

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

State of Minnesota  
County of Kanabec  
Office of County Coordinator

**July 31, 2015**

The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met in special session at 10:00am on Wednesday, July 31, 2015 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Gene Anderson, Kim Smith, Dennis McNally, and Kathi Ellis. Absent: Les Nielsen.

The Chairperson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action #1 – It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Dennis McNally and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Action #2 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## **Resolution #2 – 07/31/15**

**WHEREAS** Kanabec County is one of 87 counties located in the State of Minnesota, and

**WHEREAS** Kanabec County has been indentured to provide for the health, welfare and safety of its citizens by the State of Minnesota, and

**WHEREAS** Minn. Stat. §256B.692 provides that the county may elect to either purchase or provide health care services on behalf of persons eligible for medical assistance, and

**WHEREAS** Kanabec County has chosen to provide such services for the last 15 years as a partner and charter member of South Country Health Alliance, a joint powers board providing Medical Assistance and other benefits to eligible residents of 11 member counties, and

**WHEREAS** this relationship has benefitted Kanabec County, its providers and its eligible residents, and

**WHEREAS** the Department of Human Services on July 28<sup>th</sup> 2015 indicated that SCHA would be eliminated from consideration to provide such services commencing January 1, 2016;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Kanabec County objects to the proposed decision of the Minnesota Department of Human Services, and authorizes the submission of a request for mediation with DHS pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 256B.692, subd. 7, on its behalf individually and through South Country Health Alliance; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners requests and authorizes South Country Health Alliance to take such further actions as the SCHA Board deems necessary or appropriate to continue county-based purchase of health care services for eligible members in SCHA counties.

Action #3 – It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to adjourn at 10:32am.

*Signed* \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners,  
Kanabec County, Minnesota

*Attest:* \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Clerk