

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

June 13, 2017

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session June 13, 2017 at 8:34 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Tim Gabrielson, Chair
 Jerry Reinartz, Vice-Chair
 Mike Ankeny (8:40 a.m.)
 Tony Bennett
 Polly Glynn
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the agenda adding setting a letting date for jail security cameras bids and noting a correction on the public hearing that it is for James (not John) Campbell. Motion carried.

Kristen Nelsen, County Attorney, provided the Board with a departmental update.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

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

The Board received an update on the Legislative Session outcomes and the impact on the department.

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

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting at 9:30 a.m. Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD

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

A Public Hearing was held in regard to a Housing Tax Abatement request of James E. Campbell, applicant, to construct a single-family home in Austin, Minnesota (PIN 34.508.0010).

Craig Oscarson reviewed the application and the recommendation is to approve the application.

The Applicant was present and spoke on his own behalf. No one else spoke for or against the James Campbell housing tax abatement application.

Date: June 13, 2017

Res. #39-17

**RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX ABATEMENT
FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT. 469.1813**

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held June 13, 2017 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 469.1813 gives authority to the County of Mower to grant an abatement of property taxes imposed by the County if certain criteria are met; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the statutory requirements, Mower County has adopted the Tax Abatement Policy for new construction of Single and Multi-family homes which includes criteria which must be met before an abatement of taxes will be granted; and

WHEREAS, James E. Campbell is the owner of certain property within Mower County, legally described as follows:

North Meadows Third Lot 001 Block 001 Subdivision Cd34508 OLD #08.082.0010,
Austin, Minnesota (PIN 34.508.0010)

WHEREAS, James E. Campbell has made application to Mower County for the abatement of taxes as to the above-described parcel; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on June 13, 2017 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said application.

WHEREAS, James E. Campbell has met the statutory requirements outlined under Minnesota Statute 469.1813 Subdivision 1(1) and Subdivision 2(i) as well as Mower County's criteria for tax abatement;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
MOWER COUNTY, MINNESOTA:**

1. Mower County does, hereby grant an abatement of Mower County's share of real estate taxes upon the above-described parcel for the construction of a single family home.
2. The tax abatement will be for no more than five years commencing with the receipt of the Certificate of Occupancy, or not more than one year following approval of the taxing authority's resolution, whichever is first, on the first year of taxes payable for the assessed value(s) related to the capital improvements outlined in Paragraph 1.

3. The County shall provide the awarded abatement payment following payment of due real estate taxes annually. One single payment shall be made to the owner of record at the time of the payment, by December 30th of that calendar year.
4. The tax abatement shall be for up to the full amount of the real estate taxes collected from added tax base of the newly constructed housing/home annually. Land values and the current base value are not eligible and will not be abated.

Passed and approved this 13th day of June, 2017.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the minutes of June 6, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett 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	9,857.90	Kindred Family Focus	2,740.40
American Solutions For Business	7,664.76	Mayo Clinic Patient Financial Services	2,589.90
Austin Utilities	3,393.97	Office Of Mn It Services	2,115.76
Baudoin Oil Company	12,638.43	Prairie Lakes Youth Programs	19,747.00
Cedar Valley Services, Inc	2,202.16	Ruffridge-Johnson Equipment Co	2,303.00
Commissioner Of Transportation	3,046.61	Sgts Inc	4,189.50
Complete Automotive Services	3,751.32	81 Payments less than 2000	34,886.66
Dave Lucas Consulting	3,825.00	Final Total:	114,952.37

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to approve the On Sale and Sunday liquor license effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for Four Daughters Vineyard and Winery. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the 3.2 Beer On –Off Sale liquor license effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for Adventure Bound BT, LLC d/b/a Yogi Bears Jellystone Park, Austin, MN. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the On Sale and Sunday liquor license effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for Grafiing Company, Inc. d/b/a Echo Lanes. Motion carried.

Date: June 13, 2017

Res. #40-17

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held June 13, 2017 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2017 the LeRoy Rod & Gun Club presented a request for a Minnesota Lawful Gambling License for gambling to be conducted at the LeRoy Rod & Gun Club, LeRoy, Minnesota on August 19, 2017.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Mower County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the issuance of a Minnesota Lawful Gambling License to LeRoy Rod & Gun Club for gambling at the LeRoy Rod & Gun Club, LeRoy, Minnesota on August 19, 2017.

Passed and adopted this 13th day of June, 2017.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve modifications to the housing tax abatement policy and corresponding modifications to the application to incorporate clarification regarding the requirement for no construction prior to approval of an abatement and requiring certification by the applicant. The revised policy is on file in the office of the County Coordinator. Motion carried.

The County has the option to assume the responsibility for buffer strip enforcement from the Board of Water and Soil Resources. There was a brief discussion.

Date: June 13, 2017

Res. #41-17

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held June 13, 2017 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, provisions in Minnesota Statute 103F.48 (Buffer Law) allow a county or watershed district to affirm jurisdiction to carry out the compliance provisions regarding riparian vegetated buffers and alternative water quality practices for those waterbodies identified on the Department of Natural Resources' Buffer Protection Map; and

WHEREAS, a county with jurisdiction over a noncompliant site shall enforce corrective actions through a coordinated approach under the authority granted in Minnesota Statute 103B.101, subd. 12a, the Buffer Law or other authority granted by statute; and

WHEREAS, Mower County agrees to carry out corrective actions on a parcel basis to ensure compliance with the buffer requirements, which may include an Administrative Penalty Order (APO) plan under the authority provided in Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subd. 12a and 103F.48; and

WHEREAS, Mower County is electing jurisdiction on all public drainage ditches for which it is the drainage authority and public waters, located within its boundaries, identified on the Department of Natural Resources' Buffer Protection Map; and

WHEREAS, Mower County is electing jurisdiction on all public drainage ditches for which it is not the drainage authority, located within its boundaries, if the watershed district has not elected jurisdiction for the Buffer Law; and

WHEREAS, the Buffer Law requires that each Local Government Unit provide notice affirming jurisdiction and identify the rule, ordinance, or other official controls that will be used to carry out the compliance provisions of the buffer requirements to the Board of Water and Soil Resources, including a copy of the adopting resolution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mower County hereby accepts the authority and administrative responsibility to implement the Buffer Law as the Local Government Unit within the legal boundaries of Mower County for the water features identified above as of June 13, 2017 in accordance with Minnesota Statute 103F.48.

Passed and approved this 13th day of June, 2017.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to set letting date for the jail security cameras to July 14, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the office of the

County Coordinator to be awarded at a subsequent County Board of Commissioner's meeting. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for June 27, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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