COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 14, 2020

Location:

Commissioner Conference Room, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota

Present:

Commissioners Boyle, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson and Chair Jugovich

Absent:

Commissioners Jewell, Olson

Convened:

Chair Jugovich called the meeting to order at 10:44 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

McDonald/Nelson moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed. (5-0 Jewell, Olson absent)

- Minutes of July 7, 2020
- Cooperative Construction and Maintenance Agreement with Costco Roadway Improvements on CSAH 32 and CSAH 91 [20-253R]
- Application and Acceptance of CARES Act Block Grant Funding for 2020 Election Preparation [20-254]
- Authorization to Apply for and Accept FY21 MPCA SSTS Incentive and Low-Income Fix-up Grant Funding [20-255]

Establishment of Public Hearings

Musolf/Nelson moved that the St. Louis County Board hereby schedules a public hearing on the Petition to Revoke Certain County Highways filed by EIP Minnesota, LLC, to occur at 9:40 a.m. on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at the St. Louis County Courthouse in Duluth, Minnesota. In addition to complying with all other notice and publication requirements, the Clerk of the County Board shall serve notice by certified mail of the hearing on each member of the McDavitt Town Board of Supervisors as required by Minn. Stat. § 163.11, subd. 5. [20-256R]. The motion passed. (5-0 Jewell, Olson absent)

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee

Musolf/Nelson moved that the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners reappoints Britt See-Benes as Virginia representative to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Committee for a term ending April 30, 2023, and authorizes the County Auditor to advertise and accept applications through September 30, 2020, for three (3) vacant positions on the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee representing the City of Rice Lake, City of Hermantown, and Southern Townships with terms to expire April 30, 2023. [20-257]. Commissioner Nelson commented that the dedication of the Liz Prebich – Government Services Center in Virginia has not taken place due to issues relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. Chair Jugovich urged the county to schedule the dedication when possible. The motion passed. (5-0 Jewell, Olson absent)

Musolf/McDonald moved that the 2020-2022 Deputy Sheriff Supervisory unit contract is ratified and county officials are authorized to execute the Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-258]. St. Louis County Human Resources Manager Colleen Effinger provided the Board with a brief overview of the agreement. The motion passed. (5-0 Jewell, Olson absent)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Nelson commented on the bias of local news media in reporting of the discharge of leachate into Lake Superior by the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD).

At 11:01 a.m., Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed. (5-0 Jewell, Olson absent)

Mike Jugovich, Chair of the County Board

Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board