

The Anoka County Board of Commissioners held a regularly scheduled board meeting in Room #705 of the Anoka County Government Center. All members of the board were present. However, due to the applicable Governor's Emergency Executive Orders, and a determination by the board chair that public attendance was not feasible due to the health pandemic, there were no members of the public in the board room where this meeting was held. Notice of this meeting included that monitoring of this meeting by the public could be done through audio streaming over the internet or by telephone. Public monitoring in this manner was done pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.021.

ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Government Center
Anoka, Minnesota

January 5, 2021

Chair Schulte called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and called for participation in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:	District #1	Matt Look
	District #2	Julie Braastad
	District #3	Robyn West
	District #4	Mandy Meisner
	District #5	Mike Gamache
	District #6	Jeff Reinert
	District #7	Scott Schulte

Others Present: Rhonda Sivarajah, County Administrator; Tony Palumbo, County Attorney; and staff

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Commissioner Braastad made motion granting reductions of valuation and/or abatements of taxes, special assessments, costs, penalties and/or interest as requested and approved by the county assessor, county auditor and/or county treasurer. (A full text of persons receiving tax abatements is on file and available for public inspection in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner Meisner seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Look made motion accepting the regular claims paid over \$500 for the period ending December 18, 2020, and purchase-card claims paid for the period ending December 18, 2020. (Claims are on file in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner Meisner seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Braastad made motion approving the minutes from the December 15, 2020, county board meeting, and December 22, 2020, emergency county board meeting. Commissioner Reinert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chair Schulte thanked County Board Coordinator Teresa Swoyer for her work on the county board committee assignments for the statutory and organizational board meeting and her dedication to Anoka County.

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Commissioner West presented the Management Committee report from the meeting of December 15, 2020.

1. Commissioner Reinert made motion approving the following personnel transaction:

A. New Position – Administration/Information Technology – effective January 11, 2021.
PC#2020003373

1.0 FTE Systems Project Leader – Grade C013, range \$25.68 to \$42.61 per hour.

NOTE: Position is contingent on retirement of an IT Systems Project Lead Position (PC#1992000361) effective January 26, 2021. PC#2020003373 to be eliminated.

Commissioner Gamache seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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The following item came forward on an additional agenda, as recommended by the Management Committee:

Commissioners Braastad and West offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION #2021-9

**APPROVING THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF ANOKA AND
LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES, INC.
REPRESENTING THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE LICENSED SUPERVISORS
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021
(CONTRACT #C0008374)**

WHEREAS, representatives of Anoka County and representatives of Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., representing the licensed supervisors bargaining unit of the Anoka County Sheriff’s Office, have negotiated a one-year labor agreement for the term January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the attached document (Exhibit A) summarizes the substantive agreement between the parties:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby approve the tentative agreement and that the chief negotiator for the Anoka County board is authorized and directed to prepare contract documents incorporating this tentative agreement and further, that upon receipt of the three original contracts executed by the Union, the Anoka County board chair, county administrator, director of Employee Relations, labor negotiator and other appropriate individuals be authorized and directed to execute the original contracts.

(Exhibit A is on file in the Administration Office. The contract is on file in the Employee Relations Office.)

Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Resolution declared adopted.

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Commissioner Braastad made motion approving Contract #C0008375, Employment Agreement Between Shane P. Sheets and the County of Anoka for Services as Director of the Medical Examiner’s Office effective January 16, 2021, subject to review by the county attorney as to form and legality. (Contract is on file in the Employee Relations Office.) Commissioner West seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Chair Schulte provided a summary of the county administrator’s performance evaluation, which was discussed by the board at a closed meeting on December 15, 2020. Commissioner Meisner stated that she had advocated for and appreciates that staff are able to give input anonymously in this process. Commissioner Meisner also stated that County Administrator Sivarajah did very well in her performance overall and was open to working on areas of improvement.

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The county board meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

**COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

ATTEST:

By: _____
Rhonda Sivarajah
County Administrator

By: _____
Scott Schulte, its Chair

Motion carried means all commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively unless otherwise noted.