

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
REGULAR SESSION - Rough Draft
Tuesday, September 13, 2022
8:30 a.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 13th day of September, 2022, in Regular Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, and Proulx. Absent: Thell

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

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

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes of the August 22, 2022, Adjourned Board meeting.

Employee Service Awards were presented as follows:

10 Years	Duane Buytaert	Information Technology
10 Years	Michael Blankenship	Sheriff's Office-Dispatch
10 Years	Courtney Collins	Public Health & Human Services
10 Years	Laura Sieben	Public Health & Human Services

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve Purchase of Service contracts for both Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA) and Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training (JET) to a maximum of \$158,774.88 each for MFIP Employment and Training for January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve the foster care transportation agreement with the Moose Lake school district from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve the third of three possible one-year extensions of the Agreement for Transportation of Recyclable Mattresses with Waste Management, effective November 1, 2022 through October 31, 2023 as on file in the Zoning and Environmental Services department.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation and approve the following rezoning request:

No. 522004, Michelle Barton to rezone property described as Part of Outlot D and E of the Plat of Methodist Assembly Grounds in Section 7, Township 46 North, Range 18 West

(PIN 39-180-0402 and 0410) from the C-2 Highway Commercial District to the A-2 Agriculture/Rural Residential Zoning District. The property address is XXXX Music Camp Road.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendation of the Carlton County Planning Commission and approve the following Conditional Use Permit with conditions as on file in the Zoning Office:

No. 422004, Twin Lakes Township, represented by Sue Chapin, to allow construction of a town hall (allow public buildings and facilities) in the A-2 Agricultural/Rural Residential Zoning District. The property is described as Part of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14, Township 48 North, Range 17 West in Twin Lakes Township. The property address is 1692 Douglas Road (PIN 81-030-2805).

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes, except Thell who was absent, to adopt the following resolution (22-079):

WHEREAS, the City of Cloquet has requested direct sale of a tax forfeited parcel identified by Parcel Identification Number (PIN) 06-025-0020, Lot 1 of Block 1 and the South $\frac{1}{2}$ of adjoining vacated Eastern Avenue, City of Cloquet Carlson's Addition pursuant to State of Minnesota Statutes 282.01 Subdivision 1a (d)(1), and

WHEREAS, the City of Cloquet wishes to use the parcel through the Cloquet Community Development Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Auditor, the County Assessor, and the County Land Commissioner to determine the value of the parcels plus closing costs incurred by the County and sell to the City of Cloquet.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes, except Thell who was absent, to adopt the following resolution (22-080):

WHEREAS, the contract with Redstone Construction, LLC for SAP 009-600-005 for Approach Grading, Bridge No. 09537, and Bank Stabilization on UT 18 (Bley Road), .5 miles East of Intersection with CR 363; has in all things been completed and the County Board has been fully advised in the Premises;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept said completed project for and on behalf of the County of Carlton; and
2. That the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the County Engineer to make final payment in the amount of forty-seven thousand,

eight hundred seventeen dollars and forty-four cents (\$47,817.44) to Redstone Construction, LLC.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes, except Thell who was absent, to adopt the following resolution (22-081):

WHEREAS, from 2018 through 2020, four state declared disasters were proclaimed that affected Minnesota Counties. These disasters resulted in the need for federal assistance to repair county owned roadways and bridges. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Emergency Relief (ER) Program declares that permanent emergency repairs are federally eligible for reimbursement at 80% with the remaining 20% to be a Local Public Agency (LPA) cost share.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12.221 subdivision 6 was revised in 2015 to include a clause to provide the LPA cost share for federal assistance from the FHWA ER Program under United States Code, title 23, section 125. The law was modified in 2015 to provide a more efficient distribution of funds to LPAs in the event of a declared disaster. This is the first time since the law was changed that local agencies have requested funds using this revised statute and process.

WHEREAS, over the four disasters, fifteen counties were provided with FHWA ER funding and assurance that the associated 20% cost share would be provided from the DACA.

WHEREAS, requests for funding reimbursements for the ER funded projects began in 2020 and have been denied by the Department of Public Safety (DPS).

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12.221, subdivision 6, clause 3 clearly states that the local agencies are eligible for the 20% cost share from the DACA fund.

WHEREAS, the fifteen Counties have expended an estimated \$3.3 million in LPA 20% cost share since 2018 and have not been provided the pledged funding from the DACA Fund.

WHEREAS, the 20% cost share represents an additional property tax burden to local residents and has prevented Carlton County from using these funds on other needed resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Carlton, Minnesota, hereby requests that Governor Walz intercede on their behalf to release the 20% LPA cost share of FHWA ER Program Funding from the DACA Fund.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes, except Thell who was absent, to adopt the following resolution (22-076):

WHEREAS, Carlton County is seeking to apply for a Bridge Investment Program (BIP) Grant under section 11118 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law” (BIL) for the replacement of Bridges 09518, L11899, L1198 and the rehabilitation of Bridges 09504 and 09505.

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Bridge Bundling Project will address bridge program goals in the Carlton County transportation system by replacing three existing bridge structures with bridges designed for a 75 +/- year life span and rehabilitating two existing bridge structures to extend their useful life an additional 40 or more years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners declares the Carlton County Bridge Bundling Project supported and is committed to the investment needed for the local match to make the Carlton County BIP Bridge Bundling Project application successful. This resolution is retroactive to September 6th, 2022.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yeas to approve the gravel pit lease agreement with Brian Lind for \$3.00 per cubic yard through December 2023. Lease is in effect from July 12, 2022 through December 31, 2028 with conditions as on file in the Transportation Department.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yeas to approve a request for abatement of taxes on parcels (PIN 06-275-1460 and 1480) for taxes payable 2023.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yeas to accept the expenditure listing for July 2022 as follows:

Fund 01	Revenue	2,834,761.24
Fund 10	Road and Bridge	1,951,683.82
Fund 11	Public Health & Human Services	1,915,783.80
Fund 27	Cap Projects - Justice Center	14,225.02
Fund 32	2016 Refi 2010A/B CSC CIP	66,800.00
Fund 33	2020 GO Imp Barnum Garage	99,800.00
Fund 35	2021 GO Jail/Justice Center	159,335.84
Fund 71	Motor Vehicle	375,195.98
Fund 73	State Fund	13,352.62
Fund 74	Forfeited Tax	28,360.77
Fund 75	Economic Development (IRRRB)	28,427.61
Fund 76	Refunding Fund	1,297.00
Fund 77	HS Agency Fund LCTS	500.00
Fund 78	Schools	124,727.56
Fund 79	Towns and Cities	7,500,589.59

Fund 80	ISTS Loan Program	17,844.00
Total		\$15,132,684.85

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Office Assistant -Veteran Service Officer (VSO) Payroll grade change from Teamsters Grade 110 to 120 effective April 11, 2022.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the 2023-2027 with Minnesota Counties Information Systems (MCIS) using Tyler Software DocuPro and i-Doc as on file in the Recorder's office. The rates are 70 cents per document and revenue share of 80% for online subscriptions and 70% for non-subscriptions.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve up to an additional \$5,000.00 for printing and postage for public information flyers regarding Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) related to the Justice Center project.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve a budget amendment of \$20,000.00 from salaries to contracted services in the Initiatives department to fund a capacity building evaluation project.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve changing the Zoning and Environmental Services (ZES) Administrator position from a 37.5 to a 40-hour work week effective September 10, 2022.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Brenner, and carried by all yea votes to approve a one-year renewable contract with Specialty Minerals, Inc. (SMI) for the Extension Soil Improvement Program pending County Attorney review. Contract is on file at the County Auditor's office and will bring in revenue of \$10,000.00 for the Extension Program.

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

Attest: _____
Kevin DeVriendt
County Auditor/Treasurer

Gary Peterson
County Board Chairperson