

*The Anoka County Board of Commissioners held a regularly scheduled board meeting in Room #705 of the Anoka County Government Center. 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

March 9, 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 #5	Mike Gamache
	District #6	Jeff Reinert
	District #7	Scott Schulte

Present Via WebEx:	District #4	Mandy Meisner
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Others Present: Rhonda Sivarajah, County Administrator; Marcy Crain, Chief Deputy 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 West 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 February 26, 2021, and purchase-card claims paid for the period ending February 26, 2021. (Claims are on file in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner Reinert seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner West made motion approving the minutes from the February 23, 2021, Anoka County board meeting. Commissioner Gamache seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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The 2020 Midwest Medical Examiner's Office Annual Report was reviewed. (The report is on file in the County Administration Office.)

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The 2020 Metropolitan Mosquito Control District Annual Report was reviewed. (The report is on file in the County Administration Office.)

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Chair Schulte stated that Anoka County Public Health is offering a limited supply of COVID-19 vaccines for residents age 65 and over. The vaccines will be administered at vaccination clinics, and residents can sign up for the random selection process by visiting [www.anokacounty.us/CovidVaccWaitlist](http://www.anokacounty.us/CovidVaccWaitlist).

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Commissioner West presented the Management Committee report from the meeting of February 23, 2021. All items were of an informational nature and required no board action.

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Commissioner Schulte presented the Transportation Committee report from the meeting of March 1, 2021.

**Highway**

1. Commissioners Gamache and Reinert offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2021-31**

**FOR AGREEMENT NO. 1036844  
WITH THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CSAH 11 (FOLEY BOULEVARD) BETWEEN  
CSAH 1 (EAST RIVER ROAD) AND CR 3 (COON RAPIDS BOULEVARD)  
IN THE CITY OF COON RAPIDS  
(CONTRACT #C0008457)**

WHEREAS, Anoka County enters into MnDOT Agreement No. 1036844 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County, the State's share of the costs of the grading, bituminous and concrete surfacing, ADA improvements, drainage, retaining walls, traffic signals, lighting, Bridge No. 02584 construction, and other associated construction upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway 610 (Control Section No. 0217) at CSAH 1 (East River Road), according to County-prepared plans, specifications, and special provisions designated by the County and the State as Project No. 002-611-036 and No. 114-020-055, respectively.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby authorize and direct the Chair of the Anoka County Board and the County Administrator to execute the agreement and any amendments to the agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation as provided for herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the State Commissioner of Transportation.

(Contract on file in the Transportation Department.)

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

2. Commissioner West made motion approving entering into Contract #C0008313, Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Blaine for Project SAP 002-612-020, to begin preliminary engineering, corridor layout development, environmental documentation and final design for improvements on TH 65 from 97th Avenue to 117th Avenue/Cloud Drive in the city of Blaine, subject to review by the county attorney as to form and legality. (Contract on file in the Transportation Department.) Commissioner Braastad seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Braastad presented the Intergovernmental and Community Relations Committee Chair report.

1. Commissioner Braastad offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2021-32**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATED GIFTS  
FOR ANOKA COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES**

WHEREAS, various organizations in and around the County of Anoka have provided donations to the Anoka County Veteran Services; and,

WHEREAS, the following organizations have donated the specified sum to the Anoka County Veteran Services as follows:

Fridley American Legion Auxiliary	\$500
Coon Rapids VFW Auxiliary	\$100
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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute § 465.03 requires a county to accept the gift by resolution expressed in terms prescribed by the donor in full; and,

WHEREAS, acceptance of the funds in accordance with the donor's terms is in the best interest of the County of Anoka:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby accept the above-described gifts from said organizations in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to the Fridley American Legion Auxiliary and the Coon Rapids VFW Auxiliary.

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

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Commissioner Gamache presented the Parks Committee report from the meeting of March 2, 2021.

1. Commissioner Gamache made motion authorizing a second amendment to Contract# C0005976, State Agreement #SG-05723 with the Metropolitan Council for Natural Resource Management in the amount of \$234,000 that extends the expiration date six months to December 31, 2021, subject to review by the county attorney as to form and legality. (Contract is on file in the Parks Department.) Commissioner West seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Braastad offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2021-33**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFT FROM THE  
COON LAKE COMMUNITY AND SENIOR CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Coon Lake Community & Senior Center donated a gift of \$500 to the Anoka County Parks Department; and,

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat 465.03 requires the county to accept gifts by resolution expressed in terms prescribed by the donor:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby accept the gift of money from the Coon Lake Community & Senior Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners hereby wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to the Coon Lake Community & Senior Center for its generous and valued donation to the Parks Department.

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

3. Commissioner Braastad offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2021-34**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFT FROM THE  
COON LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Coon Lake Improvement District donated a gift of \$1,000 to the Anoka County Parks Department; and,

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat 465.03 requires the county to accept gifts by resolution expressed in terms prescribed by the donor:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby accept the gift of money from the Coon Lake Improvement District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners hereby wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to the Coon Lake Improvement District for its generous and valued donation to the Parks Department.

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

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The county board meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

ATTEST:

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

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rhonda Sivarajah  
County Administrator

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Schulte, its Chair

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