



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

Regular Meeting of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners
Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
Government Center Board Room

Members Present: Chairperson Susan Morris; Commissioners Dave Oslund, Mike Warring, and Greg Anderson

Members Absent: Commissioner Terry Turnquist

Others Present: J Lines, J Edblad, P Messer, E Yerigan, T Bergloff, B Wendorf, and C Struss;
(Reporter: J Kotila; S Mithaqiyani)

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

00o Public Comment Session. Public comment was made.

21/07-19 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Anderson, to approve the July 21, 2021, County Board Agenda. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-20 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, to approve the July 7, 2021, County Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-21 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following Personnel Action Items: to ratify the hire of Christopher Ebbert, part-time Courthouse Security Officer, effective July 22, 2021; to ratify the hire of Michael Johnson, part-time Courthouse Security Officer, effective July 22, 2021; to ratify the hire of Dariane Streit, part-time Courthouse Security Officer, effective July 22, 2021; to ratify the hire of Samantha Van De Walker, full-time Office Support Specialist, effective July 22, 2021; to ratify the hire of Dan Lakeberg, full-time Facilities Manager, effective July 29, 2021; to ratify the hire of Renee Coda, full-time Legal Administrative Assistant, effective August 9, 2021; to approve the internal promotion of part-time Deputy Sheriff John Elder to full-time Sheriff Captain-Emergency Operations, effective July 26, 2021; to approve the internal promotion of full-time Social Worker Emily Meacham to full-time Social Services Supervisor, effective August 2, 2021; to approve the internal lateral transfer of Megan Bekius, full-time Child Protection Social Worker to full-time Aging and Disabilities Social Worker, effective August 2, 2021; to approve the regular full-time status of Jennifer Henthorn, Deputy Recorder I, effective July 28, 2021; to accept the resignation of Madeline Ries, full-time Corrections Officer, effective July 24, 2021; and to accept the resignation of Dustin Jones, full-time Assistant County Attorney I, effective July 29, 2021. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-22 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION TO END EMERGENCY DECLARATION. Whereas, the Isanti County Board declared a local State of Emergency effective March 18, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak and National and State Emergency Declarations under the authority provided in Minnesota Statute 12.29. Whereas, the State Emergency Declaration has now ended, and as such the recommendation of Isanti County Public Health is to end the pandemic related Emergency Declaration. Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners declares the local declaration of Emergency is ended. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-23 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Anderson, to approve an application for exempt permit to the Long Lake Improvement Association to conduct a raffle at the Sunrise on Englund Shores, located in Isanti Township, Isanti County; further to waive any waiting period. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-24 Motion by Warring, seconded by Oslund, to deny the premises permit application and agreement with Veterans Support Brigade to Maintain Premises Permit at The Mystic Inn, Spencer Brook Township, Isanti County. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-25 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve the following Utility Permits: Permit No. 21-07-35: Lumen – communication line on CSAH 14, at intersection of CR 32; and Permit No. 21-07-36: Connexus Energy – power line on CR 56, approximately 1120’ West of TH 65. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-26 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following claims and warrants:

Advanced Correct. Healthcare	\$16,211.51	Marco Technologies	\$9,883.28
Braham/City of	\$35,750.40	Nac Mechanical	\$6,538.62
Envirotech Services Inc.	\$23,690.00	WaterGuards LLC	\$9,540.00
Maple Ridge Sewer & Caroline Torell	\$6,279.00	Total Claims & Warrants	\$107,892.81

Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-27 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, to approve the interagency agreement between Isanti County as fiscal host for the Region 7E Adult Mental Health Initiative Governing Board and the St. Cloud Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA). Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-28 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Oslund, to approve the contract between Isanti County Health and Human Services to join the consortium with Sherburne, Mille Lacs, Meeker, Renville, Kanabec, and McLeod Counties to provide SNAP and employment services. Motion carried. Abstain: Morris. Absent; Turnquist.

00o The Board was advised that the number of Income Maintenance cases as shown by the MAXIS system as of June 30, 2021, was 2,235.

21/07-29 On motion by Mike Warring and seconded by Greg Anderson: 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	\$45,774.02	Nexus-Mille Lacs Family Healing	\$6,061.20
Central MN Housing Partnership	\$5,540.00	Nystrom & Associates Ltd	\$8,333.33
Dept. of Human Services	\$5,207.05	Rise Incorporated	\$30,940.00
Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer	\$26,976.00	Therapeutic Services Agency	\$6,795.83
Isanti County Family Services	\$5,558.34	Volunteers of America	\$6,240.00
Kanabec Co. Family Svcs.	\$23,798.40	Woodland Hills	\$18,339.02
Moose Lake RTC	\$5,169.70	Woodland Hills - Res Treat. Corr.	\$8,537.13
MSOP-MN Sex Offender Prog.	\$6,661.35	Auditors	\$218,800.54
		Total Family Services Vouchers	\$428,731.91

Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-30 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION OF ISANTI COUNTY. BE IT RESOLVED by Isanti County that the County enter into the attached Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the

following Program: County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purpose of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Statutes 197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2020, Chapter 10, Article 1, Section 37, Subdivision 2. This Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Isanti County that Dan Meyer, the County Veterans Services Director, be authorized to execute the attached Grant Contract for the above-mentioned Program on behalf of the County. WHEREUPON the above resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Isanti County Board Chair this twenty-first day of July 2021. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-31 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Anderson, to designate Dennis Ginter as the certified Building Official to administrate the code for Isanti County and undesignated Matt Small, with the City of Cambridge. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

21/07-32 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Morris, to approve the request of Johan Schmidt and Amanda Adams, 6131 285th Avenue NE, North Branch, MN 55056 to present a preliminary plat of Amanda's Acres. Legal description is the S ½ of the E ½ of the E ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 29, Township 35, Range 22, North Branch Township, with the following conditions: 1. The shed on the north property line of Lot 2 must be removed before the recording of the final plat. 2. The non-compliant septic system must be brought into compliance before the final plat is recorded. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-33 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, to approve the request of Roger Sweningson/Friday Bay, Incorporated, 7240 337th Avenue NW, Princeton, MN 55371 to present a preliminary plat of Sweingson 3rd Addition. Legal description is Lot 2, Block 1 Sweningson 2nd Addition Section 25, Township 36, Range 25, Wyanett Township. Motion carried. Absent; Turnquist.

21/07-34 Motion by Warring, seconded by Oslund, to approve the request of Graphic Homes, Inc. PO Box 635, North Branch, MN 55056 to present a preliminary plat of Birch Lake Shores. Legal description is Govt Lots 4 & 5 of Section 11, Township 34, Oxford Township, with the following conditions: 1. The new township road must be constructed per the Oxford Township Road Ordinance. 2. Lot 8 would be permitted a new entrance onto County Road 18 only, no entrance to County Road 9 would be permitted. 3. Both entrances must be constructed prior to the final plat being recorded. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

00o At this time a Public Hearing was held to amend the Zoning Ordinance as it relates to Recreational Camping Areas as a Permitted Use. 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 on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Room of the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008 to amend the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance, Section 4 Rules and Definitions and Section 6, Agriculture/Residential District to all recreational camping areas as a permitted use. A full copy of this proposed ordinance can be viewed on the county website @ <http://www.co.isanti.mn.us> and/or the County Auditor's Office. By order of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners this 16th day of June, 2021. Public comment was made. No written comment was received.

21/07-35 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, to close the Public Hearing (9:36 a.m.). Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-36 Motion by Warring, seconded by Oslund, to approve the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as it relates to recreational camping areas as a permitted use. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-37 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to approve a two-year lease of an ExMark Lawn Mower from Crawford's Equipment in the amount of \$8,449.00. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-38 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Morris, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED that Isanti County (APPLICANT) has the legal public authority to sponsor a grant funding request associated with Irving & John Anderson County Park (PROJECT), which has been previously designated by the Greater Minnesota Regional Park and Trail Commission (COMMISSION) as a regional park. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as we are fully aware of the information provided in the funding request, including any non-state match and other long-term commitments (as defined in the funding request), related master plan and any supporting information as submitted. BE IT REVOLVED that, if selected for funding by the COMMISSION, Isanti County shall act as legal sponsor for the PROJECT contained in the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Parks & Trails Legacy Grant Application (STATE'S GRANT APPLICATION) and that Barry Wendorf, Environmental Services Leader is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Department of Natural Resources for funding of this project on behalf of the applicant. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the APPLICANT certifies it has read and understands the Office of Grants Management Conflict of Interest Policy 08-01, will maintain an adequate Conflict of Interest Policy and monitor and report any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest to the Commission and DNR. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APPLICANT has not incurred any development costs and has not entered into a written purchase agreement to acquire the property described in the funding request and therefore, also in the STATE'S GRANT APPLICATION. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APPLICANT has acquired fee title the land described in the funding request and therefore, also in the STATE'S GRANT APPLICATION. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon approval of its application by the state, the applicant my enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project, and that the applicant certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the grant contract including dedicating the park property for uses consistent with the grant program into perpetuity. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Barry Wendorf, Environmental Services Leader is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as necessary to implement the project on behalf of the APPLICANT. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-39 Motion by Warring, seconded by Anderson, 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 June 2021 as follows: Sheriff Department for K-9 Program: Isanti County Sportsmen's Club - \$5,000.00; Sheriff Department for Explorers Program: Northstar Recycling LLC - \$851.00; Sheriff Department for Safety & Rescue Program: Athens Township - \$2,000.00; and Sheriff Department for Triad Program: Anonymous - \$49.00. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby formally accepts these gifts and donations. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-40 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Oslund, to approve the temporary intoxicating liquor license for Cambridge-Isanti Softball Association for a softball tournament to be held at Sandquist Park on August 19-22, 2021. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-41 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND LIST AND TERMS OF SALE. WHEREAS, Isanti County is responsible for managing tax-forfeited land located within Isanti County on

behalf of the State of Minnesota; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners has classified all parcels listed on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #2021-01 (on file with the Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer) as non-conservation land; and WHEREAS, all parcels of tax-forfeited land classified as non-conservation land shall be sold as provided in statutes and any parcels of land proposed to be sold shall first be appraised by the county board as required by Minnesota Statutes § 282.01; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the appraised values of each parcel and authorizes for public sale all parcels of tax-forfeited land as listed on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #2021-01 (on file with the Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer) for not less than the basic sale price pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 282.01; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the public sale will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 1, 2021, at the County Board Room, Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Terms and Conditions of Sale (on file) as presented by the Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby approves all sales shall be for full payment or on terms set forth in the Terms and Conditions of Sale (on file) as presented by the Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-42 Motion by Warring, seconded by Oslund, to set a Committee of the Whole meeting for Monday, August 23, 2021. The work session will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will be held in the Upper Level Training Room of the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008. Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

21/07-43 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Warring, to adjourn (10:25 a.m.). Motion carried. Absent: Turnquist.

Julia Lines, County Administrator

Susan Morris, County Board Chairperson

By: Halee Turner, Administrative Assistant II