



Mission:
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

**Meeting of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
Government Center Board Room**

Members Present: Vice Chairperson Alan Duff, Commissioners Bill Berg, Steve Westerberg, Kristi LaRowe
Members Absent: Chairperson Mike Warring
Others Present: C Struss, J Edblad, T Bergloff
(Reporters: B Stickles and N Hallman)

O0o Vice Chairperson Duff called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

O0o Public Comment Session. Public comment was made.

23/03-18 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to approve the March 21, 2023, County Board Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-19 Motion by Berg, seconded by Westerberg, to approve the March 7, 2023, County Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-20 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by LaRowe, to approve the amended December 20, 2022 County Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-21 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by LaRowe, to approve the following Personnel Action Items: Ratify the hire of Thomas Ogdahl, full-time Corrections Officer, effective March 14, 2023. Approve the internal promotion of Wayne Bohn, full-time Corrections Officer, to full-time Jail Sergeant, effective March 2, 2023. Approve the internal promotion of David Miller, full-time Corrections Officer, to full-time Jail Sergeant, effective March 2, 2023. Approve the internal promotion of Sarah Pederson, full-time Child Support Officer, to full-time Child Support Supervisor, effective March 9, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-22 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to approve the recommendations of the March 14, 2023, Personnel Committee meeting notes as follows: to approve the internal posting for a full-time Communications (Telecommunications) Sergeant position; and to approve the temporary salary change for Chad Struss, Interim County Administrator, to Grade 26, Step 3 on the 2023 15-year longevity chart effective March 23, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

O0o Public Comment Session – 2nd Amendment Resolution. Public comment was made.

23/03-23 Motion by Berg, seconded by Westerberg, to table the approval of the Isanti County 2nd Amendment Dedicated County Resolution and bring to the March 28, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion, and then bring to the April 4, 2023, County Board Meeting when all Commissioners are in attendance for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-24 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to approve the following Resolution Regarding the Opioid Settlement: Resolution Authorizing Isanti County Staff to Execute All Necessary Documents to Ensure Isanti County Participation in the Multistate Settlements Relating to Opioid Supply Chain

Participants, and in the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement. WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota and numerous Minnesota cities and counties are engaged in nationwide civil litigation against opioid supply chain participants related to the opioid crisis; and WHEREAS, the Minnesota Attorney General has signed on to multistate settlement agreements with several opioid supply chain participants, but those settlement agreements are still subject to sign-on by local governments and final agreement by the companies and approval by the courts; and WHEREAS, there is a deadline of April, 18 2023, for a sufficient threshold of Minnesota cities and counties to sign on to the above-referenced multistate settlement agreements, and failure to timely sign on may diminish the amount of funds received by not only that city or county but by all Minnesota cities and counties from the settlement funds; and WHEREAS, representatives of Minnesota’s local governments, the Office of the Attorney General, and the State of Minnesota have reached agreement on the intrastate allocation of these settlement funds between the State, and the counties and cities, as well as the permissible uses of these funds, which will be memorialized in the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement, as amended (the “State-Subdivision Agreement”); and WHEREAS, the State-Subdivision Agreement creates an opportunity for local governments and the State to work collaboratively on a unified vision to deliver a robust abatement and remediation plan to address the opioid crisis in Minnesota; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ISANTI COUNTY supports and agrees to the State-Subdivision Agreement; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ISANTI COUNTY supports and opts in to all future multistate settlement agreements with opioid supply chain participants; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ISANTI COUNTY authorizes County staff to execute all necessary documents to ensure Isanti County participation in the multistate settlement agreements, including the Participation Agreement and accompanying Release, and in the State-Subdivision Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-25 Motion by Berg, seconded by Westerberg, to approve the following utility permit: Permit No. 23-03-08; CSAH 10 - EAST CENTRAL ENERGY - To install a overhead and underground fiber optic cable along the east side of CSAH 10 from TH 95 to 620 ft south of 326th Ave NW. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-26 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to approve the following Claims & Warrants:

Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	\$ 12,784.11	Morris Electronics Inc	\$6,650.00
Alternative Business Furniture	\$21,759.88	Morton Salt Inc	\$30,459.59
Chader Leasing Corp	\$13,139.00	Postmaster	\$5,044.40
DW Companies LLC	\$27,707.25	Royal Tire Inc	\$5,284.39
Election Systems & Software Inc	\$9,256.34	SRF Consulting Group Inc	\$6,380.64
Federated Co-Ops Inc	\$12,575.1	Summit Food Service, LLC.	\$9,333.39
Information Systems Corp	\$ 7,440.00	Total claims & warrants:	\$167,814.09

Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-27 On motion by Steve Westerberg and seconded by Bill Berg: 1) Approval was given for all public assistance and social service actions, public assistance and social service expenditures, and social welfare expenditures as listed on the agenda of this meeting and as detailed in supporting documents maintained in the Family Services Department and 2) Payment of the following Family Services Department claims for Public Assistance, Administration, and Social Services was approved:

Canvas Health	\$46,001.72	Resource Training & Solutions	\$7,742.35
Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer	\$26,976.00	Rise Incorporated	\$43,416.33
Isanti County Family Services	\$5,558.34	Therapeutic Services Agency Inc	\$7,616.00
Kanabec Co Family Svcs Agency	\$48,307.16	USPS	\$7,000.00
Lighthouse Child & Family Services	\$5,781.87	Volunteers of America	\$20,869.46
MSOP-MN Sex Offender Prog-462/(15)-	\$7,314.45	Auditors	\$193,764.96
North Homes Children & Family Services	\$9,316.74	Family Services Voucher Total:	\$429,665.38

23/03-28 Motion by LaRowe, seconded by Westerberg, to approve the ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO ISANTI COUNTY WHEREAS, it is 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 February 2023 as follows: Sheriff Department for K9 Program: Jeff Doyle for \$5.00. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby formally accept these gifts and donations. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-29 Motion by Berg, seconded by Westerberg, to approve the request of Harvey Johnson & Roberta Johnson, 35319 Forest Blvd, North Branch, MN 55056 to present a preliminary plat of Trollin Wildlife Estates. Legal description is Pt Govt Lot 2 of Section 25, Township 37, Range 23, Stanchfield Township, with the following conditions: 1. Soil borings for a primary and alternate septic locations must be completed and turned in to the Zoning Department prior to applying for the final plat. 2. Verification of the wetland area on Lot 1 Block 1 must be indicated on the plat whether it is part of the public water wetland or part of Trollin Lake prior to making application for the final plat. 3. Conditions of the final plat being signed by the County Engineer would be that the existing entrance must be removed and the construction of the new shared entrance on Lot 1 & Lot 2 lot line. An access permit through the Isanti County Highway Department is required before construction of this shared entrance. 4. The shared access easement must be recorded along with the final plat. 5. Prior to Stanchfield Township signing off on the mylar the lot payment on County Roads for the 911 signs must be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-30 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by LaRowe, to approve the request of Geraldine Larson & Jean Larson, 6173 County Road 6 NW, Princeton, MN 55371 for a conditional use permit for a rural tourism request to operate a one day event annually (Fall Equinox Festival) the last weekend of September. Legal description is the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ & W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2, Township 36, Range 25, Wyanett Township with the following conditions and findings: 1. This is for a one day special event held annually the last Saturday of September. 2. Event activities include music, food, water, honey, maple syrup, farm produce, art/crafts, and demonstrations of spinning, needle felting, jewelry making and wood carving along with a silent auction. 3. The hours of operation will be 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (including setup and take down.) 4. No on-street parking. 5. No more than 300 people on site at one time. 6. Must comply with all MN State Building, International Building Code and International Fire Code requirements. 7. Must comply with all local, state and federal regulations for this business. 8. No alcohol to be served. 9. No camping on site. 10. Adequate parking will be provided on site and meet the standards of Section 14, Subdivision 2 of the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance. Parking area must be 30' from the property lines and from the right of way of all roads. 11. No lighting. 12. No pets allowed (only service and/or therapy animals allowed.) 13. Signage according to the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance identifying the driveway, no lighted sign. 14. Outdoor covered trashcans for debris/garbage. 15. The owner will be on site during all events. 16. No fireworks or paper lanterns. 17. Two (2) portable toilets on site for customers. 18. Must maintain the natural screening of evergreen trees on the property. 19. Outdoor amplified music generated as a result of the proposed use will at the property line, be below the volume, frequency, or intensity such that they do not unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of life, quiet, comfort, or outdoor recreation of an individual of ordinary sensitivity and habits in amounts not inconsistent with Minnesota Statutes. Findings: 1. The event activities includes farm produce, art/crafts and demonstrations of spinning, needle felting, jewelry making and wood carving along with a silent auction so the conditional use permit will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purpose already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the immediate vicinity. 2. There are evergreen trees screening this property that will be maintained so that the establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area. 3. There is off street parking provided with a submitted parking plan for at least 244 vehicles so that adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to serve the proposed use. 4. This event is during daylight hours so no lighting is needed and no lighted sign so that adequate measures have

been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odors, fumes, dust, noise and vibration so that none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result. Motion carried unanimously.

23/03-31 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to adjourn (7:25 p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

Chad Struss, Interim County Administrator

Alan Duff, County Board Vice Chairperson

By: Colleen Anderson, Administrative Assistant II