

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
NICOLLET COUNTY, MINNESOTA
APRIL 13, 2021

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 9:02 a.m. Commissioners Denny Kemp, Jack Kolars, Marie Dranttel, Terry Morrow and John Luepke were present. Also present were Interim County Administrator Mandy Landkamer, County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer and Recording Secretary Abigail Lewis.

The meeting was held via teleconference pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.021 due to the coronavirus pandemic. Zoom meeting technology was used to conduct the meeting. Chair Morrow, Interim County Administrator Mandy Landkamer and Recording Secretary Lewis were in attendance at the County Board Room. All others participated via Zoom. The meeting was also video recorded.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to approve the consent agenda items as follows: March 23, 2021 Board Meeting minutes, April 1, 2021 Special Board Meeting minutes, and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts: General Revenue Fund - \$158,974.31, Road & Bridge Fund - \$100,077.39, Human Services Fund - \$226,297.03 and acknowledge review of the Auditor's Warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Separation Agreement with Jamie Haefner

A motion was made by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the separation agreement with Jamie Haefner. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Board Appointment for Vacant Positions

A motion was made by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to appoint County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer, or her designee, to receive complaints under the Policy Against Offensive Conduct, Harassment and Violence in those instances where the policy reflects that such reports should be made to the County Administrator or Assistant to the County Administrator. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Attorney's Office: Proclamation for Crime Victims' Rights Week

A motion was made by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to proclaim the week of April 18 – 24, 2021 as Crime Victims' Rights Week. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Administration: Hiring Process for County Administrator and Human Resources Director

Interim County Administrator Mandy Landkamer provided an overview on the four consultants that are available to provide assistance in the hiring process for the County Administrator, which are Baker Tilly, GovHR, David Drown Associates (DDR), and South Central Service Cooperative. Commissioners Kemp and Luepke will work with Interim County Administrator to compile comparative reviews of the consultants to be discussed at the upcoming County Board Workshop.

It was the consensus of the Board to continue to have Interim County Administrator Landkamer continue to fill the role until a permanent County Administrator is hired.

Commissioner Committee Reports

The Commissioners reported on various meetings and activities including:

Commissioner Marie Dranttel

- Special Board Meeting
- One Water One Plan Meeting

Commissioner Terry Morrow

- Special Board Meeting
- Department Head Meeting
- Health and Human Services Department Meeting

Commissioner Denny Kemp

- Special Board Meeting
- South Central ECB
- Multi-County HRA
- MRCI Finance Committee Meeting
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- Educational Stakeholders Meeting
- SECB Finance Committee Meeting
- AMC Education and Training Committee Meeting

Commissioner Jack Kolars

- Special Board Meeting
- REDA Meeting
- MAPO Meeting

Commissioner John Luepke

- Special Board Meeting
- Extension Interview
- One Water One Plan Meeting
- Soil and Water Meeting
- Ditch 77 Meeting

County Attorney Zehnder Fischer provided an overview on the events happening through the month of April, specifically Sexual Assault Awareness and upcoming Denim Day which is taking place on April 28, 2021. Additionally, Attorney Zehnder Fischer reminded everyone to be extra vigilant with ongoing scams, such as unemployment scams.

Public Services Manger Kopet noted that she is hosting an informational meeting in regards to County Ditch 86 on April 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. This meeting is an informative meeting and no action will be taken.

Approve Per Diems and Expenses

Motion by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke 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 on a roll call vote.

Adjourn

Motion by Commission Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.



TERRY MORROW, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



ATTEST:



JACI KOPET
CLERK TO THE BOARD