

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 9, 2009

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session June 9, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

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

GENERAL:

Overview of director's report.

Commissioner Hillier moved and Commissioner Lang seconded to authorize the Chair and the Director to sign the Participation Agreement effective July 1, 2009 between UCare and Mower County. Motion carried.

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

- a. Cedar Valley Services – approve amendment to contract for Home & Community Based Waiver Services, October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Gabrielson moved and Commissioner Lang 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 Hillier moved and Commissioner Tucker seconded to approve the Social Service Actions. Motion carried.

INCOME MAINTENANCE ACTIONS:

Commissioner Gabrielson moved and Commissioner Lang seconded to approve the Income Maintenance Actions. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to amend Personnel Policy D140 Insurance Benefits by amending the language under Retiree Health Insurance Benefits as follows:

- C. **1. The following provisions are for** employees with hire dates prior to 11/1/92, retirement dates after 11/1/92 **and prior to 9/1/2009** and who also meet the age and years of service qualifying conditions **as specified above**. Retirees who qualify will receive the same health insurance benefits as active employees and will be required to accept all future changes to the Base plan and/or premium sharing by active employees.

Dependents may participate in the group plan following the employees death for the term required by applicable law or until the dependents are eligible for Medicare/Medicaid benefits whichever is longer but the premiums thereof must be paid by the employee's dependents.

2. The following provisions are for employees with hire dates prior to 11/1/92 and retirement dates after 8/30/2009 and who also meet the age and years of service qualifying conditions specified above. Retirees who qualify will receive the same health insurance benefits as active employees and will be required to accept all future changes to the Base plan and/or premium sharing by active employees. Once either the retiree or their dependents become eligible for Medicare, this retirement benefit is subject to the terms and conditions of the following section entitled Medicare Supplement Plan.

Dependents may participate in the group plan or Medicare Supplement Plan following the employees death but the full premiums thereof must be paid by the employee's dependents.

Medicare Supplement Plan

Definitions:

Traditional – Defined as a retired employee with or without one dependent.

Non-Traditional – Defined as a retired employee with 2 or more dependents.

- a. **Retired employees who meet the eligibility requirements provided above and meet the definition of traditional retiree shall be allowed to continue as members of the base hospital & medical insurance program available to full-time active employees until the retired employee or the retired employee's dependent becomes eligible for Medicare. Once eligible for Medicare, the affected plan participant shall purchase Medicare Part B, will no longer be eligible for the base hospital and medical insurance program, and will be eligible for the County's Medicare Supplement Health Insurance plan.**

Eligible retired employees shall receive an employer contribution towards insurance premiums offered by the employer with a maximum not to exceed the employer contribution towards active employees. Medicare B premiums and penalties are excluded from employer reimbursement.

Eligibility for retirement benefits for employees hired prior to 11/1/1992 will end on the date of the retiree's death. The retiree's spouse shall be eligible to continue health insurance but said cost shall be the responsibility of the retiree's spouse.

In the event the employer changes the base hospital and medical insurance plan or the Medicare supplement plan, said changes to the plan and benefits will apply to retired employees.

- b. **Retired employees who meet the eligibility requirements provided above and meet the definition of non-traditional retirees shall be allowed to continue as members of the base hospital and medical insurance program available to full-time active employees until they experience a status change and meet the definition of traditional retiree. Once the status changes to the traditional retiree definition, the benefit provided changes to that provided in section 2.a. As long as the retired employee meets the definition of non-traditional retiree, the retired employee shall receive the same employer contribution towards insurance premiums as active employees.**

Eligibility for retirement benefits for employees hired prior to 11/1/1992 will end on the date of the retiree's death. The retiree's spouse shall be eligible to continue health insurance but said cost shall be the responsibility of the retiree's spouse.

In the event the employer changes the base hospital and medical insurance plan or the Medicare supplement plan, said changes to the plan and benefits will apply to retired employees.

- D. ~~Employees with hire dates after 11/1/92 and who also meet the age and years of service qualifying conditions:~~

~~Retirees who qualify will have the employer contribution to insurance capped at the dollar amount being paid at the date of retirement. Retired employees will be required to pay all subsequent increases in cost after retirement. Eligibility will end on the date that the retiree becomes eligible for Medicare.~~

~~Dependents may participate in the group plan following the employees death for the term required by applicable law or until the dependents are eligible for Medicare/Medicaid benefits, whichever is longer but premiums thereof must be paid by the employee's dependents.~~

Employees hired after 11/1/1992 and who also meet the age and years of service qualifying conditions shall have the employer contribution towards insurance premiums capped at the dollar amount being paid towards insurance premiums for active employees at the date of the employee's retirement. The employer contribution shall be limited towards health insurance plans including Medicare Supplement plans provided by the county pursuant to this agreement. Eligible retired employees hired after 11/1/1992 shall pay all subsequent increases in premium cost after retirement. Eligibility for retirement benefits for employees hired after 11/1/1992 will end on the date the retiree becomes eligible for Medicare. The county will offer a Medicare supplement policy for retirees and their spouse but said cost shall be the responsibility of the retiree.

In the event the employer changes the base hospital and medical insurance plan or the Medicare supplement plan, said changes to the plan and benefits will apply to retired employees.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to offer the non-union personnel policy involving Medicare Supplement Plans to current retirees with enrollment dates as follows:

1. Retirees currently subscribed to Medicare Part B June 30, 2009
2. Retirees currently eligible for Medicare part B, but not subscribed March 31, 2010
3. Retirees currently not eligible for Medicare Upon Medicare eligibility

Motion carried.

Mike Hanson, County Engineer, presented bid information received for the east-west street improvement project at the Mower County Fairgrounds.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to award the bid for east-west street improvement project at the Mower County Fairgrounds to the low bidder Rochester Sand & Gravel with a low bid of \$156,370.70 and have the project commence. Motion carried. Commissioner Lang abstained. Full bid abstract on file in the office of the County Auditor-Treasurer and County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Hillier to add a water stub on the north side of the east-west street project at the fairgrounds. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the Manatron consulting agreement between Mower County and Ron Michaels Consulting, Inc. for the consulting services of Marilyn Hallstrom from June 1, 2009 to November 1, 2009 for a cost not to exceed \$5,500.00 for services and expenses. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the minutes of June 2, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the following bi-monthly bills for payment:

COMMISSIONERS' RECORD MOWER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

GENERAL FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
381.64	ADAMS DRUG	118.62	ASSEMBLED PRODUCTS CORPORATION
165.00	AUSTIN COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	1621.00	AUSTIN MEDICAL CENTER ATTN:CAS
1364.54	AUSTIN SCHOOL DIST 492	292.72	AUTO VALUE AUSTIN
242.89	BIG K 3578	379.00	BUDGET OIL CO
136.32	CITY CAR WASH INC	282.23	DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVI
2579.42	DANIEL DONNELLY LAW FIRM	137.58	EMERGENCY AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOG
299.97	FIRESTONE TIRE & SERVICE CENTE	390.00	SALLY GARRY
408.06	GRAINGER	2552.83	HARTY MECHANICAL INC
1462.50	HITESMAN & ASSOCIATES PA	176.84	HOLIDAY INN ST CLOUD
157.67	IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	137.50	INTERCULTURAL MUTUAL
256.70	J & K OFFICE PRODUCTS	1232.68	KIKER BROS., INC
125.00	MARGARET KIRCHNER	410.00	EVAN LARSON
893.33	LASER PRODUCT TECHNOLOGIES	14940.00	MAYO CLINIC MRL
108.81	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES	521.32	MIDTOWN TOWING
2009.14	MN OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNO	395.00	OLYMPIC FIRE PROTECTION CORP
2759.59	PARAGON PRINTING & MAILING INC	176.84	RICHARD PETERSON
195.97	PRESTO-X-COMPANY INC	170.00	RADIOLOGISTS OF NORTH IOWA PC
150.00	RICHARDSON LAW OFFICE	172.50	CAROLINA SALAZAR
759.25	SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY	1118.25	SERVICEMASTER CLEAN
26372.72	SHERIFF MITCHELL COUNTY	774.47	SMYTH COMPANIES INC
1732.24	UNIFORMS UNLIMITED INC	352.50	WELCOME CENTER INC
143.77	WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING	1819.02	WEST GROUP
	26 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	1,132.22	
GENERAL FUND		\$72,007.65	* TOTAL

SOCIAL SERVICE FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
110.48	GRAINGER	2798.23	PARAGON PRINTING & MAILING INC
	0 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	.00	
SOCIAL SERVICE FUND		\$2,908.71	* TOTAL

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
1033.26	ABOVE ALL CLEANING, INC	4223.41	EARL ANDERSEN, INC.
139.11	AUSTIN BUILDERS SUPPLY, INC	130.70	BRHB, INC
1521.59	BROCK WHITE CO LLC	2379.40	BUSTAD DOZING AND EXCAVATING I
922.59	CONTINENTAL RESEARCH CORP.	11781.98	CROP PRODUCTION SERVICES
290.21	DAVE'S PLUMBING & HEATING INC	1140.55	ETTERMAN ENTERPRISES
4130.19	L.R. FALK CONSTRUCTION CO.	3698.82	FALKSTONE LLC
161.92	G & K SERVICES	191.59	IBS OF GREAT RIVER BLUFFS
1119.14	LASER PRODUCT TECHNOLOGIES INC	523.36	M-R SIGN COMPANY, INC.
195.85	MISSISSIPPI WELDERS SUPPLY CO.	143.21	NAPA AUTO PARTS
200.00	OLYMPIC FIRE PROTECTION CORP	190.98	PARAGON PRINTING & MAILING INC
331.44	PETROBLEND CORP.	264.85	PROLINE DIST., INC
501.84	REED BUSINESS INFORMATION	222.85	SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY
200.00	SHOPKO EYECARE CENTER	114.42	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN
1251.38	STROUP DISTRIBUTING, INC.	171.01	DAVE SYVERSON FREIGHTLINER
	10 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	528.42	
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND		\$37,704.07	* TOTAL

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
495.00	AUSTIN NEWSPAPERS, INC		
	3 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	79.35	
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING FUND		\$574.35	* TOTAL

BUILDING FUND

AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
142.68	REED BUSINESS INFORMATION		
	0 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	.00	

COMMISSIONERS' RECORD MOWER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

BUILDING FUND		\$142.68	* TOTAL
DITCH FUND			
AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	VENDOR NAME
5655.76	BUSTAD DOZING AND EXCAVATING I	938.00	RINKE-NOONAN
	0 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$100	.00	
DITCH FUND		\$6,593.76	* TOTAL
****	FINAL TOTAL.....	\$119,931.22	****

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to approve the following additional Commissioners' warrants for immediate payment:

Anderson-Johnson	\$	900.00
Dick Pederson		425.90

Justice Center Payment Applications

Joseph Company	\$	135,850.00
IPC, Inc.		120,878.80
Southern MN Masonry		48,450.00
Harty Mechanical, Inc.		8,550.00
HIMEC Mechanical		43,510.00
Schammel Electric, Inc.		40,375.00
Dulas Excavating, inc.		83,077.50
Knutson Construction Services		56,261.00

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the tobacco license for City Service effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the application for Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV). Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Lang to approve the services agreement between the State of Minnesota, Third Judicial District and Mower County Attorney for implementation of electronic complaint interface system. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Hillier to approve out-of-state travel for Steve Sandvik, Investigator, to attend the ICAC Task Force Invest. Tech. training in Denver, Colorado, on August 6 and 7, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Lang, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 a.m. until June 23, 2009 at 8:30a.m. Motion carried.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____ **Chairperson**

Attest:
By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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