

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NOBLES COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

The Board of Commissioners of Nobles County met in regular session on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at the Government Center, in the Commissioner’s Board Room, Worthington, Minnesota. The following Commissioners attended: Robert S. Demuth, Justin Ahlers, Gene Metz, Bob Paplow and Chris Dybevic.

Chairman Demuth called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>1.0 Call To Order</b>	
<b>2.0 Pledge of Allegiance</b>	
<b>3.0 Approval of Agenda</b>	
<b>VOTING</b>	
It was duly passed to approve the agenda with the removal of item 6.3 and the addition of item 7.2. Motion by: Ahlers, Justin Seconded by: Paplow, Bob	
<b>4.0 Recognition</b>	
<b>4.1 Visitors and Guests Welcome</b>	
<b>4.2 Retirement Recognition</b>	
Verle Prinzing, Custodian II, was recognized as he retired after 43 years of service.	
<b>5.0 Consent Agenda</b>	
5.1 (A)	<b>March 07, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes Draft</b> <b>Attachments:</b> March 07, 2023 Draft Minutes
5.2	<b>Meetings and Conferences – Travel Expenses</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Expenses paid March 10, 2023
5.3 (A)	<b>Auditor’s &amp; Commissioner’s Warrants</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Accounts Payable Summary Auditor’s Warrants
5.3 (B)	<b>Auditor’s &amp; Commissioner’s Warrants – Vendors paid over \$2,000</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Auditor’s Warrants
5.4	<b>GASB 75 2022 Actuarial Service Contract</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Nyhart Agreement
5.5	<b>Central Services Cost Allocation Plan</b> <b>Attachments:</b> GMG Letter
<b>VOTING</b>	
It was duly passed to approve the consent agenda as presented. Moved by: Metz, Gene Seconded by: Demuth, Robert S.	
<b>6.0 Department Presentations</b>	

6.1 (A)	<b>Adoption of the Des Moines River Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan (2023-2032)</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Resolution 202307
The Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) approved the Des Moines River Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan on March 13, 2023. Nobles County will need to sign this resolution in order to adopt the Des Moines River Watershed Comprehensive Management Plan. Then implementation of the plan can begin for the areas identified in Nobles County. The Des Moines River Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan is for years 2023 – 2032. Mark Koster was available for any questions.	

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to approve resolution 202307 to adopt the Des Moines River Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan.

Moved by: Ahlers, Justin

Seconded by: Metz, Gene

6.2 (A) **Year End Reports for 2022**

**Attachments:**

Unpaid Taxes and Special Assessments as of 12/31/2022

Taxes Delinquent as of 1/1/23

Auditor-Treasurer Report of Annual Tax Delinquency

Cash Investments and Balances

Cash and Investments Collateral Report as of 12/31/2022

Joyce Jacobs and Cathy Roos from the Auditors-Treasurers office presented 2022 year end reports. The board heard and asked questions regarding each report. The Cash Investments and Balances and Cash and Investments Collateral Report as of 12/31/2022 need to be approved by the board.

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to approve Cash Investments and Balances.

Moved by: Ahlers, Justin

Seconded by: Paplow, Bob

It was duly passed to approve the Cash and Investments Collateral Report as of 12/31/2022.

Moved by: Metz, Gene

Seconded by: Dybevick, Chris

**7.0 Administration Presentation**

7.1 **National Opioid Settlements**

**Attachments:**

Resolution 202306

Nobles County is already participating in nationwide opioid-settlement agreements under the direction of the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC). Settlements are all being coordinated with Association of Minnesota Cities, Metro Cities, and the State Attorney General’s Office. Nobles County’s Board of Commissioners have already consented to participate by resolution (202166). AMC staff are now requesting an updated resolution to participate with future settlements. If the Board finds that Resolution 202306 is deemed appropriate to adopt, Administrator Bruce Heitkamp will be authorized to sign the National Agreement and the amended Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the county before the April 18, 2023 deadline.

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to approve resolution 202306.

Moved by: Dybevick, Chris

Seconded by: Paplow, Bob

7.2 **Recorders Compliance Fund**

The Recorders office is requesting to buy new books. The board and the Land Integration Committee need to approve any spending from the Recorders Compliance Fund. The request is not to exceed \$3,000.

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to approve a maximum of \$3,000 to be spent from the Recorders Compliance Fund.

Moved by: Ahlers, Justin

Seconded by: Demuth, Robert S.

**8.0 Inter-Agency Reports / Announcements**

8.1 **Committee and Board Reports**

Attorney – Joe Sanow – No Report.

District I – Commissioner Ahlers – No Report.

District III – Commissioner Paplow – No Report.

District II – Commissioner Metz – Reported on Township meetings where road maintenance was a big discussion. Also discussed local ambulances and lack of staff.

District V – Commissioner Dybevic – Reported on the PIC/DEED meeting he attended.

District IV – Commissioner Demuth – Discussed the radio interviews and setting a firm schedule.

Administration – Reported on the rural childcare program, attending the Legion meeting where County Government Day was discussed, the short term crisis center and possible names and the generator project being out for bids.

8.2	<b>Correspondence</b> <b>Attachments:</b> Recruitment Memo Estimated Nobles County Wind Taxes 2032 Nobles County Art Center Board Meeting Minutes Nobles SWCD Meeting Minutes 2/15/23 Nobles SWCD Bills Payable HLWD Meeting Agenda 3/15/23 Nobles SWCD Meeting Agenda 3/15/23
8.3	<b>Calendar</b> <b>Attachments:</b> March 2023 April 2023
9.0	<b>Other / Future Business</b>
<b>Work Session</b> – Wednesday March 29, 2023 8:30 a.m. Government Center Board Room, Worthington, MN	
<b>Board Meeting</b> – Tuesday April 04, 2023 9:00 a.m. Government Center Board Room, Worthington, MN	
<b>10.0 Adjournment</b> It was duly passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 a.m. Moved by: Paplow, Bob Seconded by: Metz, Gene	



Nobles County Board Chair



Nobles County Administrator