



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



Requested Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Title of Item: Personnel Committee Recommendations

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested
<input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*

**provide copy of hearing notice that was published*

Submitted by: Bobbie Danielson	Department: HR
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Presenter (Name and Title): Bobbie Danielson, HR Director, and Kathy Ryan, CFO	Estimated Time Needed: 3 minutes
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Summary of Issue:

The Personnel Committee unanimously recommends:

1. We have two part-time Front Desk Attendants who are taking phone calls and making appointments for the license center as well as directing visitors in the Government Center to the proper location. These temporary part-time positions started on 3/9/2020. CARES Act dollars were used to fund the positions through December 31, 2020. Current incumbents are Elizabeth Liljenquist and Allison Rian. (Allison will be resigning soon for her other seasonal position.) Prior incumbents were Amy Sturz, Jennifer Sutch, and Chelsey Kern. The positions were extended one quarter, through March 31, 2021 as Covid vaccines had not yet been made available to our community. The appointments reduce the number of people gathered in the license center waiting area and pass-thru area to our VSO. We are requesting to extend the positions one more quarter, through June 30, 2021, in hopes the 2nd Covid vaccines have been made available to our community by that time.

\$14.75/hour, non-union temporary position, Auditor's office budget.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:

Motion to authorize extending the Front Desk Attendant positions through June 30, 2021.

Financial Impact:

Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ 14.75/hour, coverage hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*



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Aitkin, MN 56431

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February 23, 2021

Attn: Marc Briese
Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Boulevard
St. Paul, MN. 55155

Re: Fleming Township – 328th Avenue Improvement Project – MnDOT Local Road Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Briese,

As a local government unit in Aitkin, Minnesota, on behalf of the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners, I am pleased to express my support for the Local Road Improvement Program application for the Fleming Township project on 328th Avenue.

The project is led by Fleming Township and will address the deteriorating pavement conditions by placing a new bituminous surface.

328th Avenue is an important route of regional significance that provides access to the Gun Lake public lake access, French Lake public lake access, and numerous private properties on these same lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing the Fleming Township Project on 328th Avenue Improvements application.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Wedel
Board Chair
Aitkin County



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AITKIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

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February 23, 2021

Attn: Marc Briese
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Re: Shamrock Township – Long Point Place/Bridge Road Improvement Project – MnDOT Local Road Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Briese,

As a local government unit in Aitkin, Minnesota, on behalf of the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners, I am pleased to express my support for the Local Road Improvement Program application for the Shamrock Township project on Long Point Place/Bridge Road.

The project is led by Shamrock Township and will address current deficiencies with this road including narrow pavement width, frequent overtopping of the road during high water events, clear zone obstructions, and deteriorating pavement conditions.

Long Point Place/Bridge Road is an important route of regional significance that provides the only access route to over 240 residences that are located on the narrow peninsulas and islands extending into the southwest area of Big Sandy Lake.

Thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing the Shamrock Township Project on Long Point Place/Bridge Road Improvements application.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Wedel
Board Chair
Aitkin County



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



Requested Meeting Date: February 23, 2021

Title of Item: Consider Clean Car Resolution

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Submitted by: Jessica Seibert	Department: Administration
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Presenter (Name and Title): Jessica Seibert, County Administrator	Estimated Time Needed: 5 min.
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Summary of Issue:

Please see attached resolution.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:
Approve/Deny Clean Car Resolution

Financial Impact:

Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$

Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*

Legally binding agreements must have County Attorney approval prior to submission.

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ADOPTED February 23, 2021

By Commissioner: xxxx

20210223-xxx

Clean Car Resolution

WHEREAS, Aitkin County is responsible for providing essential government services such as transportation infrastructure and solid waste management that promote a vibrant community;

WHEREAS Aitkin County works tirelessly to be good stewards of tax dollars and provide these programs in a cost-effective and efficient manner;

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is in the process of adopting California's Low-Emission Vehicle (LEV) and Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) mandates;

WHEREAS, the adoption of these rules is being conducted by rulemaking, which limits the scope of the discussion to a narrow set of issues, precluding a broader policy debate on the economic development, transportation, energy, and waste disposal impacts of the policy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Aitkin County supports legislative review of all regulations/laws/proposals of consequence that would bring harm to the culture and/or economy of rural Minnesota Counties.

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Aitkin County opposes the adoption of the proposed Minnesota Clean Car rule without including legislative review and encourages the Walz Administration to withdraw the proposed rule and submit the proposal to the Minnesota Legislature for review.

Commissioner xxxx moved for adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting

STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 23rd day of February, 2021 and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 23rd day of February, 2021

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE**
Economics and Statistics Administration
U.S. Census Bureau
Chicago Regional Census Center
Chicago, IL 60604-2948

January 13, 2021

Dear Trusted 2020 Census Partner:

Thank you for your valuable partnership during this Decennial Census. With your support, the Region exceeded the National Self-Response Rate of 67% and had the highest self-response rate among all Regions, of 69.8%.

In collaboration with more than 50,550 partners, that collectively held nearly 64,750 events and made more than 70,450 commitments, you exhibited enormous dedication, creativity, and support in developing outreach and marketing activities that engaged, educated, and encouraged households to complete the 2020 Census, particularly in historically underserved communities.

Working alongside more than 2,015 Complete Count Committees, you and our many valuable partners hosted thousands of recruiting events to hire census workers that spoke the languages, understood the cultures, and lived within the communities they were tasked to count. Your efforts also ensured a successful Mobile Questionnaire Assistance (MQA) program across our Region, with more than 12,819 MQA events that assisted low-responding communities in completing their census questionnaires online and by phone.

Together, we ensured the Census had the most up-to-date address file, delivered paper questionnaires to rural areas, recruited workers during one of the lowest periods of unemployment, took on a global pandemic through unique virtual engagement, and engaged communities through Get Out the Count (GOTC) efforts that brought Census staff to historically undercounted neighborhoods.

Your valuable contributions will ensure critical planning over the next decade.

Thank you for Making It Count!

Sincerely,

Marilyn A. Sanders, Chicago Regional Director
U.S. Census Bureau

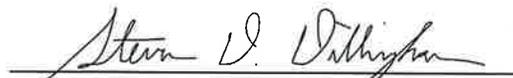
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*Thank
you*

THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU HEREBY RECOGNIZES

Aitkin County

as an invaluable member of the 2020 Census Community Partnership and Engagement Program. We appreciate the efforts you made in making the Partnership Program a success and helping achieve a successful 2020 Census.



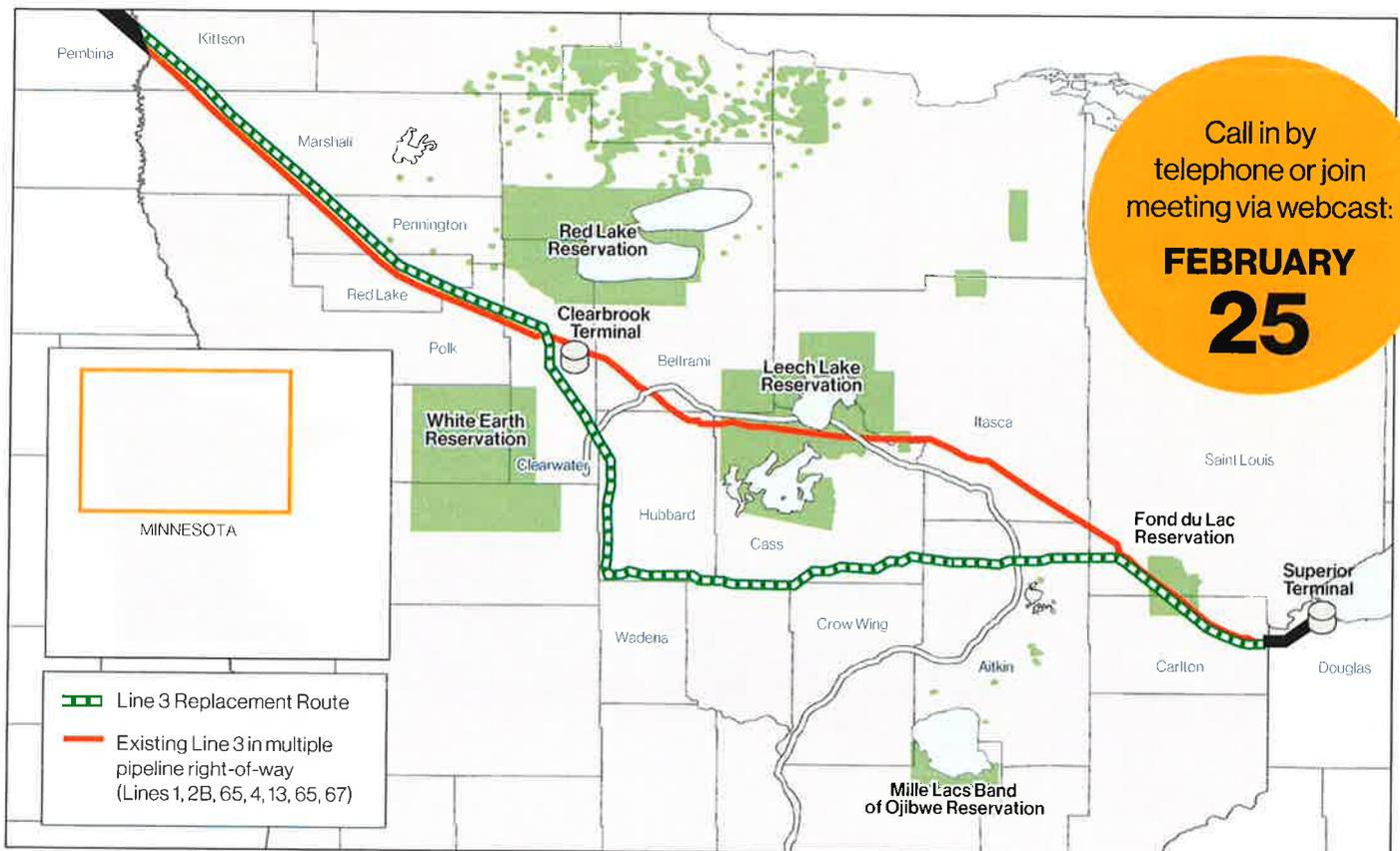
Dr. Steven D. Dillingham, Director
U.S. Census Bureau



Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota

Virtual Open House with Enbridge

The Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota is now under construction. Please join our virtual open house for an update on the pipeline construction.



Enbridge is hosting a virtual open house that will have telephone or webcast options. Once you register at enbridgeopenhouse.com/feboh, you will receive a link providing you with meeting details.

Meeting date: **Thursday, February 25 at 5 p.m.**

You can also visit our virtual open house any time at: enbridgeopenhouse.com/line3.

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Board Meeting Attendance Record

Date: February 23, 2021

Name	Please check the boxes that apply.		
	Aitkin County Citizen	Aitkin County Employee	Company Representative – please list.
Lynne Jacobs	✓		Aitkin County CARE
Kathryn Keating	✓		ANGELS McGRIGOR
Jessica Johnson	✓		Talon Metals
Phil Steger - Broker Justis Whiskey Co.			
JOSEF HARRIS / BODEGA LTD.			
Peggy Jones	✓		American Peat Technology
Cynthia Bennett		✓	
Erin Melz		✓	
Rich Courtemanche		✓	
Terry Neff		✓	
Andrew Carlstrom		✓	

