

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SESSION HELD March 08, 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; Assistant County Attorney II Stephanie Nuttall; Finance Director Pat Moga; Interim County Administrator Maureen Holte; Health and Human Services Director Karen Sanness; Office Services Supervisor Kendra Mann; Jail Administrator Steve Buswell; Emergency Services Coordinator Ben Klinger; Planning and Environmental Services Director Kay Qualley; Zoning Administrator Eric Johnson; EDMS Specialist SamMichael Long; Operations Analyst I Joe Gudmundson; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Meyer called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Public comments were heard from Randy Breyer, 35537 Groth Dr, Houston, regarding support of Conditional Use Permit with Novel Energy; Ben Daley, 17755 County Rd 18, Utica, regarding Planning Commission, Board of Adjustment and Land Stewardship Project; Mary Jo Klinker, 156 E. Broadway, Winona, regarding American Rescue Plan funds; Kelly Stanaage; 31775 Hwy 76, Houston, regarding members of Land Stewardship; Bonnie Hammick, 805 E. 2nd, Winona, regarding American Rescue Plan funds.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to approve the County Board minutes dated February 22, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to acknowledge the Planning Commission minutes dated January 20, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to acknowledge the Board of Adjustment minutes dated December 16, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to acknowledge the Board of Adjustment minutes dated December 2, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to acknowledge the Road and Bridge minutes dated October 19, 2021 Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to approve the agenda as amended by moving Consent Business item 7.1 to General Business item 8.0. Vote: Yes – 5.

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

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Joint Powers Agreement #PR 67135 with Winona CareerForce to Provide Minnesota Family Investment Program/Diversionsary Work Program.

Approve Fund Transfer from 2021 to 2022 for Uncompleted Projects.

Approve Professional Agreement with TriMin Systems and Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative for Maintenance and Support of Integrated Financial Systems.

Confirm Payment of Disbursements.

02/16/22 - 03/01/22		
Fund		
1	Revenue	\$ 275,878.72

2	Recycling & Solid Waste Fund	\$ 89,566.00
3	Road and Bridge	\$ 90,962.58
4	Transportation Sales Tax	\$ 8,500.02
5	Health & Human Services	\$ 294,496.49
7	Road and Bridge State Aid	\$ 36,529.59
27	CLFRF (Coronavirus) #21.027	\$ 55,212.00
37	Jail Expenses Fund	\$ 370,086.17
76	Employee Benefit	\$ 82,233.27
83	State Revenue Fund	\$ 8,241.45
Total		\$1,311,706.29

335 Vendors Paid Less Than \$2000
totaling \$133,881.15

Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward, to change Condition 1 of the Findings of Fact for the Conditional Use Permit for Randy and Valerie Breyer and Novel Energy Solutions to have a setback of 100 feet from the west side property line. Failed due to lack of second.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to change Condition 1 of the Findings of Fact for the Conditional Use Permit for Randy and Valerie Breyer and Novel Energy Solutions to have a setback of 100 feet from the west side property line with consent from the property owner and developer. Vote: Yes – 2; No – 3 (Olson, Kovecsi, Meyer).

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to change Condition 1 of the Findings of Fact for the Conditional Use Permit for Randy and Valerie Breyer and Novel Energy Solutions to have a setback as far as feasible from the east side property line with consent from the property owner and developer. Vote: Yes – 5.

Chairperson Meyer appointed Jordan Potter to Board of Adjustment Liaison to Planning Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Ward, for David Drown and Associates to provide a timeline and redistribute the initial parameters for the County Administrator position for discussion at a future Board meeting.

Commissioner Ward withdrew motion.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to adjust the salary range for the County Administrator position to \$124,000 - \$175,000. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Kovecsi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to Approve Lease Agreement with Port Authority of Winona for 165 W. 2nd Street. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Jacob, Ward).

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to add an approve or deny a future agenda item to request staff to review all outside space rentals, future use of Law Enforcement Center space, changes in onsite work policies and staffing changes to better understand if consolidation could bring cost savings.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to adjourn the County Board meeting at 10:51 a.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

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Board Chair

Attest:

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Maureen L. Holte

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Maureen L. Holte, Interim County Administrator