

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 7, 2006

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session December 7, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

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

Julie Corkill, Dispatcher in the Law Enforcement Center, was recognized as Employee of the Month.

**Date: December 7, 2006**

**Res. #79-06**

**RESOLUTION**

On motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 7, 2006 at the Courthouse, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, elected officials serving as a department head in Mower County are eligible to participate in the Minnesota Post Retirement Health Care Savings Plan (PRHCSP) established under Minnesota Statutes, section 352.98 (Minn. Supp. 2002) and as outlined in the Minnesota State Retirement System's Trust and Plan Documents;

BE IT RESOLVED, that 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the plan will start January 1, 2007 and run through December 31, 2008;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the years of service is the number of years of service at the beginning of the plan (January 1, 2007) and contributions are designated as follows:

Employees with 30+ years of service will contribute two percent (2%) of pay.  
Employees with 18-29 years of service will contribute one-half percent (0.5%) of pay.

Employees with 6 - 17 years of service will contribute four percent (4%) of pay.  
Employees with less than 6 years of service will contribute zero percent (0%) of pay.

Passed and approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chair**

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

Commissioner Cummings, for the Building Committee, reported that the committee was meeting with the Fair Board, St. Olaf and the Knights of Columbus regarding the possibility of replacing the current St. Olaf and Knights of Columbus dining halls at the fair grounds and replacing both with one all-season dining/meeting hall that can be rented to generate income.

At this time, a Public Hearing was held in regard to CUP #712 of Jon and Deb Lonnerman for an additional dwelling on the property.

Daryl Franklin, Environmental Services, presented a summary of the requested CUP and informed the Board that the Planning Commission recommended approval of CUP #712.

The Petitioner was present.

No one spoke for or against CUP #712.

**Date: December 7, 2006**

**Res. #80-06**

**RESOLUTION**

On motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Cummings, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 7, 2006 at the Courthouse, Austin, Minnesota.

The Mower County Planning Commission having presented to the Mower County Board of Commissioners, CUP #712 of Jon and Deb Lonnerman, Petitioner, and to be issued pursuant to the Mower County Zoning Regulations for:

To allow an additional dwelling on the property

Location: W 410 ft. N 540 ft. NW ¼ NW ¼ , Section 9, Udolpho Township,  
T104N R18W, Mower County, Minnesota.

Notice having been duly given and a hearing held December 7, 2006, on said petition.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mower County Board accepts and adopts the findings of fact of the Mower County Planning Commission in the five required areas; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said petition is hereby approved, as recommended by the Mower County Planning Commission with conditions as follows:

1. A Zoning Permit and ISTS Permit must be obtained prior to construction.
2. The CUP shall become void on 12/31/08 if no construction has begun or the use has not been established. However, the County Board may extend the CUP for an additional twelve (12) months by a motion if the conditions are the same as the approved CUP.
3. The new residence will be used for the family member of the petitioner only. The new residence shall not be used for rental property of the petitioner nor future owners of the property.

This permit is in accordance with Section 14-18.4 of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance.

Passed and approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

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

Motion made by Commissioner Lang, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to approve the minutes of November 28, 2006. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to approve the following miscellaneous bills for immediate payment:

Pat Flanagan	\$ 1,336.26
Waste Management (final payment for Crew/Ulwellig clean-up subject to the final completion of the project and the submission of all appropriate forms)	19,850.00

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to amend Resolution #71-06 dated 11-7-06 to add Burton Knutson as a Cedar River Watershed nominee to represent Dodge County. Motion carried.

**Date: December 7, 2006**

**Res. #81-06**

**RESOLUTION**

On motion of Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Tucker, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 7, 2006 at the Courthouse, Austin, Minnesota.

**WHEREAS**, on April 28, 1998, Dr. David Strobel was appointed as Temporary County Coroner to fill the position vacated by the retirement of Dr. George Stahl,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Strobel was appointed as County Coroner for a term of four (4) years, effective January 1, 1999 to December 31, 2002,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Strobel was reappointed as County Coroner for a term of four (4) years, effective January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2006,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Dr. Strobel be re-appointed as County Coroner for a term of four (4) years, effective January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2010 and be further authorized to appoint three deputy coroners.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to approve the Public Health Preparedness and Response to Bioterrorism Grant agreement in the amount of \$22,213.00 between the Minnesota Department of Health of Mower County Community Health Services. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the "Perinatal Hepatitis B (\$500 per event) and Immunization Practice Improvement (\$200 per event) Agreement" between the Minnesota Department of Health and Mower County Community Health Services. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to authorize Human Services to submit an application for a one-time funding opportunity

through UCare for a \$5,000 to \$15,000 grant for a proposed Senior Advisory Committee Work Shop focusing on senior health. Motion carried.

It was reported that the Senior Advisory Committee is looking for two new persons for the committee to replace outgoing committee members.

The Board recessed at 1:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2:25 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang effective December 1, 2006 to adopt Mower County Personnel Policy D125, Employee to Employee Donation of Hours, for the purpose of allowing employees of Mower County to anonymously donate vacation, PTO or comp time to employees who are on unpaid leave of absence and unable to perform the duties of their job due to illness or injury. A complete copy of the policy is available at the office of Human Resources. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ellingson, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to amend the 2006 Sheriff's budget in the amount of \$4510.70 for line item #01-201-6409 for the purchase of 5 rifles. Motion carried.

The Finance Committee reviewed the truth in taxation handout that would be distributed to the public at the hearing later today. The proposed 2007 budget and levy is a 7.6% increase over 2006.

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Ellingson to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 p.m. until the Truth-In-Taxation hearing at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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

**Attest:**

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

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