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THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION CONVENED IN JOINT SESSION WITH THE SIOUX FALLS CITY COUNCIL AT 5:00 P.M., May 16, 2005, pursuant to adjournment on May 10, 2005.

Commissioners present were: Twedt, Hajek, and Zweep. Commissioners Pekas and Kolbe were absent. Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor, was also present.

City Council Members present: Benninga, Brown, Howes, Jamison, Kavanaugh, Knudson, Smith, Stagers, and Mayor Munson.

Chairman Twedt called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Pekas joined the meeting briefly.

#### PRESENTATION

Dale Froehlich, Task Force Spokesperson, presented the Blue Ribbon Task Force Blueprint (Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in Sioux Falls). In March, 2004 Mayor Dave Munson appointed a Task Force to devise a 10 year plan to end homelessness in Sioux Falls. The members met 12 times to gather information, review resources, and discuss ideas. Mr. Froehlich detailed the aspects of the report, one of which is to appoint a Homeless Advisory Board who would be responsible for monitoring homelessness and avoiding duplication of services to maximize funding. Several members of the committee and members of non-profit organizations spoke on the issue of homelessness and services. Dennis Nelson, who identified himself as homeless, made suggestions on how to better serve those facing the issues of homelessness. Commissioners thanked Mr. Froehlich and the members of the committee for their report. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Zweep to accept the report. 3 ayes. City concurred.

#### GRANT

Renee Boen, Repository Manager, and Heidi Sieverding, GIS Coordinator, for the SD State Historical Society gave a presentation on a pilot project to survey prehistoric Native American burial mounds in Minnehaha County and the City of Sioux Falls. The purpose of the project is to protect these areas by identifying their locations for land use planners to avoid disturbing any remains. Ms. Boen reviewed the maps that indicated potential sites in Minnehaha County. The proposed project budget is \$34,320, which will be funded by a historic preservation grant with no matching funds required. The grant would be applied for jointly between the County and City and managed by the City of Sioux Falls. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Zweep to support proceeding with the project. 3 ayes. City concurred.

MOTION by Zweep, seconded by Hajek to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2005. 3 ayes.

#### APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Carol Twedt, Chairman

#### ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor