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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**

**Wednesday, August 21, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.**

**Government Center Board Room**

Members Present: Commissioners Greg Anderson, Susan Morris, Terry Turnquist, Dave Oslund  
 Members Absent: Chairperson Mike Warring  
 Others Present: K VanHooser, J Edblad, R Heilman, D Meyer, K Anderson, C Struss, T Bergloff, M Bostrom, and T Gullerud; (Reporter: J Kotila, N Olson)

00o Commissioner Anderson called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

00o Public Comment Session. There was no Public Comment.

00o Oath of Office was given to Elisha Long, Interim Assessor, by Chad Struss, Auditor-Treasurer.

19/08-24 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Morris, to approve the August 21, 2019, County Board Agenda with the addition of G-2 – Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-25 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Oslund, to approve the August 7, 2019, County Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-26 Motion by Morris, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the request of the Personnel Committee to authorize filling the vacancy of the MN Choices Public Health Nurse by transferring the 1.0 FTE to Family Services, and allowing the vacancy to be hired as Social Worker or Public Health Nurse. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-27 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following Personnel Action Items: to ratify the hire of Maria Glad, full-time Legal Administrative Assistant, effective September 3, 2019; to approve the regular full time status of Chloe Forslund, Social Worker, effective September 5, 2019; to approve the regular full time status of Allen Bahr, Heavy Equipment Operator, effective August 25, 2019; to accept the retirement/resignation of Kevin VanHooser, full time County Administrator, effective November 22, 2019; to accept the resignation of Brandon Daudt, full time Heavy Equipment Operator, effective August 20, 2019; to accept the resignation of Mark Hendrickson, full time Probation Agent, effective September 3, 2019; and to accept the resignation of Dan Otier, part time Corrections Officer, effective August 19, 2019. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-28 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following claims and warrants:

Advanced Correct. Healthcare	\$14,398.89	Medica >65	\$12,016.40
East Central Energy	\$29,253.28	MN State Auditor	\$21,776.20
Federated Co-Ops (Hwy)	\$9,188.16	MJL Contracting	\$5,250.00
Hansen Surveying	\$9,804.00	Summit Food Service	\$11,434.42

Holiday Station Stores	\$7,454.12	Ziegler Inc	\$6,250.00
		Total Claims and Warrants	\$126,825.47

Motion carried. Absent: Warring

19/08-29 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Morris, to approve the following resolution: 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 July 2019 as follows: Veterans Services Department for Veteran Transportation: VFW Rum River Post 2735 - \$150.00; Sheriff Department for K-9 Program: Anonymous - \$4.00; and Sheriff Department for Safety & Rescue: East Central Energy Trust - \$2,000.00. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby formally accepts these gifts and donations. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-30 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING TAX FORFEITED LAND FOR PARCEL 15.048.0380. WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes § 282.01 authorizes a county board to reclassify tax-forfeited land as conservation land or non-conservation land; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the parcel designated as 15.048.0380 with the legal description of [Section 32 Township 036 Range 023 CONGERS ADDITION LOTS 7-8-9 Block 007]; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners determines the parcel is only suitable for use for drainage or storm water management purposes; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Isanti County Board of Commissioners hereby certifies that parcel 15.048.0380 shall be reclassified as conservation land. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-31 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to set a Public Hearing for 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, in the County Board Room, Isanti County Government Center, 555 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Cambridge MN 55008, to review the proposed ordinance regulating the use and display of fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Isanti County. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-32 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the following Utility Permits: Permit No 19-08-80: CenturyLink – a buried communication line on CSAH 10, near TH 95; and Permit No 19-08-81: Connexus Energy – a buried power line of CSAH 1, to serve 3573 325<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-33 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the following resolution: RESOLUTION NO. 19-13-14. ENGINEERING STUDY AND INTERSECTION EVALUATION. CSAH 5 AND EAST DUAL BOULEVARD. WHEREAS, the City of Isanti has requested the County to review the intersection of CSAH 5 and East Dual Boulevard for potential traffic control measures due to development and increased traffic; and WHEREAS, the County has obtained a proposal from WSB Consultants to perform an Engineering Study and Intersection Evaluation for a cost not to exceed \$27,148.00; and WHEREAS, the County and City have agreed to share in the cost for said Study in the amount of two-thirds County, and one-third City; and BE IT RESOLVED, that Isanti County agrees to participate in the Engineering Study up to two-thirds of the cost, and authorizes the County Engineer to execute the WSB Consultant proposal. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

00o Mark Jensen, Fiscal Supervisor, presented the agency’s monthly financial report to the Board.

00o Penny Messer, Director of Family Services, read a proclamation from Governor Walz designating the month of August as Child Support Month.

19/08-34 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Morris, to approve the following contracts: a host county contract between Isanti County and Allina Health System for Behavioral Health Services; and a contract between Isanti County and Allina at Cambridge Medical Center for Day Treatment Services. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

O0o The Board was advised that the number of Income Maintenance cases as shown by MAXIS system as of July 31, 2019, was 2,192.

19/08-35 On motion by Susan Morris, and seconded by Dave Oslund: 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	\$35,533.77	Resource Training & Solutions	\$5,834.73
Department of Human Svcs	\$25,769.04	Rise Incorporated	\$24,421.25
Isanti County Attorney	\$28,586.25	Therapeutic Svcs. Agency Inc	\$14,235.76
Isanti County Auditor Treasurer	\$26,976.00	Village Ranch, Inc	\$5,832.03
Isanti County Family Services	\$5,558.00	Woodland Hills-Res Treatment Corr.	\$8,490.00
Lighthouse Child & Fam. Svcs.	\$5,770.58	Auditors	207073.66
Prairie Lakes Youth Prgms.	\$5,105.50	Total all Family Svcs Vouchers	\$399,186.57

Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

O0o At this time a Public Hearing was held to consider amending the Zoning Ordinance, Feedlot Language. Kevin VanHooser, County Administrator, read the following published Public Notice into the record: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners has rescheduled a public hearing on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Room of the Isanti County Government Center to amend the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance, Section 2, Definitions, Subdivision 2 and Section 6, Agriculture/Residential District, Subdivision 1, Purpose, Subdivision 2, Permitted Uses and Subdivision 3, Conditional Uses for Feedlot language. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2019. There were no written comments received. Public comment was made.

19/08-36 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to close the Public Hearing (10:11 a.m.). Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-37 Motion by Morris, seconded by Turnquist, to send the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance, Section 2, Definitions, Subdivision 2 and Section 6, Agriculture/Residential District, Subdivision 1, Purpose, Subdivision 2, Permitted Uses and Subdivision 3, Conditional Uses for Feedlot language back to the Planning Committee to review and consider the following: decreasing the required number of animal units; increasing the monthly requirement for animals on site in the 45 days or more in any 12 month period; a way to enable current farms with facilities for feedlots that are currently considered inactive; and to consider developing an internal process for extensions due to hardship. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-38 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Anderson, to approve the reimbursement to Stanchfield Township for the Town Cleanup Day in the amount of \$500.00; further said funds to come from SCORE. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-39 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Oslund, to approve the final plat of Blumer Lilleboe Estates, Section 18, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-40 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the final plat of Ferguson's Addition Plat 3, Section 10, Township 34, Range 25, Stanford Township, with the following conditions: 1. A 66' easement for Lot 2 Block 1 must be recorded when the final plat is recorded. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

19/08-41 Motion by Morris, seconded by Turnquist, to approve the request of Steven and Sharon Nascene, 4295 County Road 5 NE, Isanti, MN 55040, to present a preliminary plat of Nascene Addition. Legal description is the W ½ of the NW ¼ fct. & the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ except the East 520' of the South 419' of Section 25, Township 35, Range 23, Isanti Township. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-42 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Oslund, to approve the request of Chris Gagnon, 29905 Highway 65, Isanti, MN 55040 and Franklin Outdoor Advertising, PO Box 188, Clearwater, MN 55320, for a conditional use permit for a billboard. Legal description is the W ½ of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 20, Township 35, Range 23, Isanti Township, with the following conditions: 1. This is for a 14' x 48' single pole billboard. 2. Maximum height must not exceed 45' above average grade. 3. Must have MNDOT approval. 4. Must obtain all necessary building permits. 5. Lighting must be directed away from traffic and neighboring properties. 6. Must meet applicable setbacks. 7. Access will be from the property to the north. Findings: 1. This parcel is located off State Highway 65 in the Business District with the east portion of the property being wetlands the conditional use 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. This use is consistent being located in the Business District so 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. The access to the property will be from the north parcel and there will be no access from State Highway 65 so that adequate utilities, access road, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided. 4. The lighting will be directed at the sign only so that adequate measures have been taken or will be taken 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. Absent: Warring.

19/08-43 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve recording the proper legal description for a conditional use order dated May 15, 2002, for a communication tower. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-44 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Turnquist, to approve to award the bid and enter into a contract with Latchman Lind to construct an insulated maintenance shed at Springvale Count Park in the amount of \$49,563.57. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-45 Motion by Morris, seconded by Oslund, to approve the submission of a Conservation Partners Legacy grant application for prairie restoration at Irving and John Anderson County Park. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-46 Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Morris, to approve the hire of a Probation Agent at an alternative starting wage. Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

19/08-47 Motion by Oslund, seconded by Morris, to adjourn (10:55 a.m.). Motion carried. Absent: Warring.

Kevin VanHooser, County Administrator

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Mike Warring, County Board Chairperson

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By: Halee Turner, Administrative Assistant II