

Traverse County Commission
Regular Board Meeting
June 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Commission Chair Todd Johnson. Other commissioners present included Dave Salberg, Tom Monson, Mark Gail, and Kevin Leininger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Upon a motion by Leininger and second by Monson, the agenda was approved 4-1 with Salberg opposed, with the following additions: County Park and Planning Commission recommendations for Conditional Use Permit for Big Dog Land Development.

Upper Minnesota River Watershed District Manger Appointment

The Board did not receive any interest for this appointment. Upon a motion by Salberg, second by Leininger, and unanimous approval, Todd Johnson was appointed to the Upper Minnesota River Watershed District until a replacement is found.

Highway Department

Chad Gillespie, County Engineer, and Lynn Siegel, Emergency Manager, appeared before the Board.

The contactor for CSAH 5 project is planning on starting mid-July. The contractor for County Road 76 bridge project is starting to move in now.

We received our Federal Disaster Declaration on June 12, 2019, for the damage caused by the severe winter storm, straight-line winds, and flooding that happened from March 12 to April 28, 2019. Highway is working on getting all the repairs done before the meeting on July 11 so we can get all of our expenses in.

We received a large culvert order on Monday that includes culverts for various flood sites.

Auditor/Treasurer

Kit Johnson, Auditor/Treasurer gave a department update.

Upon a motion by Monson and second by Leininger, a cigarette license for Tri County Co-Op in Dumont was approved unanimously.

A grant has become available for Deputy Registrars who were affected by MNLars, Kit applied and Traverse County will receive \$20,171.25, this is based on the amount of transactions that are done in the Traverse County office.

Tiffany Duhme was hired as a Deputy Auditor/Treasurer. Her first day was yesterday.

County Coordinator

A motion was made by Salberg to approve the June 4, 2019, Board minutes. Upon a second by Monson, the minutes were approved unanimously. Upon a motion by Gail and second by Monson, the following bills were approved unanimously:

BJ'S PARTS DEPOT	\$2,951.05
HORMANN WORKS LLC	\$14,892.50

TRI COUNTY COOP	\$19,797.99
WHALEY EXCAVATING, INC.	\$28,790.00
ZIEGLER, INC.	\$4,941.17
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$3,743.55
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	\$4,696.38
FLEET SERVICES	\$2,489.72
HORMANN, MARK	\$2,000.00
MEND CORRECTIONAL CARE, PLLC	\$2,532.00
OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$2,431.33
TRAVERSE COUNTY SOIL & WATER SERV	\$59,091.00
WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL JUVENILE CTR	\$2,715.00
WEX BANK	\$2,293.13

Per M.S. 375.12, the number of claims totaling \$2,000.00 or less were 75, amounting to \$30,093.27.

The Board went over the Zoning permit report for May. There were 9 permits approved in May.

The State of Minnesota Capital Grants process is mandated by statute and begins in odd numbered year for consideration in even numbered legislative sessions. The preliminary capital budget requests were due by June 14, 2018, but Lisa Zahl, Coordinator, was granted an extension until June 18, 2019. In order to apply for the Grant through the Minnesota Management and Budget, the Board needs to approve a resolution to show support of submitting a grant request for the new courthouse project. Upon a motion by Salberg and second by Monson, the following resolution was approved unanimously:

RESOLUTION
19-14

Approving and ranking the 2020 Capital Budget request and submitting request to the Commissioner of Management and Budget.

Whereas, Traverse County participates in Minnesota Management and Budget's (MMB) biennial process for reviewing state capital investment requests; and

Whereas, submitting preliminary project information is a vital component of the state capital investment process, and provides needed background to the Governor and Legislators in determining state investments; and

Whereas, the County of Traverse will seek state funding in 2020 for the construction of a new County Courthouse; and

Whereas, Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB) requests preliminary capital budget requests by June 14, 2019, for the 2020 State capital budget preparations; and

Whereas, this resolution reflects the priorities recommended to be submitted to MMB for consideration in the 2020 state capital investment process.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Traverse County Board of Commissioners supports the bonding project for the 2020 legislative session.

Be it Further Resolved, that the construction of a new Courthouse capital investment project be submitted to the Minnesota Management and Budget Office as the only project.

Be it Further Resolved that the County Coordinator here by directed to file this request for funding with the Minnesota Management and Budget Office.

Passed and adopted this 18th day of June, 2019.

TRAVERSE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Todd Johnson, Chairman

ATTEST:

Lisa Zahl, County Coordinator

Monson made a motion to add a weekly rate of \$150.00 for the County Park, which was seconded by Leininger. A discussion followed. Salberg and Gail would like to wait until the 2020 rates are set to discuss adding a weekly rate. The motion failed by a 4 -1 vote, with only Monson voting in favor of it.

The Planning Commission met last week and is recommending that the conditional use permit application submitted by Big Dog Land Development, which would add 88 new RV sites to the existing RV park, be approved with 25 conditions that are included in the Planning Commission's report. Lisa Zahl, Coordinator, told the Board that County Attorney, Matt Franzese, would like the discussion to be tabled until the next Board meeting on July 2, 2019 so that he can present information to the Board regarding three conditional uses that the Planning Commission is not recommending be added to the permit. T. Johnson doesn't see why there needs to be a delay. Salberg made a motion that we table it until the July 2 meeting, which was seconded by Gail. A discussion followed. After discussing the matter further, only Salberg and Gail voted in favor of the motion, so it failed 3 - 2. Leininger then made a motion to approve the conditional use permit application, which was seconded by Monson. The motion passed 3 - 2, with Leininger, Monson, and T. Johnson in favor, and Salberg and Gail opposed.

T. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Lisa Zahl, County Coordinator

Todd Johnson, Board Chairman