

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 6, 2016
@ 8:00 A.M.

The regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Elliot Belgard. Commissioners present were Steve Flohrs, Dan Schmidtke, Kathy Smith, Tom Mahoney, and Elliot Belgard. Also present were Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, Jason Sorensen, Sentinel Newspaper, Kevin Peyman, County Engineer, Jeff Markquart, Martin County Sheriff, Rod Halvorsen, KSUM-KFMC Radio, Julie Walters, Administrative Assistant, and members of staff and public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the agenda for the July 6, 2016, regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the minutes of the June 21, 2016, regular Board of Commissioners meeting; and approve the minutes of the June 1, 2016, Board Work Session. Carried unanimously.

Tim Penny, Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation President & CEO, was present to review the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation's (SMIF) Annual Report for FY2015. Penny noted the focus of SMIF in Martin County includes Economic Development Support – more businesses, more jobs; Community Support – more vibrant communities; and Early Childhood Support – more children ready to learn.

Chairman Belgard thanked Penny for his report.

Anna Garbers, Kinship Program Coordinator, was present to provide an update on the Kinship Program and changes that have occurred since their contract started with Martin County to take over the Martin County Mentoring Network, including:

- Hire of Katie Gonzalez, Kinship Assistant Program Coordinator
- 62 matches; 69 mentors; 14 children on waiting list
- 20% of our mentees are located outside of the Fairmont city limits with our goal set at 33%
- Mentors and mentees from the Martin County Mentoring Network that have joined the Kinship Program are strong relationships and are committed to staying matched
- Expanding our reach in Martin County through meetings with the Martin County West (MCW) school system and BEST Program; as well as speaking at the Sherburn Lion's Club and Fox Lake Conservation Club meetings

- Ongoing goals to continue to strengthen relationships with smaller communities in the area expand PERKS Club discount program, plan group activities in all corners of Martin County; and recruit more mentors.

Garbers thanked Martin County Commissioners for supporting the Fairmont Kinship Program and for Commissioner Smith joining the Kinship Board.

Commissioners thanked Garbers for the update.

James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, 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 Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, 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.

The Board reviewed updated information concerning the proposed Data Cabling Project.

Steve McDonald, MIS Director, presented and reviewed quotes received for the County's proposed data cabling project and estimated hardware (network switches).

<u>Location</u>	<u>BevComm</u>	<u>Computer Technology Solutions</u>
Courthouse	\$37,400.00	\$21,532.25
LEC Building	\$26,100.00	\$16,896.85
Highway Department	\$6,750.00	\$5,385.00
Optional Fiber Runs	\$1,470.00	\$625.00
Sub Total Data/Phones	\$73,380.00	\$44,439.10
Required Data Network Switches	\$6,850.0	\$6,850.00
Total Data/Phones/Switches	\$80,230.00	\$51,289.10

McDonald noted Computer Technology Solutions (CTS) is the apparent low bidder and in past history, even the first time I had this data cabling project quoted years ago, there was quite a disparity between all of the quotes and that the quotes are very labor driven. McDonald went on to note each vendor was given a bid packet that included a map of each building and office, number of drops per office, and each bidder was given the same tour of all of the buildings. McDonald also noted the quote from CTS is in the ballpark of what he considered needs to be done to re-cable the buildings and getting the wiring up to snuff to where we need it to be in order to proceed with other projects.

Chair Belgard inquired if McDonald solicited from anyone else.

McDonald noted these two are the only vendors I contacted.

Commissioner Mahoney inquired the project timetable.

McDonald noted either vendor said they could probably start the end of July or first part of August. What's kind of driving this is the phone system too. We'll need to clean up our networking...well part of this too, kind of backing up, we need a wiring closet on the first floor of the courthouse and that's been proposed at a past Board meeting so we kind of need that room in order to put the wiring in so that's kind of part of this and the location is that little section...if you remember over in the Extension/Planning & Zoning area you go into where the former Mentoring Office is there will be a section partitioned off creating a little room for the wiring. That's really the only location we have on the first floor that would suffice the work.

Commissioner Mahoney inquired if that has been approved.

McDonald noted that has not been approved.

Commissioner Mahoney inquired if he is happy with CTS quote.

McDonald noted yes, I've worked with them for quite a few years and I know they do good work.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby award low bid for Data Cabling Project to Computer Technology Solutions (CTS) in the amount of \$51,289.10; and includes wiring to Courthouse, LEC Building, Highway Department, and required network switches. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve location of data cable wiring closet to be constructed in the current Extension/Planning & Zoning office common area. Carried unanimously.

McDonald noted there will be some minimal cost for electrical work that may have to be done in the data cable wiring closet at the courthouse and out at the Highway Department.

The Board reviewed updated information regarding the proposed update to the County's current telephone system.

Michael Burnham and Keith Severson with Frontier Communications were present for Board discussion regarding an upgrade and cost savings to the County's current telephone system. Burnham noted after two calls yesterday afternoon and two conference calls this morning Mitel has agreed to extend the discounts that ended the end of June. Not indefinitely...but they did agree to extend them for short term.

Discussion ensued pertaining to purchase or lease options.

Commissioner Flohrs noted it sounded like the other day it would better to purchase and go with the service contract. At the Work Session the other day Steve suggested that we buy it and go with the service contract.

McDonald noted yeah you have to get a break down and I requested some info last Friday but I didn't really see it I pulled some of it from the Board packet. It shows a purchase price but I don't see anything on there on the circuit costs...there will be ongoing monthly circuit costs too once the system is purchased and hook it up at Frontier, in order to make the thing work.

Burnham noted it's in the proposal on monthly costs on the spreadsheet.

McDonald inquired if that's on the purchase or the lease agreement.

Burnham noted the lease doesn't include any monthly service. The monthly services are right in here (pointed out).

McDonald noted I looked through here and didn't see any circuit costs.

Burnham noted correct. It's right here (pointing to the proposal) listed at \$900 a month for two (2) PRI's.

McDonald inquired if the cost would stay the same if we purchase.

Burnham noted yes.

McDonald noted then you'd have to take these circuit costs and take the purchase price then calculate it out over five years. The other question I was unclear of too is what's covered under the maintenance agreements?

Burnham noted Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and all equipment (if anything would happen to it).

McDonald inquired if the phone died the phone is replaced.

Burnham noted yes.

McDonald inquired is that under the lease agreement or on the purchase and is the maintenance the same.

Burnham noted the maintenance is the same annual cost. It's just included and spread it out over the five years.

McDonald noted sometimes they do it separately, as long as the maintenance support cost is the same and you get the same support then I just wanted to verify that.

Burnham noted yes.

McDonald noted previous conversations it was said that once the system was installed that a lot of the other stuff we would have to end up taking care of all that so I just want to be on the same page.

Commissioner Schmidtke noted that's why we were looking at leasing it.

McDonald noted but under a purchase and a maintenance, you should get the same service. That's what I'm trying to get at. When you buy a system, as I mentioned at the Work Session, I buy a maintenance agreement and we manage the system, but when it breaks we call and they come and fix it. We don't have parts for some of that stuff, so that's why you put the maintenance agreements on.

Severson noted to make sure there's total transparency here...there is an annual cost for the maintenance agreement post warranty, okay, just so we all understand that. It's the same whether we did it on a lease or divided it by the months of the lease or if you pay it annually on the anniversary. Either way it's the same.

McDonald noted and that's where you've got to weigh out if you calculate out the lease costs its \$120,000. If you purchase it for \$60,000 or \$70,000 and you calculate out what your maintenance costs are, is it cheaper to do it that way? I guess that's what I was trying to get at. And, I didn't see that in the price.

Burnham noted most places review it on an annual basis and just pay the maintenance. But just to let you know the maintenance for the courthouse alone is a little over \$3,000 per year for that size of system.

Commissioner Smith inquired if the first year is included.

Burnham noted the first year is included in the purchase price and then any additional...you get a slight discount if you pay all four years up front; but, again a lot of people don't want to pay that. The discount is about 10%. We tell you what it is; we don't include it in the purchase quote.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, upon the recommendation of the Martin County Building/Purchasing Committee, hereby approve the purchase of the MiVoice Office Telephone Upgrade from Frontier Communications which includes new Mitel telephones in the approximate amount of \$67,000.00; plus five years of maintenance at approximately \$3,000 per month; resulting in a savings to the County of approximately \$2,715.44 per month. Carried unanimously.

McDonald inquired about the circuit for the county attorney office.

Burnham noted that will carry their traffic back to the PRI's that are here at the courthouse. So it will interconnect them to everybody else and then allow them to use the PRI's here. So they will reduce their monthly cost on their phone lines because they're going to need two...one for a fax and one for 911. But it allows them to intercom within the County and then use the PRI's that will be installed in this facility. With two PRI's you'll have plenty of channels to work with.

McDonald noted I'm not sure how that's going to affect how we're currently set up.

Burnham noted it won't. They won't even notice. We'll move their phone lines onto the PRI's what we call DID's, they dial just the same as they do today...there's no difference.

Chair Belgard inquired that (the telephones) can be picked up and moved if they decide to...because we're in the process of trying to decide if we're going to continue renting the county attorney office building.

Burnham noted correct. The only other question, who is signing the agreement so I can email the agreement out?

Higgins noted the Board Chair will sign the contract; and Steve McDonald will be the contact person.

McDonald inquired what about the VSO office.

Burnham noted that's all included in the quote we gave you. All were going to do is put the phones down in that location. They'll connect with that whatever size circuit you want down there; Burnham further inquired what the plan was for date to move everybody into that building? A decision should be made sooner rather than later on that so the system is ready when the office moves to that location.

Chairman Belgard noted there is no date certain at this time.

Terry Viesselman, County Attorney, was present to review pending Unlawful Detainer Action on occupants currently living in a tax forfeited property.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby direct the County Attorney to proceed with Unlawful Detainer Action of occupants currently living in tax forfeited property, Parcel No. 23.162.0370, located at 1327 N. Park Street in Fairmont, MN. Carried unanimously.

Kevin Peyman, County Engineer, reviewed the Highway Department's CY2017 Preliminary Budget Request summarizing the CY2017 proposed Revenue and Expenses and CY2017 Levy Request.

Peyman presented a Highway Department update including camping statistics over the July 4th holiday. Peyman noted we took in almost \$7,500 between the parks for the week (in 2014 we took in \$18,000 for the whole year in camping fees and in 2015 we took in about \$23,000 for the year); and so far in 2016 (through June 24, 2016) they've brought in \$13,600 for a total so far this year of \$21,200 (includes five seasonal campers at \$450/month); sealcoating has started today and normally takes 6-8 days depending on weather conditions; and construction is approximately two weeks away.

Jeff Markquart, Martin County Sheriff, was present to note the Martin County Sheriff's Office has accepted the resignation of Chase Davis, part time Deputy Sheriff, effective June 24, 2016, and asks the Board to do the same. Markquart also recommends advertising for recruitment to fill the vacancy as the eligibility roster has been depleted.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby accept the resignation of Chase Davis as part time Deputy for the Martin County Sheriff's Office, effective June 24, 2016. Carried unanimously.

Markquart also noted of the two part time communications officers for the Martin County Sheriff's Office, one will be turning in her resignation in the near future and the other will be on medically recommended limited hours and recommends advertisement for recruitment to fill the vacancies as they occur. Markquart went on to note at some point I'm going to request hiring an additional full time position, noting it's really tough to get someone local that fits in and enjoys the work, and is willing to work part time with no benefits.

Commissioner Mahoney inquired if our pay is competitive with the surrounding area.

Higgins noted we seem to be in good shape for dispatcher wages.

After further discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Smith, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize recruitment to fill part time Deputy Sheriff and part time Communications Officer position(s); and to establish an eligibility list for a period of up to one year or until it is determined that qualified applicants from the list has been exhausted. Carried unanimously.

Markquart presented and reviewed a resolution authorizing signing authority allowing access to Minnesota Government Access (MGA) Accounts for Electronic Court Records and Documents. Markquart noted effective August 8, 2016, access to the Court website that is currently accessed by the Sheriff's Office to assist in the daily duties of our positions will no longer be available. There is a new and improved site already in existence. However, in order for the Sheriff's Office to gain access to the site, a resolution signed by the County Board stating the desire to subscribe to the Minnesota Court Services Program is requested.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Smith,

R-#30/'16

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING SIGNING AUTHORITY ALLOWING ACCESS TO
MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT ACCESS (MGA) ACCOUNTS
FOR ELECTRONIC COURT RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, Martin County, Minnesota, desires to improve efficiencies through participating in a more efficient court process with the Minnesota Judicial Branch; and,

WHEREAS, as the Minnesota Judicial Branch moves towards a more efficient court process, the eCourtMN initiative is committed to ensuring that non-court governmental agencies have appropriate access to court records and documents; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Sheriff's Office desires to subscribe to Minnesota Court Data Services Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Martin County, Minnesota, approves and authorizes Jeffrey Markquart, Martin County Sheriff; or his successor, as the designated and Authorized Representative for the Sheriff's Office, to sign the Master Subscriber Agreement for Minnesota Court Data Services for Governmental Agencies. The Authorized Representative is also authorized to sign any subsequent amendment or agreement that may be required by the Minnesota Judicial Branch to maintain the County's connection to the systems and tools offered by the Minnesota Judicial Branch.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Smith, said resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Elliot Belgard, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Schmidtke, Smith, Mahoney, Flohrs, and Belgard. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

Markquart noted we've probably gone through our busiest time of the year for boat and water. I had quite a few phone calls and I'm sure each of you have maybe received some calls also; but, we did have the Sheriff's Office boat on the Fairmont chain of lakes Sunday and Monday and it was awesome to come into work and see that we had no injuries, no accidents that were reported to the Sheriff's Office while we had that boat out. So, if there are some negative things that you hear out there...there's some pretty huge positives out there too. It makes a big difference having that boat out there deterring some of the activities that could cause accidents. Markquart also noted the DNR was patrolling boating activities on Fox Lake over the holiday weekend too.

Markquart concluded with a Martin County Jail Population Update including twenty-two (22) in-house, twenty-two (22) out of county, and eight (8) on Electronic Home Monitoring (EHM).

Erin Morrill, Emergency Management Director, reviewed proposed equipment updates for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) using Federal Grant Dollars. Morrill noted she is still waiting to hear back from FEMA on approval for the project...so the next step for us is to move forward with that so I can finish the paperwork to submit the grant application. Total of upgrades will be approximately \$6,568.89 and if approved, Martin County's 50% match will be approximately \$3,000.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize Emergency Management Director to move forward with FEMA grant application for proposed equipment updates for the Emergency Operations Center in an approximate amount of \$6,568.89 (includes Lenovo Touch Screen Laptop, Logitech Mobile Speakerphone, AT&T 2-line Corded Speakerphone, 39" LED SmartTV, 60" LED SmartTV, Full Motion TV Wall Mount, and three (3) Portable Charging Stations for ARMER Radios) using Federal Grant Dollars; and if approved, Martin County's 50% match will be expended from the Martin County Sheriff's CY2016 budget. Carried unanimously.

Pam Flitter, Martin County Zoning Official, presented and reviewed a resolution for Martin County to "opt out" of the requirements of Minnesota Statute 394.307 which defines and regulates Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings; and that Martin County elects to regulate Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings through already existing permitting standards of the Martin County Zoning Ordinance. Flitter noted this item was discussed at the June 29, 2016 Board Work Session; and by opting out, lets us continue to operate and not do additional permitting for some different type of system than we already have.

Commissioner Smith inquired how many counties are opting out.

Flitter noted she has no specific numbers at this time; and that quite a few counties already had something in place.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Smith,

R-#31/'16

RESOLUTION
OPTING-OUT OF THE REQUIREMENTS
OF MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 394.307

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2016, the Governor of Minnesota signed into law Chapter 111 of the 89th Legislature of the State of Minnesota establishing definitions and requirements for Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings, which was introduced during the 2016 legislature session as Senate File 2555 and House File 2497; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 111 amends Minnesota Statute § 394 which regulates county permitting and zoning processes by establishing new rules for the placement of Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings on residential property; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Association of County Planning and Zoning Administrators, the professional association for county planning and zoning staff in Minnesota, supports the concept of Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 111 erodes local control of the permitting process; limiting a county's ability to foster and guide development, and placing undue burden on county staff to forego standard permitting practices; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Martin County Board of Commissioners to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of County residents and the environment of the County; and

WHEREAS, subdivision 9 of Minnesota Statute § 394.307 allows a county to "opt-out" of the regulations through the passage of a county board resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Martin County elects to regulate Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings through already existing permitting standards of the Martin County Zoning Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pursuant to authority granted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 394.307, Subdivision 9, the County of Martin opts-out of the requirements of Minnesota Statute 394.307, which defines and regulates Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Smith, said resolution was duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Elliot Belgard, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Schmidtke, Flohrs, Smith, Mahoney, and Belgard. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

Higgins presented the owner and general contract agreement between Martin County and APX Construction Group for the 121 N. Main building remodel project. Higgins noted construction is slated to begin July 11, 2016, and is in the base bid amount of \$123,000 less change orders to reduce the base bid amount to \$117,415; and a preconstruction walk through of the building is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. today.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Smith, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize Board Chair and County Staff to sign and execute the Owner and General Contract Agreement with APX Construction

Group of Mankato, MN, in the amount of \$123,000.00 (less change orders in the amount of \$5,585.00) for the 121 N. Main building remodel project. Carried unanimously.

Ashley Brenke and Rich Perrine, Martin Soil and Water Conservation District, were present and introduced new employee Jesse Walters. Brenke noted Walters is the District's Outreach Coordinator and is a great addition to our staff.

Brenke continued the main thing we wanted to talk to you about today is our County Water Plan. Brenke noted the Plan is set to expire on December 31st and so the first thing was to set the Priority Concerns. Brenke went on to note we worked with the public and our water plan committee to set the Priority Concerns and that they were accepted by the Board of Water and Soil Resources:

- Surface Water (water quality and water quantity/drinking water supply); and
- Groundwater (water quality and water quantity/drinking water supply)

Perrine noted we're going to try and make this Plan a little shorter and more concise so it is more manageable and more usable. Also, we're going to be transitioning into the One Watershed One Plan so we're going to have parts of it for Watonwan and Blue Earth and the Des Moines River Watershed.

Commissioner Flohrs inquired when will it be done.

Brenke noted it will be December of 2016 or January of 2017.

Commissioner Mahoney inquired about the quality of the rural lakes.

Perrine inquired the nitrates? With the weather we had last year that's where a lot of this is coming from. We had all tile running and not surface water with timely rains all year. Nitrate levels coming off the tile system is generally where the high nitrate levels are. That is one of the reasons why the spikes in the actual buildup of the lakes because a lot of times we get the surface runoff which is low nitrate and kind of blend with that. I'm still surprised that Fairmont lakes had as high as they did with the volume of water in the lake but when you've got tile water running...that's the big thing on nitrates. Otherwise our lake water quality is kind of average for the farm belt lakes in this area. Some of the rough fish die off is showing positive affects like in Cedar Lake with the weed growth, the water is a lot clearer and it's a better habitat, we've seen a little bit of that but that can fluctuate from year to year depending on fish kills and other things that affect the habitat...just climate in itself. The big plus is now in the rain that we're getting...that's where we've seen a lot of erosion and the sediment moving where all last summer we didn't have that; we had the kind of weather with timely rains and not a lot of phosphorus and sediment moving. Climate is still a big driver and we can do the practices on the land but climate is the big thing that we have to deal with.

Mahoney inquired how often you test for nitrates.

Brenke noted we have different monitoring protocols in different watersheds across the County. The Pollution Control Agency has the monitoring cycle where they sample in every watershed for two years every ten years and then they go back and so we work with them on that.

Perrine noted historically we've kept an eye on Dutch Creek and Elm Creek has been one we've done in more recent years.

Higgins noted the Board of Commissioners for the Red Rock Rural Water System (RRRWS) consists of 9 individuals who reside throughout the 9 counties served by RRRWS. Higgins went on to note the RRRWS Board Members have staggered terms and the terms for Les Anderson, Glen Friedrich, and Marlow Nickel will end on December 31, 2016. The Board is requested to adopt a resolution which recommends that these individuals be re-appointed to the RRRWS Board so the 9 counties know who is serving on the RRRWS Board.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Smith,

R-#32/'16

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT
LES ANDERSON, GLEN FRIEDRICH AND MARLOW NICKEL, BE APPOINTED
TO THE
RED ROCK RURAL WATER SYSTEM
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Les Anderson's 4-year term as a Commissioner on the Red Rock Rural Water System (RRRWS) Board of Commissioners is scheduled to expire at midnight on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Glen Friedrich's 4-year term as a Commissioner on the Red Rock Rural Water System (RRRWS) Board of Commissioners is scheduled to expire at midnight on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Marlow Nickel's 4-year term as a Commissioner on the Red Rock Rural Water System (RRRWS) Board of Commissioners is scheduled to expire at midnight on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Les Anderson, Glen Friedrich, and Marlow Nickel would all like to serve another 4-year term on the RRRWS Board of Commissioners, which will commence at 12:00 a.m. on January 1, 2017, and will expire at midnight on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2016, the RRRWS Board of Commissioners unanimously passed Motion which recommends that Les Anderson, Glen Friedrich, and Marlow Nickel be appointed for another 4-year term on the RRRWS Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of Commissioners believes that Les Anderson, Glen Friedrich, and Marlow Nickel are qualified to act as Commissioners on the RRRWS Board of Commissioners and are worthy of appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners hereby recommends that Les Anderson, Glen Friedrich, and Marlow Nickel be appointed to the RRRWS Board of Commissioners pursuant to and provided for by Minnesota Statutes § 116A et seq, to a four-year term, which shall commence at 12:00 A.M. on January 1, 2017, and shall expire at midnight on December 31, 2020.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Smith, said resolution was duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Elliot Belgard, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was approved by the Martin County Board of Commissioners on July 6, 2016, by a vote of 5 for, 0 against, 0 absent, and 0 abstaining.

Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Mahoney, Schmidtke, Smith, Flohrs, and Belgard. NAYS: None. Resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 2016.

Higgins noted B&B Sanitation was purchased by B&B Sanitation and Recycling, LLC. The owner's name is Chris Cyphers. Since there has been a slight name change with the change in ownership, Cyphers has been asked to complete a new application for solid waste hauling and recycling license for Martin County. Higgins went on to note all of the conditions of the license have been met according to Billee Rabbe, Director Prairieland Solid Waste Management-Solid Waste Coordinator, and recommends approval of this license for county business.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize Board Chair and County Auditor/Treasurer, to sign the Solid Waste Hauler License for B&B Sanitation and Recycling, LLC. Carried unanimously.

The Board discussed setting a date and time to tour the Fairmont lakes with the Let's Go Fishing group.

No action taken on setting a date and time to tour the Fairmont lakes with the Let's Go Fishing group.

Higgins noted per the labor agreements for LELS #115 – Corrections and Communications Officers, and LELS #136 – Deputies and Sergeants, those employees covered by the union contract are eligible for general wage adjustments, effective July 1, 2016.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the General Wage Adjustments per the union contracts for LELS #115 and LELS #136 for eligible employees effective July 1, 2016. Carried unanimously.

Forshee presented and reviewed construction contract with Koehl Excavating, LLC, for the JD #51 Improvement Project.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Smith, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Drainage Authority for Martin County, hereby approve and authorize Board Chair to sign the construction contract with Koehl Excavating, LLC, for the JD #51 Improvement Project. Carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed warrants to be paid July 6, 2016.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve bills to be paid on July 6, 2016, as presented; and includes the Martin County Highway Department and Drainage bills as presented. Carried unanimously.

Warrants received and paid July 6, 2016, are registered on file in the Auditor/Treasurer's Office as follows:

Revenue Fund – Warrants Approved July 6, 2016	\$ 42,371.78
Martin Co. Economic Development Fund	\$ 108.70
Human Services Fund	\$252,915.00
County Attorney's Forfeiture	\$ 20,489.86
Recorder's Technology	\$ 298.92
Recorder's Compliance	\$ 2,325.00
Building CIP Fund	\$ 9,537.72
Bank Building Fund	\$ 1,196.10
Ditch Fund	\$ 1,793.00
State Agency Fund	<u>\$ 23,209.49</u>
Total	\$354,245.57
Road and Bridge Funds Totaled	\$ 56,022.77

Martin County Ditch Funds Totaled

\$ 60,729.60

The Board reviewed the Rural Minnesota Energy Board CY2017 Dues; and CY2017 Appropriation Requests received from Minnesota Valley Action Council, and Southern Minnesota Tourism Association.

Motion by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the Rural Minnesota Energy Board Dues for CY2017. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Flohrs, seconded by Commissioner Smith, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby receive and file the CY2017 Appropriation Request received from Minnesota Valley Action Council. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Flohrs, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby receive and file the CY2017 Appropriation Request received from Southern Minnesota Tourism Association. Carried unanimously.

Commissioners presented their individual board member reports.

Commissioner Flohrs noted he attended a Labor Management Committee meeting on June 21, 2016; Human Services Full Board meeting and F-M Joint Transit Full Board meeting on June 22, 2016; Water Plan Committee meeting on June 23, 2016; Drug Court Graduation on June 28, 2016; and Board Work Session on June 29, 2016.

Commissioner Mahoney noted in addition to those already mentioned he attended a F-M Joint Transit Executive Board meeting on June 29, 2016; and F-M Joint Transit Executive Board meeting on July 5, 2016.

Commissioner Smith noted in addition to those already mentioned she attended a Kinship meeting on June 28, 2016.

Commissioner Schmidtke noted he had nothing new to add.

Commissioner Belgard noted in addition to those already mentioned he attended a Franken Rural Minnesota Outreach gathering in Blue Earth, Minnesota, on June 27, 2016; CY2015 Audit Exit Interview and Board Work Session on June 29, 2016; and F-M Joint Transit Executive Board meeting on July 5, 2016.

Commissioners reviewed their calendars of upcoming meetings and activities: July 6, 2016 – Tour of 121 N. Main building immediately following the regular Board of Commissioners meeting, and joint meeting with the Martin County Historical Society at 11:30 a.m. at the Historical Society; July 7, 2016 – GBERBA meeting at 9:30 a.m., and Bioreactor tour in Winnebago, Minnesota; July 9, 2016 – Trimont Fun Fest Parade at 3:00 p.m.; July 11, 2016 – Preconstruction meeting with APX Construction Group of Mankato, Minnesota, Martin County EDA meeting at noon, and Beyond the Yellow Ribbon meeting; June 12, 2016 – Martin County

Library Board meeting at 1:30 p.m.; July 13, 2016 – F-M Joint Transit Board Executive meeting, and Human Services Executive Board Budget meeting; July 14, 2016 – Soil and Water meeting; July 15, 2016 – Prairieland meeting; July 16, 2016 – Welcome Days Parade; July 18, 2016 – Fairmont Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition meeting, Minnesota Valley Action Council annual meeting, and ISG Space Study begins; July 19, 2016 – next regular Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:00 a.m.

The Board toured the 121 North Main renovation project at 9:34 a.m.
The Board returned and reconvened at 10:34 a.m.

The Board reviewed and discussed the tour of 121 N. Main.

Commissioner Schmidtke noted his concern, even though we made a motion to do the remodel, in light of what was just seen down there...you can band-aid that stuff but you've still got a major problem and problems we can't even see yet so I'm a little concerned.

Commissioner Smith inquired if there is any room for the Veterans Service Office in the courthouse.

Chair Belgard noted that is what our space study is going to tell us. Nobody is comfortable with proceeding. We've got to proceed a little bit to see how much extra it is going to cost or we can completely give up on it. But, I don't think we have to do that quite yet.

Commissioner Mahoney noted to hold off on the construction contract with APX.

After further discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Smith, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby rescind earlier motion to approve and authorize Board Chair and County Staff to sign the Owner and General Contract Agreement with APX Construction Group of Mankato, Minnesota, in the amount of \$123,000.00 for the 121 N. Main building remodel project; and to table until further information is received for additional construction costs. Carried unanimously.

The Board briefly discussed changing future meeting times from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.; and will address at the next Board Work Session.

With no further business to wit, Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Elliot Belgard, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____

Scott Higgins, County Coordinator