



AGENDA
PINE COUNTY BOARD REGULAR MEETING

District 1	Commissioner Hallan
District 2	Commissioner Mohr
District 3	Commissioner Lovgren
District 4	Commissioner Waldhalm
District 5	Commissioner Ludwig

Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

North Pine Government Center

1602 Hwy. 23 No.

Sandstone, Minnesota

- **The Meeting Will be In Person and Via WebEx (video / phone conference) and streamed live on the internet.**
- **Not more than two county commissioners will be present in the meeting room.**
- **The public may join the meeting via WebEx, in person at the meeting room, or watch the livestream.**
- **If joining the meeting in person, the total number of persons (including commissioners) cannot exceed 10 and social distancing of at least 6 feet will be in effect.**

The Governor of the State of Minnesota has issued Executive Order 20-01 Declaring a Peacetime Emergency and Coordinating Minnesota’s Strategy to Protect Minnesotans from COVID-19. On March 24, 2020 the Pine County Board of Commissioners declared a local emergency for Pine County.

Based on these conditions, the Chair of the Pine County Board of Commissioners has determined that the requirements of Minnesota Statute 13D.021, Subd. (1) have been met and it is not practical or prudent for all members of the county board to meet in person.

The public is invited to join the meeting in person or remotely: by phone call 1-650-215-5226, (access code): 181 011 1126, (password): PpUejJgV632. Click the link on the county website (www.co.pine.mn.us) for more information and to watch a live stream broadcast of the meeting.

- A) Call meeting to order
- B) Pledge of Allegiance
- C) Public Forum. Members of the public are invited to speak. After being recognized by the Chair, each speaker should state his/her name and limit comments to three (3) minutes.
- D) Adopt Agenda
- E) Approve Minutes
Approve Minutes of March 16, 2021 County Board Meeting and Summary for publication.
- F) Minutes of Boards, Reports and Correspondence
Pine County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) Senior Housing Board of Directors Minutes – February 24, 2021
Pine County Chemical Health Coalition Minutes – March 8, 2021
Pine County Land Surveyor Monthly Report – March, 2021
MN Department of Human Services Internal Audits Office correspondence – March 5, 2021

G) Approve Consent Items

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda is voted on without any discussion. Any commissioner may request an item be removed and added to the regular agenda.

1. **Applications**

A. **Abatement**

Consider approval of abatement application for Darin & Heidi Holmgren for parcels 33.0586.000 and 33.0578.000 for 2019.

2. **Memorandum of Understanding with District Court**

Consider approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the 10th Judicial District, State of Minnesota to appoint LuAnn Blegen, Court Operations Analyst, as Project Manager on behalf of the district court, and authorize Board Chair and County Administrator to sign.

3. **Donations**

Consider acceptance of:

A. \$2,000 donation from Jens H. Jensen Post 243 for the Veterans van maintenance and operation expenses.

4. **Septic Fix-Up Special Assessments**

Consider approval of Resolution 2021-23 extending special assessments as follow:

Michael Winters, PID 28.0524.003, \$19,900, 20 years, 3% interest

Glen McDowell, PID 30.0354.004, \$14,500, 15 years, 3% interest

James & Donna Westman, PID 43.0595.001, \$20,225, 20 years, 3% interest

Authorize Board Chair and County Administrator to sign.

5. **Appointment to Northeast Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board and Radio Advisory Committee**

Consider appointment of Chief Deputy-Designee Scott Grice as the 2021 alternate representative to the Northeast Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board and Northeast Minnesota Regional Advisory Committee, effective May 24, 2021.

6. **Grant Agreement for Minnesota Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Communications Networks (DECN) Telephone Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation**

Consider acknowledgement of an award of \$3,948 grant to train all dispatchers as emergency medical dispatchers. There is no match requirement.

7. **2021 Timber Auction**

Consider approval of the timber auction tracts and the general terms and conditions of the sale. Timber auction scheduled for May 12, 2021, 10:00 a.m., 1610 Hwy. 23 No., Sandstone. Seven parcels to be offered, estimated 5,745 cords at an appraised value of \$144,000.

8. **Personnel / Internal Transfer / Promotion**

A. Consider approval of the lateral transfer of Social Worker Tally Staber to Case Management, Adult Services Unit, effective April 12, 2021. Current wage remains unchanged.

B. Consider approval of the promotion of Jessica Sonstebly to full-time Zoning and Solid Waste Technician, \$21.04 per hour, grade 7.

9. **Training**

- A. Consider authorizing Social Worker Cassie Peterson to attend the virtual 25th Annual Child and Adolescent Mental Health Conference, April 19-20, 2021. Registration: \$180. Funds are available in the 2021 Health & Human Services budget.
- B. Consider authorizing Planning and Zoning staff to attend the following training/total cost \$4,295. Funds are available in the 2021 Zoning Department budget.
- i. Soils Continuing Education/June 10, 2021 – Pelican Rapids (Caleb Anderson)
Registration/\$225, Meals/\$20, Mileage/\$200
 - ii. General Continuing Education/April 26, 2021 – Mankato (Caleb Anderson)
Registration/\$195, Meals/\$20, Mileage/\$200
 - iii. General Continuing Education - online (Lukas Olson)
Registration/\$115
 - iv. General Continuing Education/April 27, 2021 – Mankato (Lukas Olson)
Registration/\$115, Meals/\$20
 - v. Soils Continuing Education/date & location to be determined (Lukas Olson)
Registration/\$255, Meals/\$20, Mileage/\$200
 - vi. Basic Design/date & location to be determined (Jessica Sonstebly)
Registration/\$495, Lodging/\$500, Mileage/\$200
 - vii. Soils Pre-Certification/date & location to be determined (Jessica Sonstebly)
Registration/\$340, Lodging/\$260, Mileage/\$200
 - viii. Inspecting Onsite Systems/date & location to be determined (Jessica Sonstebly)
Registration/\$310, Lodging/\$200, Mileage/\$175

REGULAR

1. **Ordinance 2020-63 – Slow-No Wake Boating**

- A. Presentation of the ordinance
B. County Board questions and discussion
C. Consider adoption of Ordinance 2020-63 regulating boat wakes on Cross and Pokegama lakes and the Snake River.

2. **Technology Committee Report (Minutes attached)**

The Technology Committee met March 23, 2021.

A. **Dispatch Center Phone Maintenance and Equipment Agreements**

Consider approval of the dispatch center phone Equipment Purchase Agreement and Maintenance Agreement. The E911 Fund has funds reserved for equipment upgrade/\$86,960.82 and a 3-year maintenance agreement/\$23,539.65. Authorize Board Chair and County Administrator to sign.

3. **Special Committee Report – 2nd Amendment Committee**

Consider approval of Resolution 2021-25 supporting the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution. Authorize all Pine County Board of Commissioners and County Administrator to sign.

4. **Mille Lacs Band Corporate Ventures Fiber Optic Project**

Presentation by Dustin Goslin, VP of Business & Economic Development and Beth Gruber, Director of Organizational Effectives.

5. **Dependent Care Flex Spending Increase for 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) includes a provision to allow employers to increase the pretax contribution limit for dependent care flexible spending accounts for calendar year 2021. Consider approval to increase the 2021 annual dependent care flex spending limit to \$10,500,

up from \$5,000 for single taxpayers and married couples filing jointly and up to \$5,250 for married individuals filing separately.

6. **Shoreland Management Ordinance Amendments**

Discussion and direction from the county board on proposed amendments to the shoreland management ordinance.

7. **Legislative Update**

8. **Commissioner Updates**

New Commissioner Training

CBR: Accelerate Program

Arrowhead Counties Association

Snake River Watershed Management Board – Cancelled

Snake River Watershed Policy Committee – Cancelled

Tel. Conf. w/Senator Smith’s Office

Workfast Auto Tech Graduation

Lower St. Croix Policy Committee

MN Rural Broadband Legislative Day

NLX – Cancelled

Township Officers’ meeting

Other

9. **Other**

10. **Upcoming Meetings (Subject to Change)—All meetings to be conducted remotely unless otherwise indicated. Contact the organization hosting the meeting for call-in information.**

- a. Pine County Board of Commissioners, Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 10:00 a.m., 1602 Hwy. 23 No., Sandstone, Minnesota
- b. Facilities Committee, Wednesday, April 7, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
- c. Soil & Water Conservation District, Wednesday, April 7, 2021, 3:00 p.m. (rescheduled from April 14th)
- d. Pine County Law Library, Thursday, April 8, 2021, 12:00 p.m.
- e. CBR: Accelerate Program/Cohort Meeting, Friday, April 9, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
- f. East Central Solid Waste Commission, Monday, April 12, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
- g. Personnel Committee, Monday, April 12, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
- h. East Central Regional Library Trustee Board, Monday, April 12, 2021, 10:00 a.m.
- i. MN Rural Counties, Monday, April 12, 2021, 10:00 a.m.
- j. Chemical Health Coalition, Monday, April 12, 2021, 4:00 p.m.
- k. Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 10:00 a.m.
- l. Northeast Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership, Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 10:00 a.m.
- m. Extension Committee, Thursday, April 15, 2021, 3:00 p.m.
- n. CBR: Accelerate Program/Cohort Meeting, Friday, April 16, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
- o. Lakes and Pines Community Action Council – Executive Committee, Monday, April 19, 2021, 10:00 a.m.
- p. Pine County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting, Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 10:00 a.m., 1602 Hwy. 23 No., Sandstone, Minnesota.

11. **Adjourn**