

**2F. Consideration of approving an application for a temporary gambling permit for a raffle to be conducted by the Wright County Pheasants Forever, on March 21, 2026, at the Monticello Community Center**

<b>Prepared by:</b> City Clerk	<b>Meeting Date:</b> 2/9/2026	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent Agenda Item</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Regular Agenda Item</b>
<b>Reviewed by:</b> N/A	<b>Approved by:</b> City Administrator	

**ACTION REQUESTED**

Motion to approve the application for a temporary gambling permit for the Wright County Pheasants Forever for raffle being held on March 21, 2026, at the Monticello Community Center.

**REFERENCE AND BACKGROUND**

The Wright County Pheasants Forever applied for a temporary charitable gambling permit for a raffle to be held on March 21, 2026. The event is being held at the Monticello Community Center.

To receive a permit from the State, the City must approve the application.

**STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

City staff recommend approving the temporary gambling permit.

**SUPPORTING DATA**

- Application

**LG220 Application for Exempt Permit**

An exempt permit may be issued to a nonprofit organization that:

- conducts lawful gambling on five or fewer days, and
- awards less than \$50,000 in prizes during a calendar year.

If total raffle prize value for the calendar year will be \$1,500 or less, contact the Licensing Specialist assigned to your county by calling 651-539-1900.

**Application Fee (non-refundable)**

Applications are processed in the order received. If the application is postmarked or received 30 days or more before the event, the application fee is **\$100**; otherwise the fee is **\$150**.

Due to the high volume of exempt applications, payment of additional fees prior to 30 days before your event will not expedite service, nor are telephone requests for expedited service accepted.

**ORGANIZATION INFORMATION**

Organization Name: Wright County Pheasants Forever Previous Gambling Permit Number: X- 04218-26-021

Minnesota Tax ID Number, if any: 4874648 Federal Employer ID Number (FEIN), if any: 41-1429149

Mailing Address: 702 9th St NW

City: Buffalo State: MN Zip: 55313 County: Wright

Name of Chief Executive Officer (CEO): Eric Mattson

CEO Daytime Phone: 763-245-3961 CEO Email: matts288@gmail.com  
(permit will be emailed to this email address unless otherwise indicated below)

Email permit to (if other than the CEO): eric.mattson@usda.gov

**NONPROFIT STATUS**

Type of Nonprofit Organization (check one):

- Fraternal       Religious       Veterans       Other Nonprofit Organization

**Attach a copy of one of the following showing proof of nonprofit status:**

(DO NOT attach a sales tax exempt status or federal employer ID number, as they are not proof of nonprofit status.)

- A current calendar year Certificate of Good Standing**  
Don't have a copy? Obtain this certificate from:  
MN Secretary of State, Business Services Division  
60 Empire Drive, Suite 100  
St. Paul, MN 55103  
Secretary of State website, phone numbers:  
[www.sos.state.mn.us](http://www.sos.state.mn.us)  
651-296-2803, or toll free 1-877-551-6767
- IRS income tax exemption (501(c)) letter in your organization's name**  
Don't have a copy? To obtain a copy of your federal income tax exempt letter, have an organization officer contact the IRS toll free at 1-877-829-5500.
- IRS - Affiliate of national, statewide, or international parent nonprofit organization (charter)**  
If your organization falls under a parent organization, attach copies of both of the following:  
1. IRS letter showing your parent organization is a nonprofit 501(c) organization with a group ruling; and  
2. the charter or letter from your parent organization recognizing your organization as a subordinate.

**GAMBLING PREMISES INFORMATION**

Name of premises where the gambling event will be conducted (for raffles, list the site where the drawing will take place): Monticello Community Center

Physical Address (do not use P.O. box): 505 Walnut St., Monticello, MN 55362

Check one:  
 City: Monticello Zip: 55362 County: Wright  
 Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of activity (for raffles, indicate the date of the drawing): March 21, 2026

Check each type of gambling activity that your organization will conduct:

- Bingo       Paddlewheels       Pull-Tabs       Tipboards       Raffle

**Gambling equipment** for bingo paper, bingo boards, raffle boards, paddlewheels, pull-tabs, and tipboards must be obtained from a distributor licensed by the Minnesota Gambling Control Board. EXCEPTION: Bingo hard cards and bingo ball selection devices may be borrowed from another organization authorized to conduct bingo. To find a licensed distributor, go to [www.mn.gov/gcb](http://www.mn.gov/gcb) and click on **Distributors** under the **List of Licensees** tab, or call 651-539-1900.

**LG220 Application for Exempt Permit**

**LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT (required before submitting application to the Minnesota Gambling Control Board)**

**CITY APPROVAL  
for a gambling premises  
located within city limits**

The application is acknowledged with no waiting period.

The application is acknowledged with a 30-day waiting period, and allows the Board to issue a permit after 30 days (60 days for a 1st class city).

The application is denied.

Print City Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of City Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The city or county must sign before submitting application to the Gambling Control Board.**

**COUNTY APPROVAL  
for a gambling premises  
located in a township**

The application is acknowledged with no waiting period.

The application is acknowledged with a 30-day waiting period, and allows the Board to issue a permit after 30 days.

The application is denied.

Print County Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of County Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWNSHIP (if required by the county)**  
On behalf of the township, I acknowledge that the organization is applying for exempted gambling activity within the township limits. (A township has no statutory authority to approve or deny an application, per Minn. Statutes, section 349.213.)

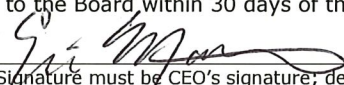
Print Township Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Township Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SIGNATURE (required)**

The information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that the financial report will be completed and returned to the Board within 30 days of the event date.

Chief Executive Officer's Signature:  Date: 1-22-26

(Signature must be CEO's signature; designee may not sign)

Print Name: Eric Mattson

**REQUIREMENTS**

**Complete a separate application for:**

- all gambling conducted on two or more consecutive days; or
- all gambling conducted on one day.

Only one application is required if one or more raffle drawings are conducted on the same day.

**Financial report to be completed within 30 days after the gambling activity is done:**  
A financial report form will be mailed with your permit. Complete and return the financial report form to the Gambling Control Board.

Your organization must keep all exempt records and reports for 3-1/2 years (Minn. Statutes, section 349.166, subd. 2(f)).

**MAIL APPLICATION AND ATTACHMENTS**

**Mail application with:**

\_\_\_\_\_ a copy of your proof of nonprofit status; and

\_\_\_\_\_ application fee (non-refundable). If the application is postmarked or received 30 days or more before the event, the application fee is **\$100**; otherwise the fee is **\$150**. Make check payable to **State of Minnesota**.

**To:** Minnesota Gambling Control Board  
1711 West County Road B, Suite 300 South  
Roseville, MN 55113

**Questions?**  
Call the Licensing Section of the Gambling Control Board at 651-539-1900.

**Data privacy notice:** The information requested on this form (and any attachments) will be used by the Gambling Control Board (Board) to determine your organization's qualifications to be involved in lawful gambling activities in Minnesota. Your organization has the right to refuse to supply the information; however, if your organization refuses to supply this information, the Board may not be able to determine your organization's qualifications and, as a consequence, may refuse to issue a permit. If your organization supplies the information requested, the Board will be able to process the application. Your organization's name and address will be public information when received by the Board. All other information provided will be private data about your organization until the Board issues the permit. When the Board issues the permit, all information provided will become public. If the Board does not issue a permit, all information provided remains private, with the exception of your organization's name and address which will remain public. Private data about your organization are available to Board members, Board staff whose work requires access to the information; Minnesota's Department of Public Safety; Attorney General; Commissioners of Administration, Minnesota Management & Budget, and Revenue; Legislative Auditor, national and international gambling regulatory agencies; anyone pursuant to court order; other individuals and agencies specifically authorized by state or federal law to have access to the information; individuals and agencies for which law or legal order authorizes a new use or sharing of information after this notice was given; and anyone with your written consent.

This form will be made available in alternative format (i.e. large print, braille) upon request.