

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SESSION HELD March 09, 2021
9:00 AM WINONA COUNTY BOARD ROOM

The Winona County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners Room and virtually on the above date with Commissioner Marie Kovecsi; Commissioner Marcia Ward; Commissioner Steve Jacob; Commissioner Greg Olson; Commissioner Chris Meyer; County Attorney Karin Sonneman; County Administrator Ken Fritz; Finance Director Pat Moga; Assistant County Administrator/Personnel Director Maureen Holte; Veteran's Services Officer Jerry Obieglo; Highway Maintenance Superintendent Tim Fort; Maintenance Worker IV Andrew Meyer; Sheriff Ron Ganrude; Sheriff's Chief Deputy Jeff Mueller; Deputy Charles Rolbiecki; Investigator Kate Loken; Planning and environmental Services Director Kay Qualley; Zoning Administrator Eric Johnson; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Ward called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Public comments were heard from Sheriff Ron Ganrude, 143 Pearson Drive, St. Charles, recognizing Deputy Charles Rolbiecki, Lead Investigator Mark Dungy and Investigator Kate Loken, for working a case; Amy Cordury, 26006 County Rd 9, Winona, in favor of DNR deer culling; Crystal Katz, 515 Olmstead St., Winona, opposing DNR deer culling; Chris Walker, 23149 East Burns Valley Rd., opposing DNR deer culling; Richard Bagniewski, 24668 East Burns Valley Rd., opposing DNR deer culling; Robert Meyer, 19001 Hickory Dr., Altura, Commissioner Steve Jacob, 13377 Jacob Ln, Altura, reading a response letter to the County Attorney; Commissioner Chris Meyer, 322 High Forest Rd., reiterating her decision to follow the advice of legal counsel; and James Doerr, Rushford, opposing DNR deer culling.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Meyer, to approve the County Board minutes dated February 23, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Yes – 5.

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

Approve Conditional Use Permit for Matthew and Tessa Nelson for Dwelling on Less Than Forty Acres.

Approve Conditional Use Permit for Andrew and Darienne Frickson for Existing On-Site Retail Store.

Approve County Administrator 2021 Compensation.

Accept COVID Business Relief Final Report.

Authorize Disposal of Excess Furniture and Equipment.

Approve Agreement with Spyglass.

Approve Transfer of Funds from General Fund to Road and Bridge Fund.

Confirm Payment of Disbursements.

02/17/2021 - 03/02/2021		
Fund		
1	Revenue	\$ 295,277.84
2	Recycling & Solid Waste Fund	\$ 24,634.20
3	Road and Bridge	\$ 353,258.75
4	Transportation Sales Tax	\$ 84,002.80
5	Health & Human Services	\$ 422,305.19

7	Road and Bridge State Aid	\$ 27,527.92
28	COVID County Relief	\$ 24,467.25
32	2010A Bond	\$ 1,700.00
71	H.C. Garvin Fund	\$ 46.95
76	Employee Benefit	\$ 78,357.27
82	Misc Taxes Fund	\$ 100.00
83	State Revenue Fund	\$ 27,626.21
Total		\$1,339,304.38

334 Vendors Paid Less Than \$2000
totaling \$125,125.12

Vote: Yes – 5.

Received South East Minnesota Arts Council Update from Board of Directors members Lee Gundersheimer, Laura Helle and Kjellgren Alkire.

Received Update on Unmanned Aircraft System Policy from Chief Deputy, Jeff Mueller.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Meyer, to add discussion for Access of Department of Natural Resources to old Landfill back on the table. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to deny Access of Department of Natural Resources to old Landfill. Vote: Yes – 2; No – 3 (Kovecsi, Meyer, Olson).

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to allow access to Stone Point Park property for deer culling, not allow baiting and properly notice publicly.

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to amend the motion to review the policy and revisit the topic in 1 year at the January 4th, 2022 County Board meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to table allowing Access of Department of Natural Resources to Stone Point Park property until the March 23, 2021 County Board meeting. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to add an approve/deny future agenda item to discuss Respectful Workplace Policy and Behavioral Ground Rules.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to add an approve/deny future agenda item to receive report regarding Public Data Request.

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to adjourn to County Board meeting at 11:02 a.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

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Board Chair

Attest:

Ken Fritz

Kenneth J. Fritz, County Administrator