

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 11, 2015

Location: Floodwood Fair Building, Floodwood, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Rukavina, Nelson, Raukar, and Chair Stauber

Absent: Commissioner Dahlberg

Convened: Chair Stauber called the meeting to order at 9:53 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Rukavina/Nelson moved to approve the consent agenda without Item #17, Safe Routes to School Pilot Study Force Account Agreement with MN Department of Transportation [15-370] and without Item #18, Support for AEOA Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan Pilot Program [15-371]. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

- Minutes of August 4, 2015
- Agreement with Dynamic Recycling for Household Electronics Waste Recycling [15-354]
- Authorization to Apply to the MN Board of Water & Soil Resources for a SSTS Abatement Grant [15-355]
- Final Plat Approval – Ban Lake South (Beatty Township) [15-356]
- Final Plat Approval – Ban Lake North (Beatty Township) [15-357]
- Final Plat Approval – Bird Nest (Eagles Nest Township) [15-358]
- Final Plat Approval – Elephant East (Camp 5 Township) [15-359]
- Final Plat Approval – Olecranon (Beatty Township) [15-360]
- Final Plat Approval – Olecranon First Addition (Beatty Township) [15-361]
- Final Plat Approval – Olecranon Second Addition (Beatty Township) [15-362]
- Final Plat Approval – Olecranon Third Addition (Beatty Township) [15-363]
- Final Plat Approval – Olecranon West (Beatty Township) [15-364]
- Trail Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Superior Hiking Trail Association [15-365]
- Trail Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Drift-Toppers Snowmobile Club [15-366]
- Special Sale of State Tax Forfeited Land to Rice Lake Township [15-367]
- Special Sale to Paul Johnson to Resolve Occupancy Trespass [15-368]
- Agreements for Surveying Services with Hayes Surveying & Mapping and Northern Lights Surveying Company [15-369]
- Violation of St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, Hi Banks Resort (Fredenberg Township) [15-372]
- Amendment to the 2013 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant [15-373]

Establishment of Public Hearings

Nelson/Stauber moved to establish a public hearing to be held at 9:45 a.m. on September 1, 2015, in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, for the purpose of considering the issuance of an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License to Alborn Tavern, Inc. d/b/a Alborn Tavern, Alborn Township [15-374]. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

Nelson/Boyle moved to establish a public hearing to be held at 9:50 a.m. on Tuesday, September 1, 2015, in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, to consider allegations of a liquor law violation and, if proven, the suspension or revocation of the liquor licenses issued to A. P. Inc. d/b/a A. P. Liquor, Gnesen Township, and/or the imposition of civil penalties for the violation. [15-375]. Commissioner Nelson stated that the violation is the second violation within one year and the establishment's third straight violation. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

Raukar/Nelson moved to support submission of the Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency, Inc. application to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency – Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan Pilot Program Request for Proposals and authorizes the Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency, Inc. to administer the Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan Pilot Program within St. Louis County, outside the city of Duluth [15-371]. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

Health & Human Services Committee

Boyle/Jewell moved to authorize an addendum to the Procurement Card Policies and Procedures, specifically to authorize a procurement card pilot program for Public Health and Human Services Department emergency client needs. The pilot program will include three to six PHHS employees in Northern St. Louis County, ending on February 29, 2016 [15-376]. St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Director Ann Busche and St. Louis County Auditor Don Dicklich gave the Committee an overview of the pilot program. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

Boyle/Stauber moved to authorize a contract with National Business Systems, Inc., Eagan, MN, for document preparation and scanning, for a maximum price of \$231,529, all expenses payable from the PHHS Technology Improvements fund balance, Fund 230, Object 311401, with a corresponding increase to expenditure budget Fund 230, Agency 230011, Object 629900, to be placed into CY 2015 budget with all unexpended funds to be carried over into 2016 budget [15-377]. Commissioner Rukavina stepped out of the meeting from 10:42 a.m. to 10:44 a.m. Chair Stauber stepped out of the meeting from 10:55 a.m. to 10:56 a.m. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Director Ann Busche discussed the State of Minnesota's competitive bidding process and the State of Minnesota's decision to change healthcare providers effective January 1, 2016. The change in providers will save the State of Minnesota approximately \$450 million and will affect approximately 29,000 St. Louis County residents. St. Louis County will be required to provide information regarding the change at an estimated cost of \$150,000 to \$350,000. After further discussion, the Committee asked Administration to draft a letter to the State Legislature requesting reimbursement of expenses incurred resulting from the change.

Public Works & Transportation Committee

Raukar/Nelson moved that, pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 161.36, the Commissioner of Transportation be appointed as agent of St. Louis County to accept as its agent, federal aid funds which may be made available for eligible transportation related projects. The appropriate county officials are hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of the county to execute and enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation prescribing terms and conditions of said federal aid participation as set forth and contained in "Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 1000866", a copy of which was before the County Board and which is made a part hereof by reference. This project is identified as SP 069-591-004, CP 0000-266622 and will be accounted for in Fund 220, Agency 220370. [15-370]. Commissioner Boyle stepped out of the meeting from 11:11 a.m. to 11:12 a.m. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Commissioner Rukavina said that a funeral service for State Representative David Dill will be held in International Falls this Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

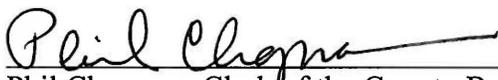
Commissioner Raukar thanked Floodwood Mayor Jeff Kletscher for the use of the facilities and for bringing local issues to the attention of the Board.

Commissioner Jewell discussed a memorial service that he attended for Al France.

At 11:29 a.m., Raukar/Boyle moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed. (6-0, Dahlberg absent)



Pete Stauber, Chair of the County Board



Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board