

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KOOCHICHING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Pavleck, Sjoblom, Adee, and Skoe

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Murray

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Reimer, Tom West, Matthew Gouin, Mark Lessard, Heidi Ohlquist, and KCCTV reporter Darcy Sullivan

2022/05-01 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Adee to approve the agenda with additions and deletions. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/05-02 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Adee to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2022 regular meeting. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/05-03 Motion by Adee, seconded by Sjoblom to approve April's summarized vendor payment list, approve April payroll and payroll ACH in the amount of \$1,143,347.55, Courthouse claims in the amount of \$150,726.99, and approve Highway claims in the amount of \$52,437.73. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/05-04 Motion by Adee, seconded by Sjoblom approving Sheriff warrant void totaling \$59.99. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

000 Notice of hire of Havyn Pelland as temporary Highway Summer Laborer effective June 6, 2022.

000 Notice of hire of Destiny Piekarski as temporary Highway Summer Laborer effective June 6, 2022.

2022/05-05 Motion by Adee, seconded by Sjoblom to approve employment separation of Jenny Herman, Administration Director, effective May 13, 2022 and authorize filling of vacant position. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/05-06 Motion by Adee, seconded by Sjoblom to adopt a resolution removing Koochiching County from the chain of responsibility from activities related to Falls License Bureau.

Whereas, Koochiching County has an insignificant role in the operations of deputy registrar, Falls License Bureau

Whereas, the State of Minnesota currently serves the regulatory capacity necessary to operate Falls License Bureau

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Koochiching County notify the State of Minnesota Department of Motor Vehicles to remove Koochiching County from the chain of responsibility from the activities relating to Falls License Bureau. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/05-07 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to approve the appointment of Eric Johnson to the Koochiching County Planning and Zoning Commission. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

000 Mark Lessard, Veterans Service Officer, and Heidi Ohlquist approached the Board noting it was a community effort raising funds for a new Veterans transportation van. Donations from the International Falls VFW, Northome VFW, Littlefork VFW, and their successful Oktoberfest fundraiser were critical in getting us to our goal. Lessard is taking a group of veterans to the Veterans Information Fair in Chisholm on May 12th. The event is sponsored by Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Hibbing/Chisholm, an organization with a mission of providing support, resources and guidance to area veterans and active military members and their families. Also, The Wall That Heals will be in Chisholm June 23 – 26, 2022 and Lessard plans to take a group there as well. On June 25th, Terry Randolph will read the names of 14 Koochiching County veterans that lost their lives in Vietnam.

000 The County Committee list was then reviewed, and it was decided the Commissioners should express their interest in committees they would temporarily serve on while Commissioner Murray is out. This will be brought to the next Board meeting.

000 The Board Chair called for public comment and there was none.

2022/05-08 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Adee, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

Wade Pavleck, Board Chair

Betsy Zaren, Administration Director