

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

October 4, 2005

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session October 4, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

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

Motion by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to authorize the Chair to sign a letter of commendation to Jeff Weaver, Solid Waste Officer, for efforts in preparing the Recycling Center for an open house. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ellingson and Craig Oscarson updated the Board on the AMC District IX meeting.

A public hearing was held in regard to the Mower County 10 Year Water Plan at 1:15 p.m. Daryl Franklin, Environmental Services Director, reviewed the proposed plan.

One written comment was received from the Minnesota Department of Health. Beverly Nordby, Mower County Soil and Water Conservation District, spoke in favor of the plan. There was no other public comment on the 10 Year Water Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to give preliminary approval of the ten year (2006-2015) Mower County Water Plan for submission to the Board of Soil and Water Resources for review, recommendation and approval. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to approve the following miscellaneous bill for immediate payment:

SEMN Development Corporation                   \$983.84

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Lang to establish a Post Retirement Health Care Savings Plan for Mower County exempt employees established under Minnesota Statutes, §352.98 (Minn. Supp. 2002) and as outlined in the Minnesota State Retirement System's Trust and Plan Documents. All funds collected by the employer on behalf of the employee will be deposited into the employee's post

retirement health care savings plan account. The plan will start October 1, 2005 and run through September 30, 2007. The wages are the wages effective at the beginning of the plan (October 1, 2005.)

Employees with a salary more than \$66,600 will contribute 2% of pay.  
Employees with a salary range of \$61,000 - \$66,600 will contribute 1% of pay.  
Employees with a salary range of \$55,500 - \$60,999 will contribute 0% of pay.  
Employees with a salary range of \$50,000 - \$55,499 will contribute 0% of pay.  
Employees with a salary less than \$50,000 will contribute 1% of pay.

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to set a letting date of October 31, 2005 to accept bids for clean up of property in violation of CUP #497 of Roger Crews and Sandra Ulwelling subject to the judge signing the court order. Motion carried.

Wayne Madson, Emergency Management Director, was presented with a plaque on behalf of the Minnesota Association of Emergency Managers in recognition of being selected Emergency Management Director of the Year for Region 1.

Motion by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to authorize the Director of Community Health Services to contact associated health care companies in order to develop contracts for Mower County to provide administrative services for the Minnesota Senior Health Option program at staffing levels as proposed to the Finance and Personnel Committees as on file in the office of the Human Resource Director. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to authorize the Austin Area Chamber of Commerce to use the Courthouse lawn and utilities for Christmas in City. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m. until October 11, 2005 at 8:30 a.m. Motion carried.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

**Attest:**  
**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Clerk/Coordinator**

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