

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**  
**WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**SESSION HELD August 09, 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; Interim County Administrator Maureen Holte; Finance Director Pat Moga; Planning and Environmental Services Director Kay Qualley; Feedlot Officer Carly McGinty; Water Resource Planner Sheila Harmes; Administrative Specialist Anne Schwertel; Health and Human Services Director Karen Sanness; Operations Analyst I Joe Gudmundson; Highway Engineer Dave Kramer; Fleet, Building and Grounds Superintendent Aaron LaFee; Executive Assistant Heidi Hund. Chairperson Meyer called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Public comments were heard from Carl Broberg, 1203 19<sup>th</sup> NE, Rochester, regarding fish kill; Jeff Broberg, 11596 Persons Dr., regarding fish kill; Ann Olson, 1041 Grand Ave., St. Paul, regarding dog breeding facilities; Anne Joria, 344 Knopp Valley Dr., regarding dog breeding facilities; Gayle Goetzman, 22036 E. Burns Valley Rd., regarding dog breeding facilities; Feedlot Officer Carly McGinty, 17254 County Rd 6, providing fish kill update; Lita Johnson, 104 Main St. #116, regarding dog breeding facilities; Barb Nelson, 23078 Highway 14, regarding fish kill; David White, 705 W. 7<sup>th</sup>, regarding fish kill; Tim Ahrens, 12969 County Rd 31, regarding fish kill; Malia Hougen, 12969 County Rd 31, regarding fish kill.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the Closed Session minutes dated July 26, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the County Board minutes dated July 26, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to acknowledge the Board of Adjustment minutes dated May 19, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to acknowledge the Planning Commission minutes dated June 16, 2022. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Jacob, to approve the amended agenda by moving Consent Business items 6.4 and 6.1 to General Business items 7.0 and 7.01, respectively. Vote: Yes – 5.

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

Approve Conditional Use Permit for Allen Detweiler and Freeman Detweiler.

Approve Interim Use Permit for Allen Detweiler and Freeman Detweiler.

Approve Renewal of Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program Agreement and Resolution.

**RESOLUTION #2022-39**

Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program

BE IT RESOLVED, by Winona County Board of Commissioners that the County enters into the attached grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the following program: County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services

offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Statutes §197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2022, Regular Session, Chapter 54, Article 1, Section 3, Subdivision 2(e). This grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Winona County Board of Commissioners that the County Administrator be authorized to execute the attached grant contract for the above-mentioned program on behalf of the County.

Adopted at Winona, Minnesota this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

Approve 2022 Solid Waste Facility License Application for LRS of Minnesota LLC.

Approve Voucher Payment to Bruce Barkheim for Equipment and Installation to Remove Contaminants from Water.

Approve Application and Resolution for Proposal of Altura Well Sealing Grant.

**RESOLUTION #2022-40**

Participation of 2023 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grant

WHEREAS, the Clean Water Fund was established in Minnesota Statute 114D.50 to implement part of Article XI, Section 15, of the Minnesota Constitution, with the purpose of protecting, enhancing, and restoring water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams in addition to protecting ground water and drinking water sources from degradation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Altura has an abandoned well has access to multiple aquifers and poses a contamination risk to drinking water sources; and

WHEREAS, the County of Winona through the County Board of Commissioners has an interest in submitting a request for proposal for FY 2023 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grant; and

WHEREAS, submittal of this request for proposal is consistent with priority concerns of the Winona County's Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan, and City of Altura Wellhead Protection Program; and

WHEREAS, if grant is awarded, the 25% required match will be provided through staff time; and

WHEREAS, if grant is awarded, the County of Winona through the Planning and Environmental Services Department will return to the County Board of Commissioners to get a resolution to support project work; and

WHEREAS, if grant is awarded, the County of Winona through the Planning and Environmental Services Department will work with the City of Altura to develop formal roles of respective parties.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Winona County Board of Commissioners recognizes and supports collaborative efforts with the City of Altura City Council to submit a joint request for proposal to Minnesota's Board of Soil and Water Resources for FY 2023 Clean Water Funds to seal an abandoned municipal well.

Adopted in Winona, Minnesota this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

Approve Contract for Cost Share to Jeff and Sandy Larson for Equipment and Installation to Remove Contaminants from Water.

Approve Agreement with DebtBook.

Confirm Payment of Disbursements.

| 07/20/22 - 07/27/22 |                             |                        |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Fund                |                             |                        |
| 1                   | Revenue                     | \$ 54,167.15           |
| 3                   | Road and Bridge             | \$ 42,986.19           |
| 4                   | Transportation Sales Tax    | \$ 289,246.96          |
| 5                   | Health & Human Services     | \$ 166,208.64          |
| 7                   | Road and Bridge State Aid   | \$ 2,800.00            |
| 27                  | CLFRF (Coronavirus) #21.027 | \$ 5,234.00            |
| 37                  | Jail Expenses Fund          | \$ 1,078,857.32        |
| 76                  | Employee Benefit            | \$ 2,801.10            |
| 83                  | State Revenue Fund          | \$ 3,245.42            |
| <b>Total</b>        |                             | <b>\$ 1,645,546.78</b> |

65 Vendors Paid Less Than \$2000  
totaling \$34,122.26.

Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Kovcesi, to Approve Supervisor Association Amendment 2021. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 2 (Ward, Jacob).

On motion of Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to Approve Conditional Use Permit for Steve and MaryAnn Jacob and Trent and Ashton Jacob. Vote: Yes – 4; Abstain – 1 (Jacob).

Received Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation Update Presentation from President and CEO, Tim Penny.

Received Update on 2020 State Audit Corrective Action Plan from Interim County Administrator, Maureen Holte.

On motion of Commissioner Olson and seconded by Commissioner Meyer, to Approve Future Agenda Item to Discuss Dog Breeding Facilities at the August 23, 2022 County Board meeting. Vote: Yes – 5.

On motion of Commissioner Jacob and seconded by Commissioner Olson, to adjourn the County Board meeting at 10:02 a.m. Vote: Yes – 5.

**WINONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

DocuSigned by:

*Chris M. Meyer*

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Board Chair

Attest:

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*Maureen L. Holte*

Maureen L. Holte, Interim County Administrator