



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

**2Q**

Agenda Item #

**Requested Meeting Date:** 6/8/21

**Title of Item:** Request To fill D2 BOA vacancy

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
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<b>Submitted by:</b> Andrew Carlstrom	<b>Department:</b> Planning & Zoning
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<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b> Andrew Carlstrom, Environmental Services Director	<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b>
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**Summary of Issue:**

Requesting the Appointment of Tom Veenker to the Board of Adjustment for District 2 In Aitkin County. Tom will replace Ed Spiel who served since 2007, and sadly passed away in April 2021.

**Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:**  
N/A

**Recommended Action/Motion:**  
Motion to Approve Appointment

**Financial Impact:**

Is there a cost associated with this request?       Yes       No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$      2000.00

Is this budgeted?       Yes       No      *Please Explain:*

Regular Meeting fee due to Board Members plus mileage reimbursement for visiting properties as required.

MINNESOTA OPEN APPOINTMENT ACT  
APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON COUNTY/STATE AGENCY RECEIVED

NAME OF AGENCY OR COMMITTEE YOU WISH TO SERVE ON:

MAY 12 2021

AITKIN COUNTY BOA (BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT)

AITKIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2

Minnesota Statutes 15.0597, state that the application shall include a "statement that the nominee satisfies any legally prescribed qualifications and any other information the nominating person feels be helpful to the appointing authority." (May include employment, community service experience, or education that would be pertinent to this appointment)

SEE ATTACHMENT

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I satisfy, to the best of my knowledge, all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought.

Thomas H. Veenker  
Signature of Applicant

05/11/2021  
Date

If applicant is being nominated by another person or group, the above signature indicates consent to nomination.

Is this application submitted by appointing authority? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Is this application submitted at the suggestion of appointing authority? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please return application to the Aitkin County Administrator's office, located at  
307 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW - Room 310, Aitkin, MN 56431

NAME OF APPLICANT: THOMAS H. VEENKER

STREET ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:  
38211 STATE HIGHWAY 18  
AITKIN, MN. 56431

PHONE NUMBERS:  
DAYS 218-678-3792  
EVENINGS 218-678-3792

For Office Use Only

Date Appointed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Term Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Term #: \_\_\_\_\_

Attachment to Tom Veenker's application to serve on the Aitkin County's Board of Adjustment from District 2

Home address - 38211 State Highway 18, Aitkin, MN. 56431

Email address - [Tv4fish@centurylink.net](mailto:Tv4fish@centurylink.net)

Current occupation

Retired (2015) - Aitkin County Land Surveyor from 2001-2015 prior to retiring

Employment history

Aitkin County Surveyor (2001-2015)

Owner/President of All-Metro Development Consultants (Civil Engineering Co.) (1990-2001)

Vice President of Merila & Assoc. (Civil Engineering Co.) (1984-1990)

Branch manager of RCM Associates in Brainerd (Civil Engineering Co.) (1978-1984)

Community Involvements

Currently Chairman of the Wealthwood Township Board of Supervisors (2010-current)

Member of ACAT (Aitkin County Association of Townships) (2010-current)

As Aitkin County Surveyor – I had been asked many times to assist the Board of Adjustment by reviewing applications submitted to the Board to verify that these applications met the specified requirements as they related to survey and/or Subdivision criteria.

My entire career has been devoted to issues dealing with property development – correct land surveys – site design, requested variances, etc.

Through my years as Aitkin County Surveyor, I had become very familiar with Aitkin County's Land use requirements and feel this experience will help me be a valuable member of the Board of Adjustment.