

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
REGULAR SESSION - Rough Draft
Tuesday, March 8, 2022
8:30 a.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 8th day of March, 2022, in Regular Session at the Carlton County Government Services Building.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, Proulx, and Thell. Absent: None.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Agenda as amended.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes, with a correction, of the February 28, 2022, Adjourned Board meeting.

Public Health and Human Services Director gave information on Child Foster Care and Child Care programs.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve increasing the recycled mattress rate to \$20 per piece and the landfilled mattress rate to \$24 per piece effective May 1, 2022.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to accept the 2021 Zoning and Environmental Services Annual Report as presented by the Zoning and Environmental Services Administrator.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to accept staff recommendations and approve the following 2022 County Recycling Shed Grant Payments:

Location	Approved Staff Recommendation
Barnum	\$ 5,000
Carlton	\$ 5,000
Moose Lake	\$ 5,000
Perch Lake Township	\$ 5,000
Thomson Township	\$ 5,000

Total	\$25,000
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Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (22-024):

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Board of Commissioners approved by prior Resolution to sell non-conforming lots by restricted sealed bid to adjoining landowners pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 282, and

WHEREAS, Parcel 57-010-1570 was withdrawn at the time of sale due to issues surrounding Diggs Drive and was re-offered per Resolution 21-130, and

WHEREAS, a valid bid was received during the re-offer period

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby accept the high bid and further direct the Auditor's Office to proceed with the sale of the parcel.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve a letter to request MN Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to amend the management plan for the Alex Laveau State Trail (ALST). Request is to allow all-terrain vehicle use on unpaved portions from the MN State Trunk Highway 23 easterly to Wisconsin state line.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to allow the Land Commissioner to determine the best method of legal siting of substation (lease/easement/sale) with Minnesota Power in the process of upgrading and relocating stepdown substations.

County Engineer exploring options for Blackhoof Township agreement for road construction financing.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the final architect and engineering contract for construction of the Justice Center with Klein McCarthy & Co. and Adolfson & Peterson Construction. Contract is on file with the Sheriff's department.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (22-025):

BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the acceptance of the 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (Grant No. A-EMPG-2021-CARLTNCO-009) from the State of Minnesota and further authorizes and approves the County Sheriff and the County Board Chairman to sign the documents necessary to facilitate this grant. Grant amount is for \$23,361.00 with a matching requirement and runs January 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve and award bid package #1 for the Justice Center with Adolfson & Peterson Construction and Taracon Precast, LLC, for \$5,230,705.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to set a Public Hearing on April 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Carlton County Transportation Building Meeting Room for input and comment regarding intent to consider plans for Redistricting County Commissioner districts.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to accept the 2021 Policy Committee year-end report.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve an unpaid leave of absence for a Property Management employee for up to 90 calendar days after the 10 day department head approval ends.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (22-026):

BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the acceptance of the Voting Equipment Grant Account (VEGA-3) in the amount of \$91,828.56 to purchase replacement voting equipment. This grant has a local match requirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor/Treasurer, County Attorney, and Board Chair are authorized and approved to sign necessary documents to accept the grant.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (22-027):

BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the acceptance of the Helping America Vote Act (HAVA) grant in the amount of \$28,058.67 to purchase replacement voting equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor/Treasurer, County Attorney, and Board Chair are authorized and approved to sign necessary documents to accept the grant.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the purchase agreement with Elections Systems & Software (ES&S) for up to \$201,750.00 for voting equipment and further authorizes and approves the County Auditor/Treasurer to sign the documents necessary to facilitate the purchase.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve the purchase agreement with Seachange for up to \$128,936.60 for adaptive voting

equipment and further authorizes and approves the County Auditor/Treasurer to sign the documents necessary to facilitate the purchase.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to set a closed session at the end of the regular meeting to discuss labor matters.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to close the closed session and return to the regular meeting.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes that this meeting be adjourned.

Attest: _____
Kevin DeVriendt
County Auditor/Treasurer

Gary Peterson
County Board Chairperson