

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON  
CLOSEOUT ACTIVITIES OF A  
SMALL CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
SCDP PROJECT IN LAKE COUNTY**

Tuesday, November 26, 2019. Lake County Service Center, Split Rock River Room, 616 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. County Commissioners Present: District 1 Commissioner Peter R. Walsh, District 2 Commissioner Derrick (Rick) L. Goutermont, District 3 Commissioner Richard (Rick) C. Hogenson, District 4 Commissioner Jeremy M. Hurd, District 5 Commissioner Rich Sve. Absent: None Also present: Lake County Administrator Matthew Huddleston, Clerk of the Board Laurel D. Buchanan, County Auditor Linda Libal, Lake County Highway Engineer Krysten Foster, Lake County Emergency Management Director BJ Kohlstedt and Lake County Environmental Services Director Christine McCarthy.

At 2:00 p.m., Board Chairperson Rich Sve convened a public hearing for the Minnesota Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) Contract: CDAP-15-0036-O-FY16, in which Lake County is the grantee, on behalf of the Lake County Housing Initiative. The purpose of this public hearing is to provide information and receive public input and comments on the closeout activities of Lake County's 2016 Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Small Cities Development Program (SCDP), project for Finland, Minnesota.

Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA) Housing Director Scott Zahorik introduced AEOA staff member Jodie Mattila. Ms. Mattila attending the public hearing to learn more about how these projects are administered. AEOA administered the grant and worked with property owners. The Lake County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) as the Implementing Agency has provided match funding for the project. Mr. Zahorik reviewed project closeout activities. The application submitted to DEED was for twelve (12) owner-occupied units and one (1) commercial unit. The commercial project completed was for Finland Co-op. Only seven (7) of the owner-occupied units from the interest list went through to completion of the project. People's financial situations may change. The project is administered on a reimbursement basis.

No public comments were made during the public hearing and no comments were received in writing in advance of the public hearing. The public hearing was closed at 2:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Laurel D. Buchanan  
Clerk of the Board

Rich Sve, Chair  
Lake County Board of Commissioners