

Board Minutes Monday March 12, 2018

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am March 12, 2018 with all members present.

Lee Bjerke, County Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Ashbacher to award the bids and enter into contract for the following projects: FM-CO96(146)-55-96, paving of North Winn Road, with Croell Inc for \$2,214,814.96; and BROS-CO96(142)-8J-96, Bridge 162, with Brennan Construction for \$354,136.50. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the option to include the drive into the Neste property as part of the County Road system. A motion was made but withdrawn. They will continue to discuss this project.

Corey Meyer, Roadside Vegetation Manager, met with the Board to give an update on the No Spray and Self Maintenance programs.

Samuel Franzen, NRCS, met with the Board to discuss possible water quality and retention projects in the Yellow River Headwaters. Projects could involve structure built into the roadway. Franzen will discuss this with Bjerke and bring back details to the Board.

Brian Huinker, Group Benefits Partners, met with the Board to review the FY19 health insurance rates. Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Thompson to set the rates as recommended with the same tier multipliers as FY18 and to sign the contract with Wellmark. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the last meeting, the claims filed with the Board, and the Class A 5-day Liquor License for Winneshiek County Pheasants Forever. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Beard to contribute up to \$50,000 from the General Fund in addition to any money contributed from the Conservation Capital Improvements Fund for improvements to the entry access to the Neste Property, contingent on grant awards for property improvements. Motion carried with Ashbacher, Beard, Thompson, and Kuhn voting aye; and Logsdon voting nay.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to open the public hearing on the FY19 County Budget. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. The Board presented a review of the budget including presentations by Dean Thompson, Lee Bjerke, Corey Meyer, John Beard, and Tony Phillips. No written

or verbal comments were received. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Beard to adopt resolution 18-43, accepting the recommendations of the Compensation Board for the salaries of the Elected Officials for FY19. Motion carried with Ashbacher, Beard, Logsdon, and Thompson voting aye; and Kuhn voting nay. Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Beard to adopt resolution 18-44, approving the County FY19 budget as published. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Kuhn to adjourn to 9:30am Monday, March 19, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

John Logsdon, Chairman
Board of Supervisors