

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
REGULAR SESSION - Rough Draft
Tuesday, October 10, 2023
8:30 a.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 10th day of October, 2023, in Regular Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

Chairperson Brenner called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, Proulx, and Zmyslony. Absent: None.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Agenda as amended.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Minutes of the September 25, 2023, Adjourned Board Meeting.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling a Social Worker Position in the Public Health and Human Services Department.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve out of state travel for a Public Health Educator in the Public Health and Human Services Department to attend the National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference (NHCP) in Las Vegas, NV on November 28-30, 2023. The associated travel costs are covered by the Northeast Regional Healthcare Coalition.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve the 2024-2025 County Minnesota Families Investment Program (MFIP) Biennial Service Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the issuance of hauler licenses for mixed municipal solid waste, demolition waste, and recycling as follows:

No.	Company	Truck #	Year	Make				
H23093	Carlson Timber Products	192	2015	Freightliner	GL Con	130	6	PAP5286
H23094	Carlson Timber Products	187	2005	Kenworth	T800	130	6	PAN7004
H23095	Carlson Timber Products	179	2007	Kenworth	T800-62	130	6	PAN9729
H23096	Carlson Timber Products	178	1995	Kenworth	T800	130	6	PAM9778
H23097	Carlson Timber Products	182	2005	Kenworth	T600	130	6	PAU5434
H23098	Carlson Timber Products	206	2018	Kenworth	T800	130	6	PZA2829
H23099	Carlson Timber Products	204	2017	Kenworth	T800	130	6	PZA2831

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendation of the Wetland Conservation Act Technical Evaluation Panel (WCA TEP) and approve Wetlands Replacement Plan No. 623005 for Parcel ID 98-220-0860 and 98-220-1135 in Sawyer Township for the replacement of a dwelling that burned down.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation and approve the following rezoning request:

No. 523003, Glen Kowitz to rezone the properties described as part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 (PIN 63-010-0750) in Section 29, Township 46 North, Range 18 West, in Moose Lake Township from the A-1 Agriculture/Forest Management Zoning District to the A-2 Agriculture/Rural Residential Zoning District. The property address is 4696 County Road 13, Moose Lake, MN 55767.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendation of the Carlton County Planning Commission and approve the following Interim Use Permit (IUP) with conditions and findings of fact as on file in the Zoning Office:

No. 423005, Jeffrey and Mary Hohensee-Mayer to operate a mat storage and contractor yard for equipment staging, material staging and parking, which includes vehicles and office trailers to support Enbridge pipeline removal work. The authorized representative is Jason Risdall of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership of 11 East Superior Street, Suite 125, Duluth, MN 55802. The subject property is described as the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 1, Township 48 North, Range 18 West in Sawyer Township. The property address is 1331 Hohensee Road (PIN 98-010-0070).

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to accept the recommendation of the Carlton County Planning Commission and approve the following Interim Use Permit (IUP) with conditions and findings of fact as on file in the Zoning Office:

No. 423006, Douglas and Barb Omar, DBA Omar's Sand and Gravel, to operate a pipe and contractor yard for equipment staging, material staging and parking, which includes vehicles and office trailers to support Enbridge pipeline removal work. This request relates to previously permitted Conditional Use Permits #408006, #414008 and #420002. The authorized representative is Jason Risdall of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership of 11 East Superior Street, Suite 125, Duluth, MN 55802. The subject property is described as Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 (81-050-3730); Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 (PIN 81-050-3710); Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 (81-050-3700); Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 (PIN 81-050-3690); Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 (PIN 81-050-3670); and the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 (PIN 81-050-3680) all in Section 19, Township 48 North, Range 17 West in Twin Lakes Township. The property addresses are 2067, 2081 and 2083 Highway 61.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to approve an agreement addendum from resolution 23-073 from September 12, 2023 with Carlson Timber Products, Inc to allow for an irrevocable letter of credit in place of a performance bond. The original agreement and addendum is on file with the Zoning and Environmental Services Department.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (23-089):

WHEREAS, Carlton County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund related to Bridge No.09538; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this project is available; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$525,063.46 by reason of the lowest responsible bid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Carlton County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required. The County Engineer and the County Auditor are authorized to execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-referenced grant.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (23-090):

BE IT RESOLVED by the Carlton County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. That the State of Minnesota Agreement No. 1054935, "Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Excluding Land Acquisition," for State Project No. A0902-69 at the Cloquet – Carlton County Airport is accepted.
2. That the County Board Chair, and the County Engineer, are authorized to execute this agreement and any amendments on behalf of the Carlton County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve refilling a Senior Legal Secretary in the County Attorney's Office.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve a contract with Grant Martin of LOci Consulting for \$23,000.00 for a Housing Study paid from Economic Development funds.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Peterson, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (23-091):

BE IT RESOLVED to acknowledge the receipt of the Minnesota Lawful Gambling Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo (LG240B) for the Sturgeon Lake Relief Association for use at Split Rock Star Club on November 10, 2023.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Proulx, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Chief Deputy Zoning and Environmental Services (ZES) Administrator to work out of class at Grade 220, Step 1 starting October 2, 2023 until a Zoning and Environmental Services Administrator is hired.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health insurance renewal at 10.5% rate cap increase for 2024.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Delta Dental insurance renewal at 24% rate increase for 2024.

Motion by Proulx, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes that this meeting be adjourned.

Attest: _____
Kevin DeVriendt
County Auditor/Treasurer

Dick Brenner
County Board Chairperson