

Chairman Tellinghuisen called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m., with the following members present: Commissioners Wilhelm, Oslin, and Peterson. Commissioner Reynolds arrived at 10:02 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Three requests were added to the agenda:

- Approve Sale of County Vehicles;
- Consider Approval of Border-to-Border Broadband Letter of Support;
- Approve Grant Agreement for Victim Assistance Services.

Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to accept the agenda as amended; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Cmsr Oslin, seconded by Cmsr Wilhelm, to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Approve Payment to Legal Counsel for Legal Services;
- Approve Upgrade to Local Premise Audio Logger;
- Renew Criminal Justice Information Systems and National Crime Information Center Agreements between the Sheriff's Office and the Municipal Agencies;
- Approve Early Childhood Oral Health and Prevention in Mille Lacs County Letter of Inquiry 2020;
- Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program.

Motion Carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST PUBLIC HEARING

Economic Development Manager Mike Wimmer referenced the July 22, 2019 Economic Tax Abatement application submitted by Silt Sock Incorporated and the Board's prior approval of a public hearing for Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Wimmer reviewed the construction-related products that Silt Sock Inc. manufactures and discussed the terms of the tax abatement. Wimmer confirmed that ten (10) full-time job positions will be created and/or retained due to this proposition. Wimmer stated that County staff will work with the Assessor's Office regarding estimated tax abatement; this information will then be presented to Board at a following work session. A resolution, pending legal review, will be presented to the Board by the end of September. Cmsr Oslin motioned to open the public hearing at 9:12 a.m.; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. Motion carried. Cmsr Tellinghuisen asked if anyone would like to speak or comment. Residents were requested to state their name and address before providing public input.

Jason Alderink, owner of Silt Sock Inc., stated that he appreciates the time and inquired as to if the commissioners had any questions. Cmsr Wilhelm inquired as to when the transition to the new location will become operational. Alderink stated that the new location is planned to be fully operational by July of 2020. Cmsr Oslin motioned to close the public hearing at 9:16 a.m.; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING TO DISCUSS AN ACTIVE GRIEVANCE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Cmsr Wilhelm to close the meeting at 9:30 a.m., in accordance with M.S. 13D.05 Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subdivision 3 (b). The meeting closed to discuss an active grievance filed by the Local 49 against Mille Lacs County; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried. Cmsr Peterson motioned to reopen the meeting at 10:02 a.m.; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried.

CMSR REYNOLDS PARTICIPATED IN COUNTY BOARD MEETING AT 10:02 A.M.

AUGUST PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT – REQUEST BY STEVE AND DIANE SMITH TO EXPAND CAMPGROUND

Land Services Director Michele McPherson reviewed the August Planning Commission report; Steve and Diane Smith, owners of Rum River Campground, have requested to expand their campground. Rum River Campground is located within Dailey Township and currently has 49 campsites. McPherson noted that expansion requires a conditional use permit; McPherson noted that all appropriate permits have

been received. McPherson reviewed the resident feedback received at the August 27, 2019 public hearing. Cmsr Oslin motioned to approve the request by Steve and Diane Smith to expand Rum River Campground, noting the Exhibit A conditions; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVE TRAIL COUNT SERVICES DONATION

Environmental Resources Manager Dillon Hayes stated that the Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota, a 501(c)(3) organization, has offered to provide bicycle trail count services on the Soo Line Trail free of charge. Hayes stated that pursuant to the Mille Lacs County Acceptance of Donations or Gifts Policy, the County Board must review this donation before approval. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the trail count services donation; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried.

ORDERING HEARING ON THE REPAIR OF COUNTY DITCH 2

Environmental Resources Manager Hayes referenced the March 27, 2019 petition regarding the repair of County Ditch (CD) 2. Hayes stated that in response to input received during the public comment of the August 27, 2019 public hearing, the item was tabled. Hayes stated that in order to make a decision on the repair petition, the public hearing must be continued in the next County Board Meeting. Hayes stated that this is the original CD 2 repair petition. Hayes stated that a petition application has been supplied to the resident who had concerns regarding cleaning the entirety of CD 2. If completed by the resident, this petition will be presented to the County Board at the September 17, 2019 Board Meeting for review. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the public hearing for Tuesday, September 17, 2019, regarding the repair of County Ditch 2; Cmsr Peterson seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVE SALE OF COUNTY VEHICLES

Public Works Director Holly Wilson stated that Public Works is seeking the Board's approval to allow the sale of four (4) Public Works vehicles at Wayne Pike Auctions. The vehicles to be sold include a 2000 Dodge Ram, a 2001 Dodge 4x4, a 2005 Chevrolet 2500, and a 2005 Chevrolet 2500. Cmsr Peterson motioned to approve the sale of County vehicles; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BORDER-TO-BORDER BROADBAND LETTER OF SUPPORT

Economic Development Manager Wimmer stated that Advantenon Inc. is submitting an application to Minnesota's Border-to-Border Broadband Grant Program; Advantenon has requested a letter of support from Mille Lacs County to submit with this grant application. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Border-to-Border Broadband Letter of Support; Cmsr Oslin seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT FOR VICTIM ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Joe Walsh stated the State grant renewal is for the Mille Lacs County Victim Assistance Program; this grant funds the majority of the salaries of two (2) Victim Assistance Coordinators that work in Mille Lacs County. Cmsr Oslin motioned to approve the grant renewal; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cmsr Oslin provided a full list of the sponsors of the Healthy Lake, Healthy Land Conference that occurred on Saturday, August 16, 2019.

Cmsr Oslin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:04 p.m.; Cmsr Reynolds seconded. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

/s/ Pat Oman
Pat Oman
County Administrator

/s/ Roger Tellinghuisen
Roger Tellinghuisen
County Board Chairperson