

CARVER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR SESSION – March 21, 2023

A Regular Session of the Carver County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Government Center, Chaska, on March 21, 2023. Chair John P. Fahey convened the session at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: John P. Fahey, Chair, Gayle Degler, Tim Lynch and Matt Udermann.

Members absent: Tom Workman.

No public comments were received.

Degler moved, Udermann seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2023, Regular Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Udermann moved to remove the funding mechanisms for items 5.6 through 5.10 from the Consent to the Regular agenda. Motion died for lack of a second.

Udermann clarified he fully supported the negotiated agreements that were reached but did not support the funding mechanisms. He recognized the use of CARES and ARPA dollars and did not believe those funds should be used for short term funding gaps.

Fahey and Degler noted the proposed funding was discussed at a closed session and there was consensus on where the funds would come from.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to approve the following consent agenda items:

Approved Drug Court Team's out of state travel to attend the National Association of Drug Court Professionals conference.

Approved attendance for an HHS supervisory employee to attend the CSH Supportive Housing Summit in Philadelphia, PA.

Approved elimination of two 0.5 FTE Crisis Social Work positions and creation of 1.0 FTE Crisis Social Worker position and related HH&S budget amendment.

Approved transferring ownership of 2015 Ford E450 minibus to the Carver County Veterans Council for \$1.00.

Approved application for renewal of the on-sale liquor license for Parley Lake Winery dba Parley Lake Winery, subject to receipt of all required paperwork, fees and taxes being paid.

Approved the 2023-2024 LELS Licensed Sergeants Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement and related budget amendment.

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Approved the 2023-204 Teamsters Licensed Management Bargaining Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement and related budget amendment.

Approved the 2023-2023 AFSCME Public Works Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement and related budget amendment.

Approved the 2023-2024 AFSCME Health and Human Services Bargaining Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement and related budget amendment.

Resolution #23-23

Updating 2023 Non-Bargaining Employee Compensation and Benefits and approved related budget amendment

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2023 the Carver County Board of Commissioners approved a Resolution defining 2023 non- bargaining employee compensation; and

WHEREAS, the January 17, 2023 resolution defining 2023 non-bargaining compensation allowed for the County to make additional adjustments to compensation or benefits by amendment to the Carver County Personnel Policies or future Board Actions; and

WHEREAS, the Carver County Board of Commissioners intends to provide 2023 non-bargaining employee compensation and benefits in the same manner as would be applied for represented employees; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Carver County shall provide eligible non-bargaining employees with the following:

- A. In 2023, effective the first full pay period following ratification of this resolution active, full-time non- bargaining employees shall receive a one-time, non-base lump sum retention recognition payment in the amount of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars (grossed up). The above amount shall be prorated for eligible part- time employees based on designated FTE.
- B. Beginning in 2023, Christmas Eve will be recognized as a designated County holiday for non-bargaining employees, in accordance with the County's Holidays Policy.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the County reserves the right to make additional adjustments to compensation or benefits by amendment to the Carver County Personnel Policies or future Board Actions.

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Approved request for two Sheriff's employees to attend the out of state Public Safety Divers Association Conference and use Sheriff's budget funds to supplement registration fees for dive team volunteers.

Resolution #24-23

Support and Approval for Submittal of Community Project Funding and Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives (House) Committee on Appropriations announced that Community Project Funding (CPF) requests will be considered in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 cycle; and

WHEREAS, the United States Senate (Senate) Appropriations Committee is accepting requests from Senators for Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) for the FY 2024 appropriations process; and

WHEREAS, House and Senate Members requested local agencies to submit eligible projects for consideration; and

WHEREAS, project requests that advance the goals of specified funding accounts will be considered including for the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development – Highway Infrastructure Programs account; and

WHEREAS, the County identified two priority projects for FY 2024 CFP and CDS funding requests under the Highway Infrastructure Programs account:

1. Highway 5 Arboretum Area Mobility Project
2. US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project

WHEREAS, Highway 5 serves a major east-west connection between Eden Prairie, Chanhassen, Chaska, Victoria, Waconia, and Norwood Young America for both regional commuter and freight traffic and also provides primary access to the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and its 500,000 visitors per year; and

WHEREAS, Highway 5 serves 27,000 vehicles per day on a two-lane roadway creating significant congestion and resulting in a crash rate 2.5 times the state average; and

WHEREAS, completing the proposed project on Highway 5 to a 4-lane divided highway will provide improved safety, mobility, community connectivity, environmental sustainability, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, US Highway 212 is part of the National Highway System and identified by

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MnDOT as a Critical Rural Freight Corridor. The planned project expands the highway from a two-lane rural highway to a four-lane divided expressway between Norwood Young America (County Highway 34) and Cologne (County Highway 36); and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements on US Highway 212 will remove barriers to efficient freight movement and job opportunities, support economic vitality by providing development opportunities at key locations, preserve and remedy existing infrastructure, and improve mobility and safety for all corridor users; and

WHEREAS, the US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project and the Highway 5 Arboretum Area Mobility Project meet the eligibility guidance for consideration of CPF and CDS funding requests; and

WHEREAS, Carver County will provide funding towards the local match and partner with MnDOT to contribute to the overall local match and project funding as identified in the project request information for both projects; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Carver County Board of Commissioners supports and approves submittal of the Highway 5 Arboretum Area Mobility Project and the US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project for consideration of Community Project Funding and Congressional Directed Funding requests for corridor improvements that will benefit the safe and efficient travel for all users through the project corridors, Carver County, and the region, and directs the Carver County Engineer to submit requested project information

Approved professional services agreement with SRF Consulting Group for \$1,260,912.00 for the Highway 18 Project-Arboretum Area for preliminary and final design professional services, pending finalization of the contract review process.

Reviewed March 14, 2023, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$951,946.90 and reviewed March 21, 2023, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$494,980.17.

On vote taken on the consent agenda, Degler, Fahey, Lynch voted aye. Udermann voted nay. Motion carried.

Jason Kamerud, Sheriff, requested the Board adopt Proclamations recognizing the Sheriff's Office dispatchers, administrative professionals, nurses, correctional officers and police officers. He summarized the work responsibilities for each unit and asked the Board to recognize their contributions.

The Board acknowledged these were not easy professions and thanked them for their service to County residents.

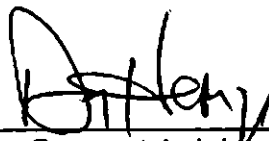
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Udermann moved, Lynch seconded, to approve and authorize Proclamations for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, National Administrative Professionals Day, National Nurses Day, National Correctional Officers Week and National Policy Week. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynch moved, Degler seconded, to adjourn the Regular Session at 9:25 a.m. and go into a work session to receive the Medical Examiner's Annual Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Dave Hemze
County Administrator

ATTEST:


County Administrator


Chair