

**SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 15, 2020
WEBEX PHONE CONFERENCE
BOARD MINUTES**

Pursuant to motion of adjournment, the Polk County Board of Commissioners met in special session via Webex phone conference at 9:00 o'clock a.m., April 15, 2020, Crookston, MN. Members present via Webex phone conference: Commissioner Warren Strandell, Commissioner Gary Willhite, Commissioner Jacobson, Commissioner Joan Lee and Commissioner Don Diedrich and Charles S. Whiting, County Administrator, Clerk of the Board. Others present: Michelle Cote, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Strandell seconded by Commissioner Diedrich and adopted by unanimous vote of the Board to approve the agenda for April 15, 2020.

ADMINISTRATION

Chuck Whiting, Polk County Administrator came before the Board with matters pertaining to Resolution (2020-37):

1. Resolution (2020-37) Declaring A State of Emergency Re: Spring Flooding

Resolution Declaring a State of Emergency Re: Spring Flooding
RESOLUTION (2020-37)

The following resolution (2020-37) was offered by Commissioner Lee:

WHEREAS, 2020 spring flooding has impacted the population of Polk County and its cities, and

WHEREAS, A winter storm, on or about April 1-3, 2020, also has impacted the populations of Polk County and its cities, and;

WHEREAS, The spring flooding and April storm events of 2020 have caused a significant amount of public property damage within Polk County, and;

WHEREAS, The Polk County Department of Emergency Management requests the Polk County Board of Commissioners to declare Polk County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the flooding and April storm events of 2020, and;

WHEREAS, On April 15, 2020, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 12.29, subd. 1, the Chair of the Polk County Board of Commissioners declared a local STATE OF EMERGENCY for the flooding and April storm events of 2020, and;

WHEREAS, The entire Polk County Board of Commissioners desires to affirm and continue the declaration of a STATE OF EMERGENCY related to the flooding and April storm events of 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Polk County Board of Commissioners affirms and declares Polk County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for conditions resulting from the flooding and April storm events of 2020.

Commissioner Diedrich seconded the foregoing resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote. YEAS: Lee, Diedrich, Willhite, Jacobson and Strandell. NAYS: None.

With no further business, the Board adjourned to reconvene at 9:30 a.m., April 21, 2020.

Gary Willhite, Chair

ATTEST:

Charles S. Whiting, Polk County Administrator
Clerk of the Board