

PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
JULY 7, 2015  
@ 9:00 A.M.

The regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Steve Flohrs.

Commissioners present were Steve Flohrs, Tom Mahoney, Elliot Belgard, and Dan Schmidtke. Commissioner District Three is vacant. Also present were Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, Terry Viesselman, Martin County Attorney, Rod Halvorsen, KSUM-KFMC Radio, Desiree Diaz, Sentinel Newspaper, Julie Walters, Administrative Assistant, and members of staff and public.

Chairman Flohrs introduced and welcomed Desiree Diaz, Sentinel Newspaper Reporter.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the agenda for the July 7, 2015, regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the minutes of the June 16, 2015, regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the minutes of the June 16, 2015, Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting with noted changes. Carried unanimously.

Terry Viesselman, Martin County Attorney, opened a brief discussion pertaining to setting a sale price and selling tax forfeited land via private sale in lieu of going through the regular tax sale process; including easement and eminent domain options.

Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, presented a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request from Jacob Korte, to operate Korte's Welding & Repair on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District. The Planning Commission approved the CUP request during their June 23, 2015, meeting and is recommending approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard,

R-#25/'15

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
JACOB J. AND JESSICA K. KORTE  
OPERATING A NON-AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS  
LOCATED IN AN "A" AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT  
WITHIN SECTION 30 OF RUTLAND TOWNSHIP

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard,

WHEREAS, a Conditional Use Permit was requested by Jacob J. Korte and Jessica K. Korte, husband and wife, applicants and owners of the property, located within Section 30 of Rutland Township in Martin County, Minnesota legally described in application as:

A tract of land in the Northwest corner of Government Lot Six (6), Section Thirty (30), Township One Hundred Three (103) North, Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section Thirty (30), Three Hundred Twenty-three (323) feet South of the Northwest corner thereof; thence running Easterly One Hundred Seven (107) feet; thence running Southerly Seventy-five and two tenths (75.2) feet; thence running Easterly Three Hundred Twenty-six (326) feet; thence running Northerly Four Hundred Five (405) feet to the North line of said Section Thirty (30); thence running Westerly Four Hundred Thirty-three (433) feet to the Northwest corner of said Section Thirty (30); thence running Southerly Three Hundred Twenty-three (323) feet, more or less to the point of beginning, containing 3.81 acres, more or less.

SAVE AND EXCEPT

The East Two (2) acres of a tract of Four (4) acres situated in the Northwest corner of United States Government Lot Six (6), Section Thirty (30), Township One Hundred Three (103) North of Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, as surveyed and marked in Survey No. 376, Book E, Page 164, Surveyor's Record, Martin County, Minnesota.

for the purpose of operating Korte's Welding & Repair business on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Planning and Zoning staff has completed a review of the application and made a report pertaining to the request, a copy of said report has been presented to the County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the County on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015, following proper notice, held a public hearing regarding the request and, following the hearing, adopted a recommendation that the request for a Conditional Use Permit be granted; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of Commissioners finds that Conditional Use Permit is to be issued for the following purpose:

Operate a welding and repair business on an existing site located in an "A" Agricultural District.

WHEREAS, the following conditions have been applied:

- Ω Any additional permits required by the State of Minnesota must be obtained by the applicant.
- Ω Building permit(s) must be obtained.
- Ω No parking on the road.
- Ω Failure to comply with conditions may result in revocation of the Conditional Use Permit.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, and upon the recommendation of the Martin County Planning Commission, hereby approves the Conditional Use Permit for the above described property and is hereby issued pursuant to MS 394.301 and Martin County Ordinance #1, Chapter 6.01 and that this permit shall remain in full force and effect provided in the conditions as described above are met and maintained by the applicant and his/or her successors in interest. This permit is binding upon the applicant, the record titleholder to the property, and his/her successors in interest. Notice is hereby given that this permit may be revoked if the conditions set forth above are not maintained as described above. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and without publication.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

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Steve Flohrs, Board Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Mahoney, Belgard, Schmidtke, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

Higgins presented a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request from Byron Steuer, to expand current hog operation on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District. The Planning Commission approved the CUP request during their June 23, 2015, meeting and is recommending approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney,

R-#26/'15

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
BYRON STEUER  
EXPANDING CURRENT HOG OPERATION  
LOCATED IN AN "A" AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT  
WITHIN SECTION 14 OF EAST CHAIN TOWNSHIP

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney,

WHEREAS, a Conditional Use Permit was requested by Byron Steuer, applicant and Kenneth W. Steuer and Loraine I. Steuer, husband and wife, owners of the property, located within Section 14 of East Chain Township in Martin County, Minnesota legally described in application as:

The Southwest quarter (SW1/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township One hundred one (101), North of Range Twenty-nine (29), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, containing 160 acres of land more or less.

for the purpose of expanding current hog operation over 1,000 animal units on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Planning and Zoning staff has completed a review of the application and made a report pertaining to the request, a copy of said report has been presented to the County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the County on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015, following proper notice, held a public hearing regarding the request and, following the hearing, adopted a recommendation that the request for a Conditional Use Permit be granted; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of Commissioners finds that Conditional Use Permit is to be issued for the following purpose:

Constructing and operating a feedlot site over 1,000 animal units, and

WHEREAS, the following conditions have been applied:

- Ω Any additional permits required by the State of Minnesota must be obtained by the applicant.
- Ω Building permit(s) must be obtained.
- Ω Failure to comply with conditions may result in revocation of the Conditional Use Permit.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, and upon the recommendation of the Martin County Planning Commission, hereby approves the Conditional Use Permit for the above described property and is hereby issued pursuant to MS 394.301 and Martin County Ordinance #1, Chapter 6.01 and that this permit shall remain in full force and effect provided in the conditions as described above are met and maintained by the applicant and his/or her successors in interest. This permit is binding upon the applicant, the record titleholder to the property, and his/her successors in interest. Notice is hereby given that this permit may be revoked if the conditions set forth above are not maintained as described above. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and without publication.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

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Steve Flohrs, Board Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Belgard, Mahoney, Schmidtke, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

Higgins presented a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request from Leroy Forsberg, to expand current cattle operation on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District. The Planning Commission approved the CUP request during their June 23, 2015, meeting and is recommending approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard,

R-#27/'15

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
LEROY FORSBERG  
EXPANDING CURRENT CATTLE OPERATION  
LOCATED IN AN "A" AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT  
WITHIN SECTION 35 OF LAKE FREMONT TOWNSHIP

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard,

WHEREAS, a Conditional Use Permit was requested by Leroy Forsberg and Nileta Forsberg, husband and wife as tenants in common, applicants and owners of the property, located within Section 35 of Lake Fremont Township in Martin County, Minnesota legally described in application as:

THE SOUTH HALF (S ½) OF SECTION THIRTY-FIVE (35), TOWNSHIP ONE HUNDRED ONE (101) NORTH, RANGE THIRTY-THREE (33), WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MARTIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA.

for the purpose of expanding current cattle operation over 1,000 animal units on an existing building site located in an "A" Agricultural District; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Planning and Zoning staff has completed a review of the application and made a report pertaining to the request, a copy of said report has been presented to the County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the County on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015, following proper notice, held a public hearing regarding the request and, following the hearing, adopted a recommendation that the request for a Conditional Use Permit be granted; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of Commissioners finds that Conditional Use Permit is to be issued for the following purpose:

Constructing and operating a feedlot site over 1,000 animal units, and

WHEREAS, the following conditions have been applied:

- Ω Any additional permits required by the State of Minnesota must be obtained by the applicant.
- Ω Building permit(s) must be obtained.
- Ω Failure to comply with conditions may result in revocation of the Conditional Use Permit.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, and upon the recommendation of the Martin County Planning Commission, hereby approves the Conditional Use Permit for the above described property and is hereby issued pursuant to MS 394.301 and Martin County Ordinance #1, Chapter 6.01 and that this permit shall remain in full force and effect provided in the conditions as described above are met and maintained by the applicant and his/or her successors in interest. This permit is binding upon the applicant, the record titleholder to the property, and his/her successors in interest. Notice is hereby given that this permit may be revoked if the conditions set forth above are not maintained as described above. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and without publication.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

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Steve Flohrs, Board Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Mahoney, Belgard, Schmidtke, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

Forshee presented and reviewed the application for renewal of Liquor, Wine, Club or 3.2% License for Skinny Minnow, Inc., d/b/a I-90 Expo Center. Forshee recommends approval contingent upon receiving required insurance certificate.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the renewal of Liquor, Wine, Club or 3.2% Intoxicating On-Sale Liquor License for Skinny Minnow Inc., d/b/a I-90 Expo Center, Sherburn, MN; and is contingent upon receiving all necessary documents and other paperwork required by the County and State of Minnesota. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mahoney noted he met with Margaret and Todd Gochanour about a week ago and looked at the parcel of land that the Gochanour's wish to purchase and deed back the western part of the parcel to the City of Fairmont for public to access the dock on Amber Lake without having to cross the Gochanour's private property. Mahoney went on to note if a sale price for the property is accepted by the Gochanour's, they have agreed to pay for closing costs for

deeding the western portion of the parcel to the City of Fairmont and costs for a new survey. Mahoney recommends setting a purchase price for Parcel No. 23.230.0240 at \$3,000.

After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby set the sale price for tax forfeited land, Parcel No. 23.230.0240 (334 Lake Aires Road), at \$3,000.00; and that the new owners will be responsible for any and all fees associated with the sale of the land parcel as required by law. Carried unanimously.

Kevin Peyman, County Engineer, presented and reviewed a resolution authorizing Martin County enter into a Detour Agreement – Contract No. 1000748 – with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, to provide payment by the State to Martin County for the use of Martin County Road No. 26, 39, and 53 as detour routes during the contract construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to Trunk Highway 90 under State Project No. 4680-124 (T.H. 90).

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke,

Martin County Highway Department  
Resolution No. 2 - 2015

**RESOLUTION FOR DETOUR AGREEMENT No. 1000748  
WITH THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTAION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Martin County enter into Mn/DOT Agreement No. 1000748 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide payment by the State to the County for the use of Martin County road No. 26, 39, and 53 as a detour route during the contract construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to Trunk Highway 90 under State Project No. 4680-124 (T.H. 90).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer and the County Auditor are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

Upon motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, and carried said resolution was duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARTIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of the Board  
Board of Commissioners

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Higgins  
County Coordinator

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution presented to and adopted by the County of Martin at a duly authorized meeting thereof held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

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Scott Higgins  
County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Mahoney, Schmidtke, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

Peyman presented and reviewed the Detour Agreement between the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and Martin County for Trunk Highway No. 90 Detour with locations as follows: T.H. 15 West Bound (WB) Exit Ramp; T.H. 15 WB Entrance Ramp; T.H. 15 East Bound (EB) Exit Ramp; and T.H. 15 EB Entrance Ramp. Martin County will be reimbursed approximately \$10,582.36 for use of the detour routes. Peyman recommended approval of the agreement.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize entering into an Agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation to provide for payment by the State to Martin County for the use of Martin County Road No. 26, 39, and 53 as detour routes during contract construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to Trunk Highway 90 under State Project No. 4680-124 (T.H. 90). Carried unanimously.

Peyman presented a Highway Department update including current overlay and sealcoating projects; and proposed shower/restroom facility at Cedar-Hanson Park near Trimont, MN. Peyman noted bids for the pre-cast modular structure will be accepted through July 30, 2015, with bids presented to the Board on August 4, 2015, for consideration and authorization to move forward or not. Peyman went on to note if this project moves forward payment for the structure will be expended from the County's General Fund and will be repaid over the next handful of years from the County's Park Fund. Peyman also noted the next Park Board meeting will be held on July 8, 2015, at Wolter Park (4:30 p.m.).

Erin Busta, Martin County Emergency Management Director, was present and noted approximately two weeks ago a big storm come through the Martin County resulting in a lot of straight line wind damage to the cities of Sherburn, Welcome, and Fairmont. In order to receive some potential disaster funding we declared Martin County a State of Emergency and drafted a resolution declaring a State of Emergency in order to start the process for possible disaster assistance. Busta went on to note the total amount of damage between the three cities is

approximately \$55,000 and is a large enough amount for us to meet the State's threshold of \$37,000 to seek assistance from the State. The State matches 75% and then the local share is 25%. Busta also noted the State's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division will be coming on Thursday, July 9, 2015, to meet with the three cities and go over their preliminary damage assessments to make sure that the funding they are looking for meets up and that they are able to qualify for the program. Busta recommends ratification of the resolution declaring the County's State of Emergency in order to keep the process moving.

Discussion ensued regarding damage to cities and townships other than Sherburn, Welcome, and Fairmont; and eligibility of Highway Department to submit billable hours for tree/debris cleanup.

Busta noted cities and townships were contacted through their respective city and town clerks which in turn let Busta know if they were interested in applying for aid or not. Busta went on to note cities and townships have until Thursday to change their mind.

Peyman noted the Highway Department spent approximately two days helping out the small cities and that much of this time was primarily spent in the City of Ceylon. Peyman went on to note that normally we don't bill the small cities for this type of clean-up; but, that they sure could.

Commissioners commended Peyman and the Highway Department for their help to the cities and townships with clean-up efforts.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, to ratify resolution declaring a State of Emergency in Martin County, Minnesota, for the severe thunderstorm and high wind event of June 22, 2015.

R-#30/'15

#### Resolution Declaring a State of Emergency

WHEREAS the severe thunderstorm and high winds event of June 22, 2015 impacted the population of Martin County and its cities; and

WHEREAS the severe thunderstorm and high winds event has caused significant amount of public property damage; and

WHEREAS the Martin County Emergency Management requests the Martin County Board of Commissioners to declare Martin County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the severe thunderstorm and high wind event of June 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners declares Martin County in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from the severe thunderstorm and high winds event of June 22, 2015.

Adopted by the Martin County Board of Commissioners this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2015.

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Elliot Belgard, Vice Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

I, Scott Higgins, County Coordinator, hereby attest that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Martin County Board of Commissioners on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, 2015.

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County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Mahoney, Schmidtke, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

Jeff Markquart, Martin County Sheriff, presented and reviewed the job description for the new Transport Officer Position in the Sheriff's Office and recommends approval.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the job description for the new Transport Officer Position with the Martin County Sheriff's Office. Carried unanimously.

Markquart presented a Martin County Jail population update including twenty-three (23) in-house, five (5) out-of-county, and three (3) on Electronic Home Monitoring (EHM).

Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, noted Martin Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is the County's designated agency for the development and implementation of the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) projects; and that an advisory committee is being established for the County's AIS Program. Higgins went on to note the funding for this program is received from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the prevention and education of invasive aquatic species into Minnesota lakes. Higgins also noted it is recommended that at least two commissioners be appointed to the advisory committee; and that the committee will be involved with the planning, reviewing, and evaluation of proposed projects.

After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby appoint Commissioner Elliot Belgard and Commissioner Tom Mahoney to the Martin County Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Committee for the year 2015; and also includes the appointment of County Coordinator to serve on the Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Committee for the year 2015. Carried unanimously.

Higgins presented rent increase addendums for the City/County Law Enforcement Center Lease Agreement, effective January 1, 2016; and the Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties Lease Agreement, effective January 1, 2016. Higgins recommends a three percent (3%) increase to the amount of rent being received for 2016 leased office space by the City of Fairmont Police Department in the Security Building and Human Resource Building. The increase in the lease

amount is due to increased building and maintenance costs. Higgins stated the last increase was effective in 2014.

After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize a three (3%) percent increase in lease amount for county office space being leased by the City of Fairmont (Police Department) that includes office space in the Martin County Security Building from \$45,410.64 to \$46,773.00 (annually); and to increase the lease amount for Faribault/Martin County Human Services from \$168,188.21 to \$173,260.20 (annually) that includes office space in the Human Resource Building; and due to increased cost in building maintenance and energy costs; both becoming effective January 1, 2016. Carried unanimously.

Steve and Connie Saggau, landowners, were present to discuss drainage problems on their property that involves Martin County Ditch #13 (tile). The Saggau's noted they have had drainage problems for a number of years and that when assessments started coming to them in 2013, they are the highest assessed private landowner in that section of tile, yet continue to have standing water. The Saggau's went on to note they are with the understanding that the Ditch #13 tile is pretty much crushed and that a recent repair upstream has put more water onto our land. The Saggau's also noted we're just looking to get some action to get the ditch (tile) fixed. Every year it is the same thing and the problem is known...we're looking for the Commissioners to get it on the schedule and get this fixed this year. Currently it has beans on it so it can be done this fall.

Tom Bents, who farms the land, was present and reviewed photos with the Commissioners of where the tile has been replaced and of the Saggau's property with standing water on it. Bents noted we've lost crop on this land about every year for the last five years.

Much discussion ensued regarding the size and value of the system and that assessments against the ditch will be more than the value of the ditch.

Mike Forstner, Martin County Drainage Administration/Ditch Inspector, noted this system is being re-determined right now. The viewers have completed their field work and should be ready to send notices to landowners this August or September with meeting dates to review the re-determined value of the system, what repairs to the system would cost, and to discuss with the viewer's how they arrived at their values.

Commissioner Flohrs noted the County wants to move along as fast as we can; but do have set procedures to follow and eventually you will be assessed more for the cost of repairs. However, those costs will be spread out to everybody that is in that particular watershed. We certainly can't guarantee that this will be fixed this fall as it is an extremely slow process.

Forstner reviewed ITC Midwest power pole locations along various open ditches in Martin County noting most of the pole locations are 50-60 feet away from the tile or open ditch with a

few poles in existing places that will be approximately 25 feet away. Forstner noted if pole locations cause a tile to be rerouted, ITC Midwest will move that tile at their own cost.

After further discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Drainage Authority for Martin County, hereby approve the ITC power line locations along various open ditches in Martin County as follows: JD #15, CD #63, CD #3, CD #72, JD #3, JD #1, JD #51, and JD #28. Carried unanimously.

Forstner noted Martin County does not have an enforceable timeline for landowners to follow for buffer strip compliance and recommends a 30 day timeline upon notice to landowners that they are out of compliance for the buffer strip.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Drainage Authority for Martin County, hereby set an enforceable buffer strip compliance timeline at 30 (thirty) days after easement completion. Carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the following reports and announcements including Odell Wind Project Groundbreaking Ceremony on July 22, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. in Windom, MN; Minnesota Valley Action Council CY2016 Appropriation Request; City of Fairmont Tax Increment Financing District No. 26 (Ingleside Project); and resignation of Circulation Technician II – Martin County Library.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby Receive and File the CY2016 Budget Request from the Minnesota Valley Action Council in the amount of \$11,869.00. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby accept the resignation of Aimee Abel, Circulation Technician II with the Martin County Library System, effective July 6, 2015. Carried unanimously.

Commissioners presented their individual board member reports.

Commissioner Schmidtke noted he attended a continuation hearing on JD #367 on June 16, 2015; Human Services and Faribault-Martin County Transit meeting on June 17, 2015; Planning and Zoning meeting on June 23, 2015; and Martin County Wellness Committee Golf Outing at Rose Lake Golf Club on June 29, 2015.

Commissioner Belgard noted he attended a District 6 Soil and Water welcoming at Heritage Acres on June 23, 2015; and Martin County Wellness Committee Golf Outing at Rose Lake Golf Club on June 29, 2015.

Commissioner Mahoney noted he participated in the Sherburn Holiday Festival Parade on June 21, 2015; Minnesota Valley Action Council Workforce meeting in Mankato, MN, on June 22, 2015; Water Plan Tour on June 30, 2015.

Commissioner Flohrs noted he had nothing new to report.

Commissioners reviewed their calendars of upcoming meetings and activities: July 7, 2015 – Personnel Committee meeting immediately following the Commissioner meeting, and joint meeting with the Martin County Historical Society at noon; July 8, 2015 – Department Directors Meeting at 8:30 a.m., Region 9 Annual Tour at 9:30 a.m. and regular Region 9 meeting at 6:00 p.m., and Martin County Park/Trails Committee meeting at 4:30 p.m. at Wolter Park; July 9, 2015 – Soil and Water meeting at 9:00 a.m.; July 11, 2015 – Trimont Funfest Parade at 3:00 p.m.; July 13, 2015 – Faribault-Martin Joint Transit Executive Committee meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Sisseton Conference Room, Martin County Courthouse; July 14, 2015 – Library Board meeting; July 15, 2015 – Human Services Executive Board meeting at 9:00 a.m.; July 17, 2015 – Prairieland Executive Board meeting at 8:30 a.m. and regular full Board at 9:00 a.m., Walmart Grand Re-opening at 9:00 a.m.; July 18, 2015 – Welcome Parade at 2:00 p.m.; July 20, 2015 – Minnesota Valley Action Council Annual Meeting at Minnesota State University-Mankato campus at 5:00 p.m., Fairmont Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition meeting at noon at the Fairmont High School; July 21, 2015 – regular Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room – Martin County Courthouse, and Labor Management Committee meeting at 11:00 a.m. in the Sisseton Conference Room.

With no further business to wit, Motion by Commissioner Mahoney to adjourn the meeting. Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

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Steve Flohrs, Board Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator