

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 9, 2012

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session October 9, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Mike Ankeny, Chair
 Raymond Tucker
 Jerry Reinartz, Vice Chair
 Tony Bennett
 Tim Gabrielson
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

Overview of director's report and update on fiscal duties and recommendations for interim distribution.

Commissioner Gabrielson moved and Commissioner Reinartz seconded to approve a settlement agreement on client detox recovery fees in the amount of \$9,000.00. Motion carried.

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

INCOME MAINTENANCE ACTIONS:

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

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting at 9:05 a.m. Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD

The Special Session of the Board was reconvened at 9:36 a.m. for regular business items.

Commissioner Bennett reported on behalf of the Personnel Committee that on September 11, 2012, the Board had made a motion authorizing the Human Resources Director to fill a full-time jail records secretary vacancy. After further review by the jail administration team, including the Sheriff, the department is proposing a more cost-effective

and efficient way to fill this vacancy. Their proposal would eliminate the jail records secretary position and fill this position with a part-time (.6 FTE) jailer position. This position would be primarily responsible for covering visiting hours, but would also be trained to assist in fingerprints, booking, and paperwork. Because this position would be a .4 FTE reduction from the previous Board motion and would not be entitled to health or life benefits, this would save approximately \$30,000 from the jail staffing budget.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to rescind the September 11, 2012 motion that authorized the Human Resource Director to fill a full-time jail records secretary position. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to authorize the Human Resources Director to fill .6 FTE jailer position and any subsequent vacancies that may occur as a result of the internal posting process. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reinartz on behalf of the Building Committee reported that the Committee had met with the City of Austin regarding remodel to look the alternatives for the remodel project. There was a consensus not to include any additional alternatives (2A through 2J) to the project. It was noted that this decision is not to not do some of the proposed remodels but it is to not do them as part of this project. Some of the other items can be done over time to save money at this time and not include them in the main remodel portion of the building. No action was needed.

As requested by the Building Committee, Mike Hanson, Public Works Director reported on the status of the plans for the demolition of the grandstand. Mr. Hanson had checked with firms for environmental inspections. A HAZMAT inspection will need to be done for hazardous materials including possible lead paint. Mr. Hanson has requested two proposals for the inspections.

Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator, reported that the County's insurance carrier, MCIT, had responded to the request of the fire department for a "hold harmless" clause in the event the department is allowed to burn the grandstand. MCIT does not recommend such a clause but the County will be covered in the event a fire burns out of control. Mr. Oscarson also reported on possible compensation costs to the fire department if the grandstand is demolished in this fashion.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to demolish the existing grandstand because it is cost prohibitive to rehab the condemned building and authorize the County Coordinator and County Engineer to get quotes for the demolition project. Motion carried.

Mike Hanson reported on the Roosevelt Bridge project. Phase I is completed and it is now time to move to Phase II. Mr. Hanson requested that the Board approve a letting date for the project.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to set the project letting date for the Roosevelt Bridge Phase II project to November 29, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the office of County Public Works and awarded at the County Board of Commissioner's meeting. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the minutes of September 25, 2012. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the VHF Interoperable Frequency Use Agreement subject to the review and approval of the County Attorney. Motion carried.

Craig Oscarson reported that the local Zonta Group had requested the use of the park located on the NW corner of County property primarily designated as County Parking Lot "B" for a violence against women event in November. The matter has been reviewed with the County Attorney and there is not a problem if the Board wishes to grant the request.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to approve the use of the "park" located adjacent to County Parking Lot "B" for a Zonta event for violence against women in November. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the application of Kate Schoonover for a duplicate warrant in the amount of \$192.34 for previous warrant #74178 without bond or surety. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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