

THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION CONVENE AT 9:00 A.M., March 8, 2005, pursuant to adjournment on March 1, 2005. Commissioners present were: Twedt, Pekas, Hajek, and Kolbe. Commissioner Zweep was absent. Also present were Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor, and Gordy Swanson, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney.

Chairman Twedt called the meeting to order.

ZONING

Pat Herman, Planner, gave the first reading of a proposed amendment to Ordinance MC21-93 Rural Addressing for Minnehaha County. Ms. Herman explained that over the past twelve years many new roads have been constructed in the county or incorporated into the municipalities. The proposed amendment would adopt new rural addressing maps which will depict the current road addressing system and amend three road names of roads adjacent to the city of Brandon. MOTION by Pekas, seconded by Hajek to authorize the Auditor to publish Notice of Hearing on March 29, 2005. 4 ayes.

MINUTES

MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to approve the Minutes for March 1, 2005. 4 ayes.

VOUCHERS TO BE PAID

MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to approve the following bills for payment. 4 ayes.

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| A & B Business Equip | Var. Depts | 362.25 | Abu-Ghazaleh, Samir | Human Svcs | 1,576.12 |
| All About Travel, In | Pub. D. | 382.30 | American Institution | Juv Det Cn | 111.42 |
| Anderson-Crane Rubbe | Hiway Cons | 2,417.33 | Anderson, Elwood | Human Svcs | 350.00 |
| Argus Leader | Var. Depts | 2,035.17 | Avera McKennan Hospi | Var. Depts | 41,910.84 |
| Avera McKennan Hospi | Var. Depts | 89.50 | Aware, Qadir | Court Sys. | 66.66 |
| Berreth, Deborah | Metro-911 | 212.00 | Bethesda Christian C | Court Sys. | 535.00 |
| Boyd, Michelle | Correction | 251.10 | Boyer Trucks Sioux F | Hiway Cons | 336.59 |
| BP Products North Am | Human Svcs | 241.62 | Brandon True Value H | Hiway Admi | 24.00 |
| Brecher, Grant | Human Svcs | 375.00 | Brown & Saenger | Var. Depts | 286.00 |
| Building Sprinkler, | Var. Depts | 936.91 | Bunger, Adam | Metro-911 | 28.00 |
| Bus Systems, Inc. | Human Svcs | 52.00 | Campbell Supply Co., | Var. Depts | 36.92 |
| Canfield Business In | St Atty | 125.00 | Catco | Hiway Cons | 8.35 |
| CBM Food Service | Correction | 9,429.75 | Center for Family Me | Correction | 2,912.00 |
| Century Business Lea | Var. Depts | 182.93 | Chemco, Inc. | Facilities | 3,403.21 |
| Chick, Glenn E | Facilities | 47.98 | Child's Voice | Pub. D. | 200.00 |
| City Centre Hotel Co | Museum | 42.00 | City Glass & Glazing | Juv Det Cn | 37.50 |
| Clark Engineering Co | Hiway Cons | 14,173.50 | Cleveland Heights Ap | Human Svcs | 400.00 |
| Cole Papers, Inc. | Hiway Cons | 227.85 | Colton Water Dept | Hiway Admi | 42.75 |
| Communication Servic | Var. Depts | 453.75 | Concrete Materials | Hiway Cons | 5,568.31 |
| Cooperative Extensio | Cnty Exten | 2.33 | Custom Welding | Pub. D. | 195.00 |
| D & B Tune-Up / Ferd | Juv Det Cn | 101.00 | Dakota Lettering, In | Museum Sto | 366.24 |
| Dakota Riggers & Too | Hiway Cons | 269.57 | Dakota Security Syst | Juv Det Cn | 4,435.35 |
| Dakota Splash | Hiway Admi | 18.55 | Dataline Assoc./Fior | Info Svcs | 808.60 |
| Dave's Automotive / | Dir. Eq. | 29.60 | Dialnet / Ahrens Tel | Var. Depts | 320.71 |
| Dietrich, Donna K | Mental Ill | 924.04 | Director of Equaliza | Dir. Eq. | 9.00 |
| Dresbach, Steve | Mental Ill | 5,175.00 | Dust Tex Service, In | Museum Mtc | 12.12 |
| Ekeren, Marvin R | Mental Ill | 105.00 | Farrell, Lorae J | Court Sys. | 3,708.80 |
| Fastenal Company | Hiway Cons | 566.48 | Federal Express Corp | Museum | 122.92 |
| Federal Financial | Treasurer | 4,600.00 | Food History News | Museum | 22.00 |
| Global Equipment Com | Juv Det Cn | 253.75 | Glory House | Pass-thru | 4,762.80 |
| Goebel Printing, Inc | Sheriff | 15.00 | Golden West | Metro-911 | 520.95 |
| Graybar Electric Com | Metro-911 | 22.30 | Great Plains Int'l T | Hiway Cons | 43.18 |
| Guzman, Sandra V | Var. Depts | 345.82 | Haffner's Vacuums | Correction | 42.00 |
| Hammer, Ralph | Hiway Admi | 92.01 | Hander, Inc | Human Svcs | 53.06 |
| Harold's Photo Cente | Pub. D. | 15.62 | Heartland Paper Comp | Correction | 724.20 |
| Helgeson, Eric | Metro-911 | 28.00 | Hillyard, Inc. | Var. Depts | 2,094.55 |

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| Hoekstra, Denise A | Court Sys. | 3,047.60 | Home Depot Credit Se | Hiway Admi | 20.90 |
| Hooker, Tom & Kristi | Museum | 125.00 | Hoskins, William J | Museum | 50.92 |
| Howalt-McDowell Insu | Plan & Zon | 100.00 | Howie's Car Service | Hiway Cons | 155.55 |
| Humboldt Fire & Ambu | Comm. | 5,000.00 | Hurtgen, Timothy T | Human Svcs | 450.00 |
| Hy-Vee Food Store #1 | Juv Det Cn | 162.07 | Idea Art, Inc. | Mus Grant | 41.70 |
| Interstate Office Pr | Var. Depts | 927.40 | J.C. Penney Company, | Facilities | 39.99 |
| J.H. Larson Company | Facilities | 383.83 | Janitor's Closet, Lt | Facilities | 700.00 |
| Jans Corporation | Build Fund | 201,600.00 | Jaros, Pete | Mental Ill | 112.96 |
| Johnson Feed, Inc. | Hiway Cons | 825.66 | Johnstone Supply | Facilities | 531.39 |
| Kauffman, David W. P | Court Sys. | 650.00 | Kettering Law Office | Mental Ill | 246.90 |
| Kone, Inc. | Facilities | 253.02 | Kooistra, Nelva | Mental Ill | 105.00 |
| Kreisers, Inc. | Correction | 964.20 | L G Everist, Inc. | Hiway Cons | 6,321.89 |
| Language Line Servic | Pub. D. | 83.60 | Lewis & Clark BHS | Mental Ill | 910.00 |
| Lewis Drugs | Human Svcs | 19,330.15 | Linweld, Inc. | Var. Depts | 71.49 |
| Lithia Automotive, I | Sheriff | 53.70 | Lutheran Social Serv | Court Sys. | 662.50 |
| Lyle Signs, Inc | Hiway Cons | 1,173.30 | Mailway Printers | Museum | 563.95 |
| Marion Manor / Pine | Human Svcs | 225.00 | Master Blaster, Inc. | Hiway Cons | 59.85 |
| Mathison Company | Var. Depts | 512.46 | Maximum Promotions, | Facilities | 50.00 |
| Maxwell Food Equipme | Var. Depts | 94.95 | McGreevy Clinic | Human Svcs | 150.47 |
| Mcintire, Kent | Metro-911 | 28.00 | Medical X-Ray Center | Correction | 72.28 |
| Michael's Purple Pet | Emer Mgmt | 80.00 | Midamerican Energy C | Var. Depts | 5,136.39 |
| Midcontinent Communi | Info Svcs | 195.00 | Midwest Oil Company | Hiway Cons | 1,186.40 |
| Minnehaha Cnty Priso | Correction | 45.89 | Mohr, Bryan | Sheriff | 54.00 |
| Motorola, Inc. | Var. Depts | 1,105.00 | Mulder, Dee A. | Mental Ill | 157.26 |
| Museum Petty Cash | Museum Ent | 600.00 | New World Systems | Var. Depts | 1,690.00 |
| Nolz Construction Co | Hiway Cons | 22,869.68 | Norberg Paints, Inc. | Var. Depts | 45.00 |
| North Central Heart | Human Svcs | 5,991.45 | Northeast Document C | Museum | 410.00 |
| Novak Sanitary Servi | Pettigrew | 14.75 | Nyberg's Ace Hardwar | Museum | 142.58 |
| O&P Specialties, Inc | Correction | 71.84 | Office Depot, Inc. | Var. Depts | 635.71 |
| Omnicare of South Da | Juv Det Cn | 512.28 | Ordal, Donald | Hiway Cons | 13,406.00 |
| Osborn, Roxane R | Court Sys. | 470.00 | Oscar's Mini-Storage | Museum | 1,788.00 |
| Overhead Door Compan | Facilities | 313.01 | Pennington County Ja | Correction | 1,743.01 |
| Pontiac Cadillac of | Sheriff | 31.01 | Prairie Publications | Comm. | 240.80 |
| Queen City Wholesale | Museum Ent | 37.06 | Qwest | Sheriff | 46.51 |
| Restful Lodging, Inc | Human Svcs | 55.00 | River Tower Apartmen | Human Svcs | 97.00 |
| Robbennolt Law Firm. | Court Sys. | 954.00 | Robson True Value | Emer Mgmt | 106.62 |
| Rohn Airport Adverti | Museum | 222.00 | Rubin, Clarence/Dori | Human Svcs | 275.00 |
| Rural Metro Ambulanc | Var. Depts | 279.89 | Sanner, Melanie Jo | Dir. Eq. | 54.05 |
| Schoeneman Bros. Co. | Var. Depts | 373.07 | SD Dept of Health | Pub. D. | 19.50 |
| SD Dept of Human Ser | Pub. D. | 33.20 | SD Dept of Transport | Hiway Cons | 15,151.07 |
| SD Magazine / Hunhof | Museum Sto | 217.00 | SD Secretary of Stat | Plan & Zon | 50.00 |
| SD State Treasurer | Sales Tax | 51.09 | SDN Technologies, LL | Info Svcs | 1,192.50 |
| Servall Towel & Line | Museum Mtc | 6.38 | SF City Finance | Pass-thru | 2,994.38 |
| SF Rubber Stamp Work | Metro-911 | 24.00 | SF Shopping News, In | Museum Ent | 230.00 |
| SF Two Way Radio Ser | Metro-911 | 115.00 | Sheehan Mack Sales & | Hiway Cons | 91.50 |
| Shipley's Laundry & | Museum Ent | 17.50 | Sioux Falls Ford, In | Var. Depts | 1,251.88 |
| Sioux Falls School D | Var. Depts | 3,643.38 | Sioux Falls Utilitie | Var. Depts | 1,913.41 |
| Sioux Printing, Inc | Hiway Admi | 810.69 | Sioux Valley Clinica | Human Svcs | 27.87 |
| Sioux Valley Energy | Var. Depts | 290.83 | Sioux Valley Hospita | Pub. D. | 142.25 |
| Sioux Valley Wireles | Hiway Admi | 35.95 | Siouxland Oral & Max | Human Svcs | 1,937.46 |
| Slowey, Yavonne C | Mental Ill | 402.50 | Smythe, Toby D DBA | Human Svcs | 187.46 |
| Solomon, Ghirmay | Court Sys. | 25.00 | Somerset Partnership | Human Svcs | 350.00 |
| Streicher's | Var. Depts | 519.90 | Sturdevant's Auto Pa | Hiway Cons | 15.95 |
| Talavera, Zoila Judi | Pub. D. | 25.00 | Tenth Street, Inc. | Comm. | 19.45 |
| Thorin, Deyanira T | Var. Depts | 437.50 | Thurman, Creighton A | Mental Ill | 118.32 |
| Timberland Village A | Human Svcs | 350.00 | Tooley, Matthew A | Metro-911 | 28.00 |
| Tower Apartments | Human Svcs | 105.00 | Tschetter, Kenneth M | Court Sys. | 1,929.16 |
| Turning Point | Pass-thru | 8,244.32 | Twedt, Carol | Comm. | 25.00 |
| U.S. Bank-Corporate | Build Fund | 2,600.00 | Union Telephone Comp | Metro-911 | 321.91 |
| US Postmaster | Museum | 1,500.00 | Van's Auto Electric | Hiway Cons | 88.00 |
| Vantek Communication | Metro-911 | 1,513.75 | Velgersdyk, Dr. Scot | Human Svcs | 80.80 |
| VR Installations Rep | Museum Mtc | 300.00 | W.T.Kirkman Oil & El | Museum | 47.95 |
| Walgreens Pharmacy | Human Svcs | 511.58 | Wall Lake Sanitary D | Hiway Admi | 35.00 |
| Walsh, Mike | Sheriff | 208.00 | Weelborg Bros., Inc. | Hiway Cons | 1,200.00 |
| Wheelco Brake & Supp | Hiway Cons | 76.20 | White, Randall C | Human Svcs | 350.00 |
| Wild Dakota | Museum Sto | 102.00 | Wilka & Ramstad | Court Sys. | 2,782.80 |
| Xcel Energy, Inc. | Var. Depts | 998.37 | Yankton County Sheri | Mental Ill | 148.50 |
| Zabel Steel Co. | Hiway Cons | 15.90 | Zep Manufacturing Co | Hiway Admi | 220.66 |

REPORTS

The following reports were received and placed on file in the County Auditor's Office: Minnehaha County Human Services Report and the Regional Juvenile Detention Center Statistical Report, both for February, 2005, and the Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of January 31, 2005.

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

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|---|-----------------|
| On Deposit in Banks | |
| Interest-bearing open accounts | 10,297,485.19 |
| CD's and savings | 14,000,000.00 |
| Cash | 18,488.41 |
| Checks in Treasurer's possession for more than 3 days | 5,841.59 |
| Total | \$24,321,815.19 |

PERSONNEL

MOTION by Pekas, seconded by Hajek to approve the following personnel changes. 4 ayes.

1. To accept the resignation of Kim Feerick as Correctional Systems Operator for the Sheriff's office effective 3-1-05.
2. To promote Lynette MacDonald to Senior Office Assistant (7/3) for Metro Communications at \$13.408 per hour effective 3-12-05.
3. To hire Roger Buechler as part-time Museum Aide for the Museum at \$8.50 per hour effective 3-24-05.

Step increases due:

1. Janet Eden – Legal Office Assistant I – States Attorney – 6/2 to 6/3, 1-20-05 – \$12.492 per hour
2. Monica Lawrence – Deputy State's Attorney III – States Attorney – 21/3 to 21/4, 1-2-05 – \$2,139.60 biweekly
3. Michelle Hulme – Accountant – Treasurer – 9/1 to 9/2, 3-2-05 – \$14.652 per hour
4. Natasha Walberg – Tax & License Specialist – Treasurer – 4/5 to 4/6, 3-11-05 – \$11.315 per hour
5. Genetta Wehrspann – Communications Operator – Metro Communications - 9/4 to 9/5, 3-20-05 – \$15.854 per hour
6. John Homan – Correctional Officer I – Sheriff – 9/4 to 9/5, 3-3-05 – \$15.854 per hour
7. Derek Lauer, Steven Lutter, Jaclyn Olson, and Michael Smith – Correctional Officer II – Sheriff – 10/2 to 10/3, 3-6-05 – \$16.153 per hour
8. Karmen Johnson – Correctional Officer II – Sheriff – 10/2 to 10/3, 3-20-05 – \$16.153 per hour
9. Bennett Lathrop – Correctional Officer II – Sheriff – 10/3 to 10/4, 3-20-05 – \$16.477 per hour

10. Kim Schoenhard – Sheriff Office Assistant III - Sheriff - 7/1 to 7/2, 3-20-05 – \$12.893 per hour

Gordy Swanson, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, briefed the Commission on wage grievances that had been filed on behalf of several correctional officers. He explained that eight employees had received step increases sooner than they should have. Ten employees with hire dates prior to the eight in question filed the grievances due to the difference in hourly pay based on years of service. Tom Wilka, Attorney for the aggrieved employees, presented a settlement proposal which would adjust the rates/step of his clients. He stated that if the Commission would approve the proposal, the wage grievances currently before the Department of Labor would be resolved. Mr. Swanson reported that the issue has been reviewed and that proper action has been taken to remedy the situation and recommended that the Commission deny the grievances. He noted that increasing the wages as proposed by Mr. Wilka, would be in violation of the pay implementation procedure. Commissioner Pekas stated that the proposal does not address the overpayment issue. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to defer this item until March 15th. 3 ayes, Pekas - nay.

HEARINGS

Ken McFarland, Administrative Assistant, was present for the scheduled hearing to consider a U.S. Department of Justice 2005 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Joint Spending Plan between the City of Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County. He reported that the County and City are eligible to receive a grant award in the amount of \$110,396. The proceeds would be split and the County's portion, in the amount of \$50,000, would be used to fund a Community Corrections Program Coordinator and allow for a \$4,000 administrative fee. Chief of Police Doug Barthel reported that the City would utilize their \$60,396 in JAG funding to hire an Internet Crimes Against Children Detective. Sheriff Mike Milstead discussed the duties of the Program Coordinator. MOTION by Pekas, seconded by Hajek to authorize the Chairman to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County and authorize the submission of the JAG Application. 4 ayes.

Sue Roust, Auditor, was present for the scheduled hearing to consider a proposed 24/7 Sobriety Program Budget and supplement in the amount of \$57,527. On January 11, 2005, the Commission authorized the Sheriff's Department to participate in the 24/7 Sobriety Pilot Program. The program allows defendants arrested on certain DWI charges to be released from jail and allowed to live at home, as long as they agree to alcohol breath tests on a daily basis. The program is funded through a grant awarded to the Attorney General by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through December, 2007. Sheriff Mike Milstead updated the Commission on the progress of the program. No one spoke in opposition. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to approve Resolution MC05-13. 4 ayes.

RESOLUTION MC05-13 FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

WHEREAS it is necessary to supplement the 2005 Annual Budget in order to carry on the indispensable functions of Minnehaha County; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the proposed Supplemental Budget was duly considered by the Minnehaha County Commission on the 8th day of March, 2005, at 9:15 a.m., in the Commission Meeting Room, pursuant to due notice; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Minnehaha County Commission that the following Supplemental Budget be, and the same is, hereby approved for the purpose of providing budget to conduct the indispensable functions of Government, to-wit:

From the General Fund to the 24/7 Security budget as follows:

| ASN | AMOUNT |
|-------|------------|
| 17400 | \$31,695 |
| 17402 | 12,556 |
| 17407 | 3,385 |
| 17409 | 2,536 |
| 17415 | 2,041 |
| 17417 | 3,932 |
| 17422 | 632 |
| 17434 | 250 |
| 17460 | <u>500</u> |
| | \$57,527 |

APPROVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION:

Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

PRESENTATION

Phil Kappen, Assistant Planning Director, read the proclamation to declare March 29 and 30, 2005, as Sioux Empire Water Festival Days. This year's theme is "H2Oh!". MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to approve the Proclamation. 4 ayes. Steve Munk, County Extension Educator, introduced West Central Elementary School teacher Cheryl Prunty, and students Courtney Andersen and Danielle Jensen. The students performed an infomercial on hydroponics.

LIENS

On January 25, 2005, Sue Roust, Auditor, reviewed the county's past and present policy on county aid lien collections, and gave the recommendations of the Lien Committee on ways to improve the process. The Commission requested that the committee meet again with Commissioner Pekas for further review. Ms. Roust reported that the committee met on February 9th, and she listed the original recommendations and changes that followed. Hugh Grogan, Human Services Director, spoke on the impact of placing liens on a person's credit report, noting that it may prohibit some clients from qualifying for affordable housing. Commissioner Pekas spoke in support of notifying the credit bureau, stating that it was a way to let people know that they have a debt with the County. Barb Himmel-Roberts, county resident, stated that even if the lien is placed on a credit report, the person is not given detailed information when applying for a loan. Pam Nelson, Treasurer, was present to answer questions on the idea of having her office check for liens of people getting license plates or paying real estate taxes. She stated that the extra work would require additional staffing. Commissioners requested that this issue be further reviewed by the IS Director and Lien Committee. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to authorize a Request for Proposals and contract with one lien collection agency. 4 ayes. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to allow the State's Attorney's Office to continue to try collecting on civil judgments for a period of six months. 4 ayes. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to set the waiting period to send liens to collections at 18 months. 4 ayes. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to continue not allowing liens to be placed on credit reports. 4 ayes.

PROPOSAL

Meredith Larson, AIA, TSP Four, Inc. Principal, reported that two proposals were solicited from Maxiim Technologies and Geotek to perform soil borings at the site of the Human Services/Health Department Project. He reported that the proposal from Geotek showed a price range from \$2,400 to \$2,800, and Maxim Technologies submitted a proposal for \$2,545. He also noted that Maxim Technologies had performed previous borings at the site when the Rec Center was constructed. On the recommendation of Meredith Larson, MOTION by Pekas, seconded by Hajek to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proposal with Maxim Technologies at a cost of \$2,545 for geotechnical exploration in conjunction with the Human Services/Health Department Project. 4 ayes.

LIENS

Sue Roust, County Auditor, requested that the Commission approve annual Resolutions to discharge certain County Aid Liens as per County Policy. Commissioner Kolbe suggested that the policy of releasing liens after 30 years be reviewed, since some people receiving assistance at a young age may well be able to pay the lien 30 years later. Ms. Roust noted that those liens having no activity in 30 years would mean that the person never bought or sold property in that time, and that the likelihood that the person would be able to repay the debt now is minimal. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to approve Resolution MC05-14, MC05-15, MC05-16, and MC05-17. 4 ayes.

**RESOLUTION MC05-14
TO COMPROMISE COUNTY AID LIENS TO A \$20,000 CAP**

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Commission has determined that it is in the County's best interest to annually reduce all county aid liens to a \$20,000 cap, and

WHEREAS, as of February 17, 2005, there are 60 existing liens with a balance greater than \$20,000 as listed on a computer printout on file in the Minnehaha County Auditor's Office; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners, that the Register of Deeds is hereby directed to compromise these liens to a balance of \$20,000 per account. Total amount compromised is \$460,849.76.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:
Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:
Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

**RESOLUTION MC05-15
TO DISCHARGE COUNTY AID LIENS OF DECEASED PERSONS**

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Commission has determined that it is in the County's best interest to discharge county aid liens against deceased persons and those liens deemed uncollectible; and

WHEREAS, as of February 17, 2005, there are 75 such liens totalling \$196,272.17 for deceased persons,

as listed on reports on file in the Minnehaha County Auditor's Office; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners, that the Register of Deeds is hereby directed to discharge these liens.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:
Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:
Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

**RESOLUTION MC05-16
TO DISCHARGE COUNTY AID LIENS WITH NO ACTIVITY FOR 30 YEARS**

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Commission has determined that it is in the County's best interest to annually discharge those county aid liens with no activity for 30 years, and

WHEREAS, as of February 17, 2005, there are 142 such liens totalling \$115,703.24, as listed on a computer printout on file in the Minnehaha County Auditor's Office; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners, that the Register of Deeds is hereby directed to discharge these liens with no activity for 30 years.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:
Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:
Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

**RESOLUTION MC05-17
TO DISCHARGE COUNTY AID LIENS WITH LESS THAN \$250 BALANCE
AND NO ACTIVITY FOR 10 YEARS**

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Commission has determined that it is in the County's best interest to annually discharge those county aid liens with less than \$250 balance and no activity for 10 years, and

WHEREAS, as of February 17, 2005, there are 1079 such liens totalling \$129,800.32, as listed on a computer printout on file in the Minnehaha County Auditor's Office; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners, that the Register of Deeds is hereby directed to discharge these liens with less than \$250 balance and no activity for 10 years.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

PROCLAMATION

Hugh Grogan, Human Services Director, read the St. Patrick's Day Proclamation of O'Minnehaha County, written by Magistrate Judge Peter O'Gregory. MOTION by O'Pekas, seconded by O'Hajek to approve the St. Patrick's Day Proclamation. 4 ayes.

STUDY GROUP

Pursuant to deferral on February 22nd, Scott Anderson, Planning Director, presented a proposed budget for a Groundwater Resources Study Group. Mr. Anderson had previously presented information on forming a study group to collect and evaluate data on the use of septic tanks in the county. He proposed a \$4,000 preliminary budget and noted that he would be applying for a grant through the East Dakota Water Development District (EDWDD) for 50% of the funding. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Pekas to authorize the creation of a Groundwater Resources Study Group and allow for spending up to \$4,000 with a 50% reimbursement from the EDWDD. 4 ayes.

LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

Ken McFarland, Administrative Assistant, announced that the 2005 Legislative Session has adjourned.

Commissioner Pekas left the meeting.

MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Kolbe to adjourn into Executive Session. Following Executive Session the Commission adjourned until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2005. 3 ayes.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Carol Twedt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor