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Working Together to Deliver Quality Services that are Valued by the Community, Today and Tomorrow
Vision:
A modern community where all are treated as neighbors

Regular Meeting of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.
Government Center Board Room

Members Present: Chairperson Terry Turnquist; Commissioners Dave Oslund, Mike Warring, Greg Anderson, and Susan Morris
Members Absent: None
Others Present: J Lines, J Edblad, P Messer, L Lovering, C Struss, T Marttila, and T Bergloff;
(Reporter: J Kotila and N Hallman)

00o Chairperson Turnquist called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

00o Public Comment Session. Public comment was made.

22/03-01 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the March 1, 2022, County Board Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-02 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve the February 15, 2022, County Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-03 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to post for a temporary part-time Deputy Recorder II. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-04 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve the following Personnel Action Items: ratify the hire of Susan Anderson, temporary part-time Deputy Recorder II, effective February 25, 2022; ratify the hire of Justin Bergerson, full-time County Highway Engineer, effective February 28, 2022; accept the resignation of Cortney Finnerty, full-time Deputy Auditor I, effective March 4, 2022; accept the resignation of Shelby Doerr, full-time Social Worker, effective March 9, 2022, accept the resignation of Rozlyn Myer, full-time Highway Technician II, effective March 10, 2022; and to appoint Justin Bergerson, County Highway Engineer, to a one-year term pursuant to MS 163.07 subdivision 2. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-05 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the following Utility Permits: Permit No. 22-02-14: MP Nexlevel – new 0.5” fiber 36”-48” depth from SE corner of the intersection of CSAH 8 and CR50 going North 800’ along East side of CR50; and Permit No. 22-02-16: Connexus Energy – new single phase underground electrical distribution line from SE corner of intersection of CSAH 5 and Flamingo St NE going North 100’ across CSAH 5 and along West side of Flamingo. Motion carried unanimously.

00o Commissioners provided various committee reports.

00o At this time, a Public Hearing was held for the Intent to Appoint the Office of County Recorder. Julia Lines, County Administrator, read the following Published Notice into the record: Notice is hereby given that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, in the Board Room of the Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008, to obtain public comment on the County’s intention to appoint the office of County Recorder,

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute §375A.1205. Questions regarding this matter may be referred to Julia Lines, County Administrator, at 763-689-3859. Written testimony may be sent to the County Administrator's Office, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008, and must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 25, 2022. By order of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners this 1st day of February, 2022. Julia Lines, County Administrator. Written comments were received by the Administrator's Office, and public comment was made.

22/03-06 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to close the Public Hearing (10:26 a.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

O0o Commissioners discussed the Intent to Appoint the Office of County Recorder.

22/03-07 Motion by Warring, seconded by Morris, to reopen the Public Hearing (10:51 a.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

O0o Public comment was made regarding the Intent to Appoint the Office of County Recorder.

22/03-08 Motion by Morris, seconded by Warring, to close the Public Hearing (11:25 a.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-09 Motion by Morris, seconded by Anderson, to approve the following resolution: Resolution for Appointment of the Office of Recorder. WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §375A.1205 allows a County Board to appoint certain offices including the County Recorder; and WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners recognizes the benefit to having appointed persons in the position of the County Recorder because it promotes efficiency and consistency of County business with individuals qualified to oversee a broad spectrum of complex issues within the Recorder's Office; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §375A.1205, Subd. 1, the County Board intends to appoint a County Recorder under the following circumstances: 1. There is a vacancy in the office as provided in section 351.02. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby notifies the public of its intent to appoint the office of the County Recorder, effective thirty (30) days after the adoption of this Resolution; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. during its regular board meeting regarding appointment of the County Recorder with said appointment taking place due to a vacancy in the office. By order of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners this 1st day of March, 2022. Aye – Anderson, Morris, Turnquist, Oslund. Nay – Warring. Motion carried.

O0o Commissioners provided various committee reports.

22/03-10 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the following claims and warrants:

ALPHA Training & Tactics	\$6,150.60	Everbridge Inc	\$14,267.99
BI Inc a GEO Group Co	\$5,431.00	Morton Salt Inc	\$119,527.34
Cargill Inc	\$24,524.87	Mystic Riders	\$12,553.38
DW Companies LLC	\$9,118.75	The Masters Touch LLC	\$9,430.00
		Total Claims & Warrants	\$201,003.93

Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-11 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to set a public hearing on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW,

Cambridge, MN 55008, to consider plans for redistricting county commissioner districts. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-12 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve the following resolution: A RESOLUTION APPROVING ISANTY COUNTY'S APPLICATION FOR HELP AMERICA VOTE (HAVA) GRANT. WHEREAS, the Office of Minnesota Secretary of State (OSS) is currently soliciting applications from jurisdictions for Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant funds; and WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature, via Chapter 12, Article 1, Sec. 41, during the 1st Special Session, directed the distribution of \$3 million from federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) appropriations as grants to political subdivisions; and WHEREAS, Minnesota statutes require political subdivisions to use these funds to improve accessibility, implement security improvements for election systems, and/or fund other activities to improve the security of federal elections; and WHEREAS, the Secretary of State has interpreted the statutory language regarding the use of the funds to extend to wider IT/network and physical security or accessibility improvements and enhancements to county virtual or physical environments provided election functions are covered within that environment; and WHEREAS, Isanti County agrees with the Secretary of State's interpretation on the use of the funds; and WHEREAS, each county shall initially be eligible for a maximum HAVA grant distribution amount of \$20,000 plus \$2.87 per voting age population as captured by the 2020 U.S. Census; and WHEREAS, Isanti County qualifies for an estimated \$28,960 in HAVA grant funds, and WHEREAS, the HAVA grant program does not require counties to match any amount of funding under the grant program; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby approves its application for funding from the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer/County Auditor-Treasurer, as the county's chief election official, to submit the grant application to the Office of the Secretary of State and complete any further actions necessary to apply for funding from the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer/County Auditor-Treasurer, as the county's chief election official, to execute the grant agreement for the HAVA grant on behalf of Isanti County. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-13 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following resolution: ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS. WHEREAS, is it the policy of Isanti County that gifts and donations to the County shall be accepted by the Board of Commissioners; WHEREAS, various departments and programs within Isanti County have received gifts and donations during the month of January 2022 as follows: Sheriff Department for K-9 Program: Maciej, Nicole - \$55.00, Member's Coop Credit Union - \$5,000.00; Sheriff Department for Safety & Rescue Program: Oxford Township - \$500.00; Sheriff Department for Explorer Program: Northstar Recycling LLC - \$357.00; Sheriff Department for Triad Program: Granite Electronics Inc - \$100.00; and Health and Human Services Division for WIC Program: Grams, Cheryl - \$50.00. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby formally accepts these gifts and donations. Motion carried unanimously.

22/03-14 Motion by Morris, seconded by Anderson, to adjourn (12:06 p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

Julia Lines, County Administrator

Terry Turnquist, County Board Chairperson

By: Halee Turner, Administrative Assistant II