

**CHISAGO COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
Wednesday, October 04, 2023**

The Chisago County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 04, 2023 at the Chisago County Government Center with the following Commissioners present: Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg. Also present: County Administrator Chase Burnham, Clerk of the Board Christina Vollrath, and County Attorney Janet Reiter.

Chair Montzka called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Greene offered a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Dunne. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg. **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Dahlberg, the board moved to open the Health and Human Services Committee of the Whole at 6:38 p.m. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

Chair Montzka gave the gavel to Vice-Chair Dunne.

Health and Human Services Director Robert Benson provided the department updates. *No action was taken.*

On motion by Greene, seconded by Swenson, the Board moved to add items 1-4 to the Consent Agenda. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Montzka, the board moved to close the HHS Committee Board of the Whole at 6:50 p.m. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Swenson, seconded by Greene, the Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg. **OPPOSED:** None.

Board of Commissioners' Consent Agenda:

- 1.) HHS Committee Recommendation – Directors Update
- 2.) HHS Committee Recommendation – Payment of County's Warrants for HHS
- 3.) HHS Committee Recommendation – Home and Community-Based Waiver Services
- 4.) HHS Committee Recommendation – AXON Enterprise Payment Invoice

- 5.) Payment of County's Warrants and Miscellaneous Bills
Per Minnesota Statutes 375.1, proceedings of the County Board including a list of itemized accounts, claims or demands must be published in the official newspaper. The itemized list of claims is available for public review on the County website at <https://www.chisagocounty.us/1197/Claims-Paid>. Claims less than \$2,000 are listed as a total dollar amount and notes the number of claims included in the total.
- 6.) Minutes from the September 20, 2023, Regular Meeting
- 7.) Amended Minutes from September 6, 2023, Regular Meeting
- 8.) Recognition of County Staff October Anniversaries
- 9.) Credit Card and Increase in Limits for Auditor-Treasurer's Office
- 10.) Application for Exempt Permit – NWTF – Long Spurs of Sunrise River

RESOLUTION NO: 23/1004-01

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR EXEMPT GAMBLING PERMIT FOR NWTF – LONG SPURS OF SUNRISE RIVER

WHEREAS, the Chisago County Board of Commissioners has been presented with a request for lawful gambling within Chisago County; and

WHEREAS, the application was complete, included all necessary documentation, appears in accordance with County Policies and the facility owners are in good standing with the County;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chisago County Board of Commissioners hereby approves and authorizes submission to the Minnesota Gambling Control Board an application for an exempt gambling permit for the NWTF – Long Spurs of Sunrise River to conduct a raffle and have a paddleboard on February 10, 2024, at the Lent Town Hall in Stacy, MN, located at 33155 Hemingway Ave, Stacy, MN 55079.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Dunne, the Board moved to approve the MnDOT Amendment Number 1. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Dunne, seconded by Montzka, the Board moved to authorize the DES Director issue any required P.O.'s and sign any associated paperwork to proceed with the Chisago County facilities concrete repair project with funding from fund balance. The motion **failed** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Dunne, Montzka **OPPOSED:** Swenson, Greene, Dahlberg

On motion by Greene, seconded by Dahlberg, the Board moved to authorize the DES Director issue any required P.O.'s and sign any associated paperwork to proceed with the Chisago County facilities concrete repair project and determine funding source at the next Budget and Finance Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

CITIZENS FORUM

TIME – 7:07 p.m. **END TIME** – 7:15 p.m.

of SPEAKERS – 1

On motion by Dahlberg, seconded by Greene, the Board moved to recognize the Lives and Legacies of former Commissioners Loren Jennings and Jim Thorn. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

On motion by Greene, seconded by Dunne, the Board moved to approve the attached Proclamation, which proclaims October 2023 as Manufacturers Month in Chisago County. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

RESOLUTION NO: 23/1004-02
PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023 AS
“MANUFACTURER’S MONTH” IN CHISAGO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the manufacturing industry is a dynamic part of Chisago County and Minnesota’s economy, and promotion of this sector’s strength, success, and high quality of life is an integral part of Chisago County’s economic development strategy; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing provides high skill, high wage jobs which significantly contribute to Minnesota’s high standard of living and economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 there are 89 manufacturing businesses in Chisago County employing 2,453 with total wages of over \$143 million being the second largest total payroll among business sectors in Chisago County; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing jobs in Chisago County account for 16% of all private sector employment within the county; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing has the second largest total payroll among business sectors in Minnesota, providing almost \$25 billion in wages in 2022; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing produces \$63.7 billion for the state economy in 2022 and is the largest share, 14 percent of our gross domestic product; and

WHEREAS, manufactured exports brought over \$23.5 billion into the Minnesota economy in 2022.

Now, therefore, I, Ben Montzka, Chair of the Chisago County Board, do hereby proclaim that, the month of October 2023 shall be as observed as:

CHISAGO COUNTY, MINNESOTA MANUFACTURER’S MONTH

in the County of Chisago on this fourth day of October, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

County Administrator Chase Burnham provided administrator updates and correspondence. *No action was taken.*

Several Commissioners offered reports of their respective committee assignments. *No action was taken.*

On motion by Swenson, seconded by Dunne, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m. The motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Swenson, Greene, Dunne, Montzka, Dahlberg **OPPOSED:** None.

Ben Montzka, Chair

Attest: _____
Christina Vollrath
Clerk of the Board