

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 12, 2004

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session October 12, 2004 at 8:30 a.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Richard Cummings, Chair
 Raymond Tucker
 David Hillier
 Dick Lang
 Garry Ellingson
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

GENERAL

Impacts of flood on requests for assistance.

Update on FEMA mental health grant funds.

Discussion regarding the Minnesota Senior Health Options, (MSHO) program and request for committee time to investigate.

Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Ellingson seconded to proceed with Emergency Food Stamp Program on a temporary basis in Mower County. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lang moved and Commissioner Hillier seconded to terminate all county funded day care effective November 1, 2004 due to lack of funds. Motion carried.

Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Hillier seconded to authorize the Chair and the Director to sign the following Purchase of Service Agreements:

- a. Cedar Branch, D.A.C. – approve amendment to extend agreement for DTH Services, effective July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Hillier moved and Commissioner Ellingson seconded to authorize the Chair to sign an agreement with TriMin for Computer Programming & Technical Assistance Services, effective January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ellingson moved and Commissioner Lang seconded to accept the donation of 1 lot at Grandview Cemetery. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hillier moved and Commissioner Tucker seconded to approve the destruction of designated Agency files in accordance with DHS Rules and Regulations. All previously approved files have been destroyed. Motion carried.

SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIONS:

Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Ellingson seconded to approve the Social Service Actions. Motion carried.

INCOME MAINTENANCE ACTIONS:

Commissioner Ellingson moved and Commissioner Hillier seconded to approve the Income Maintenance Actions. Motion carried.

The Finance Committee proposed a Tax Abatement Policy, Procedures and Guidelines. The Finance Committee was split on its recommendation. Commissioner Hillier and Commissioner Lang both presented their position on the proposed tax abatement policy. Commissioner Hillier recommended the policy. Commissioner Lang had the opinion that the policy was drafted sufficiently but that the economic climate of the county prohibited the county initiating such a policy.

Kyle Klaehn, owner of Double K Specialties, spoke in favor of the policy and noted that the policy was for anyone, and not just Double K who was requesting a tax abatement.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier to adopt the Guidelines for Tax Abatement Policy & Procedure with an application fee of \$1000.00 effective and subject to required public hearings. No second was received for this motion.

Chair Commissioner Cummings turned the meeting over to the Vice Chair Commissioner Tucker. Commissioner Cummings seconded the proposed motion.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to adopt the Guidelines for Tax Abatement Policy & Procedure with an application fee of \$1000.00 effective and subject to required public hearing. The Commissioners voted as follows: Garry Ellingson nay, David Hillier aye, Ray Tucker nay, Richard P. Cummings aye, and Richard Lang nay. The motion failed 3 – 2.

Vice Chair Commissioner Tucker turned the meeting back to Chair Commissioner Cummings.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to terminate the liquor license for the Ramsey Golf Club effective November 1, 2004 and prorate the license fee and refund the unused portion. This license is being terminated due to flood damage to the club during the September 2004 flood. If the applicant reapplies for a liquor license within the 2004/2005 license year, the license fee shall be prorated to June 30, 2005. Motion carried.

Mike Hanson, County Engineer, presented bid information received for SAP 050-599-095 to replace Bridge No. 95697 in Nevada Township. Two bids were received.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to award the bid for SAP 050-599-095 to Minnowa Construction, Inc. with a low bid of \$152,519.00 and have them commence the project. Motion carried. Full bid abstract on file in the office of the County Auditor and County Engineer.

County Auditor, Sherwood Vereide, requested that the board approve his request to have the Deputy Auditor perform overtime work at home for voter registration data entry. There is a deadline on the entry of this data and the new system is overloaded with all the counties making the required data entries.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to approve the request of the County Auditor to allow the Deputy Auditor to perform overtime work at home to perform voter registration data entry. Motion carried.

Mike Hanson, County Engineer, presented bid information received for the Belleman's Addition sanitary sewer project and recommended the Board award the bid.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to award the bid for the Belleman's Addition Sanitary Sewer, Force Main and Lift Station project to Heselton Construction, LLC with a bid of \$410,395.99 subject to receipt of any appeals before the deadline date of October 15, 2004 and have them commence the project if no appeals are received. Motion carried. Full bid abstract on file in the office of the County Auditor and County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Hillier to amend Resolution # 76-04 adopted on September 14, 2004 subject to County Attorney approval pertaining to the interest accrual date. The Resolution shall be amended as follows:

"2. Such assessment shall be payable in equal annual installments extending over a period of 15 years, the first of the installments to be payable on or before the first Monday in January 2005, and shall bear interest at the rate of 5.75 percent per annum from ~~the date of the adoption of this assessment resolution.~~ **January 1, 2005.** ~~To the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the date of this resolution until December 31, 2004.~~ To each ~~subsequent~~ installment when due shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

3. The owner of any property so assessed may, at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the County Auditor, pay the whole of the assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the County Treasurer, except that no interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid **prior to December 31, 2004** ~~within 30 days from the adoption of the assessment.~~ He may at any time thereafter, pay to the County Treasurer the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31

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of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 15 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the succeeding year.”

Motion carried.

The Building Committee provided an update on project requests of the Fair and Historical Society.

Motion made by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the bi-monthly bills for immediate payment. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
175.53	AUSTIN DRUG, INC	216.00	AUSTIN MEDICAL CENTER ATTN
320.77	AUSTIN NEWSPAPERS, INC	390.00	BAUDLER, BAUDLER, MAUS, BLAH
764.62	BOB BARKER COMPANY	291.00	RUBY CAMPOS
908.00	CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	172.25	ALETA CHRISTOPHERSON
515.87	DANIEL DONNELLY LAW FIRM	144.81	DOUBLE K SPECIALTY, INC.
1516.03	DTI	804.14	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE
867.48	MUNCILITE EMERGENCY AUTOMOTIVE	575.00	EXCEL BINDING INC
147.51	GRAND CASINO HINCKLEY HOTEL	150.00	HOUSE CHEVROLET
136.76	HYVEE	309.55	IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS
1805.76	INTERTECHNOLOGIES GROUP-ADMIN	439.00	IVERSON HAULING
3924.04	J & K WINONA	922.73	JAKOBSON DRUG & HALLMARK
299.35	K MART	305.45	LASER PRODUCT TECHNOLOGIES
297.53	LEXISNEXIS MATTHEW BENDER	1330.00	ROSEMARY LINDERMAN
501.45	MARTIN BROS	420.00	MAYER FUNERAL HOME
137.00	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES	2550.00	MELCHERT HUBERT SJODIN
226.32	MIDTOWN AUTO CLINIC	536.00	MIDTOWN CAR WASH
159.19	MINNESOTA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASS	150.00	NENA MN APCO
260.00	MOWER COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	496.00	MOWER COUNTY SHOPPER
132.00	NUTRITION MATTERS	200.00	GARY NYQUIST
2936.82	PARAGON PRINTING & MAILING INC	1914.20	PETTIPIECE & ASSOCIATES
506.25	PLUNKETT & ASSOCIATES INC	600.00	JEANNE POPPE
379.00	POST BULLETIN COMPANY	262.50	RICHARDSON LAW OFFICE
434.68	SCHILLING PAPER COMPANY	4996.87	SCHMIDT-GOODMAN OFFICE PROD
101.00	DR. SCHMITT	247.50	DAVE SCRIMGER
1320.60	SERVICEMASTER CLEAN	112.50	SEVEN COUNTY PROCESS SERVER
177.60	SHERIFF HENNEPIN COUNTY	20150.00	SHERIFF MITCHELL COUNTY
300.00	SHERIFF OLMSTED COUNTY	112.00	SHERIFF WRIGHT COUNTY
262.38	SHOPKO STORE #141	188.38	SMYTH COMPANIES, INC
1012.50	PAUL SPYHALSKI	734.85	STANLEY STEEMER
280.80	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	630.00	CJIS STATE OF MINN
10695.00	STEELE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	600.00	STERLING SOLUTIONS, INC
1366.66	HOWARD STREY	1002.90	VWR SCIENTIFIC
101.98	PAUL WAHLSTROM	162.00	WELLS FARGO BANK AUSTIN
4278.46	WEST GROUP	4201.43	WHITEWATER WIRELESS, INC ROC
	36 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	1,727.11	
GENERAL FUND		\$85,293.11	* TOTAL

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
107.70	AUSTIN NEWSPAPERS, INC	175.00	CEDAR AUTO GLASS CENTER
1767.18	BOYER TRUCKS SO. ST. PAUL	800.00	CARTEGRAPH SYSTEMS, INC.
3142.23	CATCO	1164.17	L.R. FALK CONSTRUCTION CO.
605.10	FOX ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC	945.20	HANSON TIRE OF AUSTIN INC
320.03	HANSON TIRE SERVICE	565.19	INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEMS
150.00	VERNON KIEFER	129.59	LEEF BROS., INC.
128.00	LIGHT AND SIREN	1032.89	M-R SIGN COMPANY, INC.
1886.03	METAL CULVERTS, INC.	7680.81	OSMUNDSON BROS. CONTRACTORS
156.56	PROLINE DIST., INC	202.46	REED CONSTRUCTION DATA

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258.54 ROCHESTER PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT	300.00 DAVID TEBAY
1567.92 TERMINAL SUPPLY CO.	1013.30 TRAFFIC MARKING SERVICE,
2270.58 ULLAND BROTHERS, INC.	153.19 ULVEN'S ACE HARDWARE
22 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	977.32
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$27,498.99 * TOTAL
SOCIAL SERVICE FUND	
AMOUNT VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT VENDOR NAME
2 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	124.28
SOCIAL SERVICE FUND	\$124.28 * TOTAL
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING FUND	
AMOUNT VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT VENDOR NAME
654.00 WALLACE BUSTAD	1950.00 FOX ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC
406.00 KRUEGER TRANSPORTATION	352.00 MOWER COUNTY SHOPPER
144.00 VIKING AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER CO	
7 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	317.48
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING FUND	\$3,823.48 * TOTAL
DITCH FUND	
AMOUNT VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT VENDOR NAME
2702.16 RUBLE EXCAVATING & CONSTRUCTIO	
0 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	.00
DITCH FUND	\$2,702.16 * TOTAL
FAMILY CONNECTIONS	
AMOUNT VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT VENDOR NAME
137.40 RANDALL FETT	178.88 SHARI HEIMER
105.00 DAN HEINS	175.00 DAVID HILLIER
113.20 MARCIA KEIM	185.36 CAROL MATHEIS
125.25 DENICE MUDRA	147.12 AUDREY OEHLKE
263.99 KERRY RANDALL	105.00 KEN ROLFSON
2 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	174.56
FAMILY CONNECTIONS	\$1,710.76 * TOTAL
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FINAL TOTAL.....	\$121,152.78 ****

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Hillier to approve the County Auditor's request for duplicate warrants for original warrant #33807 dated August 26, 2003 to Nghia Nguyen in the amount of \$35.00 and for original warrant #33535 dated August 15, 2003 to Rosalie Carroll in the amount of \$48.50. Motion carried

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 a.m. until October 26, 2004 at 8:30 a.m. Motion carried.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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