



AGENDA

PINE COUNTY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

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

SPECIAL MEETING

Strategic Planning

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Pine County Courthouse

635 Northridge Dr. NW, Pine City, Minnesota

Notice of Participation via Interactive Technology

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute §13D.02, Commissioner J.J. Waldhalm will attend the meeting via interactive technology. Commissioner Waldhalm will be seen and heard at the meeting via electronic means and will participate from 904 Calle Cruz Roja, Barrio Obrero, Arecibo PR, a location open and accessible to the public.

The public is invited to join the meeting in person or remotely: by phone call 1-312-626-6799 (access code): 961 0588 7517, (password): 5911400. 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.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Review/Approve Agenda
4. Review Progress on 2021 Commissioner Goals

5. Department Presentations

Each department will present Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats, review past accomplishments and current priorities. We are anticipating about 15 minutes for each presentation which should allow time for commissioner questions/discussion on items of interest.

- ProbationTerry Fawcett
- Human ResourcesJackie Koivisto
- Information TechnologyRyan Findell
- Health and Human Services.....Becky Foss
- County AttorneyReese Frederickson
- County SheriffJeff Nelson
- Auditor/TreasurerKelly Schroeder
- Highway / Public WorksMark LeBrun

Break for lunch at discretion of the Chair

6. County Board Discussion/Brainstorm
7. Identify and Rank Strategic Issues/Develop Goal Statements
8. COVID – 19 Update / Discussion
9. Adjourn

Status Update 2021 County Board Goals 1/7/22

Goal/Priority	Status
Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update provided as part of Economic Development Update
Increase Broadband Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update provided as part of Economic Development Update
County Attorney Office Workload	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed as part of budget process. No action taken due to budget.
Wetland Bank Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thus far, the county has not been successful in pursuing a wetland preservation project to generate wetland credits. Current direction is to continue to raise awareness with private landowners and connect them to resources.
Sales Tax for Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On August 17, 2021 the county board approved Resolution 2021-61 implementing a 0.5% sales tax starting January 1, 2022. The new sales tax collection will cease upon collection of \$17,400,000 or December 31, 2035, whichever occurs sooner. The board adopted a corresponding list of highway projects to be funded with the tax. 2021 collections through 10/31 are \$1,489,491 and total collections are \$6,127,023.
Sheriff's Office Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The county board has approved an additional Sergeant position and a "hire ahead" policy to reduce vacancies. The current authorized/funded staffing is: 4 sergeants; 6 investigators; 24 deputies plus the sheriff and chief deputy for a total of 36 POST-licensed positions.
Solid Waste/Dumping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant & bond funds for construction of HHW facility in Willow River. Construction anticipated Spring 2022. Sandstone facility has a 3-year MOA for 2022-2024.
Outdoor Recreation/Trails	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$650,000 bonding funds secured for 2024 construction. Continued work with DNR on final routing and design. Continued communication with MLCV for trail connection in Hinckley.
Re-Establish Local Government Officials Meetings (when possible)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action taken on the local government officials meeting Established periodic joint meetings with the four school districts.
2022 Levy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set 3.6% levy increase for 2022.
Pandemic Response/Lessons Learned/Organizational & Community Resilience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote work and additional flexibility have been incorporated. Video meetings have been "normalized" for many staff and external meetings. More robust electronic document management.