

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SESSION HELD January 04, 2022
9:00 AM WINONA COUNTY BOARD ROOM

The Winona County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners Room on the above date with Commissioner Marie Kovecsi; Commissioner Marcia Ward; Commissioner Steve Jacob; Commissioner Greg Olson; Commissioner Chris Meyer; County Attorney Karin Sonneman; Finance Director Pat Moga; Interim County Administrator/Personnel Director Maureen Holte; Sheriff Ron Ganrude; Sheriff's Chief Deputy Jeff Mueller; Deputy Sheriff John Hazelton; Emergency Management Coordinator Ben Klinger; Auditor-Treasurer Sandra Suchla; Information Technology Director Chad Lang; Operations Analyst I Joe Gudmundson; Planning and Environmental Services Director Kay Qualley; Water Resources Planner Sheila Harmes; Health and Human Services Director Karen Sanness; Health and Human Services Supervisor Melanie Tatge; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Ward called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to nominate Commissioner Jacob for Board Chair. Vote: Yes – 2; No – 3 (Olson, Kovecsi, Meyer).

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to nominate Commissioner Meyer for Board Chair. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Ward; Jacob).

Commissioner Jacob nominated Commissioner Ward as Board Chair. Commissioner Ward declined nomination.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to nominate Commissioner Jacob as Vice Chair. Vote: Yes – 2; No – 3 (Olson, Kovecsi, Meyer).

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to nominate Commissioner Kovecsi as Vice Chair. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Ward; Jacob).

Public comments were heard from Sheriff Ron Ganrude commending members of the community and law enforcement for their life saving efforts.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi to approve the County Board minutes dated December 28, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson to acknowledge the Planning Commission minutes dated November 18, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson to acknowledge the Board of Adjustment minutes dated November 18, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Kovecsi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the amended agenda by moving Consent Business items 7.13 and 7.10 to General Business items 8.00 and 8.01 respectively. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to approve the following Consent Business:

Award Bid and Approve Contract for 2022 Official Newspaper.

Approve Extension of Contract with Steve Hacken for Assessor's Office.

Approve 2021 Assessment of Clerical Corrections.

Approve LG214 Premises Permit Application and Resolution for Rollingstone Fire Relief Association.

RESOLUTION #2022-01

Gambling Premises Permit

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 349.165 Subd. 1 (1990) now states that a licensed organization may not conduct lawful gambling at any site unless it has first obtained from the Charitable Gambling Control Board a premises permit for the site; and

WHEREAS, County Board must approve or deny each premise permit application if the gambling premises is located outside city limits; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the resolution approving the premise permit application must be attached to the application before the organization seeking the permit can submit the application to the Charitable Gambling Control Board; and

WHEREAS, the resolution approving the application for a gambling premises permit must be dated within sixty (60) days of the submission of the application to the Charitable Gambling Control Board; and

WHEREAS, Rollingstone Fire Relief Association has made an application seeking approval of a premises permit with the Winona County Auditor-Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the name of the organization is Rollingstone Fire Relief Association whose mailing address is, 61 Main Street, Rollingstone, MN 55969; and

WHEREAS, the description and address for the site is the Minnesota City Boat Club, 27440 Harbor Drive, Minnesota City, MN 55959; and

WHEREAS, the Winona County Auditor-Treasurer has reviewed the application forms for the completeness and recommends that the County Board approve the premise permit application.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the application for a premises permit is approved.

Adopted in Winona, Minnesota this 4th day of January, 2022.

Approve LG220 Gambling Application for Exempt Permit-Friends of Country Climbers Snowmobile Club.

Approve MN Department of Health Community Health Board Grant Project Agreement for Delivery of Follow-up Services by Local Public Health Agencies in Mn to Children with Special Health Care Needs.

Approve Renewal of Grant and Business Associate Agreements with City of Winona Through Winona Friendship Center for Advocacy and Information and Referral Services to Senior Citizens.

Approve Renewal of Grant and Business Associate Agreements with Winona Volunteer Services for Purchase of Volunteer Services.

Approve Renewal of Grant and Business Associate Agreements with Big Brothers and Big Sisters for Social and Recreational Services.

Approve Renewal of Grant and Business Associate Agreements with St. Charles Hometown Resource Center for Volunteer Services.

Designate Publication of Transportation Projects on County Website.

Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to table WinLaC Prioritization & Public Outreach Project Agreement and supporting Sub-agreements. Vote: Yes – 2; No – 3 (Olson, Meyer, Kovecsi).

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to move WinLaC Prioritization & Public Outreach Project Agreement and supporting Sub-agreements to the January 25, 2022 County Board meeting until legal clarification is received. Vote: Yes – 5.

By consensus of the Board, to table Renewal of Grant Agreement and Business Associate Agreement with Advocacy Center of Winona for Sexual Assault Crisis Aide and Domestic Violence Crisis Intervention Services until the January 11, 2022 Board meeting, when payment information in the contract is corrected.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to Approve Letter of Approval for Winona Workforce Development Board for Good Jobs Challenge Grant. Vote: Yes – 5.

Commissioner Meyer reappointed Mark Clark and Mike Flynn to Planning Commission. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Kovecsi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to re-appoint Elizabeth Heublein to Board of Adjustments. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to appoint Jerry Obieglo and Mary Eskola to Health and Human Services Advisory. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to appoint Ken Fritz as a voting member of Economic Development Authority. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to appoint Sadie Neuman as an ex-officio member of Economic Development Authority. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to appoint Linda Soderstrom as an ex-officio member of Economic Development Authority. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to reappoint Melinda Groth, Susan Nielsen, Teresa Grossell to Extension. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to appoint George Howe to Parks and Environment. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to appoint Rick Pospichal to Personnel Board of Appeals. Vote: Yes - 2; No - 3 (Olson, Kovecsi, Meyer).

On motion of Commissioner Kovecsi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to re-appoint Meg Krinke to Personnel Board of Appeals. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 1 (Ward).

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to appoint Amanda Hedlund to SEMMCHRA Board of Commissioners. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to appoint Rick Pospichal to Health and Human Services Advisory. Vote: Yes – 5.

By consensus of the Board, to maintain current County Board Appointments and Committees for 2022.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to adjourn the County Board meeting at 10:17 a.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Chris Meyer

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Chris M. Meyer
Board Chair

Attest:

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Maureen L. Holte

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Maureen L. Holte, Interim County Administrator