

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
ADJOURNED SESSION - Rough Draft
Monday, July 22, 2019
4:00 p.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 22nd day of July, 2019, in Adjourned Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

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

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

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

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes of the July 9th Regular meeting.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling a Family Unit Child Protection Social Worker position.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling a Public Health Nurse position as a 0.7 FTE instead of 0.6 FTE.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling an Adult Services Social Worker position.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (19-081):

IT IS RESOLVED by the Carlton County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. That the state of Minnesota Agreement No. 1034957, "Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Excluding Land Acquisition," for State Project No. A0902-58 at the Cloquet-Carlton County Airport is accepted.
2. That the Carlton County Board Chair and Carlton County Auditor/Treasurer are authorized to execute this Agreement and any amendments of behalf of the Carlton County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes except Peterson and Proulx who voted nay, to adopt the following resolution (19-082):

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 297A.993 authorizes the board of a county outside the metropolitan transportation area, as defined under section 297A.992, subdivision 1, to impose by resolution following a public hearing a transportation sales tax at a rate of up to one-half of one percent (0.5%) on retail sales and uses; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 297A.993 further requires that the proceeds of the tax be dedicated exclusively to payment of the capital cost of a specific transportation project or improvements designated by the County Board, and that the tax must terminate when revenues raised are sufficient to finance the projects or improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Board desires to include the attached lists of projects for the local option sales tax for transportation and have the State Department of Revenue collect the same; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of such a tax must be spent on projects identified at the March 7, 2017 and July 9, 2019 Public Hearings and attached as part of this resolution dated July 22, 2019 (See Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 163.051, Section 4, provides, in part, that the Board of Commissioners of each County is authorized to levy a wheelage tax of up to \$20 per vehicle in 2018 and beyond on each motor vehicle which is kept in such County when not in operation and which is subject to annual registration and taxation under Chapter 168; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 163.051 further provides that the Board may provide by resolution for collection of the wheelage tax by the State Registrar of Motor Vehicles, and the State Registrar of Motor Vehicles shall collect such tax on behalf of the County if requested; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 163.051, Section 4, Subd. 2, provides, in part, that the wheelage tax levied by any County, if made collectible by the State Registrar of Motor Vehicles, shall be certified by the County Auditor to the Registrar not later than August 1 in the year before the calendar year or years for which the tax is levied, and the registrar shall collect such tax with the motor vehicle taxes on the affected vehicles for such year or years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners authorizes the continuation of a 0.5% sales tax as provided for in Minnesota Statutes for the purpose of funding transportation improvements as identified in the attached lists of Carlton County Highway Projects;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners authorizes and imposes a wheelage tax as provided for in Minn. Stat. 163.051 of \$15.00 for the year 2020 and each subsequent year thereafter, subject to levy limits

and other factors, on each motor vehicle which is kept in Carlton County when not in operation and which is subject to taxation and registration under Chapter 168.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 297A.99, Subdivisions 4, and 6 through 12, shall govern the imposition, administration, collection and enforcement of the tax.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the County Auditor to certify the continuation and collection of the 0.5% sales tax to the Minnesota Department of Revenue and certify the collection of the wheelage tax on behalf of the County by the State Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to authorize entering into an Airport Property Lease Agreement by and between Carlton County and Brian Bird, whereby Bird will lease from Carlton County property described as Lot #PH-1, located at the Cloquet-Carlton County Airport. The terms and conditions of this lease are on file at the Transportation Office.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to accept staff recommendation and approve an Application for Adjustment as follows:

No. 1806 Spargur Revocable Trust Township of Moose Lake Pay 2019

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes except Peterson who abstained, to accept staff recommendation and approve an Application for Adjustment as follows:

No. 1807 Leslie M. Peterson City of Barnum Pay 2020

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve final terms for the repurchase of tax forfeited property in the City of Cloquet (06-060-0380) by Leslie Anthony (Tony) Boedigheimer, authorized by Resolution 19-080 on July 9, 2019.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to accept 2019-2020 Jump Start Program grant of \$14,000.00 from the United Way of Carlton County.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling the Motor Vehicle License Clerk position.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve a contract agreement for administration of the City of Cloquet Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) commercial rehabilitation projects as on file in the County Economic Development Department.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve the updated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the Counties of Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake and St. Louis (excluding the City of Duluth) for the delivery of job training programs in northeastern Minnesota.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to authorize the publication of a proposed resolution to make the County Auditor/Treasurer position appointed and further to set a Public Hearing on August 13, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at the Transportation Building, 1630 Highway 61, Carlton, Minnesota to hear public comment regarding the proposed resolution.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to set a closed meeting to discuss union negotiations following the close of regular business of this meeting.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to assign the County Initiatives Director as supervisor of Carlton County employees who support the University of Minnesota Extension staff and programs.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Thell, and seconded by all yea votes to approve contract negotiations with Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A. for bond counsel services.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to close the closed session and go back into regular session.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve a Letter of Understanding with IUOE Local 49 bargaining unit.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve 2019-2020 contract with AFSCME, Assistant County Attorney Unit.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes except Proulx who voted nay to deny the Law Enforcement Labor Services (LELS) non-supervisory contract proposal.

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

Attest: _____
Kathryn Kortuem
Acting County Auditor/Treasurer

Richard Brenner
County Board Chairperson