



WASECA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 4, 2022 - 9:30 AM

East Annex Public Meeting Room

300 North State Street – East Annex · Waseca, Minnesota 56093

The Waseca County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 in the Commissioners' Room, 300 North State Street, Waseca, Minnesota. Members present were Chair Brad Krause, DeAnne Malterer, Doug Christopherson, Brian Harguth, and Blair Nelson.

Other members present were Michael Johnson, County Administrator; Beth Weimert, Administrative Coordinator; Sheriff Brad Milbrath; Tammy Spooner, Property and Election Services Director; Rusty Hardeman, Assistant County Attorney.

Others present were Tristan Jensen, Waseca County Pioneer; Nathan Dull, MN Land and Liberty Coalition; Brad Schleif, Buffalo Lake LLP; Doug Schleif, Buffalo Lake LLP.

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Krause called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. A roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Michael Johnson asked that the formal resignation from the Sheriff be added as item 5f. Motion to approve the Waseca County Board of Commissioners amended agenda by Commissioner Harguth, seconded by Commissioner Nelson. Motion carried 5-0.

3. **Approval of County Board Minutes**

Motion to approve the Waseca County Board of Commissioners regular meeting minutes of July 5, 2022; work session meeting minutes of July 19, 2022; and regular meeting minutes of July 19, 2022 by Commissioner Malterer, seconded by Commissioner Christopherson. Motion carried 5-0.

- a. Waseca County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes July 5, 2022
- b. Waseca County Board of Commissioners Work Session Minutes July 19, 2022
- c. Waseca County Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes July 19, 2022

4. **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by Commissioner Christopherson, seconded by Commissioner Malterer. Motion carried 5-0.

a. **Approval of Bills**

The following bills were audited and allowed:

A.H. HERMEL COMPANY	580.77
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE INC	4,138.42
ALBERT LEA SEED HOUSE	424.50
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	236.23
AMBER LEWER	87.50
BAUER BUILT INC	3,896.00
BLAIR NELSON	960.21
BLOOMING PRAIRIE FARM RADIO, INC	900.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	785.91
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	61.43
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	80.75
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	386.71
BOSS SUPPLY OF JANESVILLE INC	20.48
BRITTON PLUMBING & HEATING LLC	352.42
CENTRAL STATES WIRE PROD INC	5,409.78
CITY OF MANKATO	630.00
COLE PAPERS INC	1,725.23
CURT KEYES	80.00
DEB WESTPHAL	206.63
DOUGLAS F KILGORE	160.00
ECKER LAW OFFICE	2,985.00
EJL PUBLICATIONS	238.28
FERNBROOK FAMILY CEN	600.00
GREG HUBER	69.38
GUARDIAN SUPPLY	4,001.19
HY-VEE OWATONNA	380.87
I & S GROUP INC	4,067.50
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LLC	559.13
J SCOTT BRADEN LAW OFFICE	75.00
JANESVILLE HARDWARE LLC	578.91
JAVENS MECHANICAL CONTRACTING CO INC	16,669.00
JOHN E KRAUSE	15,923.25
JONES HAUGH & SMITH	8,053.50
JOSHUA SMITH	40.50
JUDY HILLER	44.42
JULIE TESCH	96.25
KIM KROEGER-BABCOCK	91.25
LE CENTER DENTAL	194.00
LOUISE LUND	492.50
MEI TOTAL ELEVATOR SOLUTIONS	18,979.45
MERLIN KATH	12.77
METTLER-TOLEDO INTERNATIONAL INC	743.00
MICHAEL MOUNTAIN	400.00
MID-NET SOLUTIONS	108.00
MIDWEST MOTOR SUPPLY CO INC	511.57

MN COMM OF TRANSPORTATION	869.16
M-R SIGN COMPANY INC	1,087.55
NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS INC.	215.11
OWATONNA HEATING & COOLING	810.00
PHILLIP L SCHLEICHER	400.00
PRIME POLY SOLUTIONS LLC	1,250.00
PROPAC	1,037.75
RAMSEY COUNTY	1,400.00
RIVER BEND BUSINESS PRODUCTS	246.96
SF ENTERPRISES LLC	11,150.00
STEPHANIE JOHNSON	728.00
THE RETROFIT COMPANIES	111.67
TRIMBLE INC	299.00
TRUENORTH STEEL INC	32,481.75
WASECA COUNTY NEWS (SUBSCRIPTION)	76.75

- b. Riparian Protection Cost-Share Contract
Approval of cost share contract for 76 acres of cover crops in Waseca County in St. Mary's Township within 1/2 mile of a public waterway for a total cost of \$3,040.00.
- c. Medical Examiner Contract Agreement 2023
Approval of Dr. Kelly Mills of Ramsey County, River Valley Forensic Services as the medical examiner for Waseca County.
- d. Waseca County Zoning Code; Janice C. & Ivan F. Maas Trustee Transfer of Development Rights
Approval of Janice C. & Ivan F. Maas Trustee Transfer of Development Rights per requirements of the Waseca County Unified Development Code. PID No 06.017.0700 to 06.07.TBD.
- e. Partial Release of Exclusive Agricultural Use Zone Restrictive Covenant; Janice C. & Ivan F. Maas Trustee

5. Action Items

- a. South Country Health Alliance
Leota Lind, South County Health Alliance CEO, highlighted MNPrarie's healthy start program. The program supports mothers in prenatal and postpartum care and focuses on children ages 0-14.
Lind also provided a South Country new enrollee response rate for 2020, 2021 and 2022. This is utilized to meet unmet needs of individuals.
- b. Joint Powers Agreement Resolution 2022-32
Sheriff Milbrath discussed the Joint Powers Agreement Resolution 2022-32. Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-32 Joint Powers Agreement and Court Amendment Documents by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Harguth. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-32

RESOLUTION APPROVING STATE OF MINNESOTA JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY OF WASECA ON BEHALF OF ITS COUNTY ATTORNEY AND SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the County of **Waseca** on behalf of its County Attorney and Sheriff desires to enter into Joint Powers Agreements with the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to use systems and tools available over the State's criminal justice data communications network for which the County is eligible. The Joint Powers Agreements further provide the County with the ability to add, modify and delete connectivity, systems and tools over the five year life of the agreement and obligates the County to pay the costs for the network connection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of **Waseca**, Minnesota as follows:

1. That the State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements by and between the State of Minnesota acting through its Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and the County of **Waseca** on behalf of its County Attorney and Sheriff are hereby approved.

2. That the **Sheriff, Brad J. Milbrath**, or his or her successor, is designated the Authorized Representative for the Sheriff. The Authorized Representative is also authorized to sign any subsequent amendment or agreement that may be required by the State of Minnesota to maintain the County's connection to the systems and tools offered by the State.

3. That the **County Attorney, Rachel Cornelius**, or his or her successor, is designated the Authorized Representative for the County Attorney. The Authorized Representative is also authorized to sign any subsequent amendment or agreement that may be required by the State of Minnesota to maintain the County's connection to the systems and tools offered by the State.

4. That **Brad Krause**, the Chair of the County of **Waseca**, and **Beth Weimert**, the County Clerk, are authorized to sign the State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements.

c. Septic Treatment Systems Natural Resources Block Grant - Resolution 2022-33

Michael Johnson, County Administrator, discussed the SSTS award. Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-33 Natural Resources Block Grant in the amount of \$52,018.00 by Commissioner Malterer, seconded by Commissioner Christopherson. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION # 2022-33

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waseca County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County of Waseca to enter into a Subsurface Sewage Treatment agreement under the terms of the Grant Agreement with the State of Minnesota to receive state funds for the implementation of its Subsurface Sewage Treatment Program and applicable statutory requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Waseca County Board of Commissioners and the County Auditor are authorized to execute the Grant Agreement together with all related documents.

d. Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to replace two hunting shacks in Section 21 of Alton Township

Maame Yorke, Land Use Planner, discussed the Conditional Use Permit with the planning commission with recommended conditions to replace two hunting shacks in Section 21 of Alton Township. Motion to approve the Criteria for Approval and the Findings of Facts by Commissioner Christopherson, seconded by Commissioner Malterer. Motion carried 5-0.

e. Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Request for One (1) Megawatt Community Solar Farm – Fox Garden LLC

Yorke also discussed the Conditional Use Permit request for a one (1) megawatt community solar farm - Fox Garden, LLC with proposed conditions. Motion to approve the Criteria for Approval and the Findings of Facts by Commissioner Harguth, seconded by Commissioner Nelson. Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Christopherson abstaining.

f. Sheriff Brad Milbrath's Resignation

Motion to accept Sheriff Brad Milbrath's resignation for December 30, 2022 at 5:00 PM by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Malterer. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Administration

a. **Administration Update**

Michael Johnson, County Administrator, asked the County Board of Commissioners to look at dates to attend a Janesville, Waldorf and New Richland City Council meeting before the end of the year. Johnson also discussed upcoming meetings to be added to the calendar.

The Board of Commissioners meeting scheduled for December 6, 2022 will be December 8, 2022 due to the annual AMC Conference. The annual budget meeting will be December 20, 2022 with the public budget presentation to begin at 6:30 p.m.

b. **Human Resources Announcements**

Michael Johnson, County Administrator, provided updates to the board regarding recent human resource announcements.

7. Commissioner Reports

The Waseca County Board of Commissioners in attendance at today's meeting shared commissioner reports.

8. Adjourn

Having no further county board business, Commissioner Harguth moved and Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Brad Krause, Chairperson
Waseca County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Beth Weimert, Clerk
Waseca County Administration