

CARVER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGSORGANIZATIONAL SESSION – January 2, 2024

Commissioners Gayle Degler, John P. Fahey, Tim Lynch, Matt Udermann and Tom Workman met in session this day as required by law for organizational purposes for the year 2024.

The session was called to order by County Administrator, David Hemze, at 9:06 a.m. Administrator Hemze requested nominations for the 2024 Board Chair.

Lynch nominated Gayle Degler to serve as Chair of the Board of Commissioners for 2024. Udermann nominated Tom Workman to serve as Chair of the Board of Commissioners for 2024.

On vote taken to elect Gayle Degler to serve as Chair of the Board of Commissioners for 2024, Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted aye. Udermann, Workman voted nay. Motion carried.

Chair Degler requested nominations for 2024 Vice Chair. Lynch nominated John P. Fahey to serve as Vice Chair of the Board of Commissioners for 2024.

On vote taken to elect John P. Fahey as Vice Chair for 2024, Degler, Fahey, Lynch, Workman vote aye. Udermann nay. Motion carried.

Udermann moved, Workman seconded, to approve the following amendments to the agenda:

Add 6.1 Additional advisory Committee applications for Library Board and CDA Board.
Move 8.2 Creating a Communications Department to 9.2
Proposed Changes to Board Operating Rules.

Motion carried unanimously.

Hemze requested the Board adopt their 2024 Board Operating Rules. He explained the change to clarify expenses paid outside of metro area and clarifying ages for the youth appointments that he was recommending. Hemze also pointed out the Operating Rule changes proposed by Commissioner Udermann.

Lynch moved, Udermann seconded, to approve the proposed changes. Udermann clarified his intent was to approve all proposed Board Operating Rules presented and, if that was not the intent, withdrew his second.

Lynch moved, Fahey seconded, to approve 2024 Board Operating Rules as recommended by the County Administrator.

Udermann moved, Workman seconded, to amend the motion to approve the recommended 2024 Board Operating Rules to include the proposed revisions to Section III. County Board Organization Item E. Officers; Item G. Monthly Expenses Allowance; to include revisions to Section IV County Board Meetings Item H. Broadcasting; and to include revisions to

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Section VII. County Board Agenda Item A. Preparation and Distribution. Udermann, Workman voted aye. Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted nay. Motion to amend failed.

On vote taken on the main motion to approve 2024 Board Operating Rules as recommended, Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted aye. Udermann, Workman voted nay. Motion carried.

The Board considered their 2024 meeting schedule.

Workman moved, Fahey seconded, to approve the 2024 Board meeting schedule as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered appointments to advisory committees.

Udermann moved, Workman seconded, to approve the following appointments:

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| Association of Minnesota Counties Board of Directors | Degler, Alt Fahey |
| AMC Environment & Natural Resources Policy Committee | Lynch |
| AMC General Government Policy Committee | Degler |
| AMC Health & Human Services Policy Committee | Udermann |
| AMC Public Safety Policy Committee | Fahey |
| AMC Transportation Policy Committee | Workman |
| AMC Voting Delegates | Degler, Fahey, Lynch, Udermann, Workman, Dave Hemze, Lyndon Robjent, Heather Goodwin |
| AMC Metropolitan Governance Task Force | |
| “Kitchen Cabinet” appointment | Appointment Open |
| CAP Agency Board of Directors | Degler, Alt Udermann |
| Carver County Arts Committee | Udermann and Workman |
| Carver County Leaders | Udermann & Lynch |
| Courts Committee | Fahey & Degler, Alt. Lynch |
| County’s Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Requestor | Degler, Hemze, Richard Scott |
| Eastern Community Leaders | Degler, Fahey, Udermann, Workman |
| Fair Board | Lynch, Liaison, Alt Fahey |
| Greater MSP Board of Directors | Udermann |
| Greater MSP Partner Advisory Council | Chuck Swanson |
| Hennepin Carver Workforce Development Board | Udermann, liaison, Alt Degler |
| Historical Society Committee | Workman, Alt. Fahey |
| Health Insurance LMC | Degler, Alt Udermann |
| Joint Ditches: | |

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Joint Ditch #1	Fahey, Degler, Udermann
Joint Ditch #2	Fahey, Degler
Joint Ditch #3A	Fahey
Joint Ditch #4	Fahey, Lynch, Workman
Joint Ditch #5	Fahey, Lynch, Udermann
Joint Ditch #21	Fahey, Lynch, Workman, Degler
Joint Ditch #22	Fahey, Lynch, Udermann
Joint Ditch #24	Fahey, Lynch, Degler
Joint Ditch #28	Fahey
Law Library Board	Degler
Legislative Committee	Fahey & Udermann, Alt Degler
Library Board	Udermann, Liaison
Lower Minnesota River Watershed	Udermann & Degler, Liaisons
MCIT Voting Delegates	Hemze, Alt. Sonja Wolter
MELSA	Udermann
Mental Health Advisory Committee	Lynch, Alt. Udermann
Metropolitan Emergency Services Board	Degler (Board previously approved County's second vote to Degler)
Metropolitan Emergency Services Executive Board	Degler, Alt. Fahey
Metropolitan Emergency Services Radio	Susan Bowler
Technical Operations Committee	Alt Deb Paige
Metropolitan Emergency Services 911	Susan Bowler
Technical Operations	Alt Deb Paige
Minnesota Inter-County Association	Two appointments open
Minnehaha Creek Watershed District	Workman Liaison, Alt. Udermann
Minnesota Extension Committee	Degler & Lynch
Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority	Fahey, Alt Open
Mobility Management Board (SmartLink)	Fahey
Mosquito Control District	Degler, second appointment open
Park Commission	Lynch, Liaison, Alt Udermann
Regional Hauler Licensing Board	Workman, Alt Lynch
Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed	Workman & Degler, Liaisons
Southwest Corridor Transportation Coalition	Workman & Fahey, Alt. Degler
State CHS Advisory Committee (SCHSAC)	Richard Scott, Alt. Fahey
Transportation Advisory Board – TAB	Board member appointment open, Alt Fahey
Water Management Organization	Lynch, Alt. Fahey

Motion carried unanimously.

Degler moved, Lynch seconded to approve the appointment of John P. Fahey as the liaison to the CDA Board, with Commissioner Udermann as the alternate and Commissioner Degler as the second alternate. Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted aye. Udermann, Workman voted nay. Motion carried.

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Degler moved, Fahey seconded, to approve the appointment of John P. Fahey to the Planning Commission and Commissioner Lynch as the alternate. Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted aye. Udermann, Workman voted nay. Motion carried.

Udermann moved, Workman seconded, to appoint Megan White to the Arts Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to appoint Troy Williams to the Community Development Agency. Motion carried unanimously.

Fahey moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Jay Rohe to the Community Development Agency. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Daniel McDonald to the Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Udermann moved, Degler seconded, to appoint Tenley Rutledge as the youth representative to the Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Fahey moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Sandra Menzel and Stacy Zellman to serve on the Mental Health Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Carmen Gesinger to the Minnesota Extension Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Fahey moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Lisha Veerakumar as the youth appointment to the Minnesota Extension Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Fahey moved, Lynch seconded, to appoint Scott Knight to the Park Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Degler moved, Udermann seconded, to appoint Connie Long to the Personnel Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously.

Degler moved, Lynch seconded, to appoint Greg Grazzini and Scott Wakefield to the Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to appoint Michael Lynch and Michael Wegner to the WMO Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Workman seconded, to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2023, Regular Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Fahey moved, Udermann seconded, to approve the following consent agenda items:

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Approved 2024 police contract with the City of Waconia and the additional 1.0 contract licensed deputy FTE and Sheriff's related budget amendment.

Approved Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Chanhassen for the Highway 17/West 78th Street Intersection Project, pending finalization of the contract review process.

Approved out of state travel for Senior Assistant County Attorney.

Approved the purchase of budgeted Public Works fleet equipment replacements and additions for 2024.

Contract with Daikin for installation of chiller air tank separator pending contract review process.

Approved amendment 3 to professional services agreement for program management services with Bolton and Menk, Inc. for additional services needed through 2024 for \$515,400 pending contract review.

Contract with Kennedy & Graven, chartered in a not to exceed amount of \$40,000 for legal services related to PPB Holdings interest rate demand on jury award for right of way on Highway 18, pending the contract review process.

Adopted the Findings of Fact and issue Order #PZ20230044 for the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit, Aaron Schram, Laketown Township.

Approved a joint powers agreement with the City of Waconia for the Highway 10 Project-Oak Pointe area, pending contract review process.

Authorized the Sheriff's Office acceptance of donation from Kwik Trip for \$10,000 and related budget amendment.

Reviewed December 26, 2023, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$1,084,768.90 and reviewed January 2, 2024, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$267,873.82.

Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Kamerud, Sheriff, requested the Board approve funding for the purchase of agency issued handguns. He noted the option for agencies to either have agency issued firearms or employee-owned firearms and reviewed past practices. Sheriff pointed out start-up costs for new employees and the ability to standardize purchases if deputies have the same firearms.

He recognized they have an obligation to provide deputies safe and reliable firearms. Sheriff stated they were best served through agency issued firearms and requested the

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Board approve funding. He clarified the Sheriff's policy on firearms has not been finalized yet and noted the handgun is the only defensive weapon they do not provide an employee.

Workman moved, Udermann seconded, to approve funding for the purchase of agency issued handguns and accessories and related Sheriff's budget amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

Nick Koktavy, Assistant County Administrator, requested the Board approve creating a Communications Department. He explained they had been working on a plan on how to best serve County residents and indicated the goals were to enhance overall communications, foster consistency and leverage a higher level of expertise in communications strategy. He outlined proposed staffing and fiscal impact.

Udermann moved, Fahey seconded, to create a Communications Department in Public Services, eliminate the vacant 1.0 FTE Communications Manager, create a new 1.0 FTE Chief Communications Officer and to approve the related budget amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to recess as the County Board and convene as the Carver County Regional Rail Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to appoint Gayle Degler as Chair, John P. Fahey as Vice Chair and Tim Lynch as Secretary/Treasurer of the Carver County Regional Rail Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

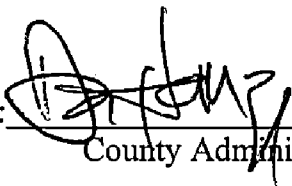
Lynch moved, Fahey seconded, to adjourn as the Carver County Regional Rail Authority and reconvene as the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Udermann seconded, to go into closed session at 10:45 a.m. to discuss confidential settlement negotiations for the purchase of real property for the Highway 212 Project-Benton township, pursuant to Minn. State Section 13D.05, Subd. 3(c) related to PID No. 40.4400470.

The Board adjourned the closed and Regular Session.

Dave Hemze
County Administrator

ATTEST:


County Administrator
Chair