

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
NICOLLET COUNTY, MINNESOTA
APRIL 27, 2021

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Denny Kemp, Jack Kolars, Marie Dranttel, 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. Vice Chair Dranttel, 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 Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to approve the agenda with one addition. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to approve the consent agenda items as follows: April 13, 2021 Board Meeting minutes, 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant, AudioEye Work Order, Human Resources Technical Assistance Program Membership, and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts: General Revenue Fund - \$218,687.12, Road & Bridge Fund - \$59,914.22, Human Services Fund - \$181,360.07 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.

Appointments

A motion was made by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to appoint Facilities and Maintenance Director, Cody Johnson, as the Coordinator for Safety and Security. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Health and Human Services

Health and Human Services Director, Cassie Sassenberg, provided an update on the COVID-19 efforts by Public Health.

Finance

Motion by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to approve the Resolution Approving the Acceptance of Donations as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Property Services

Planning and Zoning Administrator, Jon Hammel, appeared before the Board to request approval on four items from the April 19, 2021 Planning and Zoning Advisory Meeting.

- 1.) Lincoln Langhorst/Jaclyn Langhorst Rev. Trust - Registered Land Survey No. 77. There was one public comment received, with no objections to the request. There was no public testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

Lincoln Langhorst/Jaclyn Langhorst Rev. Trust	PLN21-13	Registered land survey NO. 77
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Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

- 2.) LJ Farms, LLC – Modify an existing cattle feedlot into a swine feedlot. There was one public comment received, with no objections to the request. There was no public testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

LJ Farms, LLC	PLN21-07	Modify an existing cattle feedlot into a swine feedlot.
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Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

- 3.) Mark and Julie Frankamp – After-the-fact conditional use permit for a level 2 home occupation. No public comment or testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

Mark and Julie Frankamp	PLN21-10	After-the-fact conditional use permit for a level 2 home occupation.
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Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

4.) Willis Walter - Three-year review of a mineral extraction permit to mine, crush, and stockpile gravel. No public comment or testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

Willis Walter	PLN21-01	Three-year review of a mineral extraction permit to mine, crush, and stockpile gravel.
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Motion carried 3-0 on a roll call vote with Commissioner Dranttel abstaining.

5.) W. Lorentz & Sons Construction, Inc. - Mineral extraction permit to mine, crush, stockpile, process, recycle, and wash gravel. One public comment and one public testimony were heard.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

W. Lorentz & Sons Construction, Inc.	PLN21-12	Mineral extraction permit to mine, crush, stockpile, process, recycle, and wash gravel.
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Motion carried 3-1 on a roll call vote with Commissioners Kolars, Kemp, and Dranttel in favor, Commissioner Luepke against.

6.) Forest-Lawn Holsteins/Paul and Cynthia Swenson – Modify an existing cattle feedlot. No public comment or testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

Forest-Lawn Holsteins/Paul and Cynthia Swenson	PLN21-15	Modify an existing cattle feedlot.
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Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

7.) John and Valerie Rieke – Modify an existing swine feedlot. No public comment or testimony.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission's April 19, 2021 report, recommendations and findings as submitted therein, which included the following:

John and Valerie Rieke	PLN21-16	Modify an existing swine feedlot.
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Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Probation

A motion was made by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to approve the Nicollet County Community Corrections Advisory Board By Laws Resolution. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Luepke and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to accept the Annual Agricultural Inspector Report as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Administration

Families First Coronavirus Response Act Benefits Resolution

A motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp to approve the Resolution Extending the Families First Coronavirus Response Act Benefits. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Hiring Process for Human Resources Director

Interim Administrator Landkamer provided an overview of options for the Hiring Process of the Human Resources Director.

Consider David Drown Associates Proposal

A motion by Commissioner Kemp and seconded by Commissioner Luepke to approve the David Drown proposal upon review by the County Attorney. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote.

Commissioner Committee Reports

The Commissioners reported on various meetings and activities including:

Commissioner Marie Dranttel

- Full Region 9 Commission Meeting
- TruTranist Meeting
- Planning and Zoning Meeting
- Individual Department Head Meeting
- St. Peter Liaison Meeting
- Board Workshop
- Brown Nicollet Environmental Health Meeting

Commissioner Denny Kemp

- Board Workshop
- Individual Department Head Meeting
- CD86A Informational Meeting

Commissioner Jack Kolars

- Board Workshop
- REDA Meeting
- Greater Mankato Growth
- Traverse des Sioux
- Minnesota Valley Action Council
- AMC Research Committee
- 86A Inform
- CHS
- Diversity Council

Commissioner John Luepke

- Board Workshop
- Brown Nicollet Environmental Health Meeting
- ISG 86A Pump Station Tour

Approve Per Diems and Expenses

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Kemp 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 Luepke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all voting in favor on a roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.



TERRY MORROW, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:



JACI KOPET
CLERK TO THE BOARD