

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Tuesday, September 1, 2020**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: John King (remote), Dave Gliszinski (remote), Lance Wetzel (remote), Steve Rohlfing and Danny O'Keefe. Also present were Darrell Pettis and Brent Christian.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the agenda for the business of the day.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the consent agenda:

- Approved the August 25, 2020 County Board Minutes and Summary Minutes.
- Approved the Electronic Funds Transfer report:
 - 8/27/2020 Transferred \$1,000,000.00 from Hometown Bank of Cleveland to Cornerstone State Bank of Le Sueur for Payroll.
 - 8/28/2020 Transferred \$22,275.00 from Hometown Bank of Cleveland (Bond Proceeds) to First State Bank of Le Center for Sulp payment.

Dave Tieg, County Engineer appeared before the Board.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board RESOLVED that Le Sueur County enter into MnDOT Agreement No. 1044619 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:
To provide for payment by the State to the County for the use of County State Aid Highway No. 12 and County State Aid Highway No. 11 as a detour route during the construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 60 from Trunk Highway No. 14 to Trunk Highway No. 13 under State Project No. 4006-35 (T.H. 60=60).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Chair and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board RESOLVED that Le Sueur County enter into MnDOT Agreement No. 1044660 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:
To provide ownership, operation, and maintenance of Lighting System on Trunk Highway (T.H.) No. 60 at County State Aid Highways No. 130, No. 61, No. 5, No. 6 and No. 3. The contract construction is to be performed under State Project No. 4006-35 (T.H. 60).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Chair and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board set the Public Hearing for comments on the ADA Transition Plan for Tuesday, October 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Bailey Griffin with ISG, appeared before the Board with bids from the County Ditch 58 Lake Henry Outlet Structure. Bids were opened on Friday, August 28. The following bids were received:

Le Sueur County Ditch No. 58 – Lake Henry Structure Replacement base bid
Selly Excavating, Le Center, MN base bid price of \$55,009.00.
Rehnelt Excavating, LLC Kasota, MN base bid price of \$57,840.65.
Chambers Excavating & Trucking LLC, Mankato, MN base bid price of \$60,170.05.
GM Contracting, Inc. from Lake Crystal, MN base bid price of \$77,795.00.
The Engineer’s estimate was \$60,480.00 for the base bid.

Le Sueur County Ditch No. 58 – Lake Henry Structure Replacement bid alternate
Rehnelt Excavating, LLC Kasota, MN bid alternate price of \$56,669.50.
Chambers Excavating & Trucking LLC, Mankato, MN bid alternate price of \$62,642.44.
Selly Excavating, Le Center, MN bid alternate price of \$68,407.00.
GM Contracting Inc. Lake Crystal, MN, bid alternate price of \$96,774.31.
The Engineer’s estimate was \$82,305.00

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board awarded the bid for the repair of CD 58 Lake Henry Outlet Structure to Rehnelt Excavating, LLC, Kasota MN in the amount of \$56,669.50 with \$1,660.50 of AIS funds to be used to cover the difference in cost between the base bid and the bid alternate.

Nik Kadel, County Ditch Inspector, appeared before the Board to present the county ditch quarterly report.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board authorized the expenditure of \$17,595 for the clean out of County Ditch 67

Cindy Westerhouse, Human Resources Director came before the Board with several items for approval.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to hire Ali Miller as a part time Dispatcher in the Sheriff’s Office, Grade 6, Step 4 at \$21.38 per hour, effective September 1, 2020.

On motion by King, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to accept the resignation from Meghan Bastyr, full time Registered Nurse in Public Health, effective September 8, 2020.

Cindy Shaughnessy, Public Health Director appeared before the Board to discuss Le Sueur County’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

At 10:00 a.m. Chair Rohlfing called the Public Hearing for the appointment of the County Auditor / Treasurer to order.

Darrell Pettis, appeared before the Board to present the Resolution for Appointment of the County Auditor / Treasurer.

On motion by King, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, at 10:03 a.m. the Board opened the Hearing for public comments.

No comments from the public were received.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, at 10:05 a.m. the Board closed the public comments portion of the hearing.

On motion by King, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the following RESOLUTION TO MAKE THE OFFICE OF LE SUEUR COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER APPOINTED.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375A.1205 provides a process for making certain County offices appointed in Le Sueur County; and

WHEREAS, the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners declared its intent to make the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer appointed; and

WHEREAS, the County Board notified the public of its intent to make the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer appointed by publishing a resolution once a week for two consecutive weeks in the official publication of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Le Sueur County Board provided an opportunity for public comment related to appointing the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, there is a signed contract between the County Board and the Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer that provides that the Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer will be appointed to the position; and.

WHEREAS, the required notice was published in the Le Sueur County News, Le Sueur County's official newspaper, on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 and Wednesday, August 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, no public comments were received on the intent to appoint the County Auditor-Treasurer position at the Le Sueur County Board meeting held on September 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Board Room located in the Le Sueur County Courthouse at 88 South Park Avenue, Le Center, MN.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners hereby declares that Auditor / Treasurer position is an appointed position effective October 2, 2020.

Bill Eckles with BEVCOMM appeared before the Board to request a funding commitment from Le Sueur County to move forward with a grant application for a 2021 broadband expansion project.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved a \$300,000 funding commitment to support a grant application to be submitted by BEVCOMM for a 2021 broadband expansion project.

Barbara Droher Kline, appeared before the Board with CARES Act items for approval.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign the Contract for Services between Le Sueur County and Next Stage for the Le Sueur County Small Business Assistance Program.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the Le Sueur County Small Business Assistance Program.

On motion by King, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign the Fiber Optic Cable Agreement between Le Sueur County & Access Networks Inc for the Tyrone tower location.

Darrell Pettis, County Administrator appeared before the Board.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign the State of MN 2020 Cares Act Grant Agreement.

Commissioner Committee Reports:

- Commissioner Gliszinski reported on department head meeting.
- Commissioner King reported on CD 56, Derrynane Twp, old jail work session.
- Commissioner Wetzel reported on department head meeting, LCDS.
- Commissioner O’Keefe reported on old jail, HRA and department head.
- Commissioner Rohlfing reported on old jail, JD# 15, Lake Washington Assoc, LCDS.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the cases and claims for Human Services:

Financial: \$28,929.34
Soc Services: \$28,864.58

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approve, the following claims for payment:

Warrant #	Vendor Name	Amount
60773	Bolton & Menk Inc.	\$118,870.24
60777	Clean Sweep	\$ 2,195.00
60778	Contech Engineered Solutions LLC	\$ 9,691.48

60784	Election Systems & Software Inc.	\$ 3,152.16
60787	Evergreen Companies	\$ 24,114.20
60794	I & S Group Inc.	\$ 17,649.03
60797	Information Systems Co.	\$ 12,733.00
60811	Minn St Admin ITG Telecom	\$ 19,913.24
60816	Anthony Nerud	\$ 3,550.00
60820	OMG Midwest Inc.	\$ 7,783.67
60827	Ratwik, Roszak, Maloney P.A.	\$ 3,755.94
60830	Rinke-Noonan Law Firm	\$ 4,795.50
60834	S.E.H. Inc.	\$ 67,842.55
60835	Selly Excavating Inc.	\$ 13,500.00
60854	Wornson Goggins PC	\$ 4,070.00
60855	WW Blacktopping Inc.	\$ 2,545.06
60857	Zimmerman Tiling & Excavating LLC	\$ 19,545.00
73	Claims paid less than \$2,000.00:	\$ 25,894.83
17	Claims paid more than \$2,000.00:	\$335,706.07
90	Total all claims paid:	\$361,600.90

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Gliszinski and via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board adjourned until Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Le Sueur County Administrator

Le Sueur County Chairman