

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 10, 2015

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session November 10, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Mike Ankeny, Chair
 Tim Gabrielson
 Polly Glynn
 Jerry Reinartz
 Tony Bennett
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Jodi Krueger, Supervisor of the Child Support division of the county's Health & Human Services Department, provided the Board with a department update specific to the Child Support program. Ms. Krueger reviewed the duties and responsibilities of the program area as well as employee workload.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the agenda with the following additions:

1. Request by the Sheriff to apply for a \$12,500 grant from the Regional Radio Board;
2. Request by the Sheriff to join the Joint Voice Logging System for the SE MN Emergency Communications Region; and
3. Contract with Lansing Township for assessing services.

Motion carried.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve payment to vendors for Human Services Accounts Payable. Motion carried.

The Board received updates on Northstar Care and 2016 Guardian contract.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve increasing Gerard Academy's 2016 per diem rate by 10% for programs and services offered to youth. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the Social Service Actions. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting at 9:32 a.m. Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD

The Special Session of the Board was reconvened at 9:35 a.m. for regular business items.

The Finance Committee provided a recommendation to change from the appointed County Coroner system to a contract with Southern Minnesota Regional Medical Examiner's Office (SMRMEO) effective January 1, 2016. The recommended change will increase the level of service to allow for court testimony and is the most common service delivery method found in area counties. Dr. David Strobel, County Coroner, spoke on behalf of the current method and understood his credentials do limit his ability for court testimony. He further stated he primarily attended to advocate for his current death scene investigations requesting that they be considered for service with SMRMEO.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to discontinue the County Coroner method of service delivery and approve entering into an agreement with Southern MN Regional Medical Examiners' Office effective January 1, 2016. Motion carried.

The Finance committee reported on the request of GIGAustin for county finance participation in their broadband project. The Finance Committee has reviewed the request and recommends no county participation as the proposed service area is not countywide and there appears to be no benefit for county departments.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to reject financial participation in GIGAustin. Motion carried.

At this point Scott Delany and eight additional people gave an update on The Bridge thanking the County Board for their continued financial support.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to authorize the Mower County Sheriff's office to apply for a grant in the amount of \$12,500 from the SE MN Regional Radio Board with the grant match and expenditures above the grant being the responsibility of the local units of government who will receive the radio equipment. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the request of the Mower County Sheriff to terminate the current agreement with Freeborn County regarding the voice logger system and to further authorize the Sheriff to enter into an agreement with the SE MN Emergency Communications Board JPA for a joint voice logging system as follows:

1. Authorize the Sheriff to make application and sign on behalf of the County;
2. The agreement is subject to review by the County Attorney;
3. Effective date of the new agreement shall be January 1, 2016; and

4. Costs associated with the agreement and joint voice logging system shall be from E911 funds.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the minutes of November 3, 2015. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the following Commissioner warrants for payment:

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	10,722.71	Icon Constructors Llc	23,535.96
Austin Utilities	2,608.66	Jarco	2,045.54
Cargill Incorporated	33,688.43	Prairie Lakes Youth Programs	9,259.00
Cedar Valley Services, Inc	2,219.63	Schmidt Goodman Office Products	5,449.55
Dave Lucas Consulting	5,462.15	Thoroughbred Carpets Of Austin Llc	3,093.47
Freeborn County Co-Operative Oil Co.	6,353.71	66 Payments less than 2000	28,095.54
		FINAL TOTAL:	132,534.35

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the Assessment Agreements for assessment year 2016 between Mower County and the City of Dexter and Lansing Township and authorize the Chair and the Coordinator to sign the agreements on behalf of the County. Motion carried.

Date: November 10, 2015

Res. #63-15

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held November 10, 2015 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, project number SAP 50-601-031 completed under contract number 21414 by ICON Contractors, LLC has in all things been completed and the County Board being fully advised in the premise.

NOW THEN BE IT RESOLVED that we do hereby accept said completed project for and on behalf of the County of Mower and authorize final payment as specified herein:

Contract Amount: \$ 544,522.00
 Final Amount: \$ 470,719.15 [86.45%]
 Final Payment: \$ 23,535.96

Passed and approved this 10th day of November, 2015.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for November 24, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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