

REGULAR SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 23, 2022

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Regular Session August 23, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Chair Jeff Baldus, Vice-Chair Mike Ankeny, Jerry Reinartz, Polly Glynn, and John Mueller. Also in attendance were County Administrator Trish Harren, Executive Assistant Denise Barthels, Finance Manager Loni Swenson

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

County Auditor-Treasurer Scott Felten provided the Board with a departmental update. Felten reported that the July 27, 2022, tax forfeiture auction included 18 parcels and all but one sold. The next tax forfeiture sale will be held after the November election. Staff is sending out courtesy letters to property owners with delinquent taxes to reduce the number of parcels that are included in the publication of delinquent parcels and are working collaboratively with property tax owners on confessions of judgement to limit the number of parcels that move into forfeiture. Staff is continuing to focus efforts on the November 7, 2022, election. Mail in and in person voting begins September 23rd.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022. Motion carried.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Anoka County Corrections	32,018.63	Mower County Soil & Water Cons	48,636.79
Baudoin Oil Company	24,356.80	Nexus - Gerard Family Healing	2,148.44
Boe Brothers Tiling Inc	41,601.54	Nexus-Mille Lacs Family Healing	7,688.00
Cedar Valley Services, Inc	55,076.05	Office Of Mn It Services	3,932.29
Erickson Engineering Co., LLC	16,731.50	Riverside Psychological Services	7,500.00
Featherlite Graphics	3,634.54	Sign Solutions USA	2,796.91
Hanson Tire Of Austin Inc	3,954.48	Traffic Marking Service Inc No 139	50,476.68
Insight Direct USA, Inc	22,232.53	Ulland Brothers Inc.	4,614.30
Mayo Clinic	6,237.50	Village Ranch Inc	26,338.78
MEIGS PAVING	35,926.42	Zack's, Inc.	2,147.83
Midwest Monitoring & Surveillance	2,199.00	79 Payments less than 2000	38,035.55
		Final Total:	438,284.56

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, to approve the Health & Human Services accounts payable totaling \$404,134.67. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to approve the following list of surplus property for auction and/or transfer to another unit of government:

Quantity	Item	Department
1	Smart Board	HHS
38	Kimberly Clark Paper Towel Dispensers	Facilities

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to set September 27, 2022 at 7:30 a.m. for employee years-of-service recognition breakfast. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, to approve Sub-Agreement between Mower Soil and Water Conservation District and Mower County related to the Cedar – Wapsipinicon Watershed Management Plan Sub-Agreement for Watershed Based Implementation Funding. Motion carried.

Date: August 23, 2022

Res. #98-22

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held August 23, 2022, at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2022, the Root River Antique Historical Power Assn., Inc. presented a request for a Minnesota Lawful Gambling License for gambling to be conducted at the Root River Antique Historical Power Assn., Inc. on July 16, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Mower County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the issuance of a Minnesota Lawful Gambling License to Root River Antique Historical Power Assn., Inc. for gambling at Root River Antique Historical Power Assn., Inc. on July 16, 2023.

Passed and adopted this 23rd day of August 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, to approve the first-time application of DG Retail, LLC (d/b/a Dollar General Store) in City of LeRoy for a tobacco license effective August 23, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, to approve the first-time application of Patriot Travel Plaza LLC/Jason D Shaw in City of Dexter for a tobacco license effective August 23, 2022, through June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Under Committee Reports Commissioner Glynn indicated that she and Commissioner Mueller had attended a Joint/City County meeting on August 17 and topics of discussion included the recycling, the housing tax abatement program and childcare. Commissioner Glynn also attended the Soil & Water Conservation District board meeting. Commissioner Reinartz reported he had attended the Senior Center board meeting on August 19 and the topic of discussion was 2023 budget. Commissioner Mueller and Commissioner Ankeny held Finance Committee meetings on August 17, 18 and 19 to discuss 2023 budget proposals with outside agencies and county departments. Commissioner Mueller reported he had attended the Fair opening ceremony and has been attending city and township meetings. Commissioner Glynn further reported that Mr. Warmka is erecting a building to store the wind tower blades so he will no longer be in violation with the Grand Meadow City Ordinance. Lastly the Board briefly discussed the information, interviews and surveys coming through the Sicora consulting firm.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:24 a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Administrator

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