

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 3, 2008

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session June 3, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

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

Angela Knish, the new Environmental Services Director, was introduced to the Board.

Bruce Henricks, Director of Human Services, and Margene Gunderson, Director of Community Health, briefly reviewed the PMAP services RFP's and recommended that Mower County recommend BluePlus and UCare as the Mower County providers for prepaid medical assistance programs.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Lang to notify the Minnesota Department of Human Services that Mower County recommends BluePlus and UCare for Mower County PMAP services. Motion carried.

Margene Gunderson, Director of Community Health Services, continued her review for the Board of the draft of the Mower County Service Continuation Plan, sections Security and Health & Safety. The drafted plan will be further reviewed in sections at future board meetings and eventually adopted.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Mower County Reimbursement Policy and the mileage/travel reimbursement claims of employees that were in excess of 90 days.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Lang to reject the submitted travel reimbursement claims that had exceeded 90 days. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to amend the 2008 Sheriff's budget for the purchase of additional radio software licensing in the amount of \$16,568.75 with funding from the Radio Project fund balance designation. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to amend the 2008 building budget in the amount of \$4207 to install a doorway, remove vegetation and install sidewalk to bring the recycling building into compliance in accordance with the fire inspection. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to amend the 2008 building budget in the amount of \$7342 for siding improvements to the Communications building at the Fairgrounds. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to amend the judicial center project budget in the amount of \$20,000 for additional geothermal well drilling using project funds received from the City of Austin. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang, the Board unanimously affirmed the decision made by the Stedfast Joint Powers Board to discontinue operations. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hillier and Coordinator Oscarson updated the Board concerning the legislative session information received at the AMC District meeting and its potential impact on the County. Commissioner Hillier suggested that the Board meet again with the area legislators and staff was instructed to arrange a meeting for June 24, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

The Board recessed at 2:40 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

The Board tentatively set June 19, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. for property site visits relating to the Board of Equalization, if needed.

Commissioner Cummings informed the Board that the Water Committee would be seeking a representative for the committee from the Cedar River Watershed District.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to approve the minutes of May 13 and May 27, 2008. Motion carried.

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

KKE Architects	\$ 94,862.40
Omni Environmental	2,754.00
Whitewater Wireless	9,865.18
Asbesterol	5,940.00
Dietz Bros.--(subject to Consultant's final payment approval)	11,179.76

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tollefson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to accept the donation from the American Legion Post 91 Ladies Auxiliary in the amount of \$400 for the Veteran's Van Fund. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to amend the motion of January 8, 2008 reducing the Sunday On Sale Liquor fee from \$240 to \$200 subject to the County Attorney's review of the Statute. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Lang, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to approve the liquor license for Austin Bowling Center, Inc. effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the following tobacco licenses effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009:

K & H Classic Stop in LeRoy, MN

Lake GEO Travel Plaza

Motion carried.

Date: June 3, 2008

Res. #30-08

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held June 3, 2008 at the Courthouse, Austin, Minnesota.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mower County Sheriff's Department enter into a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety for the project entitled SAFE & SOBER COMMUNITIES during the period from October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chief of the Austin Police Department is hereby authorized to execute the grant, be the fiscal agent and administer this grant on behalf of the Mower County Sheriff's Department.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of June, 2008.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to deny the Application for Abatement of Penalties and Interest of Tony Arndorfer in regard to parcel identification numbers 04.036.0042, 09.006.0010 and 10.001.0030 for taxes payable in 2008. The basis for denial is consistency with current policy and practice. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to amend the 2008 emergency management budget in the amount of \$3770 to accept supplemental grant funding to be used to reactive the EAS system. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve a temporary liquor license for St. John the Baptist Catholic Church effective July 13, 2008. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Tollefson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to adjourn the meeting at 3:18 p.m. until June 10, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. Motion carried.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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