



APRIL 9, 2024
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Morrow, Dranttel, Kolars, Dehen and Zins. Also present were County Administrator Mandy Landkamer, County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer and Recording Secretary Sarah Frahm.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the agenda as amended, with additional information related to Project SAP 052-637-006. Carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

1. March 26, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Annual Boat and Water Grant
3. End of Probations
4. Approval of Bills
5. Acknowledgement of the Auditor's Warrants and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts:
 - a. General Revenue Fund - \$274,412.98;
 - b. Road & Bridge Fund - \$251,597.79;
 - c. Human Services Fund - \$162,013.69

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the above consent agenda items. Carried unanimously.

Public Appearances:

Nicollet County residents Jeff Holmin and Mike Stevenson came forward to discuss their concerns about the "no shotgun zone" legislation being proposed for the southern MN area. They are concerned about the safety of both hunters and non-hunters, as rifles shoot much farther than shotguns and the flat agricultural land in the area leaves little to block the long-range shots. They are also concerned about the possibility of overharvesting, leading to a decrease in the deer population.

Property Services

FY2024 One Watershed, One Plan Program Grant Agreement

Director Kopet came forward to present information on the One Watershed, One Plan Program Grant Agreement. The agreement provides funds in the amount of \$242,880 to transition local water management plans and implement the Minnesota River – Mankato One Watershed, One Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Zins to accept the FY2024 One Watershed, One Plan Program Grant Agreement. Carried unanimously.

Public Works

Consider Award of Bid for Project SAP 052-637-006

Public Works opened bids for project SAP 052-637-006 on April 8, 2024. One bid was received from Minnesota Paving & Materials in the amount of \$344,166.35.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Dehen to award project SAP 052-637-006 to Minnesota Paving & Materials for the low bid amount of \$344,166.35. Carried unanimously.

County Attorney

Proclamation for Crime Victims' Rights Week

Crime Victim & Witness Coordinator Bonnie Petersen came forward to ask that April 21-27 be proclaimed Crime Victims' Rights Week. The proclamation reaffirms Nicollet County's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Zins to proclaim April 21-27 as Crime Victims' Rights Week. Carried unanimously.

Administration

Resolution Appointing a Nicollet County Assistant Veterans Service Officer

Administrator Landkamer came forward to request the appointment of Ryan Frank as the Assistant Veterans Service Officer for Nicollet County, effective April 10, 2024.

Motion by Commissioner Zins and seconded by Commissioner Dranttel to appoint Ryan Frank as the Assistant Veterans Service Officer for Nicollet County. Carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Proclamation Recognizing National County Government Month – April 2024

Administrator Landkamer brought forward a proclamation concerning National County Government Month, celebrating the theme

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Dehen to proclaim the month of April 2024 as National County Government Month. Carried unanimously.

Nicollet County 2023 Year in Review

Administrator Landkamer presented the 2023 Year in Review and highlighted selected information and data for each department. The Commissioners thanked the Administrator and all county staff for their important contributions throughout the year.

County Attorney:

April hosts Crime Victims' Rights week as well as Sexual Assault Awareness month and Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention month. Information was shared on sexual abuse in later life, as it is often overlooked and underreported. Attorney Zehnder Fischer asked everyone to continue to be mindful of elder abuse and take the opportunity to listen and check in on elderly loved ones and community members.

Chair's Report

- HRA
- Nicollet County Collaborative
- County Board

Commissioner Committee Reports

The Commissioners reported on various meetings and activities, including:

Commissioner Kurt Zins

- One Watershed, One Plan meeting
- County Board

Commissioner Mark Dehen

- South Central EMS
- MRCI Annual Board Meeting
- County Board

Commissioner Marie Dranttel

- One Watershed, One Plan meeting
- County Board

Commissioner Jack Kolars

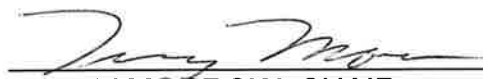
- AMC Leadership Conference
- County Board

Approve Per Diems and Expenses

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the expenses and per diems for the meetings noted above during the Commissioner Reports and/or as submitted on approved expense reports, and authorize payment of those expenses and per diems by the Finance Office. Motion carried unanimously.

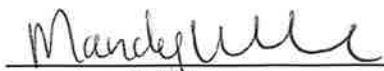
Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.



TERRY MORROW, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:



MANDY LANDKAMER,
CLERK TO THE BOARD