



Dakota County

Regional Railroad Authority

Minutes

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

9:30 AM

**Boardroom, Administration Center,
Hastings, MN**

(or following County Board)

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hamann-Roland at 9:55 a.m.

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 the Regional Railroad Authority meeting is available upon request.

2. Approval Of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

2.1 Resolution No:
Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Liz Workman

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 7

3. Consent Agenda

On a motion by Commissioner Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Workman, the Consent agenda was approved as follows:

3.1 Resolution No:
Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on February 27, 2024

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: Liz Workman

Ayes: 7

3.2 Resolution No: 24-004

Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreement With Dakota County And
Authorization To Amend 2024 Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority
Capital Improvement Program And Budget

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: Liz Workman

WHEREAS, the Authority has powers under Minn. Stat. § 398A to plan,
construct, and improve railroads and transitways; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Dakota County Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and
Budget includes County Projects 42-170, 88-24, and 2000332 (Projects); and

WHEREAS, the Projects plan or construct improvements to highway and
greenway crossings of railroads; and

WHEREAS, the Projects are eligible for inclusion in the 2024 Dakota County
Regional Railroad Authority (Authority), CIP, and Budget because they improve
railroad safety; and

WHEREAS, at the February 27, 2024, Authority meeting, members requested
adding eligible rail safety projects to the 2024 Authority CIP and Budget to better
align available funding resources with eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is required to add these three projects to the
2024 Authority CIP and Budget; and

WHEREAS, a Joint Powers Agreement is required between Dakota County and
the Authority to define staff roles and responsibilities as well as cost share for
the Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Regional
Railroad Authority hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to enter
into a joint powers agreement with Dakota County for County Projects 42-170,
88-24, and P2000332 that improves safety of rail crossings at Dakota County
highways and greenways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2024 Dakota County Regional Railroad
Authority Capital Improvement Program and Budget is hereby amended as
follows:

Expense

Regional Rail CIP	<u>\$727,719</u>
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Total Expense	\$727,719
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Revenue

Regional Rail Fund Balance	<u>\$727,719</u>
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Total Revenue	\$727,719
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Ayes: 7

4. Regular Agenda

5. Other Business/Staff Reports

No other business/staff reports.

6. Adjournment

6.1 Resolution No:
Adjournment

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: William Droste

On a motion by Commissioner Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Droste, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Ayes: 7

Respectfully submitted,

William Droste
Secretary