



**FEBRUARY 22, 2022**  
**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE**  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Marie Dranttel, John Luepke, Jack Kolars, and Terry Morrow were present. Also present were County Administrator Mandy Landkamer, County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer, and Recording Secretary Sarah Frahm.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Morrow to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Morrow to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

1. February 8, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes;
2. Appointment to Board of Adjustment & Appeals and Planning & Zoning Advisory Commission
4. Minnesota Department of Human Services Joint Powers Agreement Off-Highway Vehicle Safety Grant with Minnesota DNR
5. End of Probations for Heather Zilka, 911 Dispatcher, effective February 23, 2022.
6. Approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts:
  - a. General Revenue Fund - \$172,790.78;
  - b. Road & Bridge Fund - \$136,516.52;
  - c. Human Services Fund \$337,424.51;
7. Acknowledgement of the Auditor's Warrant review.

Motion carried with all voting in favor, with Commissioner Luepke abstaining.

**Public Appearances**

Jerome George from Mankato approached the Board. He provided pictures of land located in the Swan Lake area. He would like to bid on the land and ultimately purchase it to build a cabin.

**Property Services**

***Revision of Work Plan for AgBMP Loan Program***

Property Services Manager Pete Otterness came before the Board to present the revised AgBMP Loan Work Plan. Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Morrow to approve the Revised Work Plan for AgBMP Loans. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

## **Technologies**

### ***Board Ratification for IFS Contract***

Director Moore presented the approved and fully executed TriMin Contract for maintenance and support of IFS. Motion by Commissioner Morrow and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to ratify the IFS Contract. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

## **Human Resources**

### ***Probation Collective Bargaining Agreement for July 2021 – December 2022***

At 9:10 a.m., there was a short recess before the Board moved to a closed session to discuss the Probation Collective Bargaining Agreement. In attendance were Commissioners Dranttel, Luepke, Kolars, and Morrow. Also in attendance were Human Resources Director Larson, County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer, and County Administrator Landkamer. The meeting was reopened at 9:22 a.m. Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Morrow to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement for Probation. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

## **Administration**

### ***Mankato Area Foundation – Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Climate Study***

Director Landkamer came before the Board to discuss The Mankato Area Foundation (MAF) Climate Study. The goal of the study is to remove barriers to equity, diversity, and inclusivity in the region. Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to approve the amount of \$6,000 to support the Mankato Area Foundation 2022 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Climate Study. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

### ***Minnesota Main Street Revitalization Program***

Director Landkamer presented a Letter of Support for Greater Mankato Growth's Minnesota Main Street Economic Revitalization Fund grant application. Motion by Commissioner Morrow and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the Letter of Support. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

## **County Attorney Update**

County Attorney Zehnder Fischer had no additional items to report.

## **Chair's Report**

## **Commissioner Committee Reports**

The Commissioners reported on various meetings and activities, including:

### **Commissioner Jack Kolars**

- REDA
- South Central MN Advisory Council
- Canvassing
- Board Workshop
- LELS Union prep
- Traverse de Sioux (TdS) via Zoom with legislators
- Greater Mankato Growth (GMG)
- County Board

**Commissioner John Luepke**

- SHIP Meeting via Zoom
- Board Workshop
- County Board

**Commissioner Terry Morrow**

- Canvassing
- Hwy 169 Corridor Meeting
- Our St. Peter
- Tri-County Meeting
- Board Workshop
- SCHSAC Public Health Consortium
- County Board

**Approve Per Diems and Expenses**

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the expenses and per diems for the meetings noted above during the Commissioner Reports and/or as submitted on approved expense reports, and authorize payment of those expenses and per diems by the Finance Office. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Adjourn**

Motion by Commissioner Morrow and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



MARIE DRANTELL, CHAIR  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

  
MANDY LANDKAMER, CLERK TO THE BOARD