

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 10, 2016

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session May 10, 2016 at 8:34 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

Members present, viz: Polly Glynn, Chair
 Tim Gabrielson, Vice-Chair
 Mike Ankeny
 Jerry Reinartz
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Member absent: Tony Bennett

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Joy Kanne, County Assessor, provided the Board with a department update.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

Verencia Hernandez and Jennie Crews, new Office Support staff, were introduced to the Board.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to authorize the Chair and the Director to sign the following Purchase of Service Agreements:

Evan Larson – renew contract for CHIPS Attorney Services, effective January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the Social Service Actions. Motion carried.

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

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting at 9:14 a.m. Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD

The Special Session of the Board was reconvened at 9:30 a.m. for regular business items.

Craig Clark, Austin City Administrator, presented to the Board a request for the County's participation/support of a proposed tax abatement policy to generate more single and multi-family housing development in the area. Also present and speaking in support of the proposed tax abatement policy were Mayor Stiehm, Chamber of Commerce Director Sandy Forstner, Hormel young professional Rochelle Birch, Austin City Council member David Hagen. James Williams, citizen, spoke against implementing a proposed tax abatement policy. A discussion followed. The proposed tax abatement policy was referred to the Finance Committee for review and recommendation to the Board.

Craig Clark, Austin City Administrator, presented to the Board a request for funding assistance for a Community Recreation Center. Mr. Clark outlined what is proposed in the new facility and he indicated that an agreement with the local YMCA is being prepared for the YMCA's operation of the facility. A discussion followed. The request was referred to Finance for review and recommendation to the Board.

Kyle Klaehn, provided the Board with additional information related to his request for a partial reimbursement of costs he incurred related to his septic system.

The Board recessed at 10:24 a.m. and reconvened at 10:43 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to deny the request of Kyle Klaehn for a reduction of his current septic system application fee in the amount of \$400 and to deny his request to be compensated in the amount of \$5,000 for the difference between the trench system he installed and the mound system that was the other alternative at the time. The Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Gabrielson aye, Commissioner Ankeny aye, Commissioner Reinartz aye and Commissioner Glynn aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to set a July 1 deadline for the installation of new signage at the Government Center and, if department heads have not responded to what they would like for information on the sign, administration will make the decision for them. Motion carried.

Mike Hanson, Public Works Director, presented bid information received for paving projects CP 50-16-02, SAP 50-612-011, SAP 50-701-002 and bid SAP 50-703-003 & 50-710-003. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to award Ulland Brothers, low bidder, as the contractor on the following projects:

1. Award bid CP 50-16-02 bituminous County Road 53 (780th Ave) from CSAH 12 to CSAH 11, Leroy Twp – bid of \$716,160.23
2. Award bid SAP 50-612-011 bituminous CSAH 12 from 316' W and 918' E of County Road 53, Leroy Twp – bid of \$87,593.56
3. Award bid SAP 50-701-002 bituminous CSAH 101 from CSAH 1 to S r/w of Washington St., City of Waltham – bid of \$119,299.70

4. Award bid SAP 50-703-003 & 50-710-003 bituminous CSAH 103 from CSAH 7 to CSAH 110 & CSAH 110 from CSAH 103 to CSAH 7, City of Elkton -- bid of \$86,835.20

and have the projects commence. Motion carried. Full bid abstract on file in the office of the County Auditor-Treasurer and Public Works Director.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the minutes of May 3, 2016. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the following Commissioner warrants for payment:

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
180 Degrees Inc	9,623.74	Dave Lucas Consulting	4,952.82
Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	10,821.59	Defor/David	2,880.00
Austin Utilities	4,159.62	Mayo Clinic Health System-Albert Lea &	3,412.00
Bruening Rock Products Inc	2,873.81	Paulson/Ruth	3,066.00
Bustad Dozing And Excavating Inc	3,871.98	Syerson Truck Center/Dave	7,377.70
Commissioner Of Transportation	2,945.72	76 Payments less than 2000	24,537.06
		Final Total:	80,522.04

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve out-of-state travel for Correctional Services staff to attend a conference. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the construction of a storage facility on the fairgrounds (16'x20'x8') purchased by the University of Minnesota Extension / 4H (\$8200) and also approve entering into a Building Lease Agreement with the University of Minnesota Extension 4H Youth Programs for the lease of the building from Mower County. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to authorize the County Coordinator to approve change orders up to \$5000 for the public works remodel. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____ **Chairperson**

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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