# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 12, 2024

Location: St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Jugovich and Chair Nelson

Absent: Commissioner Harala

Convened: Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Boyle/Musolf moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed. (6-0, Harala absent)

• Minutes of March 5, 2024

- Request to Apply for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention Assistance Program (FHPAP) Grant Award [24-108]
- Surveying Services Agreement with Northern Lights Surveying Services (NLSS) for Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Remonumentation Project RFP 5972 (CP 0000-816976) [24-109]
- Acquisition of Right-of-Way for Reclaim & Overlay and MN DNR Water Access Improvement Project on County Road 655 (South White Iron Road) in Morse Township; CP 0655-556175 [24-110]
- Town of Pike Recreation Equipment Upgrade Project, American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss Funding [24-111]
- Hibbing Mine View Relocation Project, American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss Funding [24-112]
- Donations by The Nature Conservancy and the Ruffed Grouse Society [24-113]
- Land Donation from Northern Waters Land Trust [24-114]

# Time Specific Dresentations

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At 10:30 a.m., Rolf Weberg, Ph.D., NRRI - UMD gave a presentation regarding Accelerating Industrial Decarbonization in Minnesota.

## **Public Works & Transportation Committee**

Musolf/Grimm moved to award a bid to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC, Plover, WI, in the amount of \$467,768.43 for High Friction Surface Treatment Project (CP 0000-677357, SP 069-070-071, HSIP 6924(182)) for various County State Aid Highways (CSAHs) in St. Louis County. [24-115]. County Administrator Kevin Gray noted that 90% of the project is being funded with federal funds. The motion passed. (6-0, Harala absent)

McDonald/Musolf moved to award a bid to Northland Constructors of Duluth, a Division of Mathy Construction Company, Duluth, MN, in the amount of \$1,423,140 for Bridge 69A89 (County Bridge

679) Construction and Approach Grading Project (CP 0025-555607, SAP 069-625-023 (Br 679)); CP 0353-730385 (Tied); CP 0657-730386 (Tied)) for CSAH 25 between 1.4 mile N. of Junction County Road (CR) 923 and 0.6 mile S. of Junction CR 958. [24-116]. Commissioner Musolf commented that this project was originally scheduled for 2025; however, Public Works was able to schedule the project this year because bids for other projects have come in lower than expected. The motion passed. (6-0, Harala absent)

## **Public Safety & Corrections Committee**

Grimm/Boyle moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes a contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., based out of Troy, Michigan, in the amount of \$1,017,925, including \$353,517 in annual recurring fees. [24-117]. Sheriff Ramsay commented that the shelf life of the new technology is approximately 20 years and the Sheriff's Office has accounted for the annual reoccurring fees in their budget. After further discussion, the motion passed. (6-0, Harala absent)

## **COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner McDonald noted that the Rock Ridge and Mountain Iron-Buhl (MIB) girls basketball teams will be playing in the Minnesota State High School Girls basketball tournament.

Commissioner Grimm thanked everyone who was part of Duluth and St. Louis County Days at the Capital.

Chair Nelson thanked Commissioners for their efforts during Duluth and St. Louis County Days at the Capital and noted that Administrative Assistant Deanne Butorac was a huge help in organizing the event.

Commissioner Jugovich said the Duluth and St. Louis County Days at the Capital was well received and thanked Representative Dave Lislegard.

Commissioner Musolf thanked Senator Grant Hauschild for his hospitality.

At 11:39 a.m., Jugovich/Musolf moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. (6-0, Harala absent)

Keith Nelson, Chair of the County Board

Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board