

REGULAR SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 4, 2020

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Regular Session February 4, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

Members present, viz: Jeff Baldus, Chair
 Polly Glynn
 Tim Gabrielson
 Mike Ankeny
 Trish Harren, County Administrator

Member excused: Jerry Reinartz

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, to approve the agenda adding 1) approve a resolution in support of submission of a voting equipment grant under General Business and 2) budgeted equipment purchase under Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Commissioner Glynn on behalf of the Finance Committee reported to the Board that the Committee has met with the City Administrator Craig Clark to discuss a proposed public private partnership for housing development projects and that the Committee met with the Public Works department regarding the 2020 capital improvement planned heavy equipment purchases. The Finance Committee recommends proceeding with and approving the budgeted heavy equipment purchases for Public Works.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, to approve the budgeted 2020 heavy equipment capital improvement purchases in Public Works. The approved purchases are as follows:

2 Tandem Truck Chassis	\$ 260,000
Trailer (replacement)	19,000
Fleet Truck (replacement)	40,000
Skid steer (3 rd for the fleet)	58,000
4 portable hoists for shop (individual units/jacks)	40,000
Total	\$417,000.00

Motion carried.

Auditor-Treasurer Scott Felten met with the Board to request an authorizing resolution to submit a voter equipment grant request to the State of Minnesota. Mr. Felten noted that in December he met with the Board regarding this matter and the Board unanimously passed a motion on December 17, 2019 authorizing the Auditor-Treasurer to

submit an application for Voter Equipment Grant Application (VEGA) funds. However, Mr. Felten was not aware that a formal Board resolution was needed for the grant application.

Date: February 4, 2020

Res. #10-20

**RESOLUTION
County Application for Voting Equipment Grant**

On the motion of Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, the following resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at the meeting held February 4th, 2020 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, Mower County has applied to the State of Minnesota for a grant from the Voting Equipment Grant Account (VEGA) for purchase of new voting/election equipment for the county; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State (OSS) is currently soliciting applications from jurisdictions for grants to purchase voting equipment; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant request has been determined to be \$107,187.50 by reason of the proposed equipment purchase schedule;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Mower County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes section 206.95, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State any amount appropriated for the equipment but not required. The proper county officers are authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Secretary of State concerning the above-referenced grant.

Passed and approved this 4th day of February, 2020.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020. 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>
Apex Equipment LLC	11,540.20	MCHS SE Minnesota	2,672.30
Baudoin Oil Company	15,863.77	Mn Dept Employment & Economic Develop	13,226.35
Beckleys	3,381.00	Mower County Soil & Water Cons	2,191.73
Chosen Valley Testing, Inc	6,486.00	Sandy Anderson Consulting and Coaching	2,500.00
Commissioner Of Transportation	2,177.19	Softree Technical Systems Inc	3,980.00
Computer Information Systems Inc	54,164.22	TR Excavation & Hauling LLC	2,344.50
Consolidated Correctional Foodservice	14,369.32	Uhl Company Inc	6,427.00
KRIS Engineering Inc	11,381.18	47 Payments less than 2000	17,792.89
		Final Total:	170,497.65

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to make the following reappointments to the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment:

Don Adams – 3rd Term (1.1.2019 – 12.31.21)

Taggert Medgaarden – 2nd Term (1.1.2019 – 12.31.21)

Dan Vermilyea – 2nd Term (1.1.20 – 12.31.22)

Jerry McCarthy – 3rd Term (1.1.20 – 12.31.22)

Motion carried.

A Certificate of Appreciate will be sent to the individuals thanking each of them for their willingness to serve Mower County in this capacity.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, to allow an exception to the dress code policy allowing employees to wear Jeans for a Cause February 5, 2020 through February 29, 2020 for a minimum suggested donation of \$15.00 for cancer research as part of the community Paint the Town Pink campaign. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, to approve the tobacco license effective February 4, 2020 through June 30, 2020 for Soltau Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a BP Food Shop. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ankeny presented an idea for possible consideration to have a drive through Christmas light display at the fairgrounds. A discussion followed. Other entities (i.e. Fair Board) and individuals would need to be in cooperation and participation for the idea to be developed into a reality. No action on this subject took place at this time.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, to adjourn the meeting at 1:43 p.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Administrator

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