Sewer District bonds.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to waive the reading of the resolution.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-CB-59 authorizing issuance, awarding sale, prescribing the form and details, and providing for the payment of \$339,000 Taxable General Obligation Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A to First Bank of Blue Earth. One other bid was received from Bremer Bank. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing issuance, awarding sale, prescribing the form and details, and providing for the payment of \$339,000 Taxable General Obligation Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners (the “Board of Commissioners”) of Faribault County, Minnesota (the “County”), as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION AND SALE

- 1.01. Authority; Authorization. The Board of Commissioners hereby determines it is in the best interest of the County to authorize the issuance and sale of \$339,000 Taxable General Obligation Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A (the “Bonds”), pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 444.075 and Chapter 475 for the purpose of refunding the outstanding maturities (the “Refunded Bonds”) of the County’s Taxable General Obligation Revenue Bonds, Series 2009A (the “Series 2009A Bonds”) issued to the United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”), upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

The Refunded Bonds were originally issued to pay the cost of acquiring, enlarging, improving or extending the County’s municipal wastewater system (the “System”).

- 1.02. Sale. The Bonds are being sold pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 2, paragraph (9), without meeting the requirements for public sale under Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 1. Pursuant to the Request for Bids prepared on behalf of the County by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, as independent municipal advisors in connection with the sale of the Bonds, sealed proposals for the purchase of the Bonds were received at or before the time specified for receipt of proposals.

The proposals have been opened, publicly read and considered and the purchase price, interest rates, and net interest cost under the terms of each proposal have been determined. The most favorable proposal received is ascertained to be that of First Bank Blue Earth, in Blue Earth, Minnesota (the “Purchaser”) at a price of \$339,000.00. Such proposal is hereby accepted, and the sale of the Bonds is hereby awarded to Purchaser, and the Chair and County Auditor are hereby authorized to execute a contract for the sale of the Bonds with the Purchaser.

- 1.03. Issuance of Bonds. All acts, conditions and things which are required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota to be done, to exist, to happen and to be performed precedent to and in the valid issuance of the Bonds having been done, now existing, having happened and having been performed, it is now necessary for the Board of Commissioners to establish the form and terms of the Bonds, to provide security therefor and to issue the Bonds forthwith.

SECTION 2. BOND TERMS; REGISTRATION; EXECUTION AND DELIVERY

- 2.01. Maturities; Interest Rates; Denominations and Payment. The Bonds shall be originally dated as of September 8, 2020, shall be of single maturities, shall mature on January 1 in the years and amounts stated below, and shall bear interest from the date of original issue until paid or duly called for redemption at the annual rates set forth opposite such years and amounts, as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2049	\$339,000	2.990%

The Bonds shall be issuable only in fully registered form. The interest thereon and, upon surrender of each Bond, the principal amount thereof shall be payable by check or draft

issued by the Registrar described herein.

- 2.02. Dates and Interest Payment Dates. Upon initial delivery of the Bonds pursuant to Section 2.05, and upon any subsequent transfer or exchange pursuant to Section 2.06, the date of authentication shall be noted on each Bond so delivered, exchanged or transferred. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable on each January 1, commencing January 1, 2021, to the owners of record thereof as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the immediately preceding month, whether or not such day is a business day. Interest shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months.
- 2.03. Redemption. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption and prepayment at the option of the County, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity dates as the County may select and by lot as selected by the Registrar, on January 1, 2029, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The County Auditor shall cause notice of the call for redemption thereof to be published if and as required by law, and at least thirty and not more than sixty days prior to the designated redemption date, shall cause notice of the call for redemption to be mailed, by first class mail, to the registered holders of any Bonds to be redeemed at their addresses as they appear on the register described in Section 2.06 hereof, provided that notice shall be given to any securities depository in accordance with its operational arrangements. No defect in or failure to give such mailed notice of redemption shall affect the validity of proceedings for the redemption of any Bond not affected by such defect or failure. Official notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds or portions of Bonds so to be redeemed shall, on the redemption date, become due and payable at the redemption price therein specified and from and after such date (unless the County shall default in the payment of the redemption price) such Bonds or portions of Bonds shall cease to bear interest. Upon partial redemption of any Bond, a new Bond or Bonds will be delivered to the owner without charge, representing the remaining principal amount outstanding. The Registrar shall enter in the bond register the amount and date of each prepayment.

Bonds maturing on January 1, 2049 (the "Term Bond") shall be subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity pursuant to the sinking fund requirements of this Section 2.03 at a redemption price equal to the stated principal amount thereof plus interest accrued thereon to the redemption date, without premium. The Registrar shall select for redemption, by lot or other manner deemed fair, on January 1 in each of the following years the following stated principal amounts of such Bonds:

<u>Term Bond Maturing in 2049</u>					
Sinking Fund Payment Date	Aggregate Principal <u>Amount</u>	Sinking Fund Payment Date	Aggregate Principal <u>Amount</u>	Sinking Fund Payment Date	Aggregate Principal <u>Amount</u>
2021	\$16,000	2031	\$10,000	2041	\$13,000
2022	8,000	2032	10,000	2042	14,000
2023	8,000	2033	10,000	2043	14,000
2024	8,000	2034	11,000	2044	14,000
2025	9,000	2035	11,000	2045	14,000
2026	9,000	2036	12,000	2046	15,000

2027	9,000	2037	12,000	2047	16,000
2028	9,000	2038	12,000	2048	16,000
2029	9,000	2039	12,000	2049*	16,000
2030	9,000	2040	13,000		

**Final Maturity*

Notice of redemption shall be given as provided in the preceding paragraph.

- 2.04. Appointment of Initial Registrar. The County hereby appoints the County Auditor as the initial bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent (the “Registrar”). The County agrees to pay the reasonable and customary charges of the Registrar for the services performed. The County reserves the right to remove the Registrar upon not less than thirty days’ notice and upon the appointment of and acceptance by a successor Registrar, in which event the predecessor Registrar shall deliver all cash and Bonds in its possession to the successor Registrar and shall deliver the bond register to the successor Registrar.
- 2.05. Execution, Authentication and Delivery. The Bonds shall be prepared under the direction of the County Auditor and shall be executed on behalf of the County by the signatures of the Chair and the County Auditor, provided that the signatures may be printed, engraved or lithographed facsimiles of the originals. In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature shall appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of any Bond, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery. Notwithstanding such execution, no Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to any security or benefit under this Resolution unless and until a certificate of authentication on the Bond has been duly executed by the manual signature of an authorized representative of the Registrar. Certificates of authentication on different Bonds need not be signed by the same representative. The executed certificate of authentication on each Bond shall be conclusive evidence that it has been authenticated and delivered under this Resolution. When the Bonds have been prepared, executed and authenticated, the County Auditor shall deliver them to the Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price in accordance with the contract of sale heretofore executed, and the Purchaser shall not be obligated to see to the application of the purchase price.
- 2.06. Registration. The effect of registration and the rights and duties of the County and the Registrar with respect thereto shall be as follows:
- (a) *Register.* The Registrar shall keep at its principal office a bond register in which the Registrar shall provide for the registration of ownership of Bonds and the registration of transfers and exchanges of Bonds entitled to be registered, transferred or exchanged.
 - (b) *Transfer of Bonds.* Upon surrender for transfer of any Bond duly endorsed by the registered owner thereof or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer, in form satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner thereof or by an attorney duly authorized by the registered owner in writing, the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Bonds of a like aggregate principal amount and maturity, as requested by the transferor. The Registrar may, however, close the books for registration of any transfer after the fifteenth day of the month preceding each interest payment date and

until such interest payment date.

- (c) *Exchange of Bonds.* Whenever any Bonds are surrendered by the registered owner for exchange the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver one or more new Bonds of a like aggregate principal amount and maturity, as requested by the registered owner or the owner's attorney in writing.
- (d) *Cancellation.* All Bonds surrendered upon for payment, transfer or exchange shall be promptly canceled by the Registrar and thereafter disposed of as directed by the County.
- (e) *Improper or Unauthorized Transfer.* When any Bond is presented to the Registrar for transfer, the Registrar may refuse to transfer the same until it is satisfied that the endorsement on such Bond or separate instrument of transfer is valid and genuine and that the requested transfer is legally authorized. The Registrar shall incur no liability for the refusal, in good faith, to make transfers which it, in its judgment, deems improper or unauthorized.
- (f) *Persons Deemed Owners.* The County and the Registrar may treat the person in whose name any Bond is at any time registered in the bond register as the absolute owner of the Bond, whether the Bond shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of, the principal of and interest on the Bond and for all other purposes, and all payments made to any registered owner or upon the owner's order shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.
- (g) *Taxes, Fees and Charges.* For every transfer or exchange of Bonds (except for an exchange upon a partial redemption of a Bond), the Registrar may impose a charge upon the owner thereof sufficient to reimburse the Registrar for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer or exchange.
- (h) *Mutilated, Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds.* In case any Bond shall become mutilated or be destroyed, stolen or lost, the Registrar shall deliver a new Bond of like amount, number, maturity date and tenor in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of any such mutilated Bond or in lieu of and in substitution for any Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon the payment of the reasonable expenses and charges of the Registrar in connection therewith, and, in the case of a Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon filing with the Registrar of evidence satisfactory to it that the Bond was destroyed, stolen or lost, and of the ownership thereof, and upon furnishing to the Registrar of an appropriate bond or indemnity in form, substance and amount satisfactory to it, in which both the County and the Registrar shall be named as obligees. All Bonds so surrendered to the Registrar shall be canceled by it and evidence of such cancellation shall be given to the County. If the mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost Bond has already matured or been called for redemption in accordance with its terms it shall not be necessary to issue a new Bond prior to payment.
- (i) *Authenticating Agent.* The Registrar is hereby designated authenticating agent for the Bonds, within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.55, Subdivision 1, as amended.

- (j) *Valid Obligations.* All Bonds issued upon any transfer or exchange of Bonds shall be the valid obligations of the County, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Resolution as the Bonds surrendered upon such transfer or exchange.

2.07. Form of Bonds. The Bonds shall be prepared in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. REFUNDING

3.01. Refunding. Proceeds of the Bonds in the amount of \$323,270.31 shall be deposited in the sinking fund established for the Series 2009A Bonds to be applied to the redemption of the Refunded Bonds on October 1, 2020, and proceeds of the Bonds in the amount of \$15,000.00 shall be used to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

3.02. Redemption of Refunded Bonds. The County Auditor is hereby directed, as paying agent for the Refunded Bonds, to call the Refunded Bonds for redemption and prepayment on the redemption date, and to give thirty days' mailed Notice of Redemption, substantially in the form below, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Refunded Bonds.

SECTION 4. BOND FUND

So long as any of the Bonds are outstanding and any principal of or interest thereon unpaid, the County Auditor shall maintain a separate debt service fund on the official books and records of the County to be known as the Taxable General Obligation Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A Bond Fund (the "Bond Fund"), and the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable from the Bond Fund.

Into the Bond Fund shall be paid (i) Proceeds of the Bonds in the amount of \$729.69, (ii) any amounts in excess of the amounts required to refund the Series 2009A Bonds; (iii) System revenues pledged pursuant to Section 5 hereof; (iv) any taxes collected pursuant to Section 6 hereof; and (v) any other funds appropriated by this Board for the payment of the Bonds.

There are hereby established two accounts in the Bond Fund, designated as the "Debt Service Account" and the "Surplus Account." All money appropriated or to be deposited in the Bond Fund shall be deposited as received into the Debt Service Account. On each January 1, the County Auditor shall determine the amount on hand in the Debt Service Account. If such amount is in excess of one-twelfth of the debt service payable from the Bond Fund in the immediately preceding 12 months, the County Auditor shall promptly transfer the amount in excess to the Surplus Account. The County appropriates to the Surplus Account any amounts to be transferred thereto from the Debt Service Account as herein provided and all income derived from the investment of amounts on hand in the Surplus Account. If at any time the amount on hand in the Debt Service Account is insufficient to meet the requirements of the Bond Fund, the County Auditor shall transfer to the Debt Service Account amounts on hand in the Surplus Account to the extent necessary to cure such deficiency.

If the balance in the Bond Fund is at any time insufficient to pay all interest and principal then due on all Bonds payable therefrom, the payment shall be made from any fund of the County

which is available for that purpose, subject to reimbursement from the Surplus Account when the balance therein is sufficient, and the County covenants and agrees that it will each year levy a sufficient amount of ad valorem taxes to take care of any accumulated or anticipated deficiency, which levy is not subject to any constitutional, statutory or charter limitation.

SECTION 5. PLEDGE OF NET REVENUES

It is hereby found, determined and declared that the County owns and operates the System as a revenue producing utility and convenience and that the net operating revenues of the System, after deducting from the gross receipts derived from charges for the service, use and availability of the System the normal, current and reasonable expenses of operation and maintenance thereof, will be sufficient, together with any other funds actually appropriated by the County, for the payment when due of the principal of and interest on the Bonds secured thereby, and on any other bonds to which such revenues are pledged.

SECTION 6. PLEDGE OF TAXING POWERS

For the prompt and full payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as such payments respectively become due, the full faith, credit and unlimited taxing powers of the County shall be and are hereby irrevocably pledged. In the event the net revenues of the System produce amounts less than 5% in excess of the amounts needed to meet when due the principal and interest payments on the Bonds, the County hereby agrees to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the County. The taxes shall be irrepealable as long as any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, provided that the County reserves the right and power to reduce the tax levies in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.61.

SECTION 7. DEFEASANCE

When all of the Bonds have been discharged as provided in this section, all pledges, covenants and other rights granted by this resolution to the registered owners of the Bonds shall cease. The County may discharge its obligations with respect to any Bonds which are due on any date by depositing with the Registrar on or before that date a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full; or, if any Bond should not be paid when due, it may nevertheless be discharged by depositing with the Registrar a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full with interest accrued from the due date to the date of such deposit. The County may also discharge its obligations with respect to any prepayable Bonds called for redemption on any date when they are prepayable according to their terms, by depositing with the Registrar on or before that date an amount equal to the principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, which are then due, provided that notice of such redemption has been duly given as provided herein. The County may also at any time discharge its obligations with respect to any Bonds, subject to the provisions of law now or hereafter authorizing and regulating such action, by depositing irrevocably in escrow, with a bank or trust company qualified by law as an escrow agent for this purpose, cash or securities which are authorized by law to be so deposited, bearing interest payable at such time and at such rates and maturing or callable at the holder's option on such dates as shall be required to pay all principal, interest and redemption premiums to become due thereon to maturity or earlier designated redemption date.

SECTION 8. RESERVED

SECTION 9. CERTIFICATION OF PROCEEDINGS

- 9.01. Registration. The County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the records of the County, together with such additional information as required, and to issue a certificate that the Bonds have been duly entered upon the County Auditor's bond register.
- 9.02. Certification of Records. The officers of the County are hereby authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Purchaser and to Dorsey & Whitney LLP, Bond Counsel, certified copies of all proceedings and records of the County relating to the Bonds and to the financial condition and affairs of the County, and such other affidavits, certificates and information as may be required to show the facts relating to the legality and marketability of the Bonds as they appear from the books and records under their custody and control or as otherwise known to them, and all such certified copies, certificates and affidavits, including any heretofore furnished, shall be deemed representations of the County to the facts recited herein.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve training requests from L. Scholten to attend an online Practical Leadership training and a 3-day virtual Negotiation Bootcamp.

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Derby Inn off-sale liquor license hearing at 9:30 a.m.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-CB-60 granting an off-sale liquor license to Steve Ricard of the Derby Inn in Jo Daviess Township for the period of September 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Minnesota Counties have the authority to issue liquor licenses to establishments located in organized townships and;

WHEREAS, Steve Ricard of the Derby Inn located in Jo Daviess Township has applied for an off-sale intoxicating liquor license and;

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2020 the Jo Daviess Town Board approved issuance of said license and;

WHEREAS, the Faribault County Board of Commissioners has held a public hearing and has considered testimony and exhibits presented by interested parties, the nature of the business to be conducted and its impact upon any municipality, the character and reputation of the applicant, and the propriety of the location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that an intoxicating off-sale liquor license be granted, pending commission approval, to Steve Ricard of the Derby Inn located in Jo Daviess Township for the period of September 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

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Menno Schukking, AICP, SRF Consulting Group met regarding an update on the planning process of the Regional Transportation Coordinating Council.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve a Resolution 20-CB-61 of support of Regional Transportation Coordinating Council. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Office of Transit and Active Transportation and the Minnesota Council On Access (MCOTA) seek to formalize and increase coordination between transportation providers that will result in better connections between providers, identification and elimination of transportation service gaps, identification and elimination of system redundancies, and development of a more efficient system of transportation, and easier customer access to providers that meet their travel needs; and

WHEREAS, MnDOT is providing the financial and technical support for the creation of a statewide network of Regional Transportation Coordination Councils (RTCCs) throughout Greater Minnesota to meet those goals; and

WHEREAS, the Mankato/North Mankato Area planning Organization (MAPO) administered an RTCC Phase 1 planning grant and led the coordination of transportation stakeholders in South-Central Minnesota to create an Operational Implementation Plan for the Southern Minnesota RTCC; and

WHEREAS, Faribault County is a transportation stakeholder in South-Central Minnesota that seeks to ensure an efficient and cost-effective transportation system that improves the mobility of “transportation-disadvantaged” individuals, such as older adults, individuals with disabilities, individuals with low incomes, and/or military veterans; and

WHEREAS, Faribault County understands that the RTCC Phase 2 implementation effort will include (but not necessarily be limited to):

- Organizing the RTCC membership, board, and staff to implement the RTCC Work Plan tasks.
- Implementing Work Plan tasks such as coordinating transportation services and resources; providing communication, training, and organizational support; and implementing mobility strategies.
- Working towards statewide coordination emphasis areas such as a Transportation Management Coordination Center (TMCC) and volunteer driver programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Faribault County supports the Southern Minnesota RTCC to apply for Phase 2 implementation funding from MnDOT; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that Faribault County commits to working in good faith with the Southern Minnesota RTCC and other regional transportation stakeholders through the RTCC Phase 2 implementation effort, which will include providing staff time to assist the RTCC board and staff with input and feedback at critical decision-making stages.

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Bruce Stensland met regarding re-purchase of tax forfeited property. Josh Stensland and Mary Kennedy spoke during public comment. County Auditor stated he had a cashier check from Stensland for the total amount of tax, penalty, and interest due on the property.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to table action on re-purchase of tax forfeited property to September 15, 2020.

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Public Works Director Mark Daly met regarding office business. Construction update was given.

Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-RB06-62 to finalize the 2019 overlay project. Commissioner Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, SAP 022-615-011 and SAP 022-663-002 2019 overlays project has in all things been completed; and

WHEREAS, the final contract amount is \$3,842,336.84 which is \$523,262.87 (34.4%) more than the original contract bid of \$2,859,727.29; and

WHEREAS, to date \$3,800,039.72 has been paid to the contractor leaving the balance of \$42,297.12; and

WHEREAS, the work has been performed satisfactorily and all necessary forms have been completed and received by the Highway Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Faribault, Minnesota, that we do hereby accept said completed project and authorize final payment to Ulland Brothers, Inc.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve ADA transition plan.

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No member of the public appeared for Drainage Authority public comment

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Randy Anderson of the Faribault County Historical Society met to discuss organization business.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously directing the Auditor/Treasurer to disperse the 2020 allocation of \$10,000 to the Faribault County Historical Society.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to close meeting at 11:25 for discussion of pending litigation with drainage attorney.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young; County Auditor Darren Esser, Central Services Director Lexi Scholten, County Attorney Kathryn Karjala, Drainage Manager Merissa Lore, Acting Clerk to the Board Clara Vereide, and Attorney Roger Justin.

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Roper/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to come out of close session at 11:48.

Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to proceed as recommended by attorney.

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Central Service Director Lexi Scholten met regarding office business.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to hire Deanne Walk as secretary in Recorder office.

Roper/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve mobile device stipend to Parks Manager Bryce Werner.

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Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-CB-63 allocating the remaining portion of the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

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WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020 and;

WHEREAS, the Federal CARES Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020, and was in part available to qualifying local, state, and federal agencies to cover expenses unaccounted for in the current budget incurred between March 1, 2020 and December 1, 2020, due to the public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and;

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz on June 26, 2020 formally allocated funding for counties, cities, and townships in the State of Minnesota, and that local governments have discretion regarding expenditures for economic support of businesses, governmental entities, and non-profit organizations and;

WHEREAS, Faribault County was awarded \$1,655,319 and formally accepted CARES Act funding on August 4, 2020 and;

WHEREAS, Faribault County allocated \$810,000 of said funds on August 18, 2020 and;

WHEREAS, Faribault County is developing a plan to utilize the CARES Act funding in accordance with Federal and State guidelines to address community needs resulting from the pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners approves the below allocation and distribution of CARES Act funds allocated to Faribault County according to the following breakdown for qualified uses per the U.S. Treasury and Minnesota Management and Budget:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
United South Central School	178,395.09
Blue Earth Area School	178,395.09

United Hospital District	113,974.63
Genesis Classical Academy	49,554.19
Saint Luke's Lutheran Care Center	30,699.48
Parker Oaks Senior Living	15,544.04
Parkview Care Center & Clark's Crossing	23,316.06
Sister Care	5,440.42
Faribault County	250,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any unused funds be returned to the Faribault County Auditor at 415 N Main St, PO Box 130, Blue Earth, MN 56013 on or before November 15, 2020

Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve including home based businesses in the business relief grant program funded by the Faribault County CARES Act Coronavirus relief funds.

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried to close the meeting for union negotiations. Present were Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young, County Auditor Darren Esser, County Attorney Kathryn Karjala, Central Services Director Lexi Scholten, and Acting Clerk to Board Clara Vereide.

Roper/Young motion carried to re-open the meeting.

County Auditor Darren Esser recapped the closed session, discussed possible union negotiations and 2021 budget.

Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to send a letter requesting re-negotiations with labor unions for 2021.

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Groskreutz/Young motion to recess to Drainage Authority meeting.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to pay the following bills:
Audit list and auxiliary totaling \$ 128,462.29 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 74,767.75
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	38,937.84
COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	676.95
DITCH FUND	<u>14,079.75</u>
	\$ 128,462.29

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The meeting was recessed to 9:00 a.m. September 15, 2020.

Tom Warmka, Chair

Clara Vereide, Acting Clerk to the Board