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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
Pope County Board of Commissioners  
January 5, 2021

The January 5, 2021 Regular Board meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by County Coordinator, Kersten Kappmeyer with the following members present: Commissioners Nan Haggerty, Larry Lindor, Paul Gerde, Gordy Wagner, Cody Rogahn and Neil Nelson, County Attorney. The meeting was conducted telephonically by the County Coordinator from the County Board Room pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.021, as in-person attendance of the members or public was imprudent and/or impractical under the current Minnesota COVID-19 State of Emergency. County Coordinator, Kersten Kappmeyer called for nominations and election of the Pope County Board Chairman. Commissioner Rogahn nominated Commissioner Gerde to the position of Board Chair for 2021, which Commissioner Wagner seconded. No other nominations were offered. Upon the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board selected Paul Gerde as Board Chair for 2021.

Chair Gerde called for nominations and election of the Pope County Board Vice-Chair. Commissioner Wagner nominated Commissioner Lindor to the position of Board Vice-Chair for 2021, which Commissioner Rogahn seconded. No other nominations were offered. Upon the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board selected Larry Lindor as Board Vice-Chair for 2021.

On motion by Rogahn, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the agenda as presented adding two additional items; #8a Final Contract Payment Approval – Project 061-020-004 and #21a Consider Execution of Labor Agreement with Courthouse Teamsters for 2021 and 2022 Contract Years.

On motion by Lindor, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the official proceedings for December 15, 2020 as presented with revisions. On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Wagner and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the revised official proceedings from November 17, 2020.

Kersten Kappmeyer, County Coordinator presented County Board and Officer Committee Assignments for 2021 and Association of Minnesota Counties Policy Committees and Voting Delegate Appointments. Chair Gerde led discussion on and made appointments of County Commissioners and officials to various County committees and to AMC delegate and policy committee membership, a record of which will be kept at the County Coordinator's Office as clerk for the Board. Chair Gerde led discussion on the Association of Minnesota Counties Policy Committee and Voting Delegate Appointments to keep the appointments the same as 2020.

Brian Giese, County Engineer presented Highway Monthly Report; Equipment Rates and Final Contract Payment – Project 061-020-004. On motion by Wagner, seconded by Rogahn and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the Highway Department hourly equipment and accounts receivable rates as presented. On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Lindor and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved project number 061-020-004 as complete and authorized the final payment to Ferguson Aggregate and Crushing in the amount of \$10,690.

David Green, Land and Resources Director presented Conditional Use Permit: Community Solar Garden. On motion by Rogahn, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the Conditional Use for Dan Rogers with Swan Garden LLC on behalf of Larry Adolphsen to permit to locate a 1-megawatt (MW) solar garden in a Non-Intensive Agriculture (A-1) zoning district located at Part of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼), Section 13, Township 126 (Leven), Range 37.

Stacy Hennen, Human Services Director presented Variance Policy; Horizon Reception Contract; Woodland Centers Contract; Central MN Mental Health Center Detox Contract; Region IV South Bylaws; MN Choices Newsletter (informational) and Human Services Case Counts (informational). On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Lindor and by the

following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the Childcare Variance Policy for Pope County Human Services. On motion by Lindor, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the Contract with Horizon Public Health for reception services. On motion by Wagner, seconded by Rogahn and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved Woodland Centers contract for Crisis and Detox services for 2021. On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Lindor and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the service agreement between Pope County Human Services and Central MN Mental Health Center for detoxification services. On motion by Rogahn, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the changes with the Joint Powers Agreement with Region IV South. Another motion was made by Rogahn, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, to appoint Ben Schulz, Pope County Human Services Supervisor, Mental Health and Chemical Dependency to serve on the governing board for Region IV South.

Stephanie Rust, Auditor-Treasurer presented Designate Official Depositories for Pope County Funds for 2021 and Pay Bills and Supplemental Bills. On motion by Rogahn, seconded by Haggerty and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board designated all Pope County banks as Official Pope County Depositories for 2021 and when necessary the Auditor-Treasurer is directed to invest in the MAGIC Fund. On motion by Lindor, seconded by Rogahn and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the payment of bills of \$308,917.23 plus supplemental bills of \$81,605.41 totaling \$390,522.64.

On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Wagner and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board entered the Per Diem Reports into the record.

Kersten Kappmeyer, County Coordinator presented Consider Bids and Designate Official Pope County Newspaper for 2021; Consider Policy on Temporary Remote Work, Weather and Travel; Consider Execution of Labor Agreement with Courthouse Teamsters for 2021 and 2022 Contract Years and Closed Session: Confidential Briefing and Communication on Labor Negotiations Strategy Pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.03. On motion by Wagner, seconded by Rogahn and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board designated Pope County Tribune as Pope County's official newspaper for required legal publications in 2021 accepting the bid. On motion by Haggerty, seconded by Wagner and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the addition of a policy on Temporary Remote Work, Weather and Travel as Section 5.16 of the Personal Management Policy as presented. On motion by Rogahn, seconded by Wagner and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board approved the execution of the presented Labor Agreement with the Courthouse Teamsters for 2021 and 2022 Contract Years.

On motion by Lindor, seconded by Rogahn and by the following vote: Ayes: Gerde, Haggerty, Lindor, Rogahn, Wagner, the Board convened in closed session pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.03, for briefing and communication on labor negotiations. The Board recessed at 11:20 a.m. for a break, and reconvened in closed session at 11:27 a.m.

Board Chair Gerde reconvened the Board meeting at 11:56 a.m.

Informational updates on various meetings and events were given by the County Commissioners.

Board Chair Gerde adjourned the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

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Kersten Kappmeyer, County Coordinator

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Paul Gerde, Chairman of the Board