

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

ADOPTED June 25, 2024

By Commissioner: Westerlund

**20240625-089**

**Resolution Finding that a State of Emergency Exists in Aitkin County**

**WHEREAS**, a tornado in Aitkin County on June 12th has caused destruction of trees, power supply systems, and buildings

**WHEREAS**, Mille Lacs Energy and Farm Island Township has neither the manpower or resources needed to do the repairs and debris cleanup on all of the effected sites immediately

**WHEREAS**, the damage caused by these storms is excessive in cost

**THEREFORE**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners **FINDS** as follows:

1. That a state of emergency exists within Aitkin County, arising from the tornados destruction of power supply systems, buildings and debris clean up
2. That the public health, safety, and welfare would suffer by the delay to perform needed repairs to the power supply systems, and buildings

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners, that Aitkin County declare emergency until the completion of these repairs to roads, buildings, and power supply systems.

Commissioner Sample seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting YES

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 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

  
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J. Mark Wedel  
Aitkin County Board Chair

  
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Jessica Seibert  
County Administrator

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**LG 220 Application for Exempt Permit – Ducks Unlimited Aitkin Area Chapter**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220 - Ducks Unlimited Aitkin Area Chapter – Bingo and Raffle: Location of event Wealthwood Rod and Gun Club: 23573 420th PI Aitkin, MN 56431: Hazelton Township – Date of Event August 9, 2024

Commissioner Kearney seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote


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All Members Voting Yes

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**Temporary On-Sale Liquor License – Jacobson Community Center**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners approves a Temporary **On-Sale Liquor License** for July 19, 2024

Jacobson Community Center- River Road Rock Jam (Dance) – Ball Bluff Township – 65534 Great River Rd  
Jacobson, MN 55752

Commissioner Kearney seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote


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**Temporary On-Sale Liquor License – Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners approves a Temporary **On-Sale Liquor License** to Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club for August 9, 2024.

Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club – Hazelton Township – 23573 420<sup>th</sup> Place Aitkin, MN 56431

Commissioner Kearney seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote


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**Final Contract Payment (#20229)**

**WHEREAS**, Contract No. 20229 has in all been completed, and the County Board being fully advised in the premises.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept said completed contract for and on behalf of the County of Aitkin and authorize final payment to Ferguson Aggregate & Crushing in the amount of \$4,536.97.

Commissioner Kearney seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote


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**20240625-094**

**Award Contract #20247**

**WHEREAS**, Contract No. 20247 is for construction of SAP 001-030-009, and

**WHEREAS**, sealed bids were opened for this project at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 17, 2024 with a total of four bids received, and

**WHEREAS**, RC Habeck Excavating, LLC – Wahkon, MN - was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$479,285.99.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that RC Habeck Excavating, LLC be awarded Contract 20247.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the chairperson of the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of Aitkin County with said low bidder upon presentation of proper contract documents

Commissioner Westerlund seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

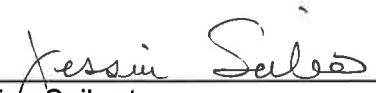
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**AITKIN COUNTY INTERIM ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01**

**AN EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW USES  
OR THE EXPANSION OF EXISTING USES RELATED TO SALES, TESTING, CULTIVATING,  
MANUFACTURING, AND DISTRIBUTION OF CANNABIS PRODUCTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners finds the consideration of an Interim Ordinance on Cannabis-related land use necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, morals, safety, and welfare because of the inherent risk of injury to persons related to the enactment of 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 63, (House File 100), allowing for the use and possession of Cannabis and other products containing THC ("Cannabis Products"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Aitkin County Zoning Ordinance does not contain standards for the regulation of the Cannabis industry and the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the recent Minnesota Statutes with respect to Cannabis industry regulations for the necessary protection of public health, safety, and general welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 394.34, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners deems it necessary to adopt an Interim Ordinance placing a moratorium on the location, establishment, and finalization of new and pending Cannabis industry locations and uses until January 1, 2025 to permit the planning process to take place and allow County staff, the Planning Commission and the County Board sufficient time to proceed in an orderly fashion to make any necessary changes, modifications and updates to the County's Official Controls; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the effective date of the new legislation, the lack of adequate time to evaluate the situation, enact appropriate controls, and the potential negative impacts on the health, safety, and welfare of its residents, an emergency situation that justifies a temporary Interim Ordinance exists; and

**WHEREAS**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners finds:

1. A temporary emergency zoning ordinance instituting a moratorium prohibiting new or pending Cannabis industry locations and uses is necessary in order to hold discussions and hearings to determine whether a longer-term zoning ordinance shall be adopted and implemented, to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of Aitkin County.
2. An emergency exists because based on the recent Minnesota Statutory law changes, as well as from the comments received from the community, the townships, and the cities, the Aitkin County Zoning Ordinance does not afford the protection needed in order to ensure that the residents of Aitkin County are not adversely affected.
3. It is in the interests of public health, safety, and general welfare to impose a temporary moratorium until a public hearing can be noticed and a permanent ordinance can be published pursuant to Minnesota Statute 375.51.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners hereby ordain:

Section 1. Study.

The County Board hereby authorizes and directs County staff to conduct a study of the issues relating to the sales, testing, cultivating, manufacturing, and distribution of Cannabis products.

Staff shall make a recommendation to the County Board about whether the County should amend its zoning, business-licensing, or other Ordinance provisions related to these types of uses to better protect County residents.

Section 2. Moratorium.

A. No business, person or entity may establish a new use or expand an existing use that includes or involves the sale, testing, cultivating, manufacturing, or distribution of Cannabis products during the term of this Ordinance.

B. During the term of this Ordinance, County staff shall not issue any license or permit, nor will it accept or process any applications for uses related to the sale, testing, cultivating, manufacturing, or distribution of Cannabis products.

Section 3. Enforcement.

In addition to any criminal penalties allowed by the law, the County may enforce this Interim Ordinance by injunction or any other appropriate civil remedy in any court of competent jurisdiction. A violation of this Ordinance is also considered a violation of the Aitkin County Zoning Ordinance and shall be subject to the County enforcement pursuant to provisions set forth in Section 13 of the Aitkin County Zoning Ordinance.

Section 4. Severability

Every section, subsection, provision, or part of this Ordinance is declared severable from every other section, subsection, provision, or part of this Interim Ordinance is adjudged to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgement shall not invalidate any other section, subsection, provision, or part.

Section 5. Effective Date; Duration.

A. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 375.51, this emergency ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Board; however, no prosecution based on the provisions of this Ordinance shall occur until the Ordinance has been filed with the County Auditor, unless the person charged with the violation had actual notice of the passage of the Ordinance prior to the act or omission complained of.

B. Unless earlier repealed by the County Board, this Ordinance shall be effective until the later of the following dates as allowed pursuant to the powers granted by 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 63, Article 1, Section 13, or Minnesota Statutes Section 324.13, this Ordinance shall be effective through January 1, 2025.



Commissioner Westerlund seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

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