

REGULAR SESSION OF THE MOWER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 16, 2025

The Mower County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Mower, Minnesota, met in Regular Session December 16, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Chair Polly Glynn, Vice-Chair Dan Sparks, Jerry Reinartz, Mike Ankeny and John Mueller. Also in attendance were County Administrator Matthew Verdick and County Attorney Kristen Nelsen.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve the agenda moving item 2 under Human Resources to follow the County Attorney department update. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the consent agenda as presented:

1. Approve Minutes of November 25 and December 2 Work Session
2. Acknowledge the Receipt of Electronic Fund Transfer Payment Reports
3. Re-Appoint Nathan Toland to Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment for a second three-year term (1-1-26 thru 12-31-28)
4. Appoint Sean Lutz to the Planning Commission / Board of Adjustment for 1st 3-year term (1-1-26 thru 12-31-28)

5. Approve list of surplus property for donation to the fairgrounds:

Quantity	Item	Department
1	2010 1445 John Deere Mower TC1445D100165	Facilities
1	2022 John Deere 60 inch broom 1TC60FMXCNT120193	Facilities

6. Approve Absentee Ballot Board Resolution for 2026

Date: December 16, 2025

RES. #66-25

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD FOR THE 2026
ELECTION YEAR (ENCOMPASSING ALL ELIGIBLE ELECTIONS)**

On motion of Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, Mower County is required by Minnesota Statutes 203B.121, Subd. 1 to establish an Absentee Ballot Board effective December 16, 2025 for the full 2026 Election year for all eligible elections; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting returned absentee ballots in Mower County; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy county auditors trained in the processing and counting of absentee ballots;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Mower County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes an Absentee Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy auditors to perform the task.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Service Recognition - Dan Vermilyea was recognized for his 9 years of service on the Planning Commission / Board of Adjustment. His contributions and commitment were greatly appreciated.

County Attorney Kristen Nelsen reported that despite a challenging year marked by the cyberattack and increased case severity, her office is largely back to full function and continues managing a heavy workload, including 288 CHIP files and several major violent-crime cases. She noted that while overall case numbers are down, serious offenses such as assaults with weapons and robberies have increased, and trial preparation has become more complex due to expanded digital evidence. Ms. Nelsen highlighted recent accomplishments, including securing a grant for computer forensics, improving warrant review processes, and reorganizing office files. She introduced her team and acknowledged their individual significant contributions in meeting department and case challenges and their willingness to take on additional responsibilities. Ms. Nelsen also expressed appreciation for the support from interdepartmental partners.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to approve the engagement of the law firm of Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney to represent Mower County in labor negotiations. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 9:34 a.m. for the purpose of the Health & Human Services Board.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

Fiscal Services Supervisor Trisha Blaser presented Health & Human Services accounts payable for approval in the amount of \$207,354.52.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve the Health & Human Services accounts payable totaling \$207,354.52. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the Interagency Agreement with Goodhue County to serve as host county for advertising and for creating and distributing educational cannabis materials effective December 16, 2025 through June 30, 2028 (\$25,000). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to accept the Blue Cross donation in the amount of \$2,000 to support Wellness on Wheels. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Sparks, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to accept the Medica donation in the amount of \$10,000 to support Wellness on Wheels. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the amended Children and Youth with Special Health Needs (CYSHN) contract to include the Follow Along Program (FAP) effective date January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026 in the amount of \$7,300. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Sparks, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the Cooperative Agreement with the Department of Children Youth and Families effective January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2027. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve the Social Services actions. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the Purchase of Service Agreements renewal agreements effective 1/1/26 – 12/31/26 (*unless otherwise designated*) for the following:

Case Management: Thomas Allen, Inc.

Employment: Workforce Development, Inc. – for MFIP & Diversionary Work Program

Child Care Licensor: Freeborn County Department of Human Services – renew agreement effective 1/1/26 – 12/31/27

Guardianship: Alternative Resolutions; Independent Management Services; and Unique Abilities

Mental Health: Independent Management Services

Semi-Independent Living Services (SILS): Independent Management Services and Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota

Motion carried unanimously.

Under HHS updates it was noted that UCARE being acquired by Medica which affects the department's services provide. In addition, the Board received a demonstration of County Financial Assistance systems.

The Chair adjourned the Health & Human Services Board meeting at 9:50 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY BOARD

The Regular Session of the Board was reconvened at 10:04 a.m. for regular business items.

The Board recessed at 10:04 a.m. for the purpose of a public hearing.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:04 a.m. regarding a Housing Tax Abatement request of Paul & Gretchen Eickhoff for a single-family home located at Section 15 Township 103 Range 016, S310FT W330FT E795FT SE1/4 SE1/4 (PIN 05.015.0035)

County Administrator Matthew Verdick reviewed the application and recommended approval.

The applicant was not present. No one else spoke for or against the Eickhoff housing tax abatement application.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:05 a.m. regarding the Eickhoff Housing Tax Abatement application.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:05 a.m. regarding a Housing Tax Abatement request of Darrell & Wendy Hightshoe for a single-family home located at Austin Homesteads Subdivision Block 007 SubdivisionCd 34011 LOT 4 EXC E200FT & EXC N142.36FT, Austin, MN (PIN 34.011.1010).

County Administrator Matthew Verdick reviewed the application and recommended approval.

The applicant Darrell Hightshoe was present and spoke on his own behalf. No one else spoke for or against the Hightshoe housing tax abatement application.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:06 a.m. regarding the Hightshoe Housing Tax Abatement application.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:06 a.m. regarding a Housing Tax Abatement request of Richard & Robin Moe for a single-family manufactured home on a permanent foundation located at Section 26 Township 102 Range 018 APPROX W325.55FT N439.56FT S997.02FT SW1/4 NW1/4, Austin Twp, Austin, MN (PIN 02.023.0020)

County Administrator Matthew Verdick reviewed the application and recommended approval.

The applicant Robin Moe was present and spoke on her own behalf. No one else spoke for or against the Moe housing tax abatement application.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:08 a.m. regarding the Moe Housing Tax Abatement application.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:08 a.m. regarding CUP 995a of MKA LLC Landowner(s), and Mark Eliff, Petitioner, to amend CUP 995 indoor growing of cannabis. This amendment is to allow for manufacturing activities which will include, but not be limited to, producing pre-rolls and extracting concentrate from plant material.

Mindy Williamson reviewed the permit and Planning Commission recommendations.

The Petitioner Mark Eliff was present remotely. No one spoke for or against CUP #995a.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:11 a.m. regarding CUP #995a.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:11 a.m. regarding CUP #1000 of Todd Weisinger and Sydney Weisinger Landowner(s) and Petitioner(s), to allow for an additional dwelling in the quarter section to be located in an area previously used for excavation of earth and unsuitable for economical agricultural purposes.

Mindy Williamson reviewed the permit and Planning Commission recommendations.

The Petitioner was not present. No one spoke for or against CUP #1000.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:11 a.m. regarding CUP #1000.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:11 a.m. regarding CUP #1001 of Lucas Rollie and Kathleen Rollie Landowner(s) and Petitioner(s), to use existing, on-site building basement as a cannabis grow facility as licensed by the Office of Cannabis Management. Applicant will also manufacture on site: pre-rolls. (no exterior signage). Applicant's also licensed for transport.

Mindy Williamson reviewed the permit and Planning Commission recommendations.

The Petitioner was present. Two persons spoke against CUP #1001.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:15 a.m. regarding CUP #1001.

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 10:15 a.m. regarding Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Excavation of Earth Products Section 14.

Mindy Williamson and Valerie Sheedy reviewed the ordinance amendment and Planning Commission recommendations.

No one spoke for or against the zoning ordinance amendment.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 10:17 a.m. regarding amending Section 14 of the zoning ordinance

The County Board reconvened its regular session at 10:17 a.m.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #67-25

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

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 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, H Edwin Frank Revocable Living Trust is the owner(s) of certain property within Mower County, legally described as follows:

Section 15 Township 103 Range 016 S310FT W330FT E795FT SE1/4 SE1/4, Dexter Twp, MN (PIN 05.015.0035)

WHEREAS, Paul and Gretchen Eickhoff have 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 December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said application.

WHEREAS, H Edwin Frank Revocable Living Trust (seller) and Paul and Gretchen Eickhoff (buyer) have 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 the single-family home.
2. The tax abatement will be for no more than five years commencing, in the tax year the property realizes a value increase over original value due to construction of the housing project. Partially constructed housing may result in an abatement in the first abatement year that may be significantly less than the following years. This will still be considered one of the five years of eligible abatement. In the event construction has not commenced within one year of approval, the abatement is eliminated and the property owner will need to reapply in accordance with this policy.

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 real estate taxes to be abated shall be for up to the full amount of the real estate taxes collected due to the added tax base of the newly constructed housing/home annually. The current value of the property is not eligible for the abatement, will not be abated as part of this program and is further defined as the "original value." Any eligible abatement years are calculated on the tax increase due to a value increase over the original value.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #68-25

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

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 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, Darrell and Wendy Hightshoe are the owner(s) of certain property within Mower County, legally described as follows:

Austin Homesteads Subdivision Block 007 SubdivisionCd 34011 LOT 4 EXC E200FT & EXC N142.36FT, Austin, MN (PIN 34.011.1010)

WHEREAS, Darrell and Wendy Hightshoe have 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 December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said application.

WHEREAS, Darrell and Wendy Hightshoe have 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 the single-family home.
2. The tax abatement will be for no more than five years commencing, in the tax year the property realizes a value increase over original value due to construction of the housing project. Partially constructed housing may result in an abatement in the first abatement year that may be significantly less than the following years. This will still be considered one of the five years of eligible abatement. In the event construction has not commenced within one year of approval, the abatement is eliminated and the property owner will need to reapply in accordance with this policy.
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 real estate taxes to be abated shall be for up to the full amount of the real estate taxes collected due to the added tax base of the newly constructed housing/home annually. The current value of the property is not eligible for the abatement, will not be abated as part of this program and is further defined as the "original value." Any eligible abatement years are calculated on the tax increase due to a value increase over the original value.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #69-25

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

On motion of Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 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, Richard and Robin Moe are the owner(s) of certain property within Mower County, legally described as follows:

Section 26 Township 102 Range 018 APPROX W325.55FT N439.56FT S997.02FT SW1/4 NW1/4, Austin Twp, Austin, MN (PIN 02.023.0020)

WHEREAS, Richard and Robin Moe have 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 December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said application.

WHEREAS, Richard and Robin Moe have 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 the single-family manufactured home on a permanent foundation.
2. The tax abatement will be for no more than five years commencing, in the tax year the property realizes a value increase over original value due to construction of the housing project. Partially constructed housing may result in an abatement in the first abatement year that may be significantly less than the following years. This will still be considered one of the five years of eligible abatement. In the event construction has not commenced within one year of approval, the abatement is eliminated and the property owner will need to reapply in accordance with this policy.
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 real estate taxes to be abated shall be for up to the full amount of the real estate taxes collected due to the added tax base of the newly constructed housing/home annually. The current value of the property is not eligible for the abatement, will not be abated as part of this program and is further defined as the "original value." Any eligible abatement years are calculated on the tax increase due to a value increase over the original value.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #70-25

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Sparks, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, The Mower County Planning Commission, having presented to the Mower County Board of Commissioners, CUP #995A, by and MKA LLC Landowner(s), and Mark Eliff, Petitioner, who have petitioned the Mower County Board of Commissioners to allow for the site to be used for:

To amend CUP # 995- indoor growing of cannabis. This CUP amendment is to allow for manufacturing activities which will include but not be limited to producing pre-rolls and extracting concentrate from plant material inside the building.

Located in Mower County, Minnesota and legally described as:

Tax Legal: Section 25 Township 103 Range 018 APPROX E330' N214' S636' SE1/4 NW1/4 DOC 549980 1.61AC

(Full legal description on file in the office of Environmental Services.)

And identified per Mower County tax records as parcel 08.025.0021; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on the matter on December 2, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Mower County Government Center, Board Room before the Mower County Planning Commission, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has received the Findings of Fact; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mower County Board has reviewed, accepts and adopts the findings of fact of the Mower County Planning Commission in the five required areas, which is hereby adopted by reference and kept on file in the Office of Environmental Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said petition is hereby approved, as recommended by the Mower County Planning Commission with conditions as follows:

1. All prior conditions apply from approved CUP 995 as approved by the Mower County Board of Commissioners on October 14, 2025.
2. Manufacturing of cannabis products shall be completed inside the building.
3. Hours of operation for manufacturing shall be established at the discretion of the owner/operator of the cannabis grow facility.

This permit is issued in accordance with Section 14-51 (Ord Amend 06-24) CUP - Cannabis manufacturer. of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance (effective date 01/01/2003).

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #71-25

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, The Mower County Planning Commission, having presented to the Mower County Board of Commissioners, CUP #1000, by Todd Weisinger and Sydney Weisinger Landowner(s), and Todd and Sydney Weisinger, Petitioner(s), who have petitioned the Mower County Board of Commissioners to allow for the site to be used for:

an additional dwelling in the quarter section to be located in an area previously used for excavation of earth, and unsuitable for economical agricultural purposes.

Located in Mower County, Minnesota and legally described as:

Tax Legal: Section 13 Township 102 Range 017 S1/2 SW1/4, EXC W940.5FT, &
EXC TRI PC ON W SIDE

(Full legal description on file in the office of Environmental Services.)

And identified per Mower County tax records as parcel 20.013.0010; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on the matter on December 2, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Mower County Government Center, Board Room before the Mower County Planning Commission, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has received the Findings of Fact; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mower County Board has reviewed, accepts and adopts the findings of fact of the Mower County Planning Commission in the five required areas, which is hereby adopted by reference and kept on file in the Office of Environmental Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said petition is hereby approved, as recommended by the Mower County Planning Commission with conditions as follows:

1. Applicants shall follow all local, state, and federal regulations regarding the proposed use; and
2. The conditional use permit shall become void if the use is established but then discontinued for a period of one (1) year. (Refer Section 14-36 Discontinuance).
3. A conditional use permit shall become void two (2) years from the date of approval by the County Board if no construction has begun or the use has not been established. For the purposes of this provision, construction shall include the installation of footings, slab, foundation, posts, walls, or other portions of a building. Site preparation, land clearing, or the installation of utilities shall not constitute construction; and
4. A Zoning Permit shall be obtained prior to any construction of any structure on the property; and
5. An approved ISTS Design for the proposed septic system must be in-hand prior to construction of the residence and/or any other structures; and
6. A secondary Type I system site shall be located for future placement of a septic system and placed on a map and kept on file with Mower County and the homeowner's records. The area must be preserved and protected from compaction and/or construction or other damage. If Type I septic system soils cannot be located on the parcel a Type III system can be allowed. All efforts shall be made to utilize Type I septic system locations, if at all possible.

7. Petitioner must sign and notarize the "Rural and Agricultural Homeowners Assumption of Risk Assessment Form and have it recorded at the Mower County Recorder's Office; and
8. Wetland Review required: Petitioner must contact the Mower County SWCD regarding the Wetland Conservation Act and provide the County with a copy of one of the following:
 - a. A "No Loss Determination" (no wetlands on site).
 - b. A "Wetland Exemption" (the act does not apply).
 - c. A "Wetland Replacement Plan" approval.
9. The property contains Shoreland overlay; any development in this area is subject to the additional standards of that district.
10. This permit is based upon representation given by the applicant during the hearing process and any misrepresentation presented in this process may be grounds for revoking the permit.
11. Owner shall provide the County with a copy of the well log and a water sample results demonstrating the well is safe for human consumption. The owner is encouraged to continually annually test this well due to the prior land use and possibility of contamination to protect their health, safety, and welfare.

This permit is issued in accordance with Section Zoning Ordinance Section 14-18.4 Additional single family dwelling in the quarter section by CUP; sub-section (d) (1) in a location unsuitable for economical agricultural purposes. of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance (effective date 01/01/2003).

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Date: December 16, 2025

Ord. #06-25

ORDINANCE
Zoning Ordinance Amendment

On motion of Commissioner Sparks, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Ordinance was unanimously passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Mower County Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, a Notice of Intention to hold a public hearing to consider amending Sections of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance was published in Mower County's official newspaper, the *Austin Daily Herald*, on November 20, 2025 and in the Mower County Independent on November 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on said amendment on December 2, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Mower County Government Center, Board Room, before the Mower County Planning Commission at which any concerned citizen was given an opportunity to speak on the matter; and

WHEREAS, the Mower County Planning Commission recommended by a majority vote to revise sections of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on December 16, 2025, before the Mower County Board of Commissioners at which any concerned citizen was given an opportunity to speak on the matter; and

WHEREAS, No one spoke in favor or opposed to the proposed change;

BE IT ORDAINED those revisions incorporating all previously approved amendments, and including minor corrections, of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance effective 1/1/2003 and amended henceforth, shall be incorporated and adopted in their entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED to amend Article IV. Excavation of Earth Products Section 14-138 Purpose and Section 14-140.1 Permit Required of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Section 14-138 Purpose

It is the purpose of this Article to minimize the adverse effect mining operations may have on adjacent properties, to ~~insure~~ ensure certain safety measures during operations and to ~~insure~~ ensure restoration measures before such areas are abandoned.

and

Section 14-140.1 Permit Required

~~Exceptions. Excavation associated with building construction is exempt from the provisions of this Article if a permit has been issued for such construction. Excavations not exceeding fifty (50) square feet of surface area or two (2) feet in depth and excavations including impounding of water for agricultural purposes are exempted.~~

(a) **Conditional Use Permits.**

(1) **Mining is permitted where listed as an allowed use within a zoning district upon issuance of a permit by the County Board of Commissioners.**

(b) **Zoning Permits for Small Scale Mining Operations. In lieu of a conditional use permit, persons, firms, partnerships, associations, corporations or other entities may secure a zoning permit from the Planning and Zoning Office for projects in association with a public project provided the following conditions apply:**

(1) **A maximum of 20,000 cubic yards of material shall be removed from, and/or processed in the mining operation.**

(2) **The mining operation will be commenced, completed, and restored within a twelve (12) month period.**

(3) **All other conditions as required by this article shall apply to the permittee. Owners and operators of any mining operations commencing on or after the adoption of this ordinance shall obtain a conditional use permit.**

(c) **In lieu of a conditional use permit, a Zoning Permit shall be required for any new or existing mining operation that wishes to have a temporary asphalt or concrete paving plant. Temporary asphalt plants associated with a permitted mining operation or temporary road project may be allowed if the following conditions are met:**

- (1) The asphalt plant shall not be on the property for more than 180 calendar days.
 - (2) All standards as set forth in this article shall be met.
 - (3) In the absence of a definitive plan to prevent surface and groundwater contamination, asphalt plants shall be equipped so there is no water discharge from the unit.
 - (4) No materials, outside of the designated right-of-way, shall be excavated or removed from the site without a conditional use permit.
 - (5) A bond, in an amount determined by the County Board, shall be posted to assure restoration of the site.
- (d) **Exceptions.**
 - (1) Excavation associated with building construction is exempt from the provisions of this Article if a zoning permit has been issued for such construction.
 - (2) Excavations which do not exceed fifty (50) square feet of surface area and two (2) feet in depth are exempt from a conditional use permit but shall require a land alteration permit prior to excavation. The following requirements must be met to be exempt:
 - (a) Excavation and any resulting spoils must be no closer than 40 feet to a property line, right-of-way or easement.
 - (b) General slopes; must be 3H(horizontal): 1V (vertical) or flatter,
 - (c) Embankments: For constructed embankments, slopes should not be steeper than 1V:3H on both the front and back impounded sides,
 - (d) Within a permanent pool: Slopes within a permanent pool should not exceed 1V:2H
 - (e) Access Benches: to enhance safety and promote vegetation, pond design should incorporate an access bench (a shallow, gently sloped area at the normal pool edge) and an aquatic bench (a submerged, shallow area). Access benches are not needed if the main side slopes are 4H:1V or flatter.
 - (f) Excavated areas: In areas of the pond that are primarily excavated (rather than formed by an embankment), side slopes can be designed to be no steeper than 1H:1V, provided they are stable,
 - (g) Stability and Erosion: Slopes should be designated to assure stability for all conditions and to prevent erosion. Flatter slopes or specific engineering measures like geotechnical recommendations, riprap, or erosion control mats) may be required for problematic soils (e.g., soft clays, highly plastic soils) or steeper grades.
 - (h) Vegetation: Establishing and maintaining appropriate vegetation with deep root systems on slopes helps stabilize them against erosion. Woody vegetation (trees and larger shrubs) should be avoided on the constructed embankment itself)
 - 3) **Public Projects.** Public projects are those which benefit the public as a whole, Examples include water quality improvement projects, flood

reduction projects, or projects of a federal, state, or local government agency and meet the following requirements;

- a) Project is completed within 18 months,
- b) Soil borings, soil testing and engineering are completed by professional engineers,
- c) All affected land shall be owned by the public entity or have appropriate recorded easements from a private landowner,
- d) Engineered design plans, specs and complete record drawings certifying the project meets specifications

and shall be incorporated and adopted in entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Ordinance #06-25 shall be effective upon publication in the Legal Newspaper of Mower County, the "Austin Daily Herald."

A copy of the entire Mower County Zoning Ordinance is on file in the Mower County Public Works Office, at the Mower County Auditor-Treasurer office, and online at the Mower County website.

Passed and adopted this 16th day of December, 2025.

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

Vendor Name	Amount	Vendor Name	Amount
Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc	29366.83	Mayo Clinic Ambulance Services	2493.10
Ancom Communications	7989.98	MEI Total Elevator Solutions	4261.12
Ancom Technical Center, Inc.	42829.80	Minnesota Counties Intergov'tal Trust	23765.00
Association Of Minnesota Counties	2250.00	MN Department Of Corrections	27000.00
Aumentum Technologies	63869.00	Nexus-Mille Lacs Family Healing	16682.40
Baudoin Oil Company	4487.44	North Homes Cottage	15274.84
Bishop Excavating Inc	17684.84	Northland & Companies	15518.38
Boe Brothers Tiling Inc	39363.75	Office Of MNIT Services	3509.54
Bruening Rock Products Inc	116615.88	Oldcastle Infrastructure	49550.30
CDW Government	13636.61	Premier Electrical Corporation	10925.00
Cedar Valley Services, Inc	62817.38	Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney, P.A.	3806.00
City Of Austin	2000.00	Regents Of The University Of Minn	17500.00
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	2310.00	Rohl Electric and Services LLC	3168.37
Commissioner of Transportation	11563.60	RRT Design & Construction	7896.60
Consolidated Correctional Foodservice	21423.72	Schilling Supply Company	3168.37
Dave Lucas Consulting	3125.00	Schneider Geospatial, LLC	7896.60
Dell Marketing L P	12630.85	SE Minnesota EMS	7128.64
DLT Solutions LLC	5638.41	Sheriff Houston County	7604.17
Erickson Engineering Co., LLC	3423.00	SKB Environmental	5887.25
Freeborn County Co-Operative Oil Co.	9544.15	Syverson Truck Center/Dave	6353.87
General Parts, LLC	2512.06	The Master's Touch, LLC	5505.77
Healthiest You	4075.00	Thomson Reuters-West Payment Ctr	3033.97
Heartland Girls Ranch	10779.90	Uhl Company Inc	35915.00
Intoximeters Inc	2540.00	Valor Mechanical, Inc.	60364.90
J & S Repair Inc	5881.20	Village Ranch Inc	14671.26
Joseph Company, Inc/The	6682.00	White Cap	5263.50
Klein McCarthy Architects	25826.21	Zahl Equipment Service Inc	7711.86
KNOW iNK	8250.00	Ziegler, Inc	10854.84

Marco Technologies LLC

27505.20

76 payments less than 2000

48620.57

Final Total

1054969.78

Motion carried unanimously.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #72-25

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Sparks, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, The Mower County Planning Commission, having presented to the Mower County Board of Commissioners, CUP #1001, by Lucas Rollie and Kathleen Rollie Landowner(s), and Lucas & Kathleen Rollie, Petitioner(s), who have petitioned the Mower County Board of Commissioners to allow for the site to be used for:

To use existing, on-site building basement as a cannabis grow facility as licensed by the Office of Cannabis Management. Applicant will also manufacture on site: pre-rolls. (no exterior signage). Applicant's also licensed for transport.

Located in Mower County, Minnesota and legally described as:

Tax Legal: Section 32 Township 103 Range 016 W419.1FT N206.25FT NW1/4
NW1/4 BK 25-15 & BK 49-567 CHURCH PARSONAGE
(*Full legal description on file in the office of Environmental Services.*)
And identified per Mower County tax records as parcel 05.032.0021; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on the matter on December 2, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Mower County Government Center, Board Room before the Mower County Planning Commission, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, Notice having been duly given, a public hearing was held on December 16, 2025 before the Mower County Board of Commissioners, on said petition; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has received the Findings of Fact; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission advanced this to the County Board on a failed / tie vote with no recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mower County Board has reviewed, accepts and adopts the findings of fact of the Mower County Planning Commission in the five required areas, which is hereby adopted by reference and kept on file in the Office of Environmental Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mower County Board of Commissioners approves CUP #1001 with conditions as follows:

1. Applicants shall follow all local, state, and federal regulations regarding the proposed use; and
2. The conditional use permit shall become void if the use is established but then discontinued for a period of one (1) year. (Refer Section 14-36 Discontinuance).
3. A conditional use permit shall become void two (2) years from the date of approval by the County Board if no construction has begun or the use has not been established. For the purposes of this provision, construction shall include the installation of footings, slabs, foundation, posts, walls, or other portions of a building. Site preparation, land clearing, or the installation of utilities shall not constitute construction; and
4. This CUP is granting permission for the landowners to operate and to utilize the basement (lower) level of an existing structure for cannabis cultivation and manufacturing. Use of the upper level for cannabis use shall be considered an expansion and will require an amended CUP.
5. A Zoning Permit shall be obtained prior to any construction of any structure on the property; and
6. Primary and secondary Type I system sites shall be located for future placement and placed on a map and kept on file in the CUP file and landowner's records. The area should be preserved and protected from compaction and/or construction or other damage. If a Type I septic system primary and secondary site(s) cannot be located a TYPE III system will be an option as this is a predeveloped site; and
7. The Local Road Authority must approve access to the site via 630th Avenue.
8. Any new construction on the property may require wetland review: Petitioner must contact the Mower County SWCD regarding the Wetland Conservation Act and provide the County a copy of one of the following:
 - d. A "No Loss Determination" (no wetlands on site).
 - e. A "Wetland Exemption" (the act does not apply).
 - f. A "Wetland Replacement Plan" approval.
9. The Owner/Applicant shall keep the site in a neat, orderly, and aesthetically pleasing condition; and
10. The Owner/Applicant shall contain any blowing or loose garbage/debris onsite by any means necessary which may include perimeter fencing; and
11. The Owner/Applicant shall work cooperatively with Mower County to mitigate any issues brought to the attention of the County that are found to be legitimate and valid that may create a nuisance to adjoining landowners from the proposed use, and
12. The Owner/Applicant shall abide by all road and bridge weight restrictions or postings that apply to roads used as an ingress/egress to the property; and
13. The Owner/ Applicant shall provide adequate area onsite to park, back, turn-around or etc. so as to not create a nuisance or hazard to the traveling public. Vehicles cannot be parked or backed onto the premises from the road or its right-of-way; and
14. The Owner/Applicant shall be liable for any road damages as a result of this operation as stated under MN Statute 169.88; and
15. Any vermin, flies, or other pests shall be controlled; and
16. No burying of waste material is allowed and to do so would be in violation of MPCA Regulations and Mower County Solid Waste Ordinance; and
17. Additional buildings, expansion, or change in uses not specified by this permit shall require an amendment; and

18. Signage, parking, and loading shall comply with the Mower County Zoning Ordinance; and
19. Business amenities shall comply with MN Building code standards which may include but not be limited to handicap accessibility, plumbing, electrical, and fire code. The applicant shall be required to provide documentation that these codes have been met or exceeded by a contracted party on behalf of the applicant. Confirmation documentation shall be placed in the CUP file by Mower County after receipt by the applicant. The purpose of this condition is to protect the health and safety of the staff, employees and public which utilize this facility; and
20. Petitioners and future operators shall obtain and maintain all licenses, permits and satisfactory plan review of any of the following applicable departments: the MN Dept. of Agriculture, Office of Cannabis Management, Minnesota Department of Labor, and Industry, MPCA, and other permits for by-products and/or wastewaters generated from the site. The petitioner must comply with all relevant regulations and standards.
21. This permit is based upon representation given by the applicant during the public hearing process as applied for, and any misrepresentation presented in this process may be grounds for revoking the permit.
22. Composting materials must be located in a secure area to prevent access by the public
23. The owners, Lucas and Kathleen Rollie shall be the only employees

This permit is issued in accordance with Section Section 14-51 (Ord Amend 06-24) CUP Cannabis cultivation and manufacturing. of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance (effective date 01/01/2003).

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025 with a vote of 3 – 2. The Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Ankeny ay, Commissioner Reinartz aye, Commissioner Sparks aye, Commissioner Mueller aye, Commissioner Glynn ay.

Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the 2026 Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment meeting calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve entering into 2026 preferred vendor contracts by renewing the 2025 contracts under the same terms with Joseph Co for carpentry services, Rohl Electric for electrical services, Newline Mechanical for plumbing services, Harty Mechanical for HVAC Services, Hiller Commercial Floors for flooring and Fox Electric for fire alarm testing as well as approving the preferred vendor quote received from Muzik's Muddin' for painting. Motion carried unanimously.

Department of Natural Resource representatives Chad Crawdy and Heather Arndt made a presentation regarding finite resources in Minnesota and the mapping project underway to protect the resource(s).

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #73-25

AGGREGATE RESOURCE MAPPING RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 16, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, Mower County desires information relating to the location, amount, and quality of its remaining aggregate resources, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has directed the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to map the aggregate resources of the State of Minnesota as more fully described in Minnesota Statutes section 84.94, and

WHEREAS, aggregate resource mapping of the County would help ensure continued economical aggregate resources for economic development, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mower County Board of Commissioners requests that the Minnesota Department of Natural conduct aggregate resource mapping of the County as authorized by Minnesota Statutes section 84.94 and, upon receipt of the information, the County must consider the protection of identified and important aggregate resources in the County's land use decisions.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

County Engineer Mitch Wenum presented bid information received for CSAH 7 Bridge projects SP 050-607-043.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to award the \$2,042,728.00 low bid of ICON Constructors, LLC on project SP 050-607-043 and have the project commence. Motion carried unanimously. Full bid abstract on file in the office of the County Auditor-Treasurer and at Public Works.

Date: December 16, 2025

Res. #74-25

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Mower County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held December 15, 2025 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2025 the Mower County Board of Commissioners adopted a preliminary tax levy;

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2025 the Mower County Board of Commissioners set the public hearing on said levy and County Budget to December 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.;

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2025, a public annual budget and levy hearing was held;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2026 net property tax levy be set at \$29,508,534 (12.40%); and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2026 non-levy revenue and expenditure budgets which were used as the basis for the property tax levy certification as recommended by the County Finance Committee are hereby adopted; and that the 2026 budget for the County is as follows:

EXPENSES

General Government	
Board of Commissioners	291,874
Courts	225,000
Administration	646,349
County Auditor/Treasurer	467,744
Taxpayer Services	0
Elections	345,565
Technology Services	1,555,632
Human Resources	597,300
Attorney	2,548,914
Law Library	25,500
Recorder	317,343
County Assessor	950,534
GIS	473,634
Buildings & Plant	1,489,218
Veterans Service Officer	282,382
Land Records	176,500
Accounting & Auditing	701,681
Net Use of Reserves	
Total General Government	11,095,170

Public Safety	
Sheriff	4,805,564
E-9-1-1	26,050
Records	578,240
Coroner	140,000
County Jail	4,308,355
Community Corrections	2,481,976
Civil Defense/Emergency Management	181,418
Dispatch	1,477,585
Canteen	25,000
Bailiffs & Guards	46,043
Total Public Safety	14,070,231

Culture & Recreation	
Historical Society	68,200
Senior Citizens	56,000
CHORE	36,000
Regional Library	345,325

SOURCE of Funds

Revenues- General Government	
Tax Levy	17,675,579
State Formula Aid	3,088,562
Del Tax & Penalties, Mortgage Tax	389,447
Wind Production Tax	1,095,000
PILT & POWER	150,000
License/Permits	66,720
Intergovernmental	1,839,165
Charges For Services	1,372,205
Fines & Forfeits	21,000
Investment Income	815,400
Miscellaneous	1,178,451
Net Use of Reserves	22,150
Total General Government	27,713,679

Public Works	
Tax Levy	3,820,935
Wheelage Tax	410,000
Local Transit Tax	2,600,000
Wind Tax	630,000
Intergovernmental	13,911,858
Permits	107,000
Charges For Services	167,600
Miscellaneous	400,000
Net Use of Reserves	0
Total Highway & Streets	22,047,393

Human Services & Public Health	
Tax Levy	7,423,438
Intergovernmental	10,567,174
Charges For Services	1,253,775
Miscellaneous	337,330
Net Use of Reserves	0
Total Human Services	19,581,717

Sanitation	
Special Assessments	1,226,209

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Other	48,500
Total Culture & Recreation	554,025

Conservation of Natural Resources	
Cooperative Extension	266,961
Soil & Water Conservation	175,000
Agricultural Society	79,000
Total Conservation of Natural Resources	520,961

Economic Development	
Development Corporation	335,000
Total Economic Development	335,000
Unallocated	
Insurance	525,000
Other	613,292
Total Unallocated	1,138,292
Net Use of Reserves	
Total General Revenue Fund	27,713,679

Public Works	
Administration	872,922
Maintenance	5,413,470
Construction	13,280,869
Equipment Maintenance & Shop	1,472,297
Building & Grounds	364,410
Planning & Zoning	183,707
Environmental Health	241,990
Agricultural Inspector	12,082
Feedlot	74,080
Addition to Reserves	131,566
Total Highways & Streets	22,047,393

Human Services	
Income Maintenance	6,046,166
Social Services	11,524,077
Total Human Services	17,570,243

Health	
Community Health Services	1,342,921
Disease Prevention	668,553
Total Health	2,011,474

Sanitation	
Recycling/HHS	1,634,286
Total Sanitation	1,634,286

Capital Projects Fund	
Countywide Projects/Maintenance	720,582
Total Capital Projects Fund	720,582

Ditch	
Repairs & expenses	126,000
Net use of reserves	5,000
Total	131,000

Sewer Loan	
Contracted Services	275,000
Return of Principal	300,000

Intergovernmental	179,602
Charges For Services & License	83,475
Sales	145,000
Total Sanitation	1,634,286

Ditch	
Special Assessments	131,000
Use of Reserves	0
Total Ditch Funds	131,000

Capital Projects Fund	
Tax Levy	588,582
Solar Tax	132,000
Total Building Maintenance	720,582

Sewer Loan	
Revenue	
Special Assessments - Princ	575,000
Use of Reserves	
Total Revenue	575,000

Total County Revenues/Sources	72,403,657
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Total County Expenses	72,403,657
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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. Departmental expenditures, except Personnel items, shall not exceed the approved budget. To provide flexibility to the department, the County Administrator is authorized to approve department budget changes up to \$10,000 with an annual maximum of \$50,000. All other budget amendments shall require County Board approval.
2. Personnel line items are based on position authorization listings and estimates of staffing needs developed during the budget preparation process. Any changes in payroll shall be subject to County Board approval through one of the following actions:
 - i. General salary adjustments authorized by the County Board;
 - ii. Salary adjustments pursuant to union contract provisions or statutory requirements;
 - iii. Specific authorization to fill a vacancy, add a new position or change a position classification.
3. Expenditure of funds budgeted shall be subject to applicable statutory procedures requiring proposals or bidding and any proposed expenditure in excess of \$25,000 shall be subject to prior approval of the County Board.
4. Department heads shall be responsible for maintaining sufficient internal departmental expenditure and receipt records to conform to the requirements of this budget policy.

Passed and approved this 16th day of December, 2025.

Human Resource Director Kris Kohn requested approval for Personnel Policy updates. It was noted that the County is in the process of updating the entire Personnel Policy manual with the assistance of an employment attorney. The proposed revisions are the first installment of updates for this process. A discussion followed.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to amend Personnel Policy B100 Nature of Employment as follows:

By adding a new paragraph after the first paragraph to read as follows:

The policies stated in this handbook are general in nature and the County may alter or apply the policies to a specific situation in any manner it deems appropriate. The policies described in this handbook shall replace all prior written and unwritten policies of the County on the subject matter covered herein. This policy handbook does not guarantee County employees continued employment with the County, nor does it constitute an employment contract. Employees of the County are at-will employees.

And by amending the second to last paragraph as follows:

Mower County embraces the concept of equal employment opportunity and is committed to compliance with all applicable federal and Minnesota laws, executive orders, and administrative regulations regarding the same. The regulations have been drafted and will be enforced without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, **gender identity, familial status or other protected class status**, status with regard to public assistance, arrest or conviction records, except in the instance of a bona fide occupational qualification necessary for proper and efficient government operations. In all instances, proper regard shall be provided for applicants and employees privacy and constitutional rights as citizens under Federal and Minnesota Law.

Motion carried unanimously.

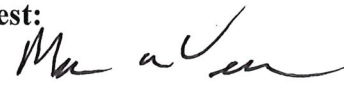
Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny, to table adopting and/or amending Personnel Policy B105 Statement of Policy (EEOP); Personnel Policy B110 Employee Relations; Personnel Policy B140 Employee Personnel Records; Personnel Policy B150 Personnel Data Changes; and Personnel Policy B200 Dispute Resolution Procedure until further review. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Committee Reports Commissioner Ankeny reported attending Personnel on 12/2, Building and the Austin Utility luncheon on 12/3, Solid Waste on 12/4, SEMREX on 12/5, the Assoc. of MN Counties conference on 12/7-12/9, presented at Government Day on 12/11 and attended the Budget & Levy hearing on 12/15. Commissioner Reinartz reported attending the Austin Utility luncheon on 12/3 and the Budget & Levy hearing on 12/15. Commissioner Sparks reported attending Personnel on 12/2, the Austin Utility luncheon on 12/3, the Assoc. of MN Counties conference on 12/8 and 12/9, and the Budget & Levy hearing on 12/15. Commissioner Mueller reported attending the Austin Utility luncheon and Building on 12/3, Finance and Solid Waste on 12/4, Dodge County recycling center tour on 12/5, the Assoc. of MN Counties conference on 12/7-12/9; SE MN Emergency Communications Board in Rochester and the Budget & Levy hearing on 12/15. Commissioner Glynn reported attending SEMCAC on 12/8, and the Budget & Levy hearing on 12/15.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for December 30, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: 
Chairperson

Attest:
By: 
Clerk/Administrator