



Dakota County

Board of Commissioners

Minutes

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

9:00 AM

Boardroom, Administration Center,
Hastings, MN

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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 Heidi Welsch, County Manager; Kathryn M. Keena, County Attorney; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

2. Pledge of Allegiance with Dakota County Sheriff's Honor Guard

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Joe Atkins who welcomed everyone and he along with special guest, Kate Slavik, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Dakota County Sheriff's Honor Guard presented the colors for the Pledge of Allegiance. Honor Guard members were: Sergeant Smidt, Deputy Blehm and Deputy Meaden.

3. Administration of Oath of Office to County Elected Officials

Judge David Knutson administered the Oath of Office to re-elected officials.

- William (Bill) Droste, Commissioner District 4
- Liz Workman, Commissioner District 5
- Mary Hamann-Roland, Commissioner District 7

4. Election of 2025 Officers

4.1 Resolution No: 25-001
Election of 2025 County Board Chair

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

Commissioner Atkins began the election of County Board officers for 2025 by calling for nominations for the office of County Board Chair. Commissioner Hamann-Roland placed the name of Commissioner Slavik in nomination. No additional nominations were given.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby closes nominations and casts a unanimous ballot to elect Commissioner Mike Slavik as County Board Chair for 2025.

Ayes: 7

4.2 Resolution No: 25-002
Election of 2025 County Board Vice-Chair

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Commissioner Slavik assumed the duties of Chair. Chair Slavik thanked his colleagues for electing him as Chair and highlighted goals for 2025.

At this time, Chair Slavik called for nominations for the office of County Board Vice-Chair. Commissioner Atkins placed the name of Laurie Halverson in nomination. The Chair called for additional nominations. No additional nominations were placed in nomination.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby close nominations and casts a unanimous ballot to elect Commissioner Laurie Halverson as County Board Vice-Chair for 2025.

Ayes: 7

Recess for Reception

A short recess was taken with a reception held in the atrium to congratulate those reelected.

5. Audience

Chair Slavik noted that all public comments can be sent to CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us
No comments were received for this agenda.

6. Agenda

6.1 Resolution No: 25-003
Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: William Droste

Ayes: 7

7. Public Hearing

7.1 Resolution No: 25-004
Public Hearing On Bond Capital Improvement Plan, Adoption Of Plan And
Approval Of Capital Improvement Bonds

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

The time being 10:13 a.m., and pursuant to public notice, a public hearing was

conducted for the purpose of receiving comments on Bond capital improvement plan. Finance Deputy Director Leng Vang briefed this item and the public hearing was opened. No one came forward with comments and no comments were received via email. The Public Hearing was closed at 10:14 a.m.

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners (Board) has published notice of its intent to hold a hearing on the adoption of Dakota County's (County's) 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan (Plan) and the issuance of capital improvement plan bonds (Bonds) under Minn. Stat., Section 373.40 (the Act) and Chapter 475, at least 14 but not more than 28 days prior to the date hereof, pursuant to and in accordance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a public hearing on the date hereof on (i) adoption of the Plan and (ii) the issuance of capital improvement plan bonds for the purpose of financing the construction of various capital improvements, as described in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Plan covering a five-year period and setting forth the estimated schedule, timing and details of specific capital improvements by year, together with the estimated cost, the need for the improvements, and sources of revenue to pay for the improvements; and

WHEREAS, in preparing the Plan, the Board has considered for each project and for the overall Plan:

- (1) the condition of the County's existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair and replacement;
- (2) the likely demand for the improvement;
- (3) the estimated cost of the improvement;
- (4) the available public resources;
- (5) the level of overlapping debt in the County;
- (6) the relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
- (7) operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
- (8) alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other counties or local governmental units.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Plan and approves the bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$38,240,000.

Ayes: 6

Mike Slavik, Joe Atkins, Laurie Halverson, William Droste, Liz Workman, and Mary Hamann-Roland

Nay: 1

Mary Liz Holberg

CONSENT AGENDA

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

8. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

8.1 Resolution No: 25-005
Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on December 17, 2024

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

Ayes: 7

9. County Board/County Administration

9.1 Official County Newspaper And Public Notices
Information only, no action requested.

9.2 Resolution No: 25-006
Authorization To Amend 2025 County Board/Committee Of The Whole Meeting Schedule

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby amends the 2025 County Board/Committee of the Whole meeting schedule to amend the Physical Development Committee of the Whole (PDC) and Community Services Committee of the Whole (CSC) meetings for November and December as follows:

- Reschedule November 11, 2025 PDC and CSC to November 6, 2025, with PDC held at 9:00 a.m. and CSC held at 11:00 a.m. (or following PDC).
- Reschedule December 9, 2025 PDC and CSC to December 2, 2025, with PDC held at 1:00 p.m. and CSC held at 3:00 p.m. (or following Physical Development).

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby amends the meeting time on January 14, February 11, March 18, April 15, May 13 and June 10, 2025 during the legislative session so that the General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole (GGP) meetings are held at 9:00 a.m. (Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, Hastings) and the PDC meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. (or following GGP); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules County Board workshops to discuss the 2026 budget on the following dates with locations to be determined:

- July 17, 2025, 9:00 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.

- September 9, 2025, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
- September 10, 2025, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Ayes: 7

9.3 Resolution No: 25-007
 Appointment Of County Board Members To Boards/Committees For 2025

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints, as recommended by the County Board Chair, County Board members to serve on interagency boards, in-County boards, and as liaison Commissioners for 2025, as follows:

Board Committees of the Whole -

General Government and Policy Committee:

All Commissioners
 Workman (Chair)

Community Services Committee:

All Commissioners
 Halverson (Chair)

Physical Development Committee:

All Commissioners
 Holberg (Chair)

Metropolitan Inter-Agency Appointments -

Association of MN Counties:

Board of Directors Member - Atkins, Hamann-Roland (Alternate)
 District X - Atkins, Hamann-Roland (Alternate)
 General Government Policy Committee - Slavik
 Environment & Natural Resources Policy Committee - Workman,
 Hamann-Roland
 Health & Human Services Policy Committee - Halverson
 Public Safety Policy Committee - Atkins
 Transportation & Infrastructure Policy Committee - Holberg, Droste

Cannon River One Watershed One Plan:

Slavik, Droste (Alternate)

Dakota 911 Board of Directors:

Slavik
 Droste (Alternate)

Facility Operations Advisory Committee for Thompson Park Centers:

Atkins
 Halverson

Greater MSP (appointed by Dakota County Community Development Agency)

Greater Metropolitan Workforce Council:

Hamann-Roland

I-35W Solutions Alliance Board:

Workman (Chair)

Holberg

Metropolitan Emergency Services Board (MESB):

Atkins

Droste

Hamann-Roland (Alternate)

MESB Executive Committee:

Atkins

Metropolitan Library Service Agency Board (MELSA):

Halverson

Metropolitan Mosquito Control District (MMCD):

Workman

Hamann-Roland

Halverson

MMCD Executive Committee:

Workman

Minnesota Inter-County Association Board (MICA):

Halverson

Droste

Regional Solid Waste Hauler Licensing Board:

Workman

State Community Health Services Advisory Committee:

Halverson

Suburban County Work Group on Regional Issues:

Holberg

Halverson

Workman

Transportation Advisory Board-Metropolitan Council:

Holberg

Droste (Alternate)

Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Board:

Droste
Holberg
Hamann-Roland (Alternate)

In-County Appointments -

Dakota County Board/Court Policy Committee:

Holberg
Atkins

Dakota County Law Library Board:

Holberg

Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority:

All Commissioners
Hamann-Roland (Chair)
Halverson (Vice-Chair)
Droste (Secretary)

Liaison Commissioner Appointments -

Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board:

Hamann-Roland

Ayes: 7

- 9.4** Resolution No: 25-008
Ratification Of Appointment Of Chairs Of Committees Of The Whole For 2025

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the County Board Chair’s recommendation and appoints the following County Board members to serve as Chairs for the Committees of the Whole for 2025:

General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole Chair Workman

Community Services Committee of the Whole Chair Halverson

Physical Development Committee of the Whole Chair Holberg

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby endorses the County Board Chair’s following recommendation for Chair of the Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority for 2025, and refers the appointments to the Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority:

Regional Railroad Authority Chair Hamann-Roland

Regional Railroad Vice-Chair Halverson

Ayes: 7

9.5 Resolution No: 25-009
Designation Of 2025 Official Voting Delegates For Association Of Minnesota Counties

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby designates the following County officials as official voting delegates to represent Dakota County at the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) Annual Conference and during the year 2025:

- Commissioner Mike Slavik
- Commissioner Joe Atkins
- Commissioner Laurie Halverson
- Commissioner William Droste
- Commissioner Liz Workman
- Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg
- Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland
- County Manager
- Community Services Director
- Public Services and Revenue Director

Ayes: 7

9.6 Resolution No: 25-010
Appointments To Metropolitan Emergency Services Board Radio Technical Operations Committee And 911 Technical Operations Committee

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board (MESB) bylaws provide for each member to appoint one representative to the Radio Technical Operations Committee with the option of one alternate; and

WHEREAS, the MESB bylaws also provide for each member to appoint one representative to the 911 Technical Operations Committee with the option of one alternate; and

WHEREAS, input from the Dakota County Sheriff's Office, Office of Risk Management, and the Dakota911 Executive Director resulted in the recommendations below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following individuals to the Radio Technical Operations Committee of the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board for 2025:

Representative: Ron Jansen, Radio Systems Coordinator, Office of Risk Management

Alternate: Kelly Miller, Dakota County Emergency Manager

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following individuals to the 911 Technical Operations Committee of the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board for 2025:

Representative: Brent Anderson, Operations Manager, Dakota911

Alternate: Heidi Hieserich, Executive Director, Dakota911 or successor

Ayes: 7

- 9.7 Resolution No: 25-011
Appointment To Rosemount Research And Outreach Center Advisory Committee

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby recommends to the University of Minnesota the appointment of Physical Development Director, Georg Fischer to the Rosemount Research and Outreach Center at UMORE Park Advisory Committee for 2025.

Ayes: 7

- 9.8 Resolution No: 25-012
Designation Of Division Directors To Perform Duties Of County Manager During Absence Or Disability

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, the County Manager is the chief executive officer for Dakota County and has all of the powers and duties described in Minn. Stat. § 375A.03, subs. 2 and 3; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 375A.03, subd. 1 authorizes the County Board to designate some properly qualified person to perform the duties of the County Manager during absence or disability; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners desires to make such a designation in order to provide for the orderly administration of county government; and

WHEREAS, David McKnight is properly qualified to perform the duties of the County Manager during absence or disability; and

WHEREAS, Tom Novak is properly qualified to perform the duties of the County Manager during absence or disability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of

Commissioners hereby designates David McKnight, Deputy County Manger, as the person to perform the duties of County Manager during any time when the County Manager is absent or disabled, effective immediately and until further action by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby designates Tom Novak, Public Services and Revenue Director, as the person to perform the duties of County Manager during any time when the County Manager and Deputy County Manager are absent or disabled, effective immediately and until further action by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners.

Ayes: 7

9.9 Resolution No: 25-013
Appointments To Extension Committee

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby reappoints the following individual to the Extension Committee for a two-year term ending December 31, 2026:

District 5, Amber Cameron

Ayes: 7

9.10 Resolution No: 25-014
Appointments To Library Advisory Committee

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Library Advisory Committee to a two-year term ending December 31, 2026:

District 2, Ann Matthews-Baussion
District 4, Kari Cahn
District 5, Lee Knutson
District 6, Lynette Cargill
; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Library Advisory Committee to a one-year Youth term ending December 31, 2025:

At-large Youth, Olivia Tri
At-large Youth, Shefali Meagher

Ayes: 7

9.11 Resolution No: 25-015
Appointments To Personnel Board Of Appeals

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby reappoints the following individual to the Personnel Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 31, 2027:

At-large, William Cound

Ayes: 7

9.12 Resolution No: 25-016
Appointments To Planning Commission

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Planning Commission for one-year terms ending January 6, 2026:

- District 1, Dennis Peine
- District 1, Jerry Rich
- District 2, Amy Hunting
- District 2, Lori Hansen
- District 3, Jill Smith
- District 4, Paul Nasvik
- District 4, Barry Graham
- District 5, Abdinasir Ibrahim
- District 5, John Wallace
- District 6, Stephen Shurts
- District 6, James Guttman
- District 7, Anthony Nelson
- District 7, Kelly Kausel

Ayes: 7

9.13 Resolution No: 25-017
Appointments To Public Art Advisory Committee

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Public Art Advisory Committee for a two-year term ending December 31, 2026:

- District 1, Katryna Baune
 - District 4, Cheryl Caponi
 - District 5, Matthew Eppel
 - District 7, JuliAnne Jonker
- ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby reappoints the following Youth to the Public Art Advisory Committee for a

one-year Youth term ending December 31, 2025:

At-large Youth, Annika Phomsamouth

Ayes: 7

9.14 Resolution No: 25-018
Appointments To Special Board Of Appeals And Equalization

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization for a two-year term ending December 31, 2026:

District 2, Paul Hark

District 4, Paul Sakariassen

District 7, Thomas Goodwin

Ayes: 7

9.15 Resolution No: 25-019
Authorization To Execute 2025-2026 Labor Agreement With Law Enforcement Labor Services Licensed Supervisors Unit

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the appropriate County officials to execute the Labor Agreement with Law Enforcement Labor Services Licensed Supervisors Unit in the Sheriff's Office for the period January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2026, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement and those contract modifications submitted to the Dakota County Board of Commissioners dated January 7, 2025, and subject to approval by the County's contracted labor counsel as to form.

Ayes: 7

10. Enterprise Finance and Information Services

10.1 Resolution No: 25-020
Authorization To Execute Contract For Purchase Of Esri, Inc., Enterprise GIS Software Licenses

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, Esri, Inc., has been the provider of GIS software licensing and support for Dakota County staff since the inception of the GIS Program; and

WHEREAS, an extension of the County's Enterprise GIS Software Licenses with Esri, Inc., is necessary to continue the County's GIS Program; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County participates in the Minnesota Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV), which allows it to purchase goods from contracts

established by the Materials Management Division for Minnesota state agencies; and

WHEREAS, participation in the CPV allows Dakota County to purchase at competitive pricing without having to undertake a competitive procurement process itself; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the purchase of the following items from Esri, Inc., pursuant to State Contract No. 156692 from February 11, 2025 to February 10, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$102,545:

- Server based licensing: \$21,231
- Online (mobile and web applications licensing): \$43,125
- Desktop application licensing: \$38,189

; and

WHEREAS, funding for this purchase has been authorized in the 2025 Information Technology budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract to purchase Enterprise GIS Software Licenses from Esri, Inc., pursuant to State Contract No. 156692, in an amount not to exceed \$102,545, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

10.2 Resolution No: 25-021
Authorization To Execute Contract With SplashBI For Database Replication

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, County IT has contracted with SplashBI for database replication and reporting supporting the County's cloud-based Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) and Human Capital Management (HCM) system, Oracle Cloud ERP/HCM; and

WHEREAS, the contract with SplashBI expires on January 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, several integrations supporting day-to-day transactions rely on the database replica this software produces; and

WHEREAS, Finance and Human Resources staff use the reporting tool and pre-built reports included with this software; and

WHEREAS, County IT recommends executing a contract with SplashBI for three years to avoid annual price increases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract with Splash BI Enterprise Data Pipeline and Business Reporting and

Analytics software for three years at a rate of \$71,754.20 per year for a total of \$215,262.60, subject to approval by the County Attorney’s Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

11. Physical Development

11.1 Resolution No: 25-022

Approval Of Final Plats Recommended By Plat Commission

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, new subdivisions adjoining County highways are reviewed under the Dakota County Contiguous Plat Ordinance No. 108; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission examines plats prior to County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission has reviewed and recommends approval of the final plats by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the final plat approval by the County Board is subject to the conditions established by the Plat Commission review; and

WHEREAS, the following plats below require approval by their respective City Council prior to the recording of the plats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following final plats:

LAKEVILLE 35 LOGISTICS CENTER NORTH ADDITION Lakeville

Ayes: 7

11.2 Resolution No: 25-023

Award Of Bid And Authorization To Execute Construction Contract With McNamara Contracting Inc., And Amend 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Budget For County State Aid Highway 23 Mill And Overlay In City Of Apple Valley, County Project 23-84

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County and the City of Apple Valley are proposing to improve County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 23 County Project (CP) 23-84; and

WHEREAS, CP 23-84 will improve safety and ride quality by resurfacing CSAH 23 from CSAH 42 to Trunk Highway 77 in the City of Apple Valley; and

WHEREAS, CP 23-84 includes milling and paving of CSAH 23-84, reconstructing pedestrian ramps and revising signal systems to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and repairing public utility

structures; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received for CP 23-84 on Friday, December 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the bid of McNamara Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$2,616,233.20 was the lowest responsive and responsible bid received; and

WHEREAS, the low bid from McNamara Contracting Inc. and Engineer's Estimate exceeded the project budget because of higher-than-expected pavement, concrete walk, and signal revision prices, likely resulting from inflation; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Transportation Capital Improvements Program (CIP) budget includes funding for CP 23-84 carried over from previous years; and

WHEREAS, a shortfall is anticipated based on the low bid from McNamara Contracting Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Transportation CIP budget includes federal funding, dedicated for construction in 2025 for CP 23-84; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends awarding the bid to McNamara Contracting Inc., and amending the 2025 Transportation CIP budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby awards the bid to and authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute the contract with McNamara Contracting, Inc., for County Project 23-84 in the amount of \$2,616,233.20 based on their low bid, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense	
County Project 23-84	<u>\$580,000</u>
Total Expense	\$580,000
Revenue	
Transportation Fund Balance	<u>\$580,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$580,000

Ayes: 7

11.3 Resolution No: 25-024
Authorization To Purchase Fleet Vehicles And Equipment

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, to provide an efficient, effective, and responsive fleet, replacement

of major equipment is programmed in the Fleet Capital Equipment Program (Fleet CEP); and

WHEREAS, outdated vehicles and equipment are replaced in accordance with the Fleet CEP replacement criteria; and

WHEREAS, the additional units recommended are needed to maintain the current level of service and to support approved programs; and

WHEREAS, vehicles and equipment recommended for purchase meet the points replacement criteria; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the proposed units is necessary to meet service demands, reduce excessive downtime, reduce emissions, and reduce repair costs; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County holds cooperative purchasing agreements with the State of Minnesota (State) and Sourcewell that allow the County to purchase from these contracts; and

WHEREAS, the cooperative purchasing agreements result in reduced workload, provide competitive pricing, and enable the County to take advantage of the time spent by the State and Sourcewell to perform the competitive bidding process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Deputy Director to utilize cooperative purchasing agreements with the State of Minnesota and Sourcewell to purchase the following units contingent on the approved budget and following the prioritization established in the budget and approved County Policies:

Four survey trucks
Seven pickups
Two asphalt trailers
Six police utility hybrids
Four vans
One sedan
Two offroad utility
One boom lift
One floor sweeper
One forklift

Ayes: 7

- 11.4** Resolution No: 25-025
Authorization Of Second Amendment To Conveyor Lease With Holcim - MWR, Inc.

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, Dakota County (County) owns 80 acres of real property [Parcel Identification Number (PIN) 12-00500-02-010]] in the City of Empire (City) where the Empire Transportation Facility and Communication Center are located; and

WHEREAS, Aggregate Industries (A.I.), formerly a Minnesota corporation, owned the 80-acre parcel (PIN 12-00500-01-010) immediately east and a 50-acre parcel (PIN 12-00500-75-011) southwest of the County parcel where the Empire Transportation Facility and Communication Center are located to actively mine sand and aggregate under an interim use permit from the City; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 A.I. requested a Conveyor Lease from the County to install, operate and maintain a 1,322-foot-long conveyor belt across the southern portion of the County property, legally described as “the South one hundred fifty (150) feet of the West ½ of the Northeast ¼ of Section 5, Township 114 North, Range 19 West” in the City of Empire (Lease Area) to move the mined aggregate to an A.I. processing facility to the west; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 10-007 (January 5, 2010), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved the Conveyor Lease with A.I. with the following terms:

A.I. will pay \$6,750 per year, adjusted annually using the Minneapolis-St. Paul Consumer Price Index for Urban Area (CPIU) for the previous 12 months, as calculated by the U.S. Department of Labor, to lease approximately 4.5 acres from the County for a term of ten years, effective January 1, 2010.

A.I. will not perform any mining activities within the Lease Area or within at least 50 feet from County property; will indemnify the County for any damages incurred to person or property as a result of mining activities on or adjacent to County property; will immediately cease and desist any operations within the Lease Area that interfere with the Communication Center providing 911 service to County residents; and will operate consistent with all current future Federal, state, and local government laws rules, regulations, ordinances, including any and all Empire Township interim use permit requirements.

The Conveyor Lease may be extended for a one or two five-year extension, with the lease payment negotiated for the “then fair market value.” The County may terminate the Conveyor Lease for cause upon a one-year notice.

; and

WHEREAS, A.I. met all requirements of the Conveyor Lease and requested an extension of the Conveyor Lease in 2019; and

WHEREAS, a First Amendment to the Conveyor Lease was approved, amending the original Article 2 Lease Term to commence on January 1, 2020, and continue until December 31, 2024, or such earlier or later date as shortened or extended in accordance with the Conveyor Lease; and

WHEREAS, Article 12 Notices of the original Conveyor Lease was also amended to update names of County and A.I. staff for receiving or transmitting any notices required or permitted under the Conveyor Lease; and

WHEREAS, all other provisions of the original Conveyor Lease remained in full force; and

WHEREAS, Holcim - MWR, Inc. (Holcim) acquired A.I., continues to mine the former A.I property, has satisfactorily met the terms of the Conveyor Lease, and has requested an extension of the Conveyor Lease; and

WHEREAS, County and Holcim staff have agreed that it is in their collective best interests to extend the Conveyor Lease by an additional five years with an automatic five year-extension unless Holcim provides written notice not to extend; and

WHEREAS, the same formula used in the original and First Amendment to the Conveyor Lease would continue to be used to determine the annual payment; and

WHEREAS, the annual Conveyor Lease payment for 2024 was \$8,065.77, and based on the 2023 CPIU rate of 1.9 percent, the annual payment for 2025 would be \$8,219.02 and adjusted annually thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Recitals will reflect the change and change of ownership and Article 12 Notices would also be amended to reflect changes in the names of County and Holcim staff to receive and transmit notices; and

WHEREAS, County Board approval of all leases involving County property is required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes a Second Amendment to the Conveyor Lease with Holcim - MWR, Inc. for the use of County property to convey sand and aggregate from Aggregate Industry property across County property to process at an Aggregate Industries facility west of County property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioner hereby approves the terms of the Second Amendment to the Conveyor Lease, including a five-year extension and automatic five-year renewal with payment based on Consumer Price Index for Urban Area for the previous 12 months, as calculated by the U.S. Department of Labor, approved as to form by the County Attorney's Office.

Ayes: 7

REGULAR AGENDA

12. County Board/County Administration

12.1 Resolution No: 25-026
Legislative Update And Adoption Of 2025 Legislative Platform

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Stinson representatives Paul Cassidy and Dan Dwight provided a brief legislative update. Communications and Public Affairs Director Mary Beth Schubert briefed the legislative platform and responded to questions. Per Board direction, the legislative platform was amended prior to voting. Additional discussion will be held at the General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole on January 14, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature will convene its 2025 session on January 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the interests of Dakota County and its residents will be directly affected by the decisions of the 2025 Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts topics for the 2025 Legislative Platform as discussed and amended at the January 7, 2025 County Board meeting, with the following topics or subtopics held for further consideration and discussion:

Environmental Protection

- Increased SCORE funding to metropolitan counties to offset the cost of meeting increased state mandates on waste diversion.

Health and Human Services

- Investments in modernizing technology solutions for Department of Human Services programs.
- Simplification of Department of Human Services program rules and reporting requirements.

Jobs and Economic Growth

- Equitable distribution of Broadband Grant program funds to include unserved and underserved areas in metro-area counties.
- Updates to policies within the Office of Broadband to expand eligible program costs to take advantage of advances in broadband technology.

Other Organizations
; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That additional discussion of the 2025 Legislative

Platform will be held at the General Government Committee of the Whole on January 14, 2025, including, but not limited to , seeking direction on the items identified above and impacts and costs of evictions on housing and economic stability.

Ayes: 6

Mike Slavik, Joe Atkins, Laurie Halverson, William Droste, Liz Workman, and Mary Hamann-Roland

Nay: 1

Mary Liz Holberg

13. Public Services and Revenue

13.1 Resolution No: 25-027

Approval Of Library Materials Policy

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Library Director Margaret Stone briefed this item and responded to questions.

WHEREAS, the adoption of the modified county manager form of government by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners in 2014, by operation of law, resulted in the dissolution of the Dakota County Library Board that previously oversaw the operations, budget, policies, and other administrative responsibilities of the Dakota County Libraries pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 134; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners oversees the operations, budget, policies, and other administrative responsibilities of the Dakota County Libraries; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 14-400 (August 12, 2014), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners established the Dakota County Library Advisory Committee with the following powers and duties:

- Maintain and develop the collection of materials available in County libraries (within the County Board-approved budget);
- Review and make decisions on disputed materials;
- Advise the Library Director and the County Board in the development of public programming for library services;
- Develop recommended annual work plans for the Committee;
- Review and make recommendations on long-range plans for the Library;
- Accept gifts of up to \$500.00 for public library purposes; and
- Recommend rules governing library operations.

; and

WHEREAS, the passage of Minn. Stat. § 134.51, Access to Library Materials and Rights Protected, during the 2024 legislative session, required several additions to the Library Materials Policy; and

WHEREAS, the changes to the Library Materials Policy include enhancing the definitions section to include the education requirements for selection staff, a more robust selection criteria, and an explanation of the Request for Reconsideration of Material procedures; and

WHEREAS, as the governing body of the Dakota County Libraries, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners must adopt a policy that establishes procedures for selection of, challenges to, and reconsideration of library materials in accordance with section 134.51; and

WHEREAS, the delegation of authority to the Dakota County Library Advisory Committee to maintain and develop the collection of materials and review and make decisions on disputed materials is subject to the updated Library Materials Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Library Materials Policy as presented.

Ayes: 6

Mike Slavik, Joe Atkins, Laurie Halverson, William Droste, Liz Workman, and Mary Hamann-Roland

Nay: 1

Mary Liz Holberg

14. Interagency Reports/Commissioner Updates

Interagency reports and Commissioner updates were presented.

15. County Manager's Report

County Manager Heidi Welsch gave thanks to the Dakota County staff that drive and maintain plow trucks during this season of snow and ice. 26 tandem trucks keep approximately 1,040 miles of road clear.

16. Information

16.1 Information

See Attachment for future Board meetings and other activities.

17. Adjournment

17.1 Resolution No: 25-028

Adjournment

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

On a motion by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Droste, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Ayes: 7

Mike Slavik
Chair

ATTEST

Heidi Welsch
County Manager