

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KOOCHICHING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Held on Thursday, July 28, 2022 10:45 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Pavleck, Skoe, and Sjoblom

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Murray and Adee (Medical)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Perryn Hedlund, Janelle Peterson, Dave Reimer, Kathy LaFrance, Derek Foss, Tom West, Matt Gouin, Nathan Heibel, Dan Vellieux, Tom Dougherty, Dr. Jeff Kantor, and KCCTV Reporter Darcy Sullivan.

2022/07-17 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to approve the agenda with additions and deletions. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-18 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2022 regular meeting. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-19 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to ratify Courthouse Claims in the amount of \$119,066.34, ratify Highway claims in the amount of \$58,961.84, and ratify Public Health and Community Service Claim as presented. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-20 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to approve the separation of Payroll and Benefit Coordinator Emily Knaeble with an effective date of August 24, 2022. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-21 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to ratify contract settlement with the Koochiching County Local Union No. 103/Deputies, represented by the Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc. for 2022 through 2024 as recommended by the Board's Negotiation Committee and to authorize the Administration Director to make the appropriate 2022 budget adjustments and fund transfers. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-22 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to ratify contract settlement with the Koochiching County Local Union No. 102/Correctional Officers, for 2022 through 2024 as recommended by the Board's Negotiation Committee and to authorize the Administration Director to make the appropriate 2022 budget adjustments and fund transfers. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-23 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to ratify contract settlement with the Koochiching County Public Health and Human Services Unit represented by AFSCME 65 Local 510 for 2022 through 2024 as recommended by the Board's Negotiation Committee and to authorize the Administration Director to make the appropriate 2022 budget adjustments and fund transfers. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-24 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to ratify contract settlement with the Koochiching County Courthouse Unit represented by AFSCME 65 Local 510 for 2022 through 2024 as recommended by the Board's Negotiation Committee and to authorize the Administration Director to make the appropriate 2022 budget adjustments and fund transfers. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-25 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to approve the 2022-2023 AmeriCorps Host Site Agreement for their Lead For America temporary one-year position that will be focused on expanding broadband access to underserved locations in Koochiching County. This is a Koochiching Technology Initiative project. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-26 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to adopt the following resolution designating the MAGIC Fund as a Depository for Koochiching County funds:

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter for Koochiching County, MN stipulates that depositories for monies and collateral therefore shall be designated and approved by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MAGIC fund of Harrisburg, PA is hereby designated as depository for the funds of Koochiching County. The County Auditor/Treasurer is authorized to deposit County funds therein to the maximum amount of \$20,000,000.00 to the MAGIC Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the depository shall furnish collateral in the manner and to the extent permitted by law. All such collateral must be approved by the County Auditor/Treasurer or Deputy and accompanied by a written assignment providing that, upon default, the financial institution shall release to the County, on demand, free of exchange or any other charges, the collateral pledged.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all collateral must be placed in safekeeping in a restricted account at either a Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution that is not owned or controlled by the financial institution that is furnishing the collateral. The selection must be approved by the County Auditor/Treasurer. In case of default upon the part of the depository, the County Auditor/Treasurer shall have full power and authority to sell such collateral or, as much as may be necessary, to realize the full amount due the County over such federal guarantee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Auditor/Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall have authority to electronically transfer funds, among or between designated depositories. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-27 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe approving Treasurer warrant void totaling \$724.75 due to two payments on one check and a Land and Forestry warrant void totaling \$39,221.21 due to lost warrant. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

000 Rainy Lake Property Owners Association (RLPO) representatives Tom Dougherty, Dan Vellieux, and Dr. Jeff Kantor approached the Board requesting them to pass a resolution recommending the International Joint Commission apply their guidance to Canadian National's project to add additional tracks in Ranier. They feel the current structure, Ranier Bridge, is already interrupting the flow of water to the dam located between International Falls and Fort Frances which is known to contribute to the flooding on Rainy Lake and feel the proposed structure is likely to reduce the flow even further. The Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909 was presented to the Board along with aerial photos of the current bridge. A letter to the Chair of the International Joint Commission will be drafted urging them to assert their authority on Canadian

National's track project with the help of RLPO representatives and the County Attorney to be presented at the August 9th County Board meeting for approval.

2022/07-28 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe approving the Public Health and Human Services warrant void totaling \$808.20. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-29 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom approving the renewal of Decker's Family Care Housing Support Agreement. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-30 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe approving the Transportation of Children and Youth in Foster Care Placement with Littlefork-Big Falls ISD 362, International Falls ISD 361, and South Koochiching Rainy River ISD 363 Purchase of Service Agreements. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-31 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to approve payment of burial in the amount of \$1,400.00. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-32 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to award project CP 2022-24 for the 2022 Crack Seal and Mastic Repair to Northwest Asphalt and Maintenance with a total bid of \$211,661.55. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-33 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to award project CP 2022-05 for the 2022 CSAH 1 Paving over the Bear River Bridge to Hawkinson Construction Company with a total bid of \$102,057.00. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

2022/07-34 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to authorize the Environmental Services Director to engage in discussions with MPCA regarding Lake of the Woods County request to haul demolition debris to the Koochiching County Demolition Landfill. Voting yes: Sjoblom, Pavleck, Skoe. Motion carried.

000 The Board Chair called for Public Comment and there was none.

2022/07-35 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to adjourn the meeting at 12:01 p.m. Voting yes: Pavleck, Sjoblom, Skoe. Motion carried.