

**MINUTES
OF
PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET
Off Sale Liquor License Public Hearing and 2023 County Budget
August 30, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.
Pine County Courthouse, Pine City Minnesota**

Chair Steve Hallan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Josh Mohr, Terry Lovgren, JJ Waldhalm, and Matt Ludwig. Also present were County Administrator David Minke, County Auditor-Treasurer Kelly Schroeder, Health & Human Services Director Becky Foss, Sheriff Jeff Nelson, and Jail Administrator Rod Williamson.

Others Present: Pine County Soil & Water Conservation District Manager Paul Swanson

Chair Hallan asked for revisions to the agenda.

Agenda Item 5D – 2023 Pine County Historical Society/Museum budget presentation, removed from the agenda and to be rescheduled.

Motion by Commissioner Ludwig to approve the amended agenda. Second by Commissioner Waldhalm. Motion carried 5-0.

1. Off Sale Liquor License Public Hearing (to commence at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as practicable)

Two liquor licenses were renewed by the county board on August 2, 2022. The state of Minnesota determined that, although they were renewals, a public hearing was required.

Chair Hallan opened the public hearing at 9:05 a.m. and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Chair Hallan closed the public hearing at 9:06 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Lovgren reaffirming the approval of the off-sale portion of the liquor licenses for Floppie Crappie Lakeside Pub, 10762 Lakeview Shore Dr., Pine City, and Wings North, 19379 Homestead Rd., Pine City, as approved August 2, 2022.

Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0.

2. The county board received presentations as to department budget status and requests from the following:

A. Soil & Water Conservation DistrictDistrict Manager Paul Swanson

- ❖ Requesting \$69,000 of county funding, an increase of \$5,000. The request also includes the pass through of the Wet Land Conservation Act funds and water planning grant.

B. Veterans and Health & Human ServicesHHS Director Becky Foss

Veterans Service Office

- ❖ Veterans – requesting an increase of \$9,002 (from \$154,018 to \$163,020). The request is to change from 1.5 VSO FTE to 2.0 VSO FTE. The 1/3 case aid position would be removed from the budget.

Health & Human Services

- ❖ Income Maintenance \$61,625 increase requested
 - No change in staffing
- ❖ Social Services \$122,474 increase requested
 - Terminated Ucare contract (One FTE to .5 FTE due to termed contract)
- ❖ Public Health..... \$80,000 increase requested
 - No change in staffing

- Plan on using MIECHV funds to cover eligible expenses in budget

Total Funds necessary to balance HHS budget: \$264,099

C. COVID Relief Fund/ARPA FundsCounty Administrator David Minke
.Auditor-Treasurer Kelly Schroeder

- ❖ \$210,039 of Not Obligated/Spent ARPA funds available.

D. Pine County Historical Society / Museum

- ❖ Removed from agenda and to be rescheduled.

E. Sheriff's Office – JailJail Administrator Rod Williamson

- ❖ Jail Operations
 - Requesting an increase of \$286,000
- ❖ Court Security
 - No increase. Demand is down due to reduced court schedule.

Sheriff's OfficeSheriff Jeff Nelson

Operations. Requesting an increase of \$616,076.

The request includes addition of a lieutenant and additional deputy position
(commissioners requested a proposed organization chart with requested
positions inserted)

11 rifles for squads

Replacement of all Tasers through an annual service contract

Wellness program for deputies

State Boat & Water

Snowmobile Grant

ATV Grant

Gun Permits

Canine Unit\$5,000 increase requested

Gun Range\$5,000 increase requested

(commissioners requested additional information on proposed
improvements and timeframe for completion)

Federal Boat & Water

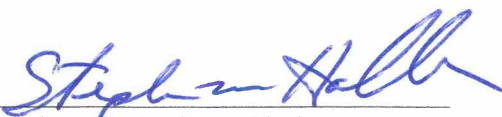
Drone.....\$5,000 increase requested

E911

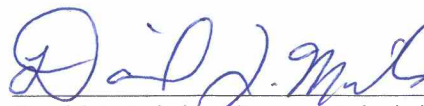
Civil Defense/Emergency Management

The next Regular Meeting/Special Meeting-Committee of the Whole (Budget) meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., Board Room, Courthouse, Pine City, Minnesota.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.



Stephen M. Hallan, Chair
Board of Commissioners



David J. Minke, County Administrator
Clerk to County Board