

<p>The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 28<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, Brian Napstad, Laurie Westerlund, County Administrator Jessica Seibert, and Administrative Assistant Brittany Searle.</p> <p>Motion made by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all voting yes to approve the June 28, 2022 agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AITKIN COUNTY HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING</b></p> <p><b>Attendance</b></p> <p>The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022, at 9:04 a.m. as the Aitkin County Health &amp; Human Services Board, with the following members present: Commissioners Brian Napstad, J. Mark Wedel, Don Niemi, and Laurie Westerlund. Others present included: Health &amp; Human Services Director Cynthia Bennett, Administrative Assistant to the H&amp;HS Director Paula Arimborgo, County Administrator Jessica Seibert, Admin/HR Administrative Assistant Brittany Searle, Public Health Supervisor Erin Melz, Adult Social Services Supervisor Kim Larson, Social Worker Nick Anderson, H&amp;HS Advisory Committee Vice Chairperson Cindy Chuhanic and other public guests. Joining via WebEx: Financial Assistance Supervisor Jessi Goble, Child &amp; Family Services Supervisor Jessi Schultz, Child Support Supervisor Julie Herbst, AC Economic Development Coordinator Mark Jeffers, IT Director Chris Sutch and KIN Paul Vold.</p> <p><b>Agenda</b></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the June 28, 2022 Health &amp; Human Services Board agenda as presented.</p> <p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the May 24, 2022 Health &amp; Human Services Board minutes.</p> <p><b>Bills</b></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the bills.</p> <p><b>Kim Larson &amp; Nick Anderson – H&amp;HS Adult Social Services</b> Kim &amp; Nick presented on the Comprehensive Re-entry (CRE) Program and the recent mental health struggles seen in the jail.</p>	<p><b>Call to Order</b></p> <p><b>Approved Agenda</b></p> <p><b>Health and Human Services</b></p>
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- Program Vision & Mission
- Timelines of Program Implementation
- Screening, Early Intervention & Discharge Planning
- Funding
- Data in 2020 & 2021
- Challenges
- Positive Outcomes

## Director Update

Cynthia updated the board on:

- Legislative Update – waiting on DHS & MDH to interpret the laws
- Year End Service Summary – waiting on production of draft copy

**Committee Updates H&HS Advisory Committee Update** – Cindy Chuhanic updated the board on the Advisory Committees most recent meeting. Topics covered included the Coaching & Consulting on Suicide Prevention event hosted by Arlene Sealander, issues of mental health in the area and local jail, Market & Veggie Share boxes and members discussed the possibility of having Lakes and Pines present on the WRAP program at a future meeting.

**AEOA Committee Update** – Commissioner Westerlund – Committee met on June 15th, had a recent resignation and are looking for help, discussed finances, received Head-Start Presentation, and they have been waiting on 44 buses for 18 months now.

**CARE Board Update** – Commissioner Westerlund – Met in June and discussed finances, Bold Grant, Memory Café, BRICK, SuperFood Shelf, Walkable Audit in June, Music in the Park and they conducted 54 rides for Rides for Health.

**Tri-County Community Health Services (CHS) Board** – Commissioner Westerlund – Administrator has done a fabulous job; Brian from Healthy Northland Regional SHIP Coordinator gave a presentation and routine business was discussed.

**Lakes & Pines Update** – Commissioner Niemi – did not meet but is concerned that fuel assistance and weatherization will be a big demand item this fall, will funds be there?

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Next Meeting – July 26, 2022

Public comment was made by the following citizens:

Lynn Anderson with Tamarack Water Alliance shared concerns about the Tamarack Mine.

Jean Skinaway-Lawrence, chairwoman of the Sandy Lake Band of Mississippi Chippewa

**Citizens' Public  
Comment**

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Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows.

**Consent Agenda**

- A) Correspondence File June 14, 2022 to June 27, 2022;
- B) Approve June 14, 2022 County Board Minutes;
- C) Approve June 14, 2022 BAE Minutes;
- D) Approve Electronic Funds Transfers \$1,094,810.83;
- E) Approve Commissioner Vouchers: General Fund \$103,491.42, Reserves \$125.87, Road & Bridge \$177,126.99, Health & Human Services \$12,852.16, State \$10,939.32, Trust \$9,278.84, Forest Development \$11,979.98, Long Lake Conservation Center \$6,993.09, Parks \$37,891.95 for a total of \$370,679.62;
- F) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – Sales/Use Diesel Tax-May 2022: General Fund \$396.29, Road & Bridge \$617.97, Forest Development \$0.96, Long Lake Conservation Center \$232.92, Parks \$368.19 for a total of \$1,616.33;
- G) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – Aitkin County Sheriffs Office: General Fund \$51,631.96, Reserves Fund \$117.96, for a total of \$51,749.92;
- H) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – General Paid 06.17.2022: General Fund \$12,268.42, for a total of \$12,268.42;
- I) Approve Auditor's Vouchers – Settlements Paid 06.24.2022: Townships/Cities/ARDC/Ambulance 4,032,667.92 for a total of \$4,032,667.92;
- J) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – FSA Claims Paid 06.08.2022: General Fund \$824.05, for a total of \$824.05;
- K) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – FSA Claims and State General Tax: General Fund \$315.50, State \$87,733.41 for a total of \$88,048.91;
- L) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Camping Refunds: Parks \$150.00, for a total of \$150.00;
- M) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – Camping Refund 06.20.2022: Parks \$150.00, for a total of \$150.00;
- N) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections Camping Refunds, Participant Fees, FSA Claims: General Fund \$1,178.02, Long Lake Conservation Center \$913.50 for a total of \$2,091.52;
- O) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections – ELAN Paid 06.09.2022: General Fund \$-2,345.59, Reserves Fund \$300.00, Health & Human Services \$1,331.62, Trust \$199.98, Forest Development \$249.00, Long Lake Conservation Center \$264.99, for a total of \$0.00;
- P) Approve Communications Project-Stratelligent Contract;
- Q) Approve Board of Appeal and Equalization Certification Form;
- R) Adopt Resolution: LG220 Permit-Lawler Area Community Club;
- S) Adopt Resolution: Final Contract Payment-Contract No. 20218;
- T) Adopt Resolution: Award Contract 20227;
- U) Adopt Resolution: Committee for the Awareness & Prevention of Suicide (CAPS) Donations;
- V) Adopt Resolution: Application to Purchase Tax-Forfeited Property-Hill Lake

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to approve – Communications Project-Stratelligent Contract.

**Communications  
Project-  
Stratelligent  
Contract**

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Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to approve – Board of Appeal and Equalization Certification Form

**Board of Appeal and Equalization Certification Form**

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: LG 220 Permit-Lawler Area Community Club

**Resolution #20220628-082 LG 220 Permit-Lawler Area Community Club**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220 – of the Lawler Area Community Club, at the following location – Jackson’s Hole, which has an address of 36232 Kestrel Avenue, MN 55760 – Salo Township. (Note: Date of activity for Raffle – November 12, 2022)

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Final Contract Payment-Contract No. 20218

**Resolution #20220628-083 Final Contract Payment-Contract No. 20218**

**WHEREAS**, Contract No. 20218 has in all been completed, and the County Board being fully advised in the premises.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept said completed contract for and on behalf of the County of Aitkin and authorize final payment to NTTK, Inc. in the amount of \$929.99.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Award Contract 20227

**Resolution #20220628-084 Award Contract 20227**

**WHEREAS**, Contract No. 20227 is for construction of S.P. 001-070-007, and

**WHEREAS**, sealed bids were opened for this project at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6, 2022 with a total of four bids received, and

**WHEREAS**, Sir Lines-A-Lot, LLC, Edina, MN was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$327,841.04.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Sir Lines-A-Lot, LLC be awarded Contract 20227.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the chairperson of the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of Aitkin County with said low bidder upon presentation of proper contract documents.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Committee for the Awareness & Prevention of Suicide (CAPS) Donations

**Resolution #20220628-085 CAPS Donations**

**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.

# AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

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

<u>Name of Donor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Independent School District No. 1	\$ 1,000.00
Hill City Fireman's Relief Association	\$ 100.00
Mille Lacs Trails Inc.	\$ 500.00
Aitkin Community Hospital dba Riverwood Healthcare Center	\$ 3,500.00
Mille Lacs Drift Skippers Snowmobile Club, Inc.	\$ 250.00

**WHEREAS**, the terms or conditions of the donations, if any, are as follows:

<u>Name of Donor</u>	<u>Terms or Conditions</u>
Independent School District No. 1	\$5,350 to the "My Ascension"
Hill City Fireman's Relief Association	presentations and
Mille Lacs Trails Inc	associated expenses as part of the
Aitkin Community Hospital, dba Riverwood Healthcare Center	Committee for the Awareness & Prevention of Suicide (CAPS) events
Mille Lacs Drift Skippers Snowmobile Club, Inc.	to be held on 9/13, 9/26 and 9/27, 2022.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Application to Purchase Tax-Forfeited Property-Hill Lake

**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 Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to adopt resolution: Application to Purchase Tax-Forfeited Property-Hill Lake

**WHEREAS**, Lanny Rost/Jean Rost, Bradley Jordahl/Teresa Jordahl, Glenn Isenberg/Rosanne Isenberg, Gary Laudenbach/Marlene Laudenbach, and Just Rost/Melinda Rost are adjacent landowners (Applicants) with a vested interest in parcel 12-0-020601.

**WHEREAS**, the Applicants have made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the purchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Aitkin, Minnesota and described as follows, to-wit:

N 475.73 FT OF W 250.39 FT OF SW NW (PID# 12-0-020601)  
SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 52 NORTH, RANGE 26 WEST

and **WHEREAS**, said Applicants has set forth in his application that:

**Resolution  
#20220628-086  
Application to  
Purchase Tax-  
Forfeited  
Property-Hill Tax**

<p>a. Hardship and injustice has resulted because of forfeiture of said land, for the following reasons, to-wit:</p> <p>There was no Notices received by the undersigned owners prior to the Tax Forfeiture of the Exhibit "A" land being completed.</p> <p>b. That the purchase of said land by us will promote and best serve the public interest because:</p> <p>It will bring the tax forfeited land back into taxable paying ownership and correct the injustice of the tax forfeited land being sold to a third party who did not pay for the investment into the septic system and drain field in the Exhibit "A" land.</p> <p>and <b>WHEREAS</b>, this board is of the opinion that said applications should be granted for such reasons,</p> <p><b>NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</b>, That the application of Lanny Rost/Jean Rost, Bradley Jordahl/Teresa Jordahl, Glenn Isenberg/Rosanne Isenberg, Gary Laudenbach/Marlene Laudenbach, and Just Rost/Melinda Rost for the purchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such purchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.</p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members present voted to approve Accept Bid &amp; Approve FRF Funding for Security Cameras.</p> <p>Kirk Peysar – County Auditor presented Aitkin County Fair Update.</p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members present voted to approve first reading of the Amendment to Solid Waste Ordinance.</p> <p>The Board discussed: Northeast Advisory, Snake River 1W1P, Mille Lacs Watershed, Facilities, Historical Society, HHS Advisory, AEOA, Care, and CJI.</p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voted to approve Vehicle Agreement.</p> <p>Jessica Seibert, County Administrator updated the Board on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intern Visit</li><li>• United Way MTG</li><li>• MACA Meeting</li></ul>	<p><b>Accept Bid &amp; Approve FRF Funding for Security Cameras</b></p> <p><b>County Fair Update</b></p> <p><b>First Reading-Solid Waste Ordinance Amendment</b></p> <p><b>Board Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Vehicle Agreement</b></p> <p><b>Administrator Updates</b></p>
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**June 28, 2022**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to close the meeting under MN Statute 13D.03 Subd.1(b) Labor Negotiations at 11:28 a.m.

**Close Meeting  
under MN Statute  
13D.03 Subd. 1(b)  
Labor  
Negotiations**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to reopen the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

**Reopen Meeting**

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 p.m. until Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at the Aitkin County Government Center.

**Adjourn**

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J. Mark Wedel, Board Chair  
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

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Jessica Seibert  
County Administrator