

WORK SESSION (COUNTY BOARD ROOM):

PERSONNEL POLICY UPDATES

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board Chair Genny Reynolds called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the following commissioners present: Commissioners Whitcomb, Tellinghuisen, Reynolds, Bjornson and Munson.

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 Bjornson, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda.

CONSIDER OCTOBER 7, 2025, COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

REVIEW OF CVS WARRANTS

REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATOR WARRANTS

CONSIDER UPDATED CSAH 2/TH 23 ADA IMPROVEMENTS

REGULAR AGENDA

LAND SERVICES OFFICE

PUBLIC HEARING FOR A PROPOSED NAME ON A WATERWAY

Auditor-Treasurer Brenda Eklund presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Bjornson, seconded by Commissioner Munson, and unanimously carried to open the public hearing at 9:03 a.m. Pete Boulay, Minnesota Geographic Names Staff with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, spoke regarding federal issues associated with copyright on the proposed name. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Bjornson, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 9:07 a.m.

COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CONSIDER SHERIFF'S APPOINTMENT OF NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Sheriff Kyle Burton presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Bjornson, and unanimously carried to approve the Sheriff's appointment of a new Administrative Assistant.

COMMUNITY AND VETERAN SERVICES OFFICE

CONSIDER OPIOID SETTLEMENT GRANTS

CHS Administrator Kris Klopp presented the agenda item. Discussion took place regarding staffing concerns and how that affects funding in public health. A motion was made by Commissioner Bjornson, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to approve the Opioid Settlement Grants and authorize the County Administrator to execute the related documents.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICE

CONSIDER 2026 UNIFORM PAY SCALE AND 2026 NON-UNION INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS

Personnel Director Karly Fetters presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Munson, and unanimously carried to approve the 2026 Uniform Pay Scale and 2026 Non-Union Insurance contributions.

CONSIDER MNDOT RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION AND TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR HIGHWAY 23

County Administrator Dillon Hayes presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Munson, seconded by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, and unanimously carried to approve the MNDOT Right-of-Way Acquisition and Temporary Easement for Highway 23.

PUBLIC WORKS

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR SPRA GRANT FUNDING

Public Works Director Wesley Davis presented the agenda item. A motion was made by Commissioner Munson, seconded by Commissioner Bjornson, and unanimously carried to approve the authorization of staff to proceed with the SPRA grant funding application.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Whitcomb attended the Central MN Task Force meeting, the Leadership Management meeting, and the East Central Solid Waste meeting. Commissioner Reynolds attended the Extension Committee meeting, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe meeting, the District 5 AMC meeting, Commissioner Bjornson attended the SCHSAC Retreat and the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe meeting, Commissioner Munson attended the Soil and Water Conservation District meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Bjornson, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 AM.

WORK SESSION (COUNTY BOARD ROOM):

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN REVIEW

ATTEST:

Dillon Hayes
County Administrator

Genny Reynolds
County Board Chairperson