



MORRISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OFFICIAL MINUTES

JANUARY 3, 2023

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The meeting was held in the County Board Room, Government Center, Little Falls MN, and was called to order at 9:00a.m. by Matt LeBlanc, Clerk to the County Board.

Members present: Commissioners Randy Winscher, Greg Blaine, Mike LeMieur, Bobby Kasper and Jeffrey Jelinski.

Staff present: Matt LeBlanc, Tabitha Maher, Brad Vold, Tony Hennen, Jenny Sanders, Amy Kowalzek, Bobby Sanders, Shawn Larsen, Jason Worlie, Debbie Symanietz, Curt Bryniarski, Nicole Kern, Jean Popp, and Kris VonBerge.

Others present: Mark Slupe, Zach Hacker, Heidi Larsen, Izzy Larsen, Ellie Larsen, Sandy Larsen, Denny Larsen, Alice Middendorf, and Aprile Lack.

ELECTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN

The Clerk to the County Board called for nominations for the 2023 County Board Chairman. Commissioner Winscher nominated Commissioner Jelinski, and the Clerk to the Board called for nominations three times. A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Blaine and carried unanimously with all Commissioners voting 'aye', to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Jelinski to serve as the 2023 Board Chairman.

ELECTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Clerk to the County Board called for nominations for the 2023 County Board Vice-Chairman. Commissioner LeMieur nominated Commissioner Winscher, and the Clerk to the Board called for nominations three times. A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner LeMieur and carried unanimously with all Commissioners voting 'aye', to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Commissioner Winscher as the 2023 Vice-Chairman.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL RESOLUTIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Winscher and carried unanimously to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-001 Elected officials and Department Heads Travel Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Blaine and carried unanimously to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-002 Committee Attendance Payment for Citizens.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner LeMieur and carried unanimously to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-003 Public Meeting Notices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Winscher, seconded by Commissioner LeMieur and carried unanimously to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-004 Code of Conduct.

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Winscher and carried unanimously to approve Citizen/Staff Committee Appointments and County Board Appointments

A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner Winscher and carried unanimously to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-005 County Board Mileage Reimbursement.



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A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner LeMieur to approve the following Annual Resolution#2023-006 Setting the 2022 Salary of the County Attorney, Auditor/Treasurer, Recorder and Sheriff. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with all Commissioners voting 'aye'.

AGENDA CHANGES

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Winscher and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

BIDS FOR LEGAL PRINTING

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 375.12 require the annual letting of bids for publication of official proceedings of the County Board and similar statutes require the publication of delinquent tax lists, County Financial Statements and local transportation project bids and advertisements. The County received only one response to the bid request, from the Morrison County Record, the Administrator opened the bid and reported the response.

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Blaine to accept the Resolution#2023-007 bid for Legal Printing submitted by the Morrison County Record and the same is hereby designated by the Board and the County of Morrison and the State of Minnesota as the newspaper in which the official proceedings of said Board, shall be published. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with all Commissioners voting 'aye'. The Morrison County Record shall be designated for all legal printing for the county for the year 2023.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner LeMieur, seconded by Commissioner Winscher to approve consent agenda items on a roll call vote, with all Commissioners voting 'aye':

- Approve County Board Minutes 12.30
- Approve Warrants

JAN 5'23 COMMISSIONER WARRANTS	AMOUNT
ASSOCIATION OF MN COUNTIES	17,205.00
CENTRAL MN COUNCIL ON AGING	2,534.00
DLT SOLUTIONS	13,797.68
HOLIDAY STATION 216	2,000.00
INFORMATION SYSTEMS CORPORATION	41,757.00
MN COUNTIES COMPUTER COOP	80,879.09
MN TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE INC	3,595.00
SOURCEWELL	63,209.99
SYSCO WESTERN MN	3,027.61
39 VENDORS UNDER \$2,000.00	13,294.11
TOTAL PAID	241,299.48

- Approve 2023 Food License Renewal for Royal Blends

LAND SERVICES



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The County Board considered the Rezone application for Aprile Lack to rezone a parcel of land from Agriculture to Commercial for the purpose of a multi-use wellness business; located in Section 20 of Scandia Valley Township; per recommendation from the Morrison County Planning Commission to deny the application on December 27, 2022. A motion was made by Commissioner Winscher, seconded by Commissioner LeMieur to approve the denial of the rezone application. Motion failed 1-4 on a roll call vote with Commissioners Blaine, Jelinski, Wilson, and Winscher voting 'nay'.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner Winscher to approve the Resolution#2023-008 Rezone Application. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner LeMieur voting 'nay' to Administrator's Report.

ADMINISTRATION

Matt LeBlanc, County Administrator, recapped the County's options for the Auditor/Treasurer Position.

COUNTY BOARD REPORTS AND SCHEDULE

Members of the County Board reported on various meetings they have attended and on their upcoming schedule of meetings with various organizations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Blaine, seconded by Commissioner Winscher and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:15a.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk to the County Board



2023 Elected Officials

Oath of Office

Presiding - Honorable Judge Wetzel

County Commissioner District 1 – Mike LeMieur

County Commissioner District 2 – Jeffrey Jelinski

County Commissioner District 3 - Randy Winscher

County Commissioner District 4 – Robert Kasper

County Commissioner District 5 –Greg Blaine

County Attorney – Brian Middendorf

County Sheriff – Shawn Larsen

County Recorder – Jenny Sanders

**MORRISON COUNTY
ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS TRAVEL POLICY 2023
Resolution #2023-001**

WHEREAS, Morrison County realizes that it is necessary to keep up on new legislation, and other new policies that will improve the operations of Morrison County and,

WHEREAS, it is also necessary to continue training and education in order to be able to continue providing good services for the taxpayers of Morrison County.

THEREFORE, The Morrison County Board of Commissioners authorize, subject to budget restrictions, out of state travel for Elected Officials and Department Heads to attend the following:

- NACO Annual Conference
- NACO Annual Legislative Conference
- Washington D.C., when necessary to lobby for legislation affecting Morrison County, to protect the interest of the county
- Travel required when serving on a NACO approved committee
- Meetings in adjacent states
- Seminars directly related to the officials job duties

Morrison County will pay for reasonable travel costs to and from the approved site. All other costs will follow the established travel policy as listed in the Morrison County Personnel Policy and/or the applicable IRS Code.

The County Board will review any request other than those listed above and if there is not sufficient time prior to the next board meeting to review, then it will be reviewed by the chair and vice-chair and if appropriate they may authorize the necessary travel.

Adopted this 3rd day of January, 2023

STATE OF MINNESOTA }
COUNTY OF MORRISON }

I, Matt LeBlanc, County Administrator, Morrison County, Minnesota hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution of the County Board of said County with the original record thereof on file in the Administration Office of Morrison County in Little Falls, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said board at a meeting duly held on this 3rd day of January, 2023, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original record and of the whole thereof, and that said resolution was duly passed by said board at said meeting.

Commissioner	Yes	No	Abs	Mot	2nd
Jelinski	X				
Blaine	X				
Winscher	X				X
Kasper	X				
LeMieur	X			X	

Witness by hand and seal this 3rd day of January, 2023.



Matt LeBlanc, County Administrator

**MORRISON COUNTY
 COMMITTEE MEETING ATTENDANCE PAYMENT FOR CITIZENS
 RESOLUTION #2023 - 002**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Morrison County Board of Commissioners hereby establish the committee meeting attendance payment for all citizens appointed to serve on various committees designated to receive said payment as follows for 2023:

Morrison County Board of Adjustments/Planning Commission - \$300.00 per month
 All other County Board appointed committees (including the Morrison County Trails Committee)
 \$50.00 per meeting

No more than one payment will be made per day to any Committee member.


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**MORRISON COUNTY
PUBLIC MEETING NOTICES
RESOLUTION #2023 - 003**

WHEREAS, THE Morrison County Board of Commissioners, carrying out their functions during the year of 2023, will hold numerous and varied meetings to consider the business of Morrison County Government in various places in and about Morrison County; and

WHEREAS, it is the express intent of the Morrison County Board of Commissioners to hold such meetings in an open public forum; and

WHEREAS, it is the express intent of the Morrison County Board of Commissioners to provide notification of said meetings as prescribed by Minnesota Statute Chapter 13D,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Morrison County Board of Commissioners that the County bulletin board, which is located in the public entry of the new Government Center be hereby designated as the public place for notification of all regular County Board of Commissioners Meetings;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all regular meetings of the County Board shall, in so far possible, be held in the County Board Room, Government Center, Morrison County, Little Falls, Minnesota, on two Tuesdays of each month, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m., with agendas having been prepared and distributed in advance of the meetings declaring the location and the approximate time schedule for call to order, consideration of agenda items and approximate time of recess or adjournment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the date, time, place, and purpose of all regular and special meetings of the County Board shall be electronically mailed at least three days in advance of the meeting to all persons who file a written or electronic mail request for notification of meetings, said request to be in effect for one year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event of need for an emergency meeting of the County Board within less than three days, notification may be provided to all persons requesting notification by electronic – mail as soon as reasonably practical after notification of County Board Members, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all notifications of the various and sundry committees be electronically mailed to all persons who file a request for notification, said request to be in effect for one year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all persons requesting notification of regular or special County Board Meetings and their various and sundry committees designate an electronic mail address on their request to be used for this purpose,

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that all meetings, seminars, or conferences attended by the Morrison County Board of Commissioners are open meetings for any person to attend at their own expense.

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RESOLUTION 2023-004

**Code of Conduct
Morrison County Board of Commissioners**

WHEREAS, The Morrison County Board functions within the statutory framework of Minnesota law. General powers and responsibilities are found in Minnesota Statutes, especially but not exclusively Chapters 370, 373, 375. Minnesota Statutes supersedes all bylaws, rules and policies established by the Board.

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Morrison County Board to maintain a respectful work and public service environment free from violence, discrimination, harassment, and other offensive or degrading remarks or conduct.

WHEREAS, All members of the Morrison County Board of Commissioners shall act in a professional, respectful and lawful manner at all times while performing their duties and representing the organization.

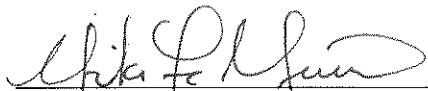
WHEREAS, The Morrison County Board of Commissioners will not tolerate disrespectful or unprofessional behavior towards constituents, members of the public, employees, or other Elected Officials.


WHEREAS, The following meeting conduct rules shall apply to all County Board meetings, Board appointed committee meetings, advisory meetings or any other interaction a Morrison County Commissioner may have with the each other, the public or employees:

1. Respect the dignity of all individuals.
2. Respect one another's facts, opinions and right to speak.
3. Refrain from using profane, threatening or abusive language.
4. Treat people with respect and dignity in all interactions related to County Government.
5. Allow citizens, staff or colleagues sufficient opportunity to present their views in a respectful, tolerant and attentive manner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, If a Morrison County Commissioner is made aware of another Commissioner's not behaving in a professional, respectful or lawful manner, it is their responsibility to bring the matter to the attention of the entire County Board to be addressed as deemed necessary.


Adopted this 3 day of January, 2023.

 Mike LeMieur, Morrison County Commissioner

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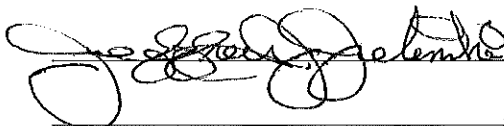
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RESOLUTION #2023 - 006
COUNTY BOARD MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375.055 allows for reimbursement for necessary expenses in performing the duties of the office as set by resolution of the County Board; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375.06 further explains the conditions reimbursement is allowed; and

WHEREAS; Minnesota Statute 375.163 allows for expenses of delegates to the Association of Minnesota Counties;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morrison County Board of Commissioners follows the following schedule for reimbursement for mileage at the current IRS rate:

Allowable Meetings for Expense Reimbursement:

1. County Board meetings
2. County Committee meetings (when assigned as the representative or alternate)
3. Joint Powers Boards (when assigned as the representatives or alternate)
4. Meetings of Local Governments (cities, townships, school districts)
5. Meetings of AMC, NACO, MCIT and other County Associations
6. Meetings designated and approved by the County Board
7. Court/hearing or other appearances as necessitated by law
8. Training Sessions
9. Canvassing Board
10. Board of Equalization
11. Meetings for County created agencies (ex. Lake Improvement Districts, HRA, Rich Prairie Sewer and Water District etc.)
12. Planning Commission site visits

Meetings Not Allowed for Expense Reimbursements:

1. Meetings with constituents
2. Meetings or events with non-profit or community groups not formally assigned by the County Board (ex. Township Recycling Days, Take Back the Night, etc.)
3. Meetings with staff, Elected Officials or Department Heads
4. Social or Community organization meetings (Kiwanis, Lions, etc.)
5. Parades or Community celebrations (towns days, County fair, etc)
6. Board of Adjustment meetings or site visits

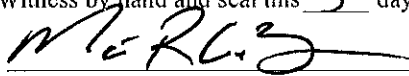
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Blaine	X			X	
Winscher	X				X
Kasper	X				
LeMieur	X				

Witness by hand and seal this 3 day of Jan.


 Matt LeBlanc
 County Administrator

RESOLUTION #2023 – 000
Setting the 2023 Salary of the
Morrison County Attorney, Recorder and Sheriff

WHEREAS, the Morrison County Board of Commissioners is statutorily required to annually set the salary of the Morrison County Attorney, the Morrison County Auditor-Treasurer, the Morrison County Recorder and the Morrison County Sheriff (hereinafter collectively referred to as the Elected Officials); and

WHEREAS, the Elected Officials will be compensated according to the Morrison County pay plan in order to promote a uniform compensation system for the Elected Officials and the appointed employees of Morrison County; and

WHEREAS, such placement promotes continuity and uniformity within the County compensation system as part of this initial placement, and

WHEREAS, the applicable statutes provided that the County Board may not reduce the salary of the Elected Officials during the term for which the individual was elected or appointed; and\

WHEREAS, the County Board has reviewed the statutory criteria; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has determined that the continued application of the County's pay plan provides a great savings to the citizens of Morrison County than would be provided by strict consideration of the Statutory Criteria:



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morrison County Board of Commissioners and Morrison County that the 2023 salary for the Elected Officials shall be establishes as follows:

County Attorney: Grade 43, Step 11 at the annual salary of \$151,153.60

County Recorder: Grade 32, Step 3 at the annual salary of \$77,542.40

County Sheriff: Grade 42, Step 11 at the annual salary of \$145,288.00

Adopted this 3rd day of January 2022.


Chairman

Matt LeBlanc, Administrator

**MORRISON COUNTY
LEGAL PRINTING
RESOLUTION #2023-007**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 375.12, require the annual letting of bids for publication of official proceedings of the County Board and similar statutes require the publication of delinquent tax lists and County Financial Statements, and local transportation project bid advertisements; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of Morrison County evaluated all bids received,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morrison County Record be and the same is hereby designated by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Morrison and State of Minnesota as the newspaper in which the official proceedings of said Board, the financial statements, and the list of real estate remaining delinquent in the County aforesaid shall be published, and that the Morrison County Record be designated for all legal printing for the County for the year 2023;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Morrison County Website be hereby designated as the official site for advertisements for bids on local transportation projects per Minnesota Statutes MS 331A.12.

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LeMieur	X			X	

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Matt LeBlanc, County Administrator

RESOLUTION 2023-008

WHEREAS, the Morrison County Planning Commission and the Morrison County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on December 27, 2022 to consider the rezone of a parcel from Agriculture to Commercial, located in Section 20, Township 132, Range 30, Scandia Valley Township, also known as parcel number 25.0045.001.

WHEREAS, This is a two-acre parcel on the corner of 330th Street (County Road 203) and Dove Road (County State Aid Highway 1). This location is on the eastern edge of the lakes area in the northwest corner of the County, and

WHEREAS, This structure was originally utilized as the Rail Prairie Townhall. In the 1990s the township leased the building for the operation of a gift shop (was never established) and then sold the property in 2000. The new property owners constructed a second story addition onto the structure. The property was then sold again in 2004 to the current owners (Ribaud), and

WHEREAS, In 2004 the current property owners requested a Conditional Use Permit to establish a bed and breakfast. That permit was granted. The property owner also constructed a 2,268 addition along with a 1,050 square foot attached garage. The bed and breakfast has not operated for many years and the septic system is not functional. The building has sat vacant for many years, and

WHEREAS, The applicant (Lack) would like to purchase the property (from Ribaud), and

WHEREAS, The applicant would like to establish a multi-business wellness center. Office suites would be rented to wellness practitioners such as massage therapists, along with a yoga studio, coffee and gift shop, and

WHEREAS, Because of the number of individual businesses and potential number of employees, this request is not a fit for the Limited Rural Business use allowed within the Agriculture zoning district. Staff advised the applicant that a rezone to Commercial would be the best avenue to establish this use, and

WHEREAS, Access to the property is off 330th Street. The applicant is proposing to move the existing entrance further to the west to accommodate access to parking. The applicant has discussed this with the County Engineer and the Engineer has provided comment that he is supportive of moving the driveway to the west but would require removal of the existing driveway, and

WHEREAS, There is no Commercially zoned property near this parcel. The surrounding area is zoned Agriculture and Shoreland. Primary land uses around the property is rural residences, productive ag land and seasonal recreational land, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Agriculture zoning district is to promote and protect areas which have high quality agricultural lands and are essentially rural in nature. Within this district agricultural activities shall be given precedence over other land uses, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Commercial zoning district is to promote and protect areas which currently are active commercial areas or meet the comprehensive plan guidelines for future or desired commercial development, and

WHEREAS, applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and Objectives are:

Agriculture

Goal A1: Ensure that the County provides and protects areas most suitable for a strong and stable agricultural industry, including, but not limited to crop production, animal husbandry, dairy and meat production, pasturelands or other similar uses.

Objective 6: Identify areas of the county that are the most suitable for long-term agricultural uses and adopt policies and zoning amendments that will best work to protect these areas from encroachment by conflicting uses.

Goal A2: Achieve an appropriate balance between the continued and growing desire of people and certain businesses to locate in rural settings and the need to accommodate agricultural and other rural land uses in these same areas.

Objective 1: Identify areas of the county that would be appropriate for use by both agriculture and limited residential and commercial uses and adopt policies and zoning amendments that allow for them to locate in those areas. Such areas shall also, whenever possible, serve as a buffer between agricultural, mining and forestry uses and areas deemed incompatible with such uses

Commercial

Goal C1: Support efforts to build a strong and varied local economy that provides adequate employment opportunities and access to the goods and services needed by County residents.

Goal C2: Ensure that land use regulations allow for a variety of business and industry consistent with the rural settings of the County, in areas where they have access to adequate infrastructure and services, and where they will not create unnecessary conflict with other land uses.

Objectives

1. Limit commercial and industrial development only to areas capable of handling such development with adequate infrastructure and services.
2. Mitigate impacts of new commercial and industrial development on existing adjacent land use and the impacts of existing adjacent land on new commercial and industrial development.
3. Identify areas of the County appropriate for commercial and industrial use through the year 2035.

4. Reduce the impacts of legal nonconforming businesses in residential zoned areas by carefully considering the adverse secondary impacts of the business and its future use and limiting expansion that would be inappropriate for the area.
6. Only rezone properties for commercial or industrial uses when such actions would be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and when they would not constitute “spot zoning” for the convenience of a particular landowner.
7. Focus on accommodating business and industry within the unincorporated areas of the County that are best suited for rural settings.
16. Support the expansion of existing commercial centers or businesses when doing so will not adversely impact nearby properties.
17. Commercial establishments will be expected to maintain a high standard of maintenance and repairs. The storage of trash, parking of junk cars, burning, yard maintenance, noise and light generation and many other factors should be controlled in accordance with recognized standards and procedures.
19. To the extent possible, commercial areas should be developed according to function; the indiscriminate mixing of retail, business services, personal services and other types of commercial activity shall be discouraged.

WHEREAS, Scandia Valley Township sent a letter stating concern with conversion of the property to commercial zoning and the desire for a conditional use permit for a business be considered instead, and

WHEREAS, one adjacent property owner commented at the public hearing against the rezone request, citing conflict with the intent of the comprehensive plan, the Army Compatible Use Buffer area and interference with the intended use of his property, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission discussed the following regarding the request:

- The allowed uses within the Agriculture and Commercial zoning districts
- Control over businesses within the Agriculture district through a conditional or interim use permit
- Ability of businesses to change the complexion of a community
- Scandia Valley has become a multi-use township with a demand for services
- Permanency of a rezone
- The request appears to amount to a spot zone
- Without the ability for conditions, a commercial use would not conform to the comprehensive plan

WHEREAS, based upon the information and exhibits received at the public hearing on December 27, 2022 and the information provided by staff for the rezone request, a motion was made by Dave Brutscher and seconded by Dave Stish, that the Planning Commission recommend denial of this request to rezone the parcel from Agriculture to Commercial. The vote was one (1) yes, three (3) no.

WHEREAS, at their January 3, 2023 meeting, the County Board considered the application, information from the public hearing including public comment and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the County Board discussed the following at their meeting:

- ACUB is a voluntary program and Camp Ripley recognizes and understands that
- This is a two-acre piece of property that is not Agricultural in nature, and it should be granted the ability to be utilized
- Denial of the rezone was supported by the Planning Commission out of fear of what could happen in the future; on a small lot, the commercial use of the property would be limited, and the County would still have some oversight
- It is the responsibility of the Board to grant opportunity for business development where it fits and where it is needed, which does not support the idea that this is a spot zone, and

WHEREAS, a super majority vote is needed to grant a rezone, and

NOW THEREFORE, based on the information, exhibits and testimony reviewed at the public hearing and subsequent discussion at the Board meeting, be it hereby resolved that the request to rezone the parcel from Agriculture to Commercial be granted.

The above resolution was duly adopted by the Morrison County Board of Commissioners at its regular meeting on January 3, 2023.

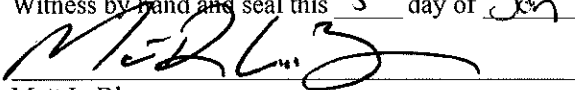
STATE OF MINNESOTA }
COUNTY OF MORRISON }

I, Matt LeBlanc, County Administrator, Morrison County, Minnesota hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution of the County Board of said County with the original record thereof on file in the Administration Office of Morrison County in Little Falls, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said board at a meeting duly held on this 3rd day of Jan 2023, and that the

Commissioner	Yes	No	Abs	Mot	2nd
Jelinski	X				
Winscher	X				
Kasper	X				
LeMieur		X			
Blaine	X				

same is a true and correct copy of said original record and of the whole thereof, and that said resolution was duly passed by said board at said meeting.

Witness by hand and seal this 3rd day of Jan.



Matt LeBlanc
County Administrator

EXHIBIT A

That part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 132, Range 30, Morrison County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South, assumed bearing, 302.66 feet along the West line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence North 88 degrees 21 minutes 53 seconds East 297.81 feet; thence North 0 degrees 31 minutes 40 seconds East 297.90 feet to the North line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 23 seconds West 300.46 feet along said North line to the point of beginning.