

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
ADJOURNED SESSION - Rough Draft
Monday, January 25, 2021
4:00 p.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 25th day of January, 2021, in Adjourned Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

Chairperson Proulx called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members present: Bodie, Brenner (by video), Peterson, Proulx and Thell. Absent: None.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The County Attorney stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the related peace-time emergency declaration an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent and declared that necessary conditions were met for remote participation.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Agenda as amended.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes of the January 5, 2021, Annual Meeting.

Heather Wright, NorthStar Community Services, presented information on locating the Extension Office and staff at the fairgrounds in Barnum, Minnesota.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following service contracts for 2021.

Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency/Minnesota Family Investment Program	
Dr. Kenneth Ripp, Medical Consultant	Duluth Regional Care Center
Lutheran Social Services Youth Shelter	Pine Ridge
Northstar Community Services	Pinewood
Northeast Minnesota Office of Jobs & Training	

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve \$30,000 for the purchase of electronic road signs from pandemic relief funds.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling the Zoning Technician position in the Zoning and Environmental Services Office.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (20-008):

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Board of Commissioners did previously approve the Nemadji Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the parties have now formed a Memorandum of Agreement for the specific goal of implementing the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the parties have also developed a budget for implementing the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Memorandum of Agreement for Implementation of the Nemadji One Watershed, One Plan Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners approves the work plan budget for implementation.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendation of the Carlton County Planning Commission and approve the following Interim Use Permit in accordance with findings of fact and associated conditions as on file in the Zoning Office:

No. 420005, David Douglas, represented by Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership, for a temporary contractor construction yard to support Enbridge Energy Line 3 on property described as Part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter all in Section 15, Township 48 North, Range 17 West in Twin Lakes Township (PIN 81-030-2970, 2990, 3000, 3030).

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation and approve the following Minor Subdivision with associated conditions as on file in the Zoning Office:

No. 820018, LuAnn Freiermuth, for property described as Part of Government Lot 1, in Section 9, Township 48 North, Range 20 West in Eagle Township on Island Lake (PIN 90-010-1463).

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to accept the Minnesota Department of Transportation appraisal for the purchase of part of Government Lot 6, Section 4, Township 48.0 North, Range 20 West (PIN 17-170-0320), for improvements to Highway 73.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to accept the donation from Pheasants Forever, Inc. of lands identified as the South Half Southwest Quarter, Section 31 Township 48N Range 15W and the Northeast Quarter, Section 1 Township 47N Range 16W and a strip of land 100 ft. wide, formerly Railway Right-of-Way, in the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 48N, Range 15W, said

strip beginning on the South boundary right of way of the "Military Road" (also known as Carlton CSAH 4) thence running South and Westerly to the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 48N, Range 15W, continuing through Government Lot 1 of Section 6 Township 47N Range 15W and looping through the Northeast Quarter of Section 1 Township 47N Range 16W back to the North Boundary of the Northeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter, Section 6 Township 47N Range 15W (Carlton County Document A000495679) pursuant to Carlton County Board Resolution 19-096 adopted on August 29, 2019.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (20-009):

WHEREAS, the contract with Landwehr Construction, Inc. for S.A.P. 009-599-028, for box culvert replacement on N. Holyoke Dr. 0.4 Mi East of TH 23 has in all things been completed and the County Board has been fully advised in the premises;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of Carlton; and
2. That the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the County Engineer to make final payment in the amount of twenty-one thousand, sixty-two dollars and forty-two cents (\$21,062.42) to Landwehr Construction, Inc.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (20-010):

WHEREAS, the County of Carlton is planning to construct SP 009-607-026, SP 009-070-009, and SP 009-070-010 in the year 2021, which has been programmed by the Area Transportation Partnership (ATP) in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) or work plan for the years 2021 & 2022; and

WHEREAS, said County is prepared to proceed with the construction of said project through the use of an advance from the County State Aid Highway Fund to supplement the available funds in their State Aid Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, repayment of the funds so advanced will be made from Federal funds no later than the year in which the ATP has programmed the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Transportation be and is hereby requested to approve this advance for financing SP 009-607-026, SP 009-070-009, and SP 009-070-010 of the County of Carlton in an amount up to \$3,133,725.00 in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8820.1500, Subp. 9, and to authorize repayments from their state aid account or from local funds within a

requested and approved repayment schedule should said project fail to receive Federal funds for any reason.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the FY2021 Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification between the Department of Justice and the Carlton County Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve a contract for services with Rex Laaksonen from February 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022, for matters related to Children in Need of Protections or Services (CHIPS); Termination of Parental Rights (TPR); Long-Term Foster Care placement (LTFC); and Transfer of Legal and Physical Custody (TL&PC) and to further authorize the Board Chairman, County Auditor, Public Health and Human Services Director, and County Attorney to execute this contract.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendations of the CARES Act Committee and approve guidelines for grants to small businesses and non-profits adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and made under the County Relief Funding Program established through State legislation as on file in the Economic Development Office.

The County Coordinator gave an update on possibilities for space usage and needs assessment in the Courthouse.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve submission of an application for the Jump Start 4 Kindergarten grant under the United Way for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve submission of applications for two More Resilient Minnesota – Community Resilience Initiatives grants from the Minnesota Department of Health Services for \$5,000 each.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes that this meeting be adjourned.

Attest: _____
Kathryn Kortuem
County Auditor/Treasurer

Thomas Proulx
County Board Chairperson