

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
NOVEMBER 3, 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 November 3, 2020. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. 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: K. Anderson, J. Blair, M. Lore; members of public: Steve Linde 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 October 20, 2020 regular and drainage authority meetings.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of November 3, 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 EDA and Young reported on Prairieland.

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Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-CB-73 granting the request of the City of Easton to purchase Parcel No. 24.200.1100 for \$1.00 plus any associated fees involved in the transaction. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Parcel No. 24.200.1100 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 parcel as non-conservation property, and

**WHEREAS,** said parcel has 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 parcel at \$100.00, and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Easton has applied to the Faribault County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Minnesota Statute 282.01, Subd. 1a, par. (d) to purchase the parcel for the reduced value of \$1.00 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 Easton to purchase Parcel No. 24.200.1100 for \$1.00 plus any associated fees involved in the transaction.

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Sheriff Mike Gormley met regarding sheriff business.

Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve entering into a mutual aid agreement between the Sheriff Departments of Freeborn, Faribault, Steele, and Mower counties for ten years.

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Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 20-CB-74 selling tax forfeited Parcels No. 25.032.0840, 25.032.0910, and 25.275.1610 to the City of Elmore at \$1 per parcel. Commissioner Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Parcel No. 25.032.0840, 25.032.0910, and 25.275.1610 forfeited to the State of Minnesota in favor of the Taxing Districts on October 8, 2019, October 8, 2019, and August 1, 2014, respectively, 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 Elmore 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 Elmore to purchase Parcel No. 25.032.0840, 25.032.0910, and 25.275.1610 for \$1.00 each plus any associated fees involved in the transaction.

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Groskreutz/Young to approve request from D. Killion to attend a Terminal Agency Coordinators online workshop.

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

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Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to set the City of Blue Earth APX Housing Project county tax abatement hearing for December 1, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in the board room of the Faribault County Courthouse.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to authorize the County Auditor to work with EDA Director Annie Lieble on purchasing AV equipment for the conference room at the Ag Center through CARES Act Funding.

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No member of the public appeared for Drainage Authority public comment

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to pay the audit list and auxiliary totaling \$393,188.30 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 74,928.00
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	30,414.47
HUMAN SERVICES FUND	238,806.67
DEBT SERVICE FUND	13,000.00
DITCH FUND	<u>36,039.16</u>
	\$ 393,188.30

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The meeting was recessed to 9:00 a.m. November 17, 2020.

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Tom Warmka, Chair

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Clara Vereide, Acting Clerk to the Board