

THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION CONVENEED AT 9:00 A.M., July 11, 2006, pursuant to adjournment on June 27, 2006. Commissioners present were: Kolbe, Hajek, Twedt, and Zweep. Commissioner Pekas was absent. Also present were Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor, and Gordy Swanson, Chief Deputy State's Attorney.

Chairman Kolbe called the meeting to order.

AGENDA

MOTION by Twedt, seconded by Hajek to approve the Agenda. 4 ayes.

MINUTES

MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Zweep to approve the Minutes for June 23 & 27, 2006. 4 ayes.

VOUCHERS TO BE PAID

MOTION by Zweep, seconded by Hajek to approve the following bills totaling \$918,345.93. 4 ayes.

A & B Business Equip	Var. Depts	1,079.84	Accurint	Sheriff	15.62
Advertising Arts, In	Var. Depts	364.00	Al-Ostaz, Mohammed	Court Sys.	2,845.00
Alltel Communication	Var. Depts	2,847.49	American Assn State/	Museum	100.00
American Solutions F	Comm.	305.18	American Stamp & Mar	Treasurer	469.79
Anacon Leasing %Pion	Pub. D.	262.00	Anacon Leasing, Inc.	Sheriff	389.00
Andersen, Norma	Mental Ill	30.00	Anesthesia Physician	Human Svcs	229.63
Anesthesiology Assoc	Var. Depts	720.00	Arena Motel	Human Svcs	527.91
Argus Leader	Var. Depts	6,931.06	AT & T	Metro-911	4.95
Automatic Building C	Var. Depts	2,176.52	Avera Gutnik & Assoc	Var. Depts	351.12
Avera Hematology & T	Mental Ill	90.00	Avera Home Medical E	Correction	187.75
Avera McKennan Home	Human Svcs	1,296.85	Avera McKennan Hospi	Var. Depts	107,154.26
Avera McKennan Regio	Correction	1,924.14	Avera McKennan Rehab	Human Svcs	132.65
Avera North Central	Human Svcs	180.00	Avera University Psy	Var. Depts	10,480.08
Avera Women's Specia	Human Svcs	102.00	B & E Apts/Holland,	Human Svcs	350.00
Beck, Pat/Low Eight,	Human Svcs	226.50	Bluewire Technologie	Emer Mgmt	180.00
Bob Barker Company,	Correction	1,135.96	Boyer Trucks Sioux F	Hiway Cons	454.79
Brevik Law Office, P	Mental Ill	190.93	Bridgewood Estates I	Human Svcs	307.50
Brown & Saenger	Var. Depts	516.47	Builders Supply Comp	Facilities	492.47
Bureau of Informatio	Info Svcs	200.00	Burnette, Sara L.	Court Sys.	703.00
Burns, Dan	Sheriff	19.00	C & R Supply, Inc.	Hiway Cons	275.86
Campbell Supply Co.,	Var. Depts	426.22	Carpenter, Donovan	Hiway Admi	33.32
Carper, Nichole A	Court Sys.	691.60	CBM Food Service	Correction	9,374.82
Center For Family Me	Correction	2,800.68	Century Business Lea	Pub. Adv.	113.32
Century Business Pro	Dir. Eq.	537.00	Cheever, Todd	Juv Det Cn	7.01
Chemco, Inc.	Correction	1,119.40	Cinrod Property Mana	Human Svcs	350.00
City Centre Hotel Co	Var. Depts	323.05	Civic Research Insti	Correction	169.95
Classic Cleaners	Correction	60.00	Cleveland Heights Ap	Human Svcs	350.00
Cliff Avenue Auto Pa	Hiway Cons	26.11	Cole Papers, Inc.	Correction	594.90
Communication Servic	Var. Depts	726.50	Cooley, Carla F	Court Sys.	44.20
Country View Mobile	Human Svcs	270.00	Crescent Electric Su	Var. Depts	62.29
Cummins Central Powe	Correction	124.74	Dakota Data Shred	Juv Det Cn	85.96
Dakota Fluid Power,	Hiway Cons	253.38	Dakota Lettering Etc	Juv Det Cn	394.60
Dakota Security Syst	Juv Det Cn	714.66	Dan Grigg Images, In	Musm Store	78.00
Daniels-Olsen Bldg P	Museum	251.62	Dataline Assoc./Fior	Info Svcs	720.00
Decisionone Corporat	Info Svcs	395.47	Dell Rapids Ford, In	Sheriff	625.93
Deluxe Business Form	Correction	132.47	Dialnet/Ahrens Telec	Var. Depts	609.75
Diamond Mowers, Inc.	Hiway Cons	124.18	Diamond Vogel Paint	Hiway Cons	568.50
Diamondback Tactical	Sheriff	3,494.75	Dietrich, Donna K	Mental Ill	2,028.42
Donahue, David J	Human Svcs	450.00	Dresbach, Steve	Mental Ill	3,205.00
DTN Corporation	Var. Depts	995.72	Dust Tex Service, In	Museum Mtc	12.48
Edmunds Brake & Alig	Sheriff	348.30	Ekeren, Marvin R.	Mental Ill	30.00
Empire Car Wash	Juv Det Cn	16.29	Esser, Tia	Mental Ill	128.00
Estate Of Herbert M	Inher. Tax	1,246.60	Evans, Preston	Mental Ill	128.64
Exide Technologies	Hiway Cons	207.24	Express Copy & Print	Cnty Exten	70.31

Farrell, Lorae J	Court Sys.	312.20	Formatop Co.	Museum	103.80
Fortin, Margaret	Mental Ill	128.00	Fred Pryor Seminars	Facilities	149.00
Fred The Fixer, Inc.	Var. Depts	267.50	Friese, Leroy W.	Human Svcs	575.00
Friest, Eileen	Human Svcs	450.00	G & H Distributing,	Hiway Cons	10.60
G & R Controls	Juv Det Cn	107.14	G&W, Inc Dba Gary Co	Human Svcs	223.52
Gallagher, Ashlee	Musm Entpr	150.00	Galls, Inc.	Var. Depts	426.43
Geotek Engineering &	Hiway Cons	636.00	Goebel Printing, Inc	Var. Depts	225.00
Golden Creek Investo	Human Svcs	450.00	Golden West	Hiway Admi	74.52
Goodhope, Samuel M	Elec Audit	35.00	Gourley Properties I	Human Svcs	450.00
Governors Inn, Inc.	Juv Det Cn	60.00	Graham Tire Co. - Do	Sheriff	567.80
Graham Tire Co. - No	Var. Depts	5,780.11	Great Plains Int'l T	Hiway Cons	117.72
Great Plains Psychol	Court Sys.	4,040.00	Great Western Bank	Human Svcs	401.00
Grieme, Jonathan	Air Guard	89.99	Griese, Bryan	Human Svcs	1,190.00
Gunner, Andrea	Court Sys.	121.80	Guzman, Sandra V.	Var. Depts	449.99
Halverson, Rob/Jolen	Musm Entpr	20.00	Hammer, Ralph	Hiway Admi	18.56
Hander, Inc.	Human Svcs	247.29	Harvard Business Rev	Human Svcs	99.00
Hauff Mid-America Sp	Correction	240.75	Heartland Paper Comp	Correction	2,709.17
Heggen, Leo	Hiway Admi	33.64	Hellwigs Auto Body	Plan & Zon	130.00
Hemmer, Charles	Hiway Admi	26.60	Hewlett-Packard Comp	Var. Depts	1,197.00
Hidden Meadows, Llc	Human Svcs	255.00	Hillyard, Inc.	Facilities	1,640.18
Holiday Credit Offic	Hiway Cons	81.12	Hoskins, William J	Musm Entpr	303.15
Huezo, Dax I	Human Svcs	700.00	Hurtgen, Timothy T.	Human Svcs	450.00
Hy-Vee Food Store	Juv Det Cn	59.30	Hy-Vee Food Store	Musm Entpr	255.33
Hy-Vee Pharmacy	Human Svcs	45.00	Insight Public Secto	Metro-911	653.99
Interstate Office Pr	Var. Depts	2,494.98	J.C. Penney Company,	Var. Depts	140.95
Jefferson Partners,	Var. Depts	305.65	Jensen, Theresa	Human Svcs	46.72
Jim & Ron's Service,	Sheriff	45.00	Johnson Appliance, I	Juv Det Cn	65.00
Johnson Estates/Beld	Human Svcs	260.00	Johnson, Brendan V	Elec Audit	25.00
Johnson, Ronald L	Hiway Admi	35.88	Jorgensen, Mary Lou	Var. Depts	1,497.62
Kabeiseman & Pollard	Mental Ill	156.80	Kauffman, David W. P	Court Sys.	2,150.00
Kennedy, Rokahr, Pie	Mental Ill	237.60	Kettering Law Office	Mental Ill	118.80
Kilbride, Dan	Musm Entpr	200.00	Kind of Blue	Musm Entpr	250.00
Kittelson, Joan M	Mental Ill	66.00	Kjellesen, Jim	Human Svcs	450.00
Kleen Solutions, Inc	Correction	287.70	Kmart Pharmacy	Human Svcs	65.97
Koens, Ray	Human Svcs	141.76	Kone, Inc.	Pettigrew	50.00
Kooistra, Nelva	Mental Ill	180.00	Kreislers, Inc.	Correction	258.43
Kriens Const, Inc	Human Svcs	595.00	L.G. Everist, Inc.	Hiway Cons	464.34
Landborg, Richard J.	Human Svcs	300.00	LCM Pathologists, P.	Coroner	5,000.00
Lewis Drug Stores	Var. Depts	22,438.34	Linweld, Inc.	Var. Depts	652.25
Lutheran Social Serv	Var. Depts	943.75	M&T Fire And Safety,	Emer Mgmt	4,200.00
Mac's, Inc.	Var. Depts	83.51	Mailway Printers	Museum	994.04
Malloy Electric Bear	Facilities	137.52	Mannie, Corey	Human Svcs	225.00
Mathison Company	Hiway Cons	587.41	Maxwell Food Equipme	Var. Depts	160.60
May & Johnson, P.C.	Court Sys.	592.80	Mcgowan Law Office	Court Sys.	294.07
Mcgreevy Clinic Aver	Mental Ill	165.54	Mcphee, Theresa	Pub. Adv.	20.64
Medical X-Ray Center	Var. Depts	3,362.42	Meile-Rasmussen, Jac	Pub. D.	36.19
Menards - West	Var. Depts	469.94	Michael's Purple Pet	Facilities	105.00
Michaels Fence & Sup	Hiway Cons	1,195.00	Michaelson, Shirley	Human Svcs	350.00
Midamerican Energy C	Var. Depts	5,899.56	Midcontinent Communi	Var. Depts	488.59
Midwest Alarm Compan	Facilities	374.40	Midwest Oil Company	Hiway Cons	103.64
Midwestern Mechanica	Museum Mtc	120.02	Miller Funeral Home,	Human Svcs	1,850.00
Milstead, Michael W	Sheriff	177.00	Mineral Miner	Musm Store	377.50
Minnehaha Cnty Human	Human Svcs	145.00	Minnehaha Cnty Sheri	Correction	9.28
Minnehaha Conservati	County Par	389.06	Mobile Electronic Se	Sheriff	260.00
Moore, Rasmussen, Ka	Court Sys.	102.60	Motorola, Inc.	Metro-911	386.75
Mountain-Plains Muse	Museum	195.00	Mulder Refrigeration	Juv Det Cn	2,841.86
Mulder, Dee A.	Mental Ill	165.75	Murray Construction	Human Svcs	350.00
Myrl & Roy's Paving,	Hiway Cons	30,366.53	NAE4-HA Conference	Cnty Exten	815.00
Neurology Associates	Human Svcs	649.61	Nguyen, Lam	Court Sys.	50.00
Nies Properties, LLC	Human Svcs	350.00	NLADA	Pub. D.	650.00
Norberg, John	Sheriff	140.00	Norm Feldman's Glass	Sheriff	18.00
Northern Truck Equip	Hiway Cons	34.26	O'Day Equipment, Inc	Facilities	150.58
Office Interiors	Court Sys.	2,375.00	Officemax	Var. Depts	648.87
Old-House Journal	Museum	27.00	Palmer, Barbara	Mental Ill	1,057.50
Pennington County Ja	Correction	2,509.80	Petco Animal Supplie	Sheriff	30.99
Peterson, Bill	Museum	400.00	Pfeifer Implement Co	Hiway Cons	913.41
Physicians Laborator	Human Svcs	47.63	Pine Knoll, Inc.	Human Svcs	195.00
Pontiac Cadillac of	Sheriff	71.27	Precision Dynamics C	Correction	698.72
Presto-X-Company	Var. Depts	162.00	Qualified Presort Se	Var. Depts	9,385.80

Quest Engineering, I	Hiway Cons	489.56	Qwest	Metro-911	335.91
Reh fuss, Cathy A	Mental Ill	141.00	Reid, Julie	Human Svcs	350.00
Reid, Kevin	Pub. Adv.	20.64	Restful Lodging, Inc	Human Svcs	285.05
Richard-Ewing Equipm	Facilities	883.18	River Ridge Apartmen	Human Svcs	823.00
Rochester Armored Ca	Treasurer	330.00	Roemen's Auto Supply	Hiway Cons	89.79
Ronning Commercial,	Human Svcs	700.00	RS Halstead Corp	Hiway Cons	96,546.21
Rural Metro Ambulanc	Coroner	1,200.00	Safelite Glass Corp.	Sheriff	39.95
Sax Arts & Crafts	Museum	50.82	Scheels All Sports	Juv Det Cn	29.97
SD Art Museum	Museum	275.00	SD Continuing Legal	Correction	500.00
SD Dept of Human Ser	Var. Depts	226.80	SD Dept Of Revenue	County Par	65.00
SD Newspaper Assn Se	Comm.	41.73	SD State Fair	Cnty Exten	180.00
SD State Treasurer	Sales Tax	44.57	Sears	Cnty Exten	9.99
Shopko Pharmacy	Human Svcs	298.99	Shopko Store	Juv Det Cn	609.38
Sioux Empire FCU / V	Correction	815.38	Sioux Empire FCU / V	Sheriff	1,089.69
Sioux Empire FCU / V	Correction	108.14	Sioux Empire FCU / V	Sheriff	599.12
Sioux Empire FCU / V	Var. Depts	239.86	Sioux Falls Ford, In	Var. Depts	2,302.04
Sioux Falls Two Way	Hiway Cons	100.00	Sioux Falls Utilitie	Var. Depts	7,779.92
Sioux International	Juv Det Cn	36.30	Sioux Valley Energy	Var. Depts	208.28
Sioux Valley Wireles	Hiway Admi	37.95	Sister Cities Assn O	Musm Entpr	250.00
Sittig, Deb	Mental Ill	1,342.50	Smith Publishing Co.	Comm.	259.00
Southeastern Behavio	Correction	10,785.00	Stan Houston Equipme	Hiway Cons	43.98
Steak-Out Sioux Fall	Court Sys.	144.89	Strunk, Lisa	Court Sys.	612.20
Sturdevant's Auto Pa	Hiway Cons	494.66	Sunshine Foods	Human Svcs	117.41
Surgical Institute O	Human Svcs	2,220.16	SV Clinic Podiatry	Correction	68.81
SV Hospital	Var. Depts	1,925.46	SV Phys Ptnr Sioux V	Human Svcs	198.32
T & R Contracting, I	Hiway Cons	14,854.82	Tammen Oil	Facilities	723.00
Taylor, Robert H	Human Svcs	400.00	Tesch, Bill	Sheriff	235.31
The Eye Doctors, P.C	Correction	1,990.00	The Road Guy Const C	Hiway Cons	406,921.47
Thesenvitz & Mickels	Court Sys.	1,147.60	Thorin, Deyanira T.	Var. Depts	670.82
Titze's Auto Repair	Sheriff	2,340.33	Travelhost of Sioux	Museum	153.00
Triangle Properties,	Human Svcs	350.00	US Bank-Corporate Tr	Build Fund	1,200.50
Vander Vliet, Rodney	Hiway Admi	45.48	Vanderwerff, Roland	Human Svcs	180.00
Velvet Uniforms, Inc	Var. Depts	2,161.80	Video Service of Ame	Comm.	403.91
Viking Office Produc	Pub. D.	113.32	Voice Print Internat	Metro-911	8,702.00
Voigt, Debra	Court Sys.	1,248.53	Wagner Office Soluti	Cnty Exten	296.52
Walgreen Co.	Human Svcs	814.44	Wall Lake Sanitary D	Hiway Admi	35.00
Walser, Bob	Mental Ill	15.00	Watertown Police Dep	Correction	195.00
Wedding Publications	Museum	800.00	Weelborg Bros., Inc.	Hiway Cons	1,200.00
Wellmark Blue Cross	Human Svcs	261.22	West Group	Var. Depts	970.00
West Pointe Townhous	Human Svcs	450.00	Westport Apts/Westpo	Human Svcs	194.00
Xcel Energy, Inc.	Var. Depts	3,813.04	Yankton County Sheri	Mental Ill	198.00
Yankton Medical Clin	Human Svcs	956.47	Yoder, Scott	Human Svcs	525.00
Zahn, Quana	Pub. Adv.	20.64			

REPORTS

The following report was received and placed on file in the County Auditor's Office: Human Services Monthly Report for June, 2006.

PERSONNEL

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

1. To hire the following individuals as Communications Operators (9/1) for Metro Communications at \$14.511 per hour effective 7-17-06: Emily Afrouzi, Jared Hoffman, Jon Klockman, Jason Porter, and Chris Yager.
2. To hire Kari Gackle as Legal Office Assistant I (6/2) for the State's Attorney Office at \$12.372 per hour effective 7-10-06.
3. To hire Kimberly Muller as Legal Office Assistant I (6/3) for the State's Attorney Office at \$12.867 per hour effective 7-11-06.

4. To rescind the hire of Kyle Helseth as Deputy Director of Equalization for the Equalization Department effective 7-10-06.
5. To accept the resignation of Thomas LaFramboise as Juvenile Correctional Worker (5/1) for the Juvenile Detention Center effective 6-21-06.
6. To reassign Michelle Mattern to Juvenile Correctional Officer I (10/5) for the Juvenile Detention Center at \$17.309 per hour effective 7-15-06.
7. To reassign Steve Ruitter to Juvenile Correctional Officer II (11/6) for the Juvenile Detention Center at \$18.656 per hour effective 7-15-06.
8. To hire Shannon Grush as Juvenile Correctional Worker (5/1) for the Juvenile Detention Center at \$11.025 per hour effective 7-24-06.
9. To return Kristin Molitor, Legal Office Assistant II for the Sheriff's Office, from Family and Medical Leave effective 6-26-06.
10. To discharge Elizabeth Blosser as Correctional Systems Operator for the Sheriff's Office effective 6-29-06.
11. To accept the resignation of Paul Cavros as Correctional Systems Operator (7/1) for the Sheriff's Office effective 7-1-06.
12. To promote Phillip Leidholt and Rexford Smith as Acting Deputy Sheriff (12/1) for the Sheriff's Office at \$17.126 per hour effective 7-1-06.
13. To hire Pam Macalouso as Summer Horticulture Intern for the Extension Office at \$7.50 per hour effective 7-13-06 to 9-30-06.

Step increases due:

1. Bonnie Wenzlaff – Property Specialist – Equalization – 4/3 to 4/4, 7-12-06, \$11.202/hr
2. Maritta Husman – Tax & License Specialist – Treasurer – 4/10 to 4/11, 6-26-06, \$12.867/hr
3. Reece Deters – Juvenile Correctional Officer I – Juvenile Detention Center – 10/1 to 10/2, 6-13-06, \$15.997/hr
4. Nichole Kuemper – Juvenile Correctional Officer I – Juvenile Detention Center 10/1 to 10/2, 6-11-06, \$15.997/hr
5. Krista Miersma – Juvenile Correctional Officer I – Juvenile Detention Center 10/1 to 10/2, 6-21-06, \$15.997/hr
6. Jorge Vicuna – Juvenile Correctional Officer I – Juvenile Detention Center – 10/1 to 10/2, 6-27-06, \$15.997/hr
7. Andrea Davis – Juvenile Correctional Worker – Juvenile Detention Center – 5/1 to 5/2, 6-22-06, \$11.466/hr
8. Thomas Peterson – Highway Equip Svcs/Parts Mgr – Highway Department – 13/8 to 13/9, 6-19-06,

\$21.923/hr

9. James Crisp – Highway Maintenance Worker – Highway Department – 8/1 to 8/2, 5-23-06, \$14.184/hr
10. Gordon Swanson – Chief Civil Deputy Attorney – State’s Attorney – 24/8 to 24/9, 7-9-06, \$2687.92/biweekly
11. Joseph Bosman – Deputy Sheriff – Sheriff – 12/1 to 12/2, 6-18-06, \$17.811/hr
12. Kim Feerick – Correctional Systems Operator – Sheriff – 7/1 to 7/2, 4-11-06, \$13.280/hr
13. Ronald Goergen – Custodian I – Facilities – 3/4 to 3/5, 7-1-06, \$10.444/hr

NOTICE

Notice was received from the SD Department of Transportation of a public hearing on July 12, 2006, for the tentative 2007-2011 Five Year Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

PLANNING

Scott Anderson, Planning Director, and Phil Kappen, Assistant Planning Director, were present for the first reading of several proposed amendments to various ordinances. The first proposed amendment would add a definition for same ownership as it pertains to the transfer of building eligibilities in the A-1 and RC Recreation/Conservation districts. The following hearing dates were requested for this item: July 17th, 2002 Revised Joint Zoning for Minnehaha County and the City of Sioux Falls; July 18th, 1990 Revised Zoning Ordinance for Minnehaha County; and July 25th, 2001 Revised Joint Zoning Ordinance for Minnehaha County and the City of Dell Rapids. The second proposed amendment would amend the 1990 Revised Zoning Ordinance for Minnehaha County by requiring notification of property owners by 1st Class Mail by those seeking a conditional use permit and has a requested hearing date of July 18th. The final request would amend the 1990 Revised Zoning Ordinance for Minnehaha County related to geotechnical test boring requirements for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and has a requested hearing date of July 18th. MOTION by Hajek, seconded by Twedt to authorize the requested hearing dates. 4 ayes.

HIGHWAY

Bob Meister, Highway Superintendent, reported that the SD Department of Transportation conducted a bid letting for Project BRO 8050(36), bridge deck overlay on Minnehaha County Highway 109 south of the Beaver Valley Church. Three bids were received ranging from a high bid of \$206,085.56 to a low bid of \$185,281.86. This is 10.2% below the engineer’s estimate of \$206,260.36. The project will be funded through 80% federal and 20% county funds. MOTION by Zweep, seconded by Twedt to approve Resolution MC06-41. 4 ayes.

RESOLUTION MC06-41

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners wishes for the improvement of Minnehaha County Highway 109 Project BRO 8050(36), and,

WHEREAS, the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners has requested of the South Dakota Department of Transportation to, program and hold a bid letting, for the improvement of said highway, and,

WHEREAS, Progressive Contractors Inc, of St. Michael, MN was the low bidder with a bid of \$185,281.86, for Project BRO 8050(36),

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minnehaha County Board of Commissioners concur with the South Dakota Department of Transportation in the awarding of the low bid to Progressive Contractors Inc., of St. Michael, MN.

Dated this 11th day of July, 2006, at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Robert Kolbe, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor

PERMIT

Phil Kappen, Assistant Planning Director, presented a request to renew the Solid Waste Permit for the Sioux Falls Regional Landfill. The City has met all the requirements of the current permit which was issued in 2001 for a five year period. Jason Chan, Landfill Superintendent, gave a presentation on the current landfill operation and future expansion areas. He also addressed corrective measures taken to improve the current operation and reduce debris accumulating in areas around the landfill. Matt Evans with R.W. Beck, explained the planned construction phases and leachate process. Mr. Kappen recommended approval of the renewal with seven conditions. He noted that the majority of conditions were on the existing permit with the exception of the addition of a condition that the operator of the landfill be responsible for picking up trash/garbage along the West 41st Street/267th Street right-of-way from the Sioux Falls city limits to 464th Avenue a minimum of three times per year. MOTION by Twedt, seconded by Zweep to authorize the Chairman to sign the Solid Waste Permit for the City of Sioux Falls Regional Landfill with the proposed conditions. 4 ayes.

BENEFITS

MOTION by Twedt, seconded by Hajek to defer consideration of a request from the Minnehaha County Sheriff to extend Deputies Association contract benefits to management personnel for two weeks to allow the item to be discussed in Executive Session as contractual/personnel prior to open session. 4 ayes.

OPT-OUT

Sue Roust, Auditor, briefed the Commission on the status of the FY2007 budget to date. So far, the Commission has cut \$529,000 from the budget and has a cash applied to the General Fund of \$3.54 million. Increases to the budget include a 3% COLA and 30 new hires (21.5 in law enforcement and 8.5 other administrative). Law enforcement needs have increased \$1.7 million in the 2007 budget. An opt-out is needed to balance the budget with the changes made to date. Ms. Roust reported that for every \$1 million opt-out, the owner of a \$100,000 home would see a \$10 increase in property tax. There was discussion on a \$1.625 million opt-out for 20 to 25 years. If approved, Minnehaha County would still have the second lowest levy in the state at \$2.86 per thousand. Voters could refer an opt-out decision by the Commission to a public vote by collecting 4,800 signatures within 27 days after the opt-out decision is made. Ms. Roust reported that the Commission could choose to refer an opt-out to the voters. If so, a Special Election would be held at an approximate cost of \$35,000. Commissioner Twedt noted that the county has been prudent in the past, but has deferred the needs of departments for too long. She encouraged lawmakers to look ahead at finding new revenue sources for counties. Commissioner Kolbe commented on pending decisions on the cell phone tax and Joint Powers Agreement for Metro

Communications. Both revenues are needed to balance the budget. Terry Tronson with Garretson Ambulance Service discussed the Rural Ambulance Service request for funding for 2007. He thanked the Commission for again providing funding to the rural ambulances. Sheriff Mike Milstead spoke in support of an opt-out noting that it was the right thing to do to ensure a safe environment for the growing community. Scott Peters, Mental Illness Board Chairman, and Dave Nelson, State's Attorney, also supported an opt-out to ensure that essential services are provided to the citizens of Minnehaha County.

MOTION by Twedt, seconded by Zweep to adjourn until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2006. 4 ayes.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Robert Kolbe, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy Kinder, Deputy Auditor