

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

October 25, 2018

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session October 25, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz:     Jerry Reinartz, Chair  
  Tony Bennett, Vice-Chair  
  Mike Ankeny  
  Polly Glynn  
  Tim Gabrielson  
  Denise Barthels, Clerk Pro Tem

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Gary Weiers. DDA Human Resources, Inc. executive search consultant, indicated the purpose of this special meeting was for the Mower County Board of Commissioners to select County Administrator finalists for interviewing, discuss and select the components of the interview process and to discuss if there will be any offer of reimbursement to candidates for attending the interviews.

Mr. Weiers reported that there are currently eleven semi-finalists for the Board to select from for interview and that any selection will only be identified by a number system. Each Board member indicated their top three candidates. From that initial selection, candidates numbered 2, 5, 7 and 11 were selected for interview and there was a discussion regarding candidates numbered 1, 3, 8 and 9. After discussion, two additional candidates, numbered 1 and 8, were also selected for interview.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, to select applicants identified as 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, and 11 to interview for the position of County Administrator. Motion carried.

Mr. Weiers provided the Board with optional interview components. The selected the process to include Department Head (and Administrative Assistant) interviews of the candidates followed by the Board interviews of the candidates.

The Board discussed compensation options, if any, to provide towards the expenses of the interview process for the candidates.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, to provide a hotel room the night prior to the interviews for the candidates. Motion carried.

Mr. Weiers indicated that background and reference checks will commence and the Board will receive the information prior to the interviews. The list of selected candidates can be published tomorrow and Mr. Weiers will provide the data for a press release.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to adjourn the meeting at 2:42 p.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

**THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

**Attest:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Clerk ProTem**

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