

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting  
July 26, 2022**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Government Center at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: Steve Rohlffing and Lance Wetzel. Dave Gliszinski joined via WebEx from his home at 28481 141<sup>st</sup> Avenue, New Prague, MN 56071 and John King joined via WebEx from Camby Hotel, 2401 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Danny O’Keefe was absent. Also present were Joe Martin, Brent Christian and Pam Herrmann.

On motion by Rohlffing, seconded by King, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board approved the agenda for the business of the day.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlffing, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board approved the consent agenda:

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Aaron Stubbs, Planning and Zoning Administrator came before the Board with three items for approval.

On motion by Rohlffing, seconded by King, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to **ASHLEY & CARL BURKLAND, MADISON LAKE, MN (APPLICANT\OWNER)** to allow grading, excavating, and filling totaling 60 cubic yards on a lot; of which 23 cubic yards would be located in the bluff impact zone, 18 cubic yards would be located in the bluff, in a Recreational Residential “RR” District, of Lake Jefferson, a Recreational Development “RD” lake. The subject property is described as Lot 9, Block 1, of the Biehn’s Southview subdivision, located in Section 4, Washington Township.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlffing, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to **TRULIE BOLTON, MANKATO, MN, (APPLICANT\OWNER)** to allow grading, excavating, and filling in the bluff and bluff impact zone. The excavation in the bluff would not exceed 15 cubic yards and the excavation in the bluff impact zone would not exceed 22 cubic yards. All of the proposed activity is to facilitate the installation of a new septic system in an Urban/Rural Residential “R1” District. The subject property is described as, Lot 24, Block 2, of the Arrowood Subdivision, located in Section 8, Kasota Township.

On motion by King, seconded by Gliszinski, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to **ZACH JACKSON, CLEAR LAKE, MN, (APPLICANT) JAIME OTERO, LAKEVILLE, MN, (OWNER)** to allow grading, excavating, and filling of approximately 1,665 cubic yards of material on the lot of an existing trucking business. The proposed activity would include the removal of a previous parking area, restoration, and the creation of a new parking area in an Agriculture “A” District and Special Protection “SP” Shoreland District. The subject property is located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, Lanesburgh Township.

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

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by Gliszinski, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to grant regular status to Megan Kirby, full time Public Health Director in Public Health, effective July 26, 2022.

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to post for a full time Facility and Grounds Staff opening in the Building Maintenance Department, Grade 5, Step A, \$20.99 per hour.

Barbara Droher Kline came before the Board with one item for approval.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by King, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board approved a \$350,000 funding commitment to support a grant application to be submitted by BEVCOMM for a 2022 broadband expansion project.

#### Overview

Bevcomm is planning to submit a Border-to-Border grant application to the State of Minnesota to expand broadband service to 152 homes in Montgomery Township, 89 homes in Lexington Township and 6 homes in Sharon Township.

As part of the application, a local financial match of \$350,000 is being requested from Bevcomm.

All townships involved have agreed to provide the financial match based on their service, roughly \$1,500 per home.

If the application is approved, construction would take place and be completed sometime in 2023. Once the construction is completed, a \$350,000 payment will need to be made to Bevcomm.

The County would agree to make the \$350,000 payment to Bevcomm once the work is complete, and allow the townships to pay back the County with terms of up to 10-years and zero percent interest.

In other business, Barbara reported that Mediacom is working with Kasota Township on serving an additional 288 customers with a \$2500 match from the Township.

#### **Commissioner Committee Reports:**

- Commissioner O'Keefe was absent and Commissioners Gliszinski and King had no report.
- Commissioner Wetzel reported on Kilkenny Township meeting.
- Commissioner Rohlfing reported on Local Advisory Board meeting, Planning & Zoning land use training.

On motion by Rohlring, seconded by King, and approved via roll call vote 4 to 0, the Board adjourned until August 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Le Sueur County Administrator**

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**Le Sueur County Chairman**