

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SESSION HELD July 26, 2022
7:00 PM 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; Interim County Administrator Maureen Holte; Finance Director Pat Moga; Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Jeff Mueller; Auditor-Treasurer Sandra Suchla; Planning and Environmental Services Director Kay Qualley; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Meyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

No public comments were heard.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the County Board minutes dated July 12, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to acknowledge the Parks and Environment Advisory Committee minutes dated May 3, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

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

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

Accept Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Grant Award.

Approve Volunteer Nitrate Monitoring Network Grant Agreement with Olmsted Soil and Water Conservation District.

Approve 2022 State of Minnesota Federal Supplemental Boating Safety Patrol Grant Agreement.

Approve Donations Received 4/1/2022 - 6/30/2022.

RESOLUTION #2022-37

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Winona County Board of Commissioners, that they accept the donations that have been presented. The donations are from 4/1/2022 - 6/30/2022. The amount of the cash donations is \$1,570.00. Donations are as follows:

Corrections – Restorative Justice	\$ 1,470.00
HHS – Public Health	\$ 50.00
Sheriff – Police Dog	\$ 50.00

Adopted in Winona, Minnesota this 26th day of July, 2022.

Confirmed Payment of Disbursements.

07/06/22 - 07/19/22		
Fund	Revenue	\$
1	Revenue	490,361.25
2	Recycling & Solid Waste Fund	106,607.17
3	Road and Bridge	350,307.47
4	Transportation Sales Tax	287,220.28

5	Health & Human Services	\$ 258,716.64
7	Road and Bridge State Aid	\$ 282,812.78
27	CLFRF (Coronavirus) #21.027	\$ 648.00
73	Collaborative	\$ 2,367.84
76	Employee Benefit	\$ 7,431.93
83	State Revenue Fund	\$ 14,566.90
Total		\$ 1,801,040.26

138 Vendors Paid Less Than \$2000
totaling \$103,401.81

Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to approve the 2023 SEMMCHRA Allocation and preliminary Levy Resolution for \$100,000.

Commissioner Ward called the question. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to approve the 2023 SEMMCHRA Allocation and Preliminary Levy Resolution for \$100,000. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Kovecsi, Olson).

RESOLUTION #2022-38

Preliminary Special Benefit Tax Levy of Southeastern Minnesota Multi-County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and Budget for Fiscal Year 2023

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Minnesota Multi-County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") was created by action of the Boards of Commissioners of Dodge, Goodhue, Wabasha, and Winona Counties (collectively referred to as the "Counties") pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.004; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such action on the part of the Counties and Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.001 to 469.047 (the "Act"), the Authority was granted all of the same functions, rights, powers, duties, privileges, immunities and limitations as are provided for housing and redevelopment authorities created for cities under the Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 469.033, subd. 6, of the Act permits the Authority to levy and collect a special benefit tax of up to .0185% of taxable market value upon all taxable property, both real and personal, within the Authority's area of operation; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has requested that the Board of Commissioners of Winona County approve the levy of such a preliminary special benefit tax in the amount of \$100,000 to be levied upon all taxable market value of taxable property within the Authority's area of operation contained within Winona County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Winona County has considered such request by the Authority and believes that consenting to such a preliminary special benefit tax levy by the Authority is in the best interests of Winona County and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is also required pursuant to Section 469.033, subd. 6, of the Act to, in connection with the levy of such a special benefit tax, formulate and file a budget in accordance with the budget procedures of the Counties in the same manner as required of executive departments of the Counties and the amount of the tax levy for the following year shall be based upon that budget and approved by the Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has presented to the Board of Commissioners of Winona County a copy of a proposed budget for its operations for fiscal year 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Winona County as follows:

Section 1. That the budget for fiscal year 2023 for the operations of the Authority as presented for consideration by the Board of Commissioners of Winona County is hereby in all respects approved.

Section 2. That the levy of a preliminary special benefit tax pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.033, subd. 6, is hereby consented to with respect to taxes payable in calendar year 2023 in the amount of \$100,000 to be levied upon all taxable market value of taxable property within the Authority's area of operation within Winona County.

Adopted in Winona, Minnesota this 26th day of July, 2022.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to nominate Commissioner Jacob and Commissioner Kovecsi to Serve on August 9 Primary Election Canvass Board. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Kovecsi and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to review and reset the Fee Schedule, separate the wage and bank levy and ask the County Attorney's office to research legality of providing relief for the affected family. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovecsi, to add an approve/deny future agenda item to discuss the dog breeding facilities at the August 9, 2022 County Board meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to adjourn the County Board meeting on 7:46 p.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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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