

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting
January 26, 2021**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: John King, Dave Gliszinski (remote), Lance Wetzel (remote), Steve Rohlfing and Danny O’Keefe. Also present were Dani Blaschko, Brent Christian and Pam Herrmann.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the agenda for the business of the day with one addition by Commissioner Wetzel to discuss reopening the Courthouse.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the consent agenda:

- Approved the January 19, 2021 County Board Minutes and Summary Minutes.
- Electronic Funds Transfer Report

Molly Just, Consultant Planner for Planning and Zoning came before the Board with items for approval.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit for USS Water City Solar, LLC, Minneapolis (Applicant) and Robert Culhane Jr, Waterville, MN (Owner) to allow the applicant grading, excavating, and filling of 4,040 cubic yards of material for a 1 MW solar garden in an Agriculture “A” District. Property is located in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 27, Waterville Township. The application was approved as written.

On motion by Wetzel to table the a Conditional Use Permit for USS Water Town Solar, LLC, Minneapolis (Applicant) and Robert Culhane Jr, Waterville, MN (Owner) to allow the applicant grading, excavating, and filling of 6,420 cubic yards of material for a 1 MW solar garden in an Agriculture “A” District. Property is located in NW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 34, Waterville Township and with lack of a second, the motion failed.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call 4 to 1 with Wetzel against, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit for USS Water Town Solar, LLC, Minneapolis (Applicant) and Robert Culhane Jr, Waterville, MN (Owner) to allow the applicant grading, excavating, and filling of 6,420 cubic yards of material for a 1 MW solar garden in an Agriculture “A” District. Property is located in NW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 34, Waterville Township. The application was approved as written without additional conditions.

On motion by King, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit for Mike & Kristin Malterer, Mankato (Applicant/Owner) to allow the applicant grading, excavating, and filling of 63 cubic yards on the lot of which 61 cubic yards are in the bluff for the construction of rip rap, dry creek bed, and stairs in the bluff in a Recreational Residential “RR” District, Lake Jefferson a Recreational Development “RD” lake. Property is located at Lot 13, Block 3, Section 3, Cleveland Township.

Holly Kalbus appeared before the Board with discussion regarding 2021 Watercraft Inspections, Using Water Guards for 2021, Climb Theatre for Aquatic Species programs and 97.5FM Radio Station Aquatic Invasive Species Ads. Holly will bring the items to the Board for approval in February.

Cindy Westerhouse, Human Resources Director came before the Board with several items for approval.

On motion by King, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to accept the resignation request from Elisa O'Malley, full time Public Health Nurse in Public Health, effective March 12, 2021.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to accept the retirement request from Sue Holicky, part time Home Health Aide in Public Health, effective February 1, 2021.

On motion by King, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to approve and sign the Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local #320, for the Correctional Officers/Dispatcher Contract.

On motion by King, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to approve and sign the Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local #320, for the Deputy Sheriff Contract.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to approve and sign the Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local #320, for the Courthouse Contract.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved the Recommendation to approve and sign the Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local #320, for the Human Services Contract.

Cindy Shaughnessy, Public Health Director, appeared before the Board with a COVID-19 Update.

Barbara Droher Kline appeared before the Board with updates on the CARES Act and Broadband updates.

Dani Blaschko came before the Board with updates on Bank Accounts.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the authorized users at First National Bank for the West Jefferson Sewer District account will be: Pam Simonette, Dani Blaschko and Danny O'Keefe.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, Commissioner Steve Rohlfging will replace Darrell Pettis as an authorized user at First National Bank for the

General Account and TH 112 Account.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call 5 to 0, Commissioner Steve Rohlring will replace Darrell Pettis as an authorized user at First State Bank for the General Account.

There was discussion reopening courthouse. There will be a work session on February 2 after the Board meeting.

Commissioner Committee Reports:

- Commissioner Gliszinski had no meetings
- Commissioner King reported on Parks Board, US169 Coalition, GBERBA, Staff Meeting
- Commissioner Wetzel reported on Department Head
- Commissioner O’Keefe had no meetings
- Commissioner Rohlring reported on Parks Board, Local Advisory Board, Board of Adjustments, Department Head and MVAC

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board adjourned until February 2 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Le Sueur County Administrator **Le Sueur County Chairman**