

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 26, 2024

Location: Buhl Kinney Senior Center, Buhl, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Harala, Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Jugovich and Chair Nelson

Absent: None

Convened: Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

McDonald/Harala moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed. (7-0)

- Minutes of March 12, 2024
- Cooperative Agreement with the City of Eveleth to Complete a Roadway Exchange [24-119]
- Cooperative Agreement with the Virginia-Eveleth Economic Development Authority to Complete a Roadway Acquisition of Progress Parkway [24-120]
- Acquisition of Right-of-Way for Replacement of County Bridge 405 over Petrell Creek in Fairbanks Township – CP 0044-556745 [24-121]
- Professional Services Agreement with SRF Consulting Group, Inc. to Develop a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan – CP 0000-803757 [24-122]
- Acquisition of Right-of-Way for Replacement of County Bridge 523 over the Embarrass River in Embarrass Township; CP 0362-701708 [24-123]
- Acquisition of Right-of-Way for a Reclaim and Overlay with Grade Corrections Project on Maple Grove Road (CSAH 6) from US Hwy 2 to State Hwy 33; CP 0006-554989 [24-124]
- Online Employee Benefits Enrollment System Development and Implementation System [24-125]
- Abatement List for Board Approval [24-126]
- Memorandum of Understanding for Four Day Work Week (Teamster's 2024-2025) [24-127]
- Professional Services Agreement with Matrix Consulting Group [24-128]
- Authorization to Accept the Amended 2024 State Boat and Water Safety Grant [24-129]
- Embarrass Township Canister Site Lease Agreement [24-130]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Bruun (Homestead) [24-131]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Grabanski (Homestead) [24-132]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Hart (Non-Homestead) [24-133]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Garcia (Non-Homestead) [24-134]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Kahtava (Non-Homestead) [24-135]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Saransor Properties, LLC (Non-Homestead) [24-136]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Vanderwilder Investment Group (Non-Homestead) [24-137]

Public Works & Transportation Committee

Musolf/McDonald moved to award a bid to KGM Contractors, Inc., Angora, MN, in the amount of \$4,944,879.06 for a grading, aggregate base, plant mixed bituminous surface, pipe culverts, storm sewer and concrete curb & gutter project (CP 0043-139601, SAP 069-643-018) located on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 43 (Fish Lake Road and Beaver River Road) between a point approximately 100' W of CSAH 48 (Lavaque Road) and a point approximately 78' N of County Road (CR) 294 (Pioneer Road West). [24-138]. The motion passed. (7-0)

Musolf/Nelson moved to award a bid to Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation (aka ASTECH Corp), St. Cloud, MN, in the amount of \$1,718,162.24 for a crack repair special, scrub seal, fog seal, and pavement markings project ((CP 0000-753028, SAP 069-030-066 (2024 Scrub Seal)(Prime) consisting of 8 projects)) for various locations within St. Louis County. [24-139]. The motion passed. (7-0)

McDonald/Jugovich moved to award a bid to Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation (aka ASTECH Corp), St. Cloud, MN, in the amount of \$1,636,972.47 for a micro-surfacing project ((CP 0004-778336, SAP 069-604-088 (Low); CP 0008-788475, SAP 069-608-007 (Tied); CP 0133-788474, SAP 069-733-032 (Tied); CP 0000-823811 (Tied)) located on CSAH 4 between CSAH 111 and 245' S of Embarrass River Bridge (CP 0004-778336, SAP 069-604-088); CSAH 8 between Hwy. 73 and CR 965 (Hingeley Rd) (CP 0008-788475, SAP 069-608-007); CSAH 133 between CR 496 (Western Ave.) and Hwy. 53 (CP 0133-788474, SAP 069-733-032); and West Arrowhead Road between Thielke Circle and Trunk Highway (TH) 53 (CP 0000-823811). [24-140]. St. Louis County Public Works Director Jim Foldesi noted that prices have come down for micro-surfacing and the county uses science to determine the right preventative maintenance treatment. The motion passed. (7-0)

Musolf/Nelson moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes the purchase of bulk material wall panels from Wieser Concrete, LLC of Saginaw, MN, for a total cost of \$431,280.00. [24-141]. Director Foldesi said he expects that the three new Public Works campuses will be completed in the next month or two. Director Foldesi commented that approximately \$70 million of projects will be completed by the county in 2024. The motion passed. (7-0)

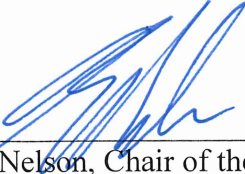
Musolf/Harala moved to award a bid to Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation (aka ASTECH Corp), St. Cloud, MN, in the amount of \$2,674,220.77 for a bituminous seal coat, fog seal, and pavement markings project ((CP 0000-669832, SAP 069-030-060 (2024 Chip Seal)(Low)(Prime); CP 0000-814612 (Tied); CP 0000-814287 (Tied)) for various locations within St. Louis County. [24-142]. The motion passed. (7-0)

Jugovich/McDonald moved to award a bid to KGM Contractors, Inc., Angora, MN, in the amount of \$1,613,777.92 for a bituminous pavement reclamation, aggregate base Class 5, base stabilization, plant mix bituminous and aggregate surfacing project (CP 0022-398243, SAP 069-622-023) located on CSAH 22 between CSAH 25 and TH 53. [24-143]. Director Foldesi said the county has been doing reclamation and overlay projects for approximately 25 years. The motion passed. (7-0)

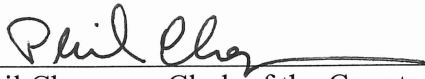
COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Harala thanked county staff and community partners for their efforts in getting answers to property purchases made on Park Point. The remarks made about Duluth have resulted in a group of people organizing the Duluth Cheerio Challenge to help collect donations of cereal for CHUM.

At 11:05 a.m., Boyle/Musolf moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The motion passed. (7-0)



Keith Nelson, Chair of the County Board



Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board