

WORK SESSION (COUNTY BOARD ROOM):

REVIEW FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH GRANT AWARD

DISCUSS COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD AND MEMBERS

REVIEW DEVELOPMET ORDINANCE UPDATES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following commissioners present: Commissioners Whitcomb, Oslin, Peterson, Tellinghuisen, and Reynolds.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE THE AGENDA (ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS)

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

REVIEW OF CVS WARRANTS

REVIEW OF AUDITOR WARRANTS

CONSIDER LEGAL FEES

Legal fees were approved as part of the Consent Agenda in the amount of \$53,412.50 to Kelly, Wolter & Scott, P.a. for fees incurred in June 2023.

CONSIDER COMMISSIONERS MILEAGE AND PER DIEMS - JANUARY 2024

CONSIDER JANUARY 16, 2024 COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

CONSIDER AMENDMENT #10 TO THE SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT FOR 2024

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO SHORT-TERM RENTAL LICENSING ORDINANCE

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO SUBDIVISION PLAT REVIEW ORDINANCE

CONSIDER OPIOID CONTRACTS

CONSIDER FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AWARD

REGULAR AGENDA

REVIEW JANUARY 2024 NEW HIRES AND LEAVES

Employee Relations Specialist Krystal Kapler presented the agenda item.

LAND SERVICES OFFICE

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 02-06-24-01: APPOINT A BALLOT BOARD FOR THE PNP

ELECTIONCounty Auditor-Treasurer Brenda Eklund presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 02-06-24-01: Appoint a Ballot Board for the PNP Election.

**Board of County Commissioners
Mille Lacs County, Minnesota
Resolution No.: 02-06-24-01**

**ESTABLISHING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION
PRIMARY ELECTION**

WHEREAS, Mille Lacs County is required by Minnesota Statutes 203B.121, Subd.1 to establish an Absentee Ballot Board effective January 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting returned absentee ballot in Mille Lacs County; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number or election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy county auditors trained in the processing and counting of absentee ballots;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes an Absentee Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as proved in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy auditors to perform the task.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 02-06-24-02: APPOINT A BALLOT BOARD FOR THE SPECIAL

PRIMARY ELECTIONCounty Auditor-Treasurer Brenda Eklund presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 02-06-24-01: Appoint a Ballot Board for the Special Primary Election.

**Board of County Commissioners
Mille Lacs County, Minnesota
Resolution No.: 02-06-24-02**

**ESTABLISHING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD FOR SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND
SPECIAL ELECTION**

WHEREAS, Mille Lacs County is required by Minnesota Statutes 203B.121, Subd.1 to establish an Absentee Ballot Board effective February 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting returned absentee ballot in Mille Lacs County; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number or election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy county auditors trained in the processing and counting of absentee ballots;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes an Absentee Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as proved in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy auditors to perform the task.

CONSIDER SRF CONTRACT FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Land Services Director Doug Hansen presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

CONSIDER A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO TRANSFER PUBLIC SAFETY AID FUNDS INTO
THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET

County Sheriff Kyle Burton reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

PUBLIC WORKS

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF MOWERS

County Engineer Kyle Lau reviewed the agenda item. Tellinghuisen approved, Whitcomb seconded.

CONSIDER AWARD FOR SAP 048-598-014 BOX CULVERTS REPLACEMENT CR 105 AND CR 119

Public Works Director Kyle Lau reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Oslin, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

CONSIDER FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF SAP 048-621-011 (CSAH 21)

Public Works Director Kyle Lau presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICE

CONSIDER MILLE LACS COUNTY CHILD CARE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Community & Organizational Development Manager Lainy Hoskins reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

CONSIDER THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SPLUNK SECURITY SOFTWARE

Technology Services Manager Michael Virnig presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and carried by Commissioners Oslin and Peterson to approve the agenda item. Commissioner Tellinghuisen opposed.

CONSIDER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO INSTALL SPLUNK SERVER SYSTEM.

Technology Services Manager Michael Virnig reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF MICROSOFT OFFICE 365 LICENSES

Technology Services Manager Michael Virnig reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Oslin, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda item.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 02-06-24-03: OPPOSITION TO REDESIGNING THE STATE FLAG & SEAL

County Administrator Dillon Hayes reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 02-06-24-03: Opposition to Redesigning the State Flag & Seal.

**Board of County Commissioners
Mille Lacs County, Minnesota
Resolution No.: 02-06-24-03**

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO REDESIGNING THE STATE FLAG AND SEAL

WHEREAS, the 2023 Legislature created a State Emblems Redesign Commission in the Laws of Minnesota, Chapter 62, Article 2, Section 118 the purpose of which is to redesign the official state flag and official state seal; and

WHEREAS, the Redesign Commission was charged with bringing recommendations on the redesign to the Legislature by no later than January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the official seal of the State of Minnesota has remained unchanged since 1858; the current official state flag was created in 1957 with minor modifications done in 1983; and

WHEREAS, the official state flag and seal are not only symbols of our state, but also of our history and both the current official state flag and official state seal contain historical information on our farming background, Native American heritage and the co-existence that is part of the rich history of our state; and

WHEREAS, there is a substantial public cost associated with making this change that does not advance the public interest, including every deputy badge, seals in every courtroom and County Board Rooms across the state at substantial public expense; and

WHEREAS, the public reaction to the proposed designs has thus far been overwhelmingly

negative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners hereby urges our legislative delegation and the Governor to reject the work of the State Emblems Redesign Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners hereby urges our legislative delegation and the Governor to retain the existing state seal and state flag as the official emblems for the State of Minnesota.

CONSIDER CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT PROPOSED BY BARGAINING UNIT

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Oslin, and unanimously carried to close the County Board meeting at 9:41 a.m. in accordance with Minnesota Statute 13D.03 Subdivision 1. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Oslin, and unanimously carried to come out of closed session and re-open the County Board meeting at 10:27 a.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Whitcomb attended County Fair Board meeting. Commissioner Tellinghuisen attended the Snake River Watershed meeting. Commissioner Reynolds attended the Emergency Services Board meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

WORK SESSION (COUNTY BOARD ROOM):

STATEWIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AID

HRA BOARD

REVIEW HIGHWAY 23 INTERCHANGE

REVIEW HUNTERS FOR HUNTERS REQUEST

ATTEST:

Dillon Hayes
County Administrator

Phil Peterson
County Board Chairperson