

CAPITAL INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Fue Lee, Chair of the Capital Investment Committee, called the remote meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. on March 9, 2021, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services, Facebook Live, and YouTube live streaming.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

LEE, Fue (Chair)  
MURPHY, Mary (Vice Chair)  
URDAHL, Dean (Lead)  
AGBAJE, Esther  
BERG, Kaela  
DAVIDS, Greg  
FRANKE, Keith  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HUOT, John  
LILLIE, Leon  
LUCERO, Eric  
MORAN, Rena  
PIERSON, Nels  
RALEIGH, Donald  
RASMUSSEN, Jordan  
REYER, Liz  
WEST, Nolan  
XIONG, Jay

Members excused:

HANSEN, Rick

A quorum was present.

Representative Murphy moved to approve the minutes from March 4, 2021. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

All bills were heard on an informational basis only.

HF960 (Nelson, M.); Brooklyn Park; transfer station improvements funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Nelson presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-David McNary, Assistant Director of the Department of Environmental Services, Hennepin County

HF940 (Neu Brindley); Chisago County; household hazardous waste facility renovation funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Neu Brindley presented her bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Lisa Thibodeau, Solid Waste Administrator at the Environmental Services Department, Chisago County

HF1533 (Wolgamott); Regional waste diversion and infrastructure funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Wolgamott presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Steve Vrchota, Executive Director, Pope/Douglas Solid Waste Management

HF750 (Acomb); Urban reforestation funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Acomb presented her bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Karen Zumach, Director of Community Forestry, Tree Trust

HF1323 (Acomb); Solar energy system loan established in state buildings, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Acomb presented her bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Justin Fay, Lead Director of Public Affairs, Fresh Energy

HF1174 (Lippert); Forests and forestry capital project funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Lippert presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Chris Dunham, Resilience Forest Manager, The Nature Conservancy

HF519 (Lippert); Badoura; state forest nursery facility funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Lippert presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Andrew Arends, Forest Operations and Management Section Manager at the Division of Forestry, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

HF384 (Bennett); Shell Shock River Watershed District funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Bennett presented her bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Andy Henschel, Administrator, Shell Rock River Watershed District

HF1168 (Reyer); Conservation easement acquisition for aquatic management areas and land for scientific and natural areas funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Reyer presented her bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Todd Holman, Mississippi Headwaters Program Director, The Nature Conservancy

HF697 (Lillie); State trail funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Lillie presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Andrew Oftedal, Research and Policy Manager, Parks and Trails Council

HF1752 (Huot); Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) reserve program funding provided, working grassland easement acquired, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

Representative Huot presented his bill.

Testifying on the bill:

-Todd Holman, Mississippi Headwaters Program Director, The Nature Conservancy

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 A.M.

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Representative Fue Lee, Chair

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Joe Lenczewski, Committee Legislative Assistant