



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

**Special Joint Meeting of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners with the Isanti City Council
Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.
City of Isanti – Council Chambers**

Members Present: Commissioners Alan Duff, Bill Berg, Steve Westerberg, Kristi LaRowe

Members Absent: Chairperson Mike Warring

Others Present: A Usher, T Nelson, J Bergerson, J Wood, J Cook, M Betker, J Gordon, S Lundeen, L Merrill, G Hemen
(Reporters: B Stickles)

O0o Isanti Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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 by Don Howard of Isanti Village Apartments.

23/10-57 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by LaRowe, to approve the October 24, 2023, County Board Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

O0o An overview was given by County Engineer J Bergerson on the options being considered for approval for the CSAH 5/Dual Blvd intersection. Discussion took place and input was provided from each commissioner regarding the various options that were presented. Each Commissioner gave their preliminary first and second choices for the option selection.

23/10-58 Motion by Berg, to purchase property and select option 4. No second.

O0o Discussion took place regarding cost share and what the proposed cost split would be dependent upon which option was selected. County Engineer J Bergerson gave input regarding typical cost share based on legs of the intersection and land purchase contributions based upon county right of way.

23/10-59 Motion by Berg, seconded by Westerberg, to move into closed session. Motion carried unanimously. Closed session for Discussions to Purchase Real Property PID 16.077.0020 Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05 Subd 3 (c).

O0o CLOSED SESSION for Discussions to Purchase Real Property PID 16.077.0020 Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05 Subd 3 (c).

23/10-60 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Berg, to move into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

23/10-61 Motion by LaRowe, seconded by Westerberg, to authorize staff to enter into negotiations for the purchase of real property. Motion carried unanimously.

O0o Discussion continued regarding cost share of the project based on the proposed land purchase in addition to the road construction. Direction was provided by J Bergerson regarding county policy for cost participation in projects such as this.

O0o Discussion continued regarding which option the County Board would consider approving. Commissioners were asked to consider making a motion that included an alternate should the purchase of property not be successful.

23/10-62 Motion by Duff, seconded by LaRowe, to approve option number 4 contingent on the purchase of property. If the purchase of property is not successful option number 5 would be the selected option to pursue for the LRIP Grant. Discussion took place regarding the cost share of both options with input provided from J Bergerson. Discussion was held between County Commissioners and Isanti City Council.

23/10-63 Motion by Duff, seconded by LaRowe, to rescind the motion 23/10-62. Motion carried unanimously.

23/10-64 Motion by Commissioner Berg, no second, to approve option number 3.

23/10-65 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by Duff, to approve option number 4 contingent on the purchase of property. If the purchase of property is not successful option number 3 would be the selected option to pursue for the grant. Approval by Duff and Westerberg. Opposed by LaRowe and Berg. Motion failed.

O0o County staff advised Board members that a proposed resolution and Joint Powers Agreement would be presented for consideration and a future regular County Board Meeting.

23/10-66 Motion by Westerberg, seconded by LaRowe, to adjourn (10:41p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Warring, County Board Chairperson

By: Amanda Usher, Interim County Administrator