MEMBERS PRESENT:
Richard Brenner, Carlton County
Spencer Buerkle, Benton County
Hiedi Doo-Kirk, Cook County
Doug Erickson, Renville County
Sara Folsted, Rice County
Roger Froemming, Otter Tail County
Donna Gravley, Cottonwood County
Jim Hofer, Wadena County
Bill LaValley, Grant County
John Luepke, Nicollet County
DeWayne Mareck, Stearns County
Jim McDonough, Ramsey County
Gene Metz, Nobles County
Rolland Miller, Marshall County
Blair Nelson, Waseca County
Don Niemi, Aitkin County
Reed Olson, Beltrami County
Pat Oman, Mille Lacs County
Glenda Phillipe, Roseau County
Mark Piepho, Blue Earth County
Rich Pohlmeier, McLeod County
Felix Schmiesing, Sherburne County
Dean Simonsen, Brown County
Mike Slavik, Dakota County
Dave Thiner, Murray County
Derek Vetsch, Wright County
Marcia Ward, Winona County
Tom Warmka, Faribault County
Tom Wolf, Scott County

GUESTS PRESENT:
Roxy Traxler, Sibley County
Becky Young, Stevens County
Bobbie Vickerman, Fillmore County
Heather Schlagen, Douglas County
Kevin Adee, Koochiching County
Steve Ewing, Pipestone County
Scott Golberg, Steele County
Glen Kack, Yellow Medicine County
Douglas Christopherson, Waseca County
Lee Rogness, Otter Tail County
Jessica Seibert, Aitkin County
Dennis Generau, Carlton County
Grant Weyland, Clay County
Dave Hillukka, Wadena County
Chuck Whiting, Polk County
I. CALL TO ORDER
Public Safety Chair Jack Swanson called the joint Public Safety-General Government Policy Committee to order at 9:36 AM. Member said the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Approval of minutes
Commissioner DeWayne Mareck motioned to approve the minutes from the 2017 Annual Conference General Government Policy Committee meeting. Commissioner Jim McDonough seconded the motion; the motion passed.

III. Speaker, MNLARS and Real ID
Matt Hilgart introduced Cindy Gies, Legislative Chair for the Minnesota Association of County Officers to present on MNLARS and Real ID updates. Members participated in a question and answer session following her presentation.

IV. Speaker, Emergency Management Issues
Ryan Erdmann introduced two representatives from the Association of Minnesota Emergency Managers (AMEM), AMC’s emergency management affiliate, to discuss issues/updates happening at a state and federal level.

V. Speaker, Department of Employment and Economic Development
AMC staff Matt Hilgart introduced an impromptu speaker, Kevin McKinnon, to speak about recently passed federal tax legislation and newly created “opportunity zones”. Members asked many questions about the logistics and timeline of the program and application.

VI. Member Issue Highlight
Commissioner Jim McDonough spoke to members about the background and politics of the redirecting the sales tax revenue from auto parts to transportation funding.

VII. Adjourn
Public Safety Policy Committee Chair Jack Swanson adjourned the meeting at 11:24 AM.

*Presentation materials available upon request*