

**Carlton County  
Board of Commissioners  
ADJOURNED SESSION - Rough Draft  
Monday, August 22, 2022  
4:00 p.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 22nd day of August, 2022, in Adjourned Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, Proulx, and Thell. Absent: None

Justice Center Ground Breaking Ceremony was held outside of meeting room.

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

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

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes of the August 9th, 2022, Regular Board Meeting as amended.

Charles Pleski addressed the board in relation to Wisconsin County Road W.

Dr. Michael Carey, Superintendent Cloquet Schools addressed the board in relation to the foster care transportation contract agreement.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling an ACT program assistant (Case Aide) position in the Public Health and Human Services department due to retirement. Approximately a two month overlap of the position is approved.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve an addendum to the Purchase of Service Contract with Lutheran Social Services (LSS) for the youth shelter. Contract is on file at Public Health and Human Services.

Motion by Thell, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve a staffing level change for the Transfer Station. The additional part-time Cashier/HHW Technician will be a backup for emergencies only through December 2022.

County Engineer gave a construction update on CSAH 3 (14<sup>th</sup> Street) in Cloquet and CSAH 4 and 5.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve addition of a post-65 health insurance plan to the county benefit options.

County Attorney and Guest Bill Helwig addressed the board regarding a potential Power Substation Lease with Fond du Lac RBC. No action was taken.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve a closed session at the end of the regular meeting to discuss labor negotiations.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (22-077):

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the revised County Ballot Question for the November 2022 General Election as follows:

Header: How will the new Justice Center be paid for?

The new Carlton County Justice Center is being built. Shall Carlton County be authorized to pay for construction and financing costs through a county wide one-half percent (0.5%) local option sales and use tax? A yes vote means that the majority of the costs would be financed through the sales and use tax. A no vote means that the majority of the costs would be financed through property tax.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Thell, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling a License Clerk position in the Motor Vehicle department due to a transfer.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (22-078):

WHEREAS, Douglas County Highway W in Wisconsin has been closed to through traffic since the approach was damaged in the June 16, 2018 Severe Storms, Straight Line Winds and Flooding Disaster number DR-4383-WI, and

WHEREAS, the residents of western Douglas County, WI and south eastern Carlton County, MN have been forced to detour to WI State Road 35 or take a narrow, winding gravel Town of Superior road to reach communities to the north, and

WHEREAS, emergency services in western Douglas County have been delayed and rerouted for the past four years, and

WHEREAS, Douglas County WI reported receiving approval for funding from FEMA for the approach improvements on WI County Road W Nemadji River bridge in November of 2021,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Carlton, MN, urges our Federal representatives along with appropriate Wisconsin representatives in State and County government in exploring resolution to this matter with FEMA and Douglas County to move forward with the funding and reconstruction of the approaches to the Nemadji

River Bridge on Douglas County WI County Road W and the opening of the vital Douglas County Highway that also serves Carlton County, MN residents.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve a two-week extension to the payment of shift differential to affected Teamsters. Return to normal hours for custodians will take place July 30, 2022.

Meeting moved to closed session to discuss labor negotiations.

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

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc. (LELS) #502 for new hires to potentially receive accelerated vacation accrual for past experience.

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

Attest:

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Kevin DeVriendt  
County Auditor/Treasurer

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Gary Peterson  
County Board Chairperson