



# Dakota County

## General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole

### Minutes

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Tuesday, February 7, 2023

9:30 AM

Conference Room 3A, Administration  
Center, Hastings (or following  
County Board)

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#### 1. Call To Order And Roll Call

**Present**            Commissioner Mike Slavik  
                         Commissioner Joe Atkins  
                         Commissioner Laurie Halverson  
                         Commissioner Liz Workman  
                         Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg  
                         Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland

**Absent**             Commissioner William Droste

Also in attendance were Matt Smith, County Manager; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

The audio recording from this meeting is available upon request.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Atkins at 9:45 a.m.

#### 2. Audience

Chair Atkins noted that all public comments can be sent to [CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us](mailto:CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us)  
No comments were received for this agenda.

#### 3. Approval Of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

##### 3.1 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 6

#### CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Slavik, the agenda was unanimously approved.

**4. County Administration - Approval of Minutes**

**4.1** Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on January 3, 2023, Special Meeting January 10, 2023 and Special Meeting January 24, 2023

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 6

**5. County Board/County Administration**

**5.1** Report On Budget Amendments, Contracts, And Year-End Projections For Operations

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

Information only; no action requested.

**5.2** Fourth Quarter Update On 2022 Board Priorities

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

Information only; no action requested.

**6. Public Services And Revenue**

**6.1** Resolution No: 23-072  
Approval Of Public Art Citizen Advisory Committee And Library Advisory Committee 2023 Work Plans

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, County Policy states that citizen advisory committees are required to consult annually with the County Board to seek concurrence regarding the topics they will study or which they advise the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the Public Art Citizen Advisory Committee and the Library Advisory Committee have discussed and drafted potential directions for their efforts in 2023; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Public Art Citizen Advisory Committee and the Library Advisory Committee 2023 work plans be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Public Art Citizen Advisory Committee and the Library Advisory Committee 2023 work plans.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 2/28/2023.

Ayes: 6

## REGULAR AGENDA

### 7. County Board/County Administration

#### 7.1 Legislative Update

Dan Dwight (Director of Government Relations/Stinson) gave a brief update. Discussion was held on the following topics:

- Position on Dan Patch Line Study: stand opposed to commuter rail.

Commissioner Holberg to testify.

A resolution will be brought to the February 28 County Board for approval.

- Position on Board of Aging Formula Changes: support and a resolution will be brought to the February 28 County Board for approval.

- Position on Amateur Sports Complex: letter of support of a regional complex; not City or area specific complex and a resolution will be brought to the February 28 County Board for approval.

Information only; no action requested.

#### 7.2 Adoption Of Amendments To Policy 1015 Citizen Advisory Committee Membership And Retirement Of Policy 1014 Open Appointments And Policy 1550 Volunteer/Advisory Committee Reimbursement

Management Fellow Joe Hertenstein briefed this item and responded to questions. Following discussion, staff were directed to make additional changes to Policy 1015 and return to a future General Government and Policy Committee for action. No action was taken on this item.

WHEREAS, the County has long valued the input and participation of its citizens and utilized Citizen Advisory Committees in many ways and for many purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County Board recognizes the changing environments for its citizens and county operational needs; and

WHEREAS, the previous policies 1015 Citizen Advisory Committee Membership, 1014 Open Appointments, and 1550 Volunteer/Advisory Committee Reimbursement, addressed citizens advisory committees were inefficient and potentially conflicting in their current form; and

WHEREAS, the County Board approved increased per diems for participation in citizen advisory committees from \$35 to \$50 by Resolution No. 23-029 on January 3, 2023, to ensure quality and useful participation by its citizens by covering costs associated with participation; and

WHEREAS, in order to incorporate new committees to continue the strong tradition of citizen participation and meet the current and future needs of the County Board and County services new policy guidelines are needed.



**9. Adjournment**

**9.1 Adjournment**

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

On a motion by Commissioner Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Ayes: 6

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeni Reynolds  
Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board