



**AITKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

June 25, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Government Center Board Room
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Regular Session Minutes

**1.A CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Wedel called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
J. Mark Wedel	District #1	Present
Laurie Westerlund	District #2	Present
Travis Leiviska	District #3	Present
Bret Sample	District #4	Present
Michael Kearney	District #5	Present
Jessica Seibert	County Administrator	Present
April Kellerman	Administrative Assistant	Absent

**1.B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1.C APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to: Approve the agenda, as amended.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (5 TO 0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Commissioner Bret Sample
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Commissioner Michael Kearney
	Removed item 4A and added item 9C

**1.D Health & Human Services (see separate HHS Agenda)**

**1.E Citizens Public Comment by:**

Tom Briant, Executive Director of Minnesota Wholesale Marketers Associations, addressed the Tobacco Ordinance.  
 Anita Sonaglia, Business owner in Hill City, addressed the Tobacco Ordinance.  
 Brandon Kellermann, Mark's Bar McGregor, addressed the Tobacco Ordinance  
 Galen Tveit, Aitkin County Resident, addressed land forfeitures

**2 CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to: Approve the Consent Agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (5 TO 0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Commissioner Bret Sample
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Commissioner Michael Kearney

**A) Correspondence File-**

June 11, 2024 - June 24, 2024

**B) Approve County Board Minutes-**

June 11, 2024

**C) Approve Electronic Funds Transfers**

<b>Total</b>	\$1,261,190.37
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**D) Approve Commissioner's Vouchers**

Commissioner Warrants 06.07.24

	General	Reserves	Trust	R&B	Forest	HHS	LLCC	Total
	\$135,368.60	\$14,425.00	\$3,634.78	\$174,743.40	\$7,317.24	\$4,485.81	\$9,798.84	
	\$25,434.72							\$381,027.89

**E) Adopt Resolution-**

LG220 Application for Exempt Gambling - Ducks Unlimited Aitkin Area

**F) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections-**

ELAN 05.23.24

	General	Trust	HHS	Opioid	Total
	\$5,304.33	\$383.86	\$1,640.08	\$16.03	\$7,344.30

**G) Approve Auditor Vouchers-**

Sales/Use and Diesel Tax, May 2024

General	\$85.30	R&B	\$819.46	LLCC	\$277.65	Parks	\$416.80
						<b>Total</b>	\$1,599.21

**H) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections-**

Manual Warrants 06.14.24 Batch 1

General	\$1,466.07	Taxes	\$348.00	LLCC	\$447.07	Parks	\$80.00
						<b>Total</b>	\$2,341.14

**I) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections-**

Manual Warrants 06.14.24 Batch 2

General	\$106.84	State	\$61,447.71	Parks	\$50.00	<b>Total</b>	\$61,604.55
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**J) Adopt Resolution-**

App for Temporary On Sale Liquor License - Jacobson Community Center

**K) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections-**

ELAN 06.06.24

HHS	\$3,041.02	General	\$6,828.61	Reserves	\$200.00	Trust	\$300.85
Forest	\$484.00	LLCC	\$29.83			<b>Total</b>	\$10,884.31

**L) Adopt Resolution-**

Application for Temp On Sale Liquor License - Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club

**M) Approve Commissioner's Vouchers**

Commissioner Warrants 06.21.24

General	\$115,469.21	Reserves	\$324.61	R&B	\$461,736.50	HHS	\$11,450.36
State	\$6,919.00	Trust	\$11,353.25	Forest	\$1,415.57	LLCC	\$8,000.43
Parks	\$13,857.01					<b>Total</b>	\$630,525.94

**N) Approve-**

Affidavit for Duplicate of Lost Warrant

**O) Approve Auditor Vouchers-**

May Settlements 06.24.24

Township	\$4,893,269.57					<b>Total</b>	\$4,893,269.57
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**P) Approve-**

Climate Makers contract for jail controls

**Q) Adopt Resolution-**

Final Contract Payment (#20229)

## Regular Agenda

3A Jessica Seibert – County Administrator

**Informational Only**

Minnesota Power Presentation

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**MOVER:**

**SECONDER:**

4A Dennis Thompson – Land Commissioner

**Motion to:**

Adopt Resolution - Authorizing Land Commissioner to execute Widseth Contract

**RESULT: ITEM REMOVED**

**MOVER:**

**SECONDER:**

5A Mark Jeffers – Economic Development Coordinator

**Motion to:**

Award Grant: Business Development & Recreation Grant

**RESULT: APPROVED (5 TO 0)**

**MOVER: Commissioner Laurie Westerlund**

**SECONDER: Commissioner Travis Leiviska**

6A John Welle – County Engineer

**Motion to:**

Adopt Resolution - Award Contract 20247

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Bret Sample  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

7A Andrew Carlstrom – Environmental Services Director

**Informational Only**

Second Reading - Emergency Interim Zoning on New or Expanding Cannabis Ordinance

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY  
**MOVER:**  
**SECONDER:**

7B Andrew Carlstrom – Environmental Services Director

**Motion to:**

Adopt Resolution - Emergency Interim Zoning on New or Expanding Cannabis Ordinance

**RESULT:** APPROVED (5 TO 0)  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Travis Leiviska  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

8A Bobbie Danielson – Human Resources Director

**Motion to:**

Ratify Local 49 2025-2027 Agreement

**RESULT:** APPROVED (5 TO 0)  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Laurie Westerlund  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Bret Sample

9A Jessica Seibert – County Administrator

**Informational Only**

Tobacco Ordinance - Direction Requested

**RESULT:** DIRECTION REQUESTED  
**MOVER:**  
**SECONDER:**

9B Jessica Seibert – County Administrator

**Informational Only**

Administrator Updates

DH meeting, AFSCME negotiations, meeting with Marie D. - JET, Facilities meeting, CRPD meeting, HR Training, LLCC Fundraiser, United Way annual meeting

9C Jessica Seibert – County Administrator

**Motion to:**

Adopt Resolution - State of Emergency

**RESULT:** APPROVED (5 TO 0)  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Laurie Westerlund  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Bret Sample

10A Board of Commissioners

**Informational Only**

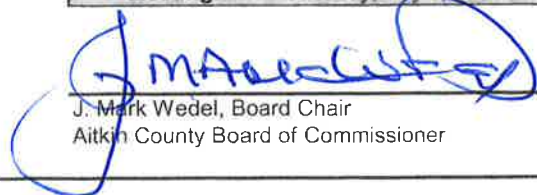
Commissioner Committee Reports


Board of Equalization, LLCC fundraiser, Snake River Watershed

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion made at 11:36 a.m.

**MOVER:** Commissioner Travis Leiviska  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Bret Sample  
**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9, 2024

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

  
Jessica Seibert  
County Administrator

