

**STEVENS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Redistricting Meeting
Tuesday, April 5, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Stevens County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, by Chair Ron Staples. Members in attendance were Ennen, Kopitzke, Wohlers, Wiese, and Staples. No members of the public were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Auditor Treasurer Stephanie Buss presented the redistricting map for City of Morris proposed County Commissioner Map. Buss gave an overview of the redistricting. Buss fielded extensive questions.

Commissioner Ennen moved the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 220405-36
FOR ADOPTION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICTS**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 375 established the procedure and requires a process for redistricting County Commissioner districts based on population figures from the Federal Census; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute section 204B.135, subd. 2 requires that County Commissioner Districts be redistricted within 80 days of when the legislature has been redistricted or at least 15 weeks before the state primary election, whichever comes first; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to these statutes the 2020 Federal Census population figures shall be used to redistrict the Stevens County Commissioner Districts by April 26th, 2022, and that Commissioner Districts shall be bounded by town, municipal, ward, city district, or precinct lines; and,

WHEREAS, the Stevens County Board of Commissioners has considered the possibility or potential for maximizing minority representation on the board of commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, Stevens County published a three week notice in the newspaper having the contract for publishing the commissioner's proceedings for the county for 2022; and,

WHEREAS, Stevens County conducted a public meeting on redistricting on April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Stevens County Board of Commissioners hereby redistricts the County of Stevens, following town, municipal, ward, city district, or precinct lines as reestablished in April 2022, and reestablishes the length of terms as follows:

District 1 – City of Morris Precinct 2 (4-year term, 2022 Election)

District 2 – City of Donnelly, City of Alberta, Hodges Township, Framnas Township, Swan Lake Township, Rendsville Township, Donnelly Township, Eldorado Township, Everglade Township, Pepperton Township, Scott Township (4-year term, 2022 Election)

District 3 - City of Chokio, City of Hancock, Baker Township, Stevens Township, Synnes Township, Horton Township, Moore Township (continuation of current term, 2024 Election)

District 4 - City of Morris Precinct 3, Damen Township (continuation of current term, 2024 Election)

District 5 - City of Morris Precinct 1, Morris Township (4-year term, 2022 Election)


BE IT RESOLVED that the County Administrator is directed to file the redistricting plan with the County Auditor by May 3rd, 2022, to be effective on June 3, 2022, for the 2022 primary and general election and publish in the Stevens County Times.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the districts are, for illustrative purposes, identified in a map of the county

Commissioner Kopitzke seconded the motion with all members voting aye, motion carried.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at on a motion by Wohlers, second by Ennen and all members voting aye.


Rebecca Young, County Administrator


Ronald Staples, Chair

