

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting
February 28, 2023**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Government Center at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were Dave Gliszinski, John King, Danny O’Keefe, David Preisler and Steve Rohlffing. Also present were Joe Martin and Brent Christian.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved the agenda for the business of the day.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlffing, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda:

- February 21, 2023 Board Minutes & Board Summary Minutes
- Electronic Funds Transfer Report
- Credit Card Request for Vicki Walechka, Victim Witness

Aaron Stubbs, Planning & Zoning Administrator came before the Board with one item for approval.

On motion by Rohlffing, seconded by Preisler, the Board denied on a roll call vote 5-0, an Interim Use Permit to allow the applicant TRACY NELSON, MONTGOMERY, MN (Applicant/Owner) to use their property for Short-Term Private Lodging Rental in a Recreational Residential “RR” Shoreland District, Lake Pepin, a Natural Environment “NE” lake. The subject property is described as Lot 9 of Benson’s Subdivision, Section 28, Lanesburgh Township.

Holly Bushman, Environmental Resources Specialist came before the Board with one item for approval.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved the Proposal for Le Sueur County from AIS Inspection Services for the Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program for watercraft inspection and boater education services for the summer of 2023 at an hourly rate of \$25.95/hour for approximately 3,650 hours.

Theresa Kubes, Human Resources came before the Board with several items for discussion and approval.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Rohlffing, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to post and advertise for a full time Financial Assistance Supervisor I in Human Services, Grade 12, Step A (4), \$32.51 per hour.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlffing, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to promote Caitlin Meyer, full time Agency Social Worker, Grade 11, Step C (6), \$32.94 per hour to a full time Family Services Collaborative Coordinator in Human Services, Grade 12, Step B (5), \$33.71 per hour, effective February 27, 2023.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to approve the Public Employees Retirement Association - Police Officer Declaration for Alyson Deegan.

On motion by Rohlffing, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved to pass a resolution to adopt the Juneteenth holiday in the County’s holiday schedule beginning June 19, 2024.

On motion by Preisler, seconded by Rohlffing, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to approve per diem and mileage payments to the advisory committee members who attend meetings for the following advisory committees:

- Planning and Zoning
- Housing and Redevelopment Authority
- Parks
- Public Health
- Extension
- Library

On motion by Preisler, seconded by O’Keefe, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to define per diem requests; a one-half day per diem for a meeting up to four hours, and a one-day per diem for a meeting more than four hours including travel time.

The Board discussed whether to pay per diems to Board members who attend work sessions after a Board meeting, and pass a resolution to adopt.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by Gliszinski, the Board unanimously agreed that work sessions are a part of their duties and not per diem eligible. However, work sessions are per diem eligible if they extend into the afternoon and require the Board to break for lunch and reconvene to continue discussions. Additionally, the Board clarified that budget work sessions are per diem eligible.

Staffing Updates

None

Joe Martin came before the Board with one item for approval for Justin Lutterman.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by Gliszinski, the Board unanimously granted out of state travel for the Future View Conference to be held April 23-26 in San Antonio, Texas at a cost of \$2500 without flight. Justin will be reimbursed by the MnCCC for expenses.

Dani Ongie, Auditor-Treasure came before the Board meeting for a Public Hearing for the Redetermination of Benefits on CD29.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved to recess the Board meeting and open the Public Hearing on the Redetermination of Benefits on CD29.

John Kolb provided procedural requirements.

On motion by Preisler, seconded by Gliszinski, the Board opened public comment.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by O’Keefe, the Board closed public comment section with no public comments.

On motion by Preisler, seconded by Gliszinski, the Board unanimously approved the adoption of the Redetermination of Benefits on CD29 and to approve and sign the contract with H2Overviewers for ditch viewing services.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by O’Keefe, the Board closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular Board meeting.

On motion by Rohlfig, seconded by Preisler, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to place a lien on County Ditch 29 in the amount of \$93,236.38, or 119% of benefits. Assessment will begin

with taxes payable in 2024, spread over 7 years with 4% interest. Prepayments without interest will be accepted through December 31, 2023 and a lien will be filed on any unpaid assessments as of that time. The purpose of this assessment is to pay for past repairs and maintenance.

Tyler Luethje, Parks Director & Becky Pollack, Ney Nature Center Executive Director gave the 2022 Le Sueur County Parks and Ney Nature Center Review. Tyler also provided information on the Lake Washington Regional Park & Campground Construction Payment for an estimated total cost of \$401,749.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by O’Keefe, the Board unanimously approved the Board transfer \$133,050.43 out of Park Dedication (entire fund), \$122,456.57 out of forfeit tax (all of it) and the remainder out of gravel tax, about \$146,242.

Commissioner Committee Reports:

- Commissioner O’Keefe had no report
- Commissioner Preisler reported on AMC Legislative Conference, Human Services Legislative Call, and Department Head meeting.
- Commissioner Rohlfing reported on Executive MRCI, Executive MVAC.
- Commissioner Gliszinski reported on Human Resources last week and this week.
- Commissioner King reported on Human Resources last week and this week.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by Preisler, the Board adjourned until March 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Le Sueur County Administrator Le Sueur County Chairman