

# **Dakota County**

# General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

10:00 AM

Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, Hastings

#### (or following Regional Railroad Authority)

#### Call To Order And Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Commissioner Workman.

**Present** Commissioner Mike Slavik

Commissioner Joe Atkins

Commissioner Laurie Halverson Commissioner William Droste Commissioner Liz Workman Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland

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 of this meeting is available upon request.

#### 2. Audience

Chair Workman noted that all public comments can be sent to 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: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Ayes: 7

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Commissioner Halverson, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the Consent agenda was approved as follows:

## 4. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

**4.1** Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on May 7, 2024 and May 14, 2024

Motion: Laurie Halverson Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Ayes: 7

## 5. Enterprise Finance and Information Services

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

Information only; no action requested.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 6. County Board/County Administration

**6.1** Legislative Update

Intergovernmental Coordinator Nathan Hanson introduced this item. Paul Cassidy and Dan Dwight (Stinson) were present via Zoom. The following topics were presented and staff responded to questions: lobbyist update, 2024 State legislative session, community project funding update, and a post-session delegation meeting. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

**6.2** Discussion And Direction On Selection Of Finalists For County Manager Executive Recruitment

Employee Relations Director Andy Benish and Bart Fischer with David Drown and Associates briefed this item and responded to questions. Following discussion, the Committee gave direction to pursue interviews with the following candidates: Applicant 2, 7, 8, 13, and 14. The Committee also directed staff to schedule a Special County Board meeting on June 24, 2024 to hold interviews for the County Manager vacant position. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes.

Information only; no action requested.

**6.3** Discussion And Direction On Appointment Of Interim County Manager

Employee Relations Director Andy Benish briefed this item and responded to questions. Following discussion, the Committee gave direction to pursue appointment of Tom Novak, Public Services and Revenue Director, as the interim County Manager until the County Manager position is filled. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

#### 7 County Manager's Report

No report given.

### 8. Future Agenda Items

A brief discussion was held on the following topics:

- Future discussion and direction on potential amendment to Memorial Designation Requirements on County Roads
- Revisit Bonding dollar items

# 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 11:37 a.m.

Ayes: 7

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