COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 2, 2023

Location: St. Louis

St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota

Present:

Commissioners Harala, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson, Jugovich and Chair Boyle

Absent:

None

Convened:

Chair Boyle called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Musolf/Jugovich moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed. (7-0)

• Minutes of April 25, 2023

- Acquisition of Right-of-Way Replacement of County Bridge #412 over Breda Creek (Fairbanks Township) [23-196]
- Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land Ray (Non-homestead) [23-197]
- Public Sale of Shoreland Lease Lots [23-198]

Public Works & Transportation Committee

Musolf/Harala moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Purchasing Division to enter into contract with EnviroTech Services, Inc. of Greeley, CO, for 900,000 gallons of 38% liquid calcium chloride delivered and applied for the bid price of \$1.25 per gallon with a total cost of \$1,125,000 plus \$100,000 for alternates, for a total cost of \$1,225,00.00. [23-199]. The motion passed. (7-0)

Jugovich/Nelson moved to award a bid to Ulland Brothers, Inc., Cloquet, MN, in the amount of \$143,111 for project CP 0093 717442 (Low); CP 0329-480248 (Tied): Scrub Seal, located on County State Aid Highway 93 between 670' N of County Road (CR) 397 and 3,190' S of CR 328; and on CR 329 between 185' N of CR 382 and 740' S of Trunk Highway 37. [23-200]. The motion passed. (7-0)

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee

Grimm/Boyle moved that the St. Louis County Board reappoints Kenneth Butler to the County's Civil Service Commission as a full member for a three-year term ending May 6, 2026; and further, authorizes the County Auditor to advertise and accept applications until May 19, 2023, or until filled, for a vacant full member position on the Civil Service Commission. [23-201]. The motion passed. (7-0)

McDonald/Nelson moved that the St. Louis County Board appoints Ross Petersen to its Planning Commission for the remainder of a term ending December 31, 2024. [23-202]. Commissioner Nelson noted that this position fills the vacancy created by Roger Skraba being elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives and asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Representative Skraba for his years of service on the Planning Commission. Commissioner Grimm asked County Attorney Kim Maki if this

request should be made as an amendment to the motion. Attorney Maki responded that she did not believe the request required an amendment to the resolution. County Administrator Kevin Gray commented that he believes a letter was previously sent to Representative Skraba. After further discussion, the motion passed. (7-0)

McDonald/Jugovich moved that the St. Louis County Board appoints Andrea Zupancich to its Board of Adjustment as an alternate member for the remainder of a term ending December 31, 2024. [23-203]. The motion passed. (7-0)

Harala/Nelson moved that the St. Louis County Board appoints Paul Fish, Susan Sauls, and Mary Shaw to the St. Louis County Cooperative Extension Committee with terms ending December 31, 2025. [23-204]. The motion passed. (7-0)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Jugovich urged residents to be patient with road and pothole repair; it has been difficult to start road work due to the spring thaw and moisture.

Commissioner McDonald noted that several ATV groups are having spring rides to clean up trails and encouraged everyone to be safe.

Commissioner Nelson commented that Congressman Pete Stauber will be hosting a group of seven U.S. Congressional leaders today at 1:30 p.m. in Mountain Iron to listen to concerns and see the community.

Commissioner Boyle noted that there are three more weeks left in the Minnesota legislative session.

At 10:19 a.m., Commissioner Harala, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed. (7-0)

Patrick Boyle, Chair of the County Board

Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board