

**AITKIN COUNTY BOARD**

**June 14, 2022**

<p>The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 9:01 a.m. at the Aitkin Government Center with the following members present: Board Chair J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Donald Niemi, Ann Marcotte, Brian Napstad, Laurie Westerlund, County Administrator Jessica Seibert, and Administrative Assistant Brittany Searle.</p>	<p><b>Call to Order</b></p>
<p>Motion made by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all voting yes to approve the June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 agenda.</p>	<p><b>Approved Agenda</b></p>
<p>There was no Citizens' Public Comment</p>	<p><b>Citizens' Public Comment</b></p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows.</p>	<p><b>Consent Agenda</b></p>
<p>A) Correspondence File May 24, 2022 to June 13, 2022;          B) Approve May 24, 2022 County Board Minutes;          C) Approve Electronic Funds Transfers \$5,907,556.01;          D) Approve Commissioner Vouchers: General Fund \$105,152.98, Reserves Fund \$10,189.20, Road &amp; Bridge \$219,350.49, HHS \$6,392.99, State \$360.00, Trust \$14,644.98, Forest Development \$7,397.92, LLCC \$3757.69, Parks \$20,337.10 for a total of \$387,583.35;          E) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – Postage and Motor Pool: General Fund \$3,731.50, for a total of \$3,731.50;          F) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – School Advance Payments: Townships/Cities/ARDC/Ambulance \$2,703,594.71, for a total of \$2,703,594.71;          G) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Camping Refund and Returned Payments: Taxes &amp; Penalties \$2,072.00, Parks \$60.00, for a total of \$2,132.00;          H) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – ELAN Paid 05.26.2022: General Fund -\$2,540.81, Road &amp; Bridge \$658.00, HHS \$1,342.46, Trust \$540.35, for a total of \$0.00;          I) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Participant Fees May 2022: General Fund \$682.35, for a total of \$682.35;          J) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Camping Refund and Returned Payments: Taxes &amp; Penalties \$5,790.00, Parks \$60.00, for a total of \$5,850.00;          K) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – FSA Claims 40239422: General Fund \$354.44, for a total of \$354.44;          L) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Returned Check and NSF: Taxes &amp; Penalties \$96.00, for a total of \$96.00;          M) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – FSA Claims 40249948: General Fund \$120.76, for a total of \$120.76;          N) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – ELAN Paid 05.06.2022: General Fund -\$611.02, Road &amp; Bridge \$54.14, HHS \$134.55, Trust \$199.98, Forest Development \$44.12, LLCC \$1.74, Parks \$176.49 for a total of \$0.00;          O) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – MTG Reg and Deed Tax May 2022: General Fund \$.08, State \$83,861.11 for a total of \$83,861.19;          P) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Camping refund 06.07.2022: Parks \$70.00, for a total of \$70.00;          Q) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Credit Card Fees May 2022 and Returned Payment: Taxes &amp; Penalties \$115.00, LLCC \$382.89 for a total of \$497.89;          R) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Returned Check and NSF 05.31.2022:</p>	

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Taxes & Penalties \$1,197.00, for a total of \$1,197.00;  
S) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – State General Tax, May 2022: State \$1,310,189.60, for a total of \$1,310,189.60;  
T) Approve Community Corrections Sobriety Court Grant Renewal;  
U) Adopt Resolution: Search & Rescue Donation-Turner Township;  
V) Adopt Resolution: Temporary On-Sale Liquor License-Aitkin Fire Department Relief ;  
W) Adopt Resolution: 2022 State of MN Boat & Water Safety Grant Agreement;  
X) Adopt Resolution: 2022 State of MN Federal Supplemental Boating Safety Patrol Grant;  
Y) Adopt Resolution: Liquor License-On, Off and Sunday Sale Liquor License for 2022-The Sandy Beaver;

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to approve – Community Corrections Sobriety Court Grant Renewal.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Search & Rescue Donation: Turner Township.

**WHEREAS**, Aitkin County is generally authorized to accept donations of real and personal property with a 2/3 majority vote pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens.

**WHEREAS**, the following persons and entities have offered to contribute the cash amounts set forth below to the county:

Turner Township	\$500.00
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**WHEREAS**, the terms or conditions of the donations, if any, are as follows:

Turner Township	Aitkin County Search and Rescue
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**WHEREAS**, all such donations have been contributed to the county for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners finds that it is appropriate to accept the donations offered.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Temporary On-Sale Liquor License: Aitkin Fire Department Relief Association

**BE IT RESOLVED**, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the following Temporary On-Sale liquor licenses, for the periods from 7/6/22-7/9/22 and 8/4/22-8/6/22.

**Community  
Corrections  
Sobriety Court  
Grant Renewal**

**Resolution  
#20220614-075 SR  
Donation: Turner  
Township**

**Resolution  
#20220614-076  
Temporary On-  
Sale Liquor  
License Aitkin  
Fire Department  
Relief Association**

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## Temporary ON Sale:

Aitkin Fire Department, d/b/a **Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Assn.** – Aitkin Township, at Aitkin County Fairgrounds – 632 MN Ave N (designated fenced in area only), Aitkin, MN

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: 2022 State of MN Boat & Water Safety Grant Agreement;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners approve the Fiscal Years 2022 State of Minnesota Annual County Boat & Water Safety Grant Agreement on file in the Office of the County Auditor and authorize the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office, County Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the agreement in the amount of \$20,903.00 for the term of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: 2022 State of MN Federal Supplemental Boating Safety Patrol Grant;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners approve the 2022 State of Minnesota Federal Supplemental Boating Safety Patrol Grant Agreement on file in the Office of the County Auditor and authorize the Aitkin County Sheriff, County Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the agreement in the amount of \$5,500.00 for the term of May 13, 2022 through September 5.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Liquor License: On, Off and Sunday Sale Liquor License for 2022: The Sandy Beaver

**BE IT RESOLVED**, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the following liquor license for a period from July 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2022:

## “ON”, “OFF” and “SUNDAY” Sale:

Maverick Beaver Investments LLC, d/b/a **The Sandy Beaver** – Workman Township  
This establishment has an address of 51866 224<sup>th</sup> Place, McGregor, MN 55760

Chairman Mark Wedel – Representative Dave Lueck Appreciation

Dave McMillan, LLCC Manager – provided Long Lake Conservation Update

Dennis Thompson, Land Commissioner – provided Mille Lacs ATV Trail Update

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members present voted to approve Side-by-Side Purchase.

**Resolution  
#20220614-077  
2022 State of MN  
Boat & Water  
Safety Grant  
Agreement**

**Resolution  
#20220614-078  
2022 State of MN  
Federal  
Supplemental  
Boating Safety  
Patrol Grant**

**Resolution  
#20220614-079  
Liquor License:  
On, Off and  
Sunday Sale  
Liquor License for  
2022: The Sandy  
Beaver**

**Dale Lueck  
Appreciation**

**LLCC Update**

**Mille Lacs ATV  
Trail Update**

**Side-by-Side  
Purchase  
Administrator  
Updates**

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Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members present voted to approve Award Child Care Facilities Grants.

**Award Child Care Facilities Grants**

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voted to approve Award Business Development & Recreation Grants.

**Award Business Development & Recreation Grants**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members present voted to approve FRF Request-Community Grant Program.

**FRF Request-Community Grant Program**

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voted to approve Community Grant Program-Approval to Administer Program.

**Community Grant Program-Approval to Administer Program**

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution – Redevelopment Grant-Approval to Submit Grant;

**Redevelopment Grant-Approval to Submit Grant**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Aitkin County on behalf of Forgotten Heroes Ranges & Retreat act as the legal sponsor for project(s) contained in the Redevelopment Grant Program to be submitted on June 15, 2022, and that Mark Jeffers is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funding of this project on behalf of Aitkin County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Aitkin County has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate project administration.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the sources and amounts of the local match identified in the application ARE COMMITTED to the project identified.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Aitkin County has not violated any Federal, State or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon approval of its application by the state, Aitkin County may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above referenced project(s), and that Aitkin County certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulation as stated in all contract agreements.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Mark Jeffers is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project(s) on behalf of the applicant.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members present voted to approve July 1, 2022 Open Range Scale Modification: MOAs, Resolutions, LLCC Scale.

**July 1, 2022 Open Range Scale Modification: MOAs, Resolutions, LLCC Scale**

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<p>Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voted to approve Updated Job Classification Investigator/Patrol Sergeant.</p>	<p><b>Updated Job Classification Investigator/ Patrol Sergeant</b></p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members present voted to Ratify LELS 2021-2023 Agreement.</p>	<p><b>Ratify LELS 2021-2023 Agreement</b></p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voted to close the meeting under MN Statute 13D.03 Subd.1(b) Labor Negotiations at 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Closed Session Under Statute 13D.03 Subd.1(b) Labor Negotiations</b></p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, second Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members present voted to reopen the meeting at 3:04 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Reopen Meeting</b></p>
<p>Jessica Seibert, County Administrator updated the Board on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• OPIOD Webinar</li><li>• Attend District 1 MTG</li><li>• Economic Development Meeting</li><li>• HSEM Meeting</li><li>• DH Meetings</li><li>• Negotiations-mediation</li></ul>	<p><b>Administrator Updates</b></p>
<p>The Board discussed AMC, Mille Lacs Watershed, Budget Committee, Historical Society, Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board, Extension, Mississippi Headwaters, East Central Regional Library, McGregor Airport, NRAC.</p>	<p><b>Board Discussion</b></p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m. until Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Aitkin County Government Center.</p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>
<hr/> <p>J. Mark Wedel, Board Chair Aitkin County Board of Commissioners</p>	<hr/> <p>Jessica Seibert County Administrator</p>