

Vice Chairperson Reynolds called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with the following members present: Commissioners Reynolds, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson. Commissioner Oslin attended via teleconference from 1960 Big Bass Cove, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404. Commissioner Wilhelm attended via teleconference from 15025 Williston Lane, Minnetonka, MN 55346. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Assistant County Administrator Holly Wilson introduced four (4) supplemental documents and four (4) add-on agenda request items to the County Board:

- 5.1 Presentation of Information: David Coudron of Advantenon – Supplemental Document
- 5.2 Consider Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Application – Supplemental Document
- 5.8 Consider Resolution No. 03-02-2021-03, Regarding Trespass Notice of Maynard Schwartz
- 5.9 Consider Application for Criminal Justice System COVID-19 Response
- 5.10 Consider Rum River One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) Draft Joint Powers Agreement
- 5.11 Consider Installation of Water Cooler in North Law Enforcement Facility
- Work Session #3 Association of Minnesota Counties Presentation – Supplemental Documents
- Work Session #6 Mille Lacs County Commissioners Open Discussion – Supplemental Documents

Cmsr Tellinghuisen motioned to accept the agenda as amended; Cmsr Peterson seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approve 2/16/2021 County Board Meeting Minutes
- Review of Auditor's Warrants
- Approve Payment to Counsel for Legal Services
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- Approve Commissioners' Mileage and Per Diems - February 2021
- Consider Data Confidentiality/Security Agreement
- Consider Taser Upgrade
- Consider Rescheduling Public Hearing for Drone Program
- Information Only: Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2021

Assistant County Administrator Wilson requested that consent agenda item 4.10, Consider Extending MnDOT CSAH 8 Partnership Agreement #1003117A02, be removed from the consent agenda and considered at a future County Board Meeting. Cmsr Wilhelm requested that consent agenda item 4.11, Consider PWD Resolution No. 2021-3-2-21-8, Accept CSAH 4 Shoulder Widening, Base and Bituminous, be pulled for discussion. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

#### CONSIDER PWD RESOLUTION NO. 2021-3-2-21-8, ACCEPT CSAH 4 SHOULDER WIDENING, BASE, AND BITUMINOUS

County Engineer Neal Knopik presented the request to adopt PWD Resolution No. 2021-3-2-21-8. Discussion occurred among the Commissioners concerning liquidated assets and the completion of the project. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to adopt PWD Resolution No. 2021-3-2-21-8, Accept CSAH 4 Shoulder Widening, Base, and Bituminous; Cmsr Oslin seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

*Board of County Commissioners*

*Mille Lacs County, Minnesota*

*ACCEPTANCE OF SP 048-604-019*

*CSAH 4 SHOULDER WIDENING, BASE AND BITUMINOUS*

*PWD Resolution No. 2021-3-2-21-8*

*WHEREAS, SP 048-604-019, Contract No. 201806, CSAH 4 Shoulder Widening, Base and Bituminous Project by WMD Scepaniak Inc., 572 4th Street, Holdingford, Minnesota, 56340; located on CSAH 4*

*from CSAH 12 to CSAH 2; original contract cost was \$3,401,439.48 and the final contract cost is \$3,335,149.67; and the County Board being fully advised,  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we do hereby accept said completed project for Mille Lacs County and authorize final payment.*

**PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION: DAVID COUDRON OF ADVANTENON**

Economic Development Manager Mike Wimmer welcomed David Coudron of Advantenon. Coudron discussed the outcome of the Mille Lacs County broadband project. Coudron discussed the use of LTE wireless network and the continuous amount of interest from residents in additional broadband internet options in Mille Lacs County. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Coudron for the presentation.

**CONSIDER MILLE LACS COUNTY PANDEMIC ECONOMIC RELIEF GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Economic Development Manager Michael Wimmer presented the Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Applications received. Wimmer proceeded by presenting each small business or non-profit group in consideration of approval. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Applications for Muggs of Mille Lacs, Rodeway Inn, D & L Express Café, Longsiding Grill & Bar, Pizza Central, Marcia Grant Travel, K-Bob Café, Pizza Pub, Northern Lights Ballroom, Wahkon Inn, Moonshine Grill & Bar, Anchor 13 Tattoo, Radiance Salon & Spa, C & C Consulting, Princeton Fitness, and New Freedom, Inc.; Cmsr Oslin seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Cmsr Peterson motioned to approve the Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Application for Reynolds Balloons; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Cmsr Reynolds abstained. Motion carried.

Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Applications for Naomi's Pet Grooming, Allstar Childcare Center, Brookview Winery, and Thompson Lake Country Drug; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Application distribution of \$10,000 to the Princeton VFW and the Milaca Legion; Cmsr Peterson seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Cmsr Tellinghuisen motioned to approve the Mille Lacs County Pandemic Economic Relief Grant Applications for the Milaca Legion, T-Nails, and Madre Loca, contingent on sending the proper documentation to the Secretary of State; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER PENALTY AND INTEREST ABATEMENT FOR ALLSTAR CHILDCARE**

Auditor-Treasurer Eric Bartusch introduced the request to consider a penalty and interest abatement for Allstar Childcare in Milaca, Minnesota. Bartusch stated that all property taxes have been paid in full as of the previous week. Cmsr Tellinghuisen motioned to approve the Penalty and Interest Abatement for Allstar Childcare; Cmsr Peterson seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

**CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING FOR KENNEL LICENSE APPLICATION, SUSAN & JAY KENADY**

Land Services Director Michele McPherson presented the request to open the public hearing concerning a kennel license application in Page Township. Cmsr Peterson motioned to open the public hearing concerning a kennel license application for Susan and Jay Kenady at 9:43 a.m.; Cmsr Wilhelm seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Jay Kenady  
22589 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Milaca, Minnesota 56353

Jay Kenady of Milaca stated that he was open to receiving any questions concerning the proposed kennel license. No questions were received.

Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to close the public hearing at 9:45 a.m.; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Cmsr Tellinghuisen motioned to approve the kennel license. McPherson stated that the approval for the kennel license would be brought to the Board at the next Board Meeting; an approval was not necessary at this time. Motion failed.

CONSIDER CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT BY STEPHAN DAVY FOR HOME OCCUPATION

Land Services Director McPherson introduced the request for the Conditional Use Home Occupation Permit. McPherson stated that the permit request is not on the same location as his residence, therefore, a conditional use permit is necessary; however, the owner resides within the vicinity. McPherson noted that numerous letters had been received from neighbors; these letters were included in the 2/8/21 Planning Commission Meeting minutes presented in the County Board's consent agenda. McPherson stated that the Planning Commission recommends approving the permit with the conditions stated. Extensive discussion occurred among the Commissioners; references were made to sections 505.4, 505.6, 505.7, and 505.9 of the Development Ordinance. Cmsr Peterson motioned to deny the Conditional Use Permit by Stephan Davy and to direct staff to prepare findings of fact associated with 505.4, 505.6, 505.7, and 505.9 of the Development Ordinance for the March 16, 2021 County Board Meeting; Cmsr Oslin seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 03-02-2021-01, APPOINT THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES DIRECTOR/LAND COMMISSIONER AS DRAINAGE INSPECTOR

Assistant County Administrator Wilson presented the resolution to appoint the Environmental Resources Director/Land Commissioner as the Drainage Inspector. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to adopt Resolution No. 03-02-2021-02, Appoint the Environmental Resources Director/Land Commissioner as the Drainage Inspector; Cmsr Oslin seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

*Board of County Commissioners*

*Mille Lacs County, Minnesota*

*Resolution No: 03-02-2021-01*

*Appoint Environmental Resources Director/Land Commissioner as Drainage Inspector*

*WHEREAS, the Mille County Board of County Commissioners acts as the Drainage Authority in accordance with Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103E for all 103E drainage systems established within the borders of Mille Lacs County; and*

*WHEREAS, as the Drainage Authority, under Minnesota Statute 103E.065, shall appoint a competent person to serve as the Drainage Inspector; and*

*WHEREAS, the previous Drainage Inspector, Dillon Hayes, has resigned his position with Mille Lacs County; and*

*WHEREAS, the Environmental Resources Director/Land Commissioner was hired on February 8, 2021, and thereupon assigned the duties of Drainage Inspector; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the Environmental Resources Director/Land Commissioner as the Mille Lacs County Drainage Inspector for a term that shall expire on December 31, 2024, with compensation to be provided according to Mille Lacs County personnel policies.*

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 03-02-2021-02, APPOINT A COUNTY RECORDER PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTE 375A.01

Assistant County Administrator Wilson presented the Resolution 03-02-2021-02, Appoint a County Recorder. Wilson stated that the current Recorder's resignation has a final day of Friday, March 5, 2021. Discussion occurred among the Commissioners. Cmsr Peterson motioned to adopt Resolution No. 03-02-2021-02, Appoint a County Recorder Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 375A.01; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

*Board of County Commissioners*

*Mille Lacs County, Minnesota*

*APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY RECORDER*

*Resolution No. 03-02-2021-02*

*WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375A.01 provides for the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners of the State of Minnesota to fill the office of County Recorder by appointment; and*

*WHEREAS, on February 16, 2021, the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners accepted the resignation of Michele McPherson as Land Services Director/County Recorder effective on March 5, 2021; and*

*WHEREAS, the Deputy Recorders have not been cross-trained in all duties of the County County Recorder; and*

*WHEREAS, the Assistant County Administrator has determined the Deputy Recorders are unable to perform all the duties of the County Recorder.*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners appoints Warren Delles as the Temporary County Recorder effective March 6, 2021 until such time as a permanent County Recorder is determined.*

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 03-02-2021-03, REGARDING TRESPASS NOTICE OF MAYNARD SCHWARTZ**

Assistant County Administrator Wilson reviewed the proposed trespass notice. Wilson stated that Maynard Schwartz has come into various County buildings and made threatening statements to multiple staff. Wilson noted that Mr. Schwartz may make an appointment for County services if needed. Cmsr Oslin motioned to adopt Resolution No. 03-02-2021-03, Trespass Notice of Maynard Schwartz; Cmsr Peterson seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

*Board of County Commissioners  
MILLE LACS COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
Resolution No. 03-02-2021-03*

***REGARDING TRESPASS NOTICE OF MAYNARD SCHWARTZ***

*WHEREAS, Assistant County Administrator Holly Wilson has briefed the Board regarding the repeated harassing behavior exhibited by Maynard Raymond Schwartz (DOB: 9/3/1945) on Mille Lacs County property.*

*WHEREAS, Maynard Schwartz's behavior has escalated over time, including incidents in multiple county buildings involving a number of different county employees and employees of the judicial branch. Several incidents have been documented where individuals working on county property have expressed that they are uncomfortable and feel threatened by the presence and conduct of Maynard Schwartz.*

***BE IT RESOLVED:***

- 1. Maynard Raymond Schwartz (DOB: 9/3/1945) is being told to leave the premises of all Mille Lacs County buildings including the Historic Courthouse (635 2nd Street SE), the Justice Center (225 6th Ave SE), Community and Veterans Services (525 2nd Street SE), and the Sheriff's Office (640 3rd Street SE).*
- 2. All services to which Maynard Schwartz may be entitled to may be arranged by telephone as follows:*
  - a. Historic Courthouse (Admin/Auditor/Land Services)—(320) 983-8218*
  - b. Community and Veterans Services—(320) 983-8208*
  - c. Sheriff's Office—(320) 983-8250*
  - d. Attorney's Office—(320) 983-8305*
  - e. Corrections/Probation—(320) 983-8202*
  - f. District Court—(320) 983-8313*
- 3. Maynard Schwartz has current charges requiring court appearances at the Mille Lacs County Justice Center. If Maynard Schwartz has a court hearing or appointment requiring his attendance, he may freely enter the Justice Center or other county building for so long as is necessary for his hearing and no longer. The time necessary for his hearing shall be determined by courthouse security in their sole discretion.*
- 4. If Maynard Schwartz seeks a voluntary appointment on county property, that should be arranged in advance via telephone as follows :*
  - a. Historic Courthouse (Admin/Auditor/Land Services)—(320) 983-8218*
  - b. Community and Veterans Services—(320) 983-8208*
  - c. Sheriff's Office—(320) 983-8250*
  - d. Attorney's Office—(320) 983-8305*
  - e. Corrections/Probation—(320) 983-8202*
  - f. District Court—(320) 983-8313*
- 5. If Maynard Schwartz is present on county property identified above and his presence is not required for a court hearing or appointment requiring his attendance and he has not arranged for an appointment as stated above, he is to be promptly removed from all Mille Lacs County property identified above.*

CONSIDER APPLICATION FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM COVID-19 RESPONSE GRANT

Jail Administrator Bradley Hunt presented the request to apply for Criminal Justice System COVID-19 Response Grant. Hunt reviewed how the proposed grant funds would be used to improve programs within the jail. Discussion occurred among the Commissioners concerning the grant and the use of funds. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Application for Criminal Justice System COVID-19 Response Grant; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RUM RIVER ONE WATERSHED, ONE PLAN (1W1P) DRAFT JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

SWCD Director Susan Shaw presented the Rum River One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) draft Joint Powers Agreement. Shaw stated that the agreement will be finalized in June 2021, following State approval. Shaw stated that the current request is to approve the draft presented as acceptable. Shaw reviewed each step associated with the agreement development process. Discussion occurred among the Commissioners. Cmsr Wilhelm motioned to approve the Rum River One Watershed, One Plan Draft Joint Powers Agreement; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, and Tellinghuisen voted aye. Cmsr Peterson voted nay. Motion carried.

CONSIDER INSTALLATION OF WATER COOLER IN THE NORTH LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY

HR Manager Karly Fetters presented the proposed SHIP Grant funded installation of a water cooler in the North Law Enforcement Facility. Fetters stated that a 10% in-kind match is required with this grant. Cmsr Peterson motioned to approve the Installation of Water Cooler in the North Law Enforcement Facility; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cmsr Wilhelm reviewed the Thursday, February 25, 2021 Mille Lacs County Fair Board meeting. Cmsr Wilhelm stated that at this time, the County Fair Board is preparing to host the 2021 County fair.

Cmsr Peterson motioned to adjourn the meeting 11:02 a.m.; Cmsr Tellinghuisen seconded. A roll call vote was called; Cmsrs Wilhelm, Reynolds, Oslin, Tellinghuisen, and Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

/s/Holly Wilson  
Holly Wilson  
Assistant County Administrator

/s/Genny Reynolds  
Genny Reynolds  
County Board Vice Chairperson