

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SESSION HELD March 23, 2021
7:00 PM 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; Auditor-Treasurer Sandra Suchla; highway Engineer Dave Kramer; Planning and Environmental Director Kay Qualley; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Ward called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Public comments were heard from Richard Bagniewski, 24668 E. Burns Valley Rd., regarding property tax increase; Amy Cordury, 26006 Cty Rd 9, regarding CWD and support of DNR deer culling; John Zanmiller, Bluffland Whitetails Association, St. Charles, regarding CWD and support of DNR culling deer; Brandon Czaplewski, 24312 Pfeiffer Hill Rd, opposing DNR deer culling.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Meyer, to approve the County Board minutes dated March 9, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to acknowledge receipt of the Whitewater Joint Powers Board minutes dated - December 16, 2020. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to acknowledge receipt of the Planning Commission minutes dated December 17, 2020. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to acknowledge receipt of the Parks and Environment Advisory Committee minutes dated January 5, 2021. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the amended agenda by moving Consent Business item 6.9 to General Business item 7.01. Vote: Yes – 5.

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

Approve Resolution to Place Special Assessment on Real Property.

RESOLUTION #2021-017

Special Assessment on Real Property for Plumbing Service Call

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the assessment of a ninety-four (\$94.00) charge be placed on the property located at 25357 County Road 7, Winona, MN, PIN #06.000.3510 and legally described as:

That part of the East One-Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty Three (23), Township One Hundred Six (105) North, Range Six (6), West of Fifth Principal Meridian, Winona County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at a point 3.90 chins South of the Northwest corner of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2 of NE1/4) of said Section 23; thence South 19.20 chains; thence South 69 Degrees East 16.20 chains, more or less, to the center of the County Highway, being the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence Northeasterly along the center of said Highway 110.0 feet; thence North 69 Degrees West 250.0 feet; thence Southwesterly on a line parallel with the center-line of said Highway 110.0 feet; thence South 69 Degrees East 250.0 feet to the point of beginning, including an access and egress Easement over and across the Southwesterly Ten Feet of the above described parcel.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Approve Minnesota Department of Human Services Amendment No. 1 for Grant Contact No. 173184 Children's Mental Health Respite Care Services.

Approve Monthly Resolution.

RESOLUTION #2021-012

WHEREAS, the Director of Health and Human Services has advised that all Income Maintenance case actions are in conformance with State, Federal and County laws, rules, regulations and policies.

BE IT RESOLVED that all Income Maintenance case openings, closings, suspensions, grant changes and any other affecting client eligibility and payments documented in the Department on the State's MAXIS eligibility system through **March 23, 2021** are hereby approved; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Health and Human Services advised that all Social Service case actions are in conformance with State, Federal and County laws, rules, regulations and policies.

BE IT RESOLVED that all Health and Human Services case openings, closings, payments, placements and licensing actions as documented in the Department on agency listings for licensing actions, case records, record of human service plan cards, purchase of service abstract, reports of refunds and cancellations, payment authorizations and computer printouts through **March 23, 2021** are hereby approved; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Health and Human Services has advised that all Social Service and Welfare claims against the County submitted for payment **March 23, 2021** have been reviewed and are eligible for payment pursuant to all applicable rules, regulations, laws and policies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all bills as listed on listing of warrants and claims against the Community Social Service Act and Welfare funds and Warrant registers shall be approved as valid claims against the County and are hereby approved for payment.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Approve Partnering Agreement with State of Minnesota Information Technology Services for Lidar Project.

Approve Agreements and Resolutions for State Local Bridge Replacement Program Grants for CSAH 5 and CSAH 26 Bridges.

RESOLUTION #2021-013

CSAH 5 Bridge Grant Agreement

WHEREAS, Winona County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for construction of Bridge No. 85577; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this bridge is available; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$361,430.00 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Winona County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the bridge but not required. The proper county officers are authorized to execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-referenced grant.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

RESOLUTION #2021-014

CSAH 26 Bridge Grant Agreement

WHEREAS, Winona County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for construction of Bridge No. 85583; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this bridge is available; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$579,090.00 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Winona County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the bridge but not required. The proper county officers are authorized to execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-referenced grant.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Approve Resolution for Parking Restriction on CSAH 23 Near Hwy 14.

RESOLUTION #2021-015

Parking Restriction on CSAH 23 north of Hwy 14

WHEREAS, vehicles parked on the east side of County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 23, immediately north of U.S. Trunk Highway (TH) 14, cause a hazard for trucks turning from TH 14 north onto CSAH 23; and

WHEREAS, Winona County Ordinance 35 allows enforcement of parking restrictions that are established by County Board resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a no parking zone is hereby established on CSAH 23, on the east side, from TH 14 to a point 110 feet more or less north of the centerline of TH 14.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Award Bid for CSAH 25 Reconstruction and Surfacing to Dunn Blacktop Company.

Award Bid for CSAH 37 Resurfacing and Culverts to Dunn Blacktop Company.

Approve 2021 Solid Waste Hauler and Facility License Applications.

Approve Additional Funding Resolution for Toward Zero Deaths Enforcement Grant.

RESOLUTION #2021-016

Toward Zero Deaths Speed Enforcement Grant

WHEREAS, the Winona County Board entered into a grant agreement on November 10, 2020, with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety; Office of Traffic Safety for the project entitled 2021 Toward Zero Deaths Enforcement Speed grant; and

WHEREAS, the Winona County Sheriff's office applied for and was approved approximately \$2,700.00 in additional Toward Zero Deaths Enforcement Speed grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the state of Minnesota requires an additional signed resolution for funding approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Winona County Board of Commissioners approves the additional funding for the Toward Zero Deaths Enforcement Speed Grant.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Approve Closing Fund 32-2010A Bond and Transfer Remaining Funds to Fund 33-2020A Bond.

Confirm Payment of Disbursements.

03/03/2021 - 03/16/2021		
Fund		
1	Revenue	\$ 325,701.77
2	Recycling & Solid Waste Fund	\$ 164,254.51
3	Road and Bridge	\$ 109,247.92
4	Transportation Sales Tax	\$ 34,000.03
5	Health & Human Services	\$ 332,828.22
7	Road and Bridge State Aid	\$ 131,938.98
37	Jail Fund	\$ 170,540.23
73	Collaborative	\$ 39.00
76	Employee Benefit	\$ 8,471.45
83	State Revenue Fund	\$ 123,671.57
Total		\$1,400,693.68

143 Vendors Paid Less Than \$2000
totaling \$84,640.57

Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Kovcesi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to Award Bid for CSAH 15 & CR 107 Reconstruction to Mathiowetz Construction Company. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to Approve a Future Agenda item to Discuss Respectful Workplace Policy and Behavioral Ground Rules at a future County Board meeting. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Meyer, Kovcesi).

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to Approve a Future Agenda item to Receive Report Regarding Public Data Request. Vote: Yes – 5.

Received Monthly Finance and Budget Update for January 2021.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Meyer, to add an approve/deny future agenda item to discuss gathering additional information from Bluffland Whitetails Association, regarding Chronic Wasting Disease at the April 13, 2021 County Board meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to adjourn the County Board meeting at 7:55 p.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Marcia L. Ward

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Board Chair

Attest:

Ken Fritz
Kenneth J. Fritz, County Administrator