

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KOOCHICHING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 9:30 a.m.  
Via Teleconference

MEMBER PRESENT IN BOARDROOM: None

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: Commissioners Pavleck, Sjoblom, Skoe, McBride, Adee

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELECONFERENCE: Kathy LaFrance, Janelle Peterson, Tom West, Dave Reimer, Matt Gouin, Jaci Nagle, Trent Nicholson and Nathan Heibel

2020/05-21 Motion by Sjoblom, seconded by Skoe to approve the agenda with additions and deletions. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

000 Public Health and Human Services Director provided a COVID-19 update. Koochiching County has five confirmed cumulative cases. More phone calls to their office are being addressed from concerns and questions from the public. The County's Public Health Facebook page has been continually updated with information for the public.

2020/05-22 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by McBride to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2020 regular meeting. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-23 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by Sjoblom to approve the employment separation of part-time E911/Correctional Officer Heather Olson effective May 5, 2020. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

000 Notice of hire of Kane Kostiuk as Temporary Transport Driver effective May 15, 2020 as per the County Temporary Hire Policy.

2020/05-24 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by Skoe to approve the appointment of Dave Reimer as County Engineer to a four year term ending May of 2024 and witnessed the Oath of Office administered by the Auditor/Treasurer. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-25 Motion by McBride seconded by Skoe to authorize the Environmental Services Director to execute DNR Special Use Permit for AIS prevention activities. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-26 Motion by McBride, seconded by Skoe to authorize the Environmental Services Director to execute a staffing agreement with Always There Staffing, Inc to provide DNR training for AIS prevention activities. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-27 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by Sjoblom to approve the purchase of replacement server hardware and software upgrades for two servers in the amount of \$47,349 as budgeted in

2020. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-28 Motion by Skoe, seconded by McBride to approve the execution of licensing agreement with Breaking Point Solutions LLC, DBA GEO Partners, LLC for GEO Crowd-Sourcing and Mapping software for broadband speed testing with funding from Administration contingency of \$3,000 and Con Con strategic planning funds of \$2,000. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-29 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to accept low bids for the 2020 Nuisance Beaver Trappers as follows: Area #1 – Jim Rognerud at \$47.00, Area #2 – Jerry Palm at \$48; Area #3 – Jim Rognerud at \$54.50; Area #4 – Ken and Adam Miles at \$62 and Area #5 – Jim Rognerud at \$64.50. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-30 Motion by Skoe, seconded by Sjoblom to accept the bid for 2020 Hired Truck Service to Ziemba at a rate of \$110 per hour for area one and a rate of \$115 for areas two through five. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-31 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by Skoe to approve execution of an easement agreement providing a 22.5 foot easement on each side of the centerline of the Boy Scout Point Road for the City of Northome over tax-forfeited land described as Lot 10, Auditor's Plat 21. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

2020/05-32 Motion by McBride, seconded by Pavleck to approve the cleanup and disposal of abandoned personal property and future demolition of selected structures on the following tax-forfeited properties as allowed by M.S. 282.04 Subd. 2: 1) West ½ Lot 21, All of Lot 22, and E ½ Lot 23, Block 79; Plat of International Falls and 2) Lots 8 and 9, Block 6; Plat of Wallace Addition to Koochiching. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.

000 The Board Chair called for public comment and Board Chair was informed the Memorial Day services planned by the VFW have been cancelled due to COVID-19. McBride commented the new Rural Fire boat has arrived and is at the International Falls Fire Hall. There was no comment from the public.

2020/05-33 Motion by Pavleck, seconded by McBride to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m. Voting yes by roll call: Pavleck, McBride, Sjoblom, Skoe, Adee. Motion carried.