

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board Chair Peterson called the meeting 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 Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Whitcomb requested to remove agenda item 4.3 Consider September 17, 2024 County Board Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-24-24-01: SEPTIC SYSTEM ABATEMENT**Board of County Commissioners**

Mille Lacs County, Minnesota

Resolution No.: 09-24-24-01

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Whereas, pursuant to Mille Lacs County *Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (“SSTS”) Ordinance* (hereinafter the “Ordinance”), Mille Lacs County is charged with administering and enforcing the current Minn. Pollution Control Agency Regulations, Minn. Admin. R. 7080-7083, *See also* Minn. Stat. § 115.55, Minn. Stat. § 154A.01 through § 154A.08, and Minn. Stat. § 375.51; and

WHEREAS the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners proposes to abate specified non-compliant SSTS which have been deemed an imminent public health threat (hereinafter referred to as Project); and

WHEREAS the Project work shall consist of retaining the services of a qualified professional to take remedial actions to upgrade or replace specified non-compliant SSTS’s when the Owner, as defined by Minn. R. § 7080.1100, Subp. 56, has failed to take remedial action; and

WHEREAS the specific land and interest identified as an imminent public health threat where SSTS need abatement is described as:

PID 02-002-0103

Pederson/Ryan

The East Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 2, Township 38, Range 26, Mille Lacs County, Minnesota.

WHEREAS an Order for Judgment was issued for the property on 8/25/2023; allowing Mille Lacs County to abate the non-compliant septic system and charge the costs of said abatement back to the property through tax assessments.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Zoning Administrator to certify the following special assessments to the Auditor-Treasurer for collection beginning with taxes payable in 2025 at 10% interest over a ten (10) year term:

Parcel Number	Owner Name	Amount to be Assessed
02-002-0103	Ryan Pederson	\$15,225

CONSIDER 2022 EMPG GRANT AGREEMENT

CONSIDER SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Whitcomb noted a correction under "Committee Reports", that the appropriate spelling for his assigned committee is SCHSAC. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Oslin, and unanimously carried to approve the September 17, 2024 County Board meeting minutes with that correction.

REGULAR AGENDA

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICE

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-24-24-02: 2025 PRELIMINARY LEVY

County Administrator Dillon Hayes reviewed the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 09-24-24-02: 2025 Preliminary Levy.

Board of County Commissioners

Mille Lacs County, Minnesota

Resolution No.: 09-24-24-02

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING 2025 PRELIMINARY LEVY

WHEREAS department heads have submitted their proposed 2025 budgets and were subsequently provided with an opportunity to discuss their requests with the Administrative Services Office and/or the County Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners approves a 2025 Preliminary Maximum Levy in the amount of **\$25,409,123** which represents an **6.09%** increase over the 2024 Levy.

PUBLIC WORKS

CONSIDER TANDEM AXLE PLOW TRUCK ACQUISITION

County Administrator Hayes reviewed the agenda item, noting that the acquisition is via State Contract. A motion was made by Commissioner Oslin, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to accept the quotes and authorize the acquisition/build-out from Boyer and Towmaster in the amount of \$312,402.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Whitcomb attended the Fair Board meeting. Commissioner Reynolds requested a replacement representative for the Lakes and Pines Board as her term is expiring; Commissioner Oslin volunteered to fill this assignment for the remainder of 2024.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m.