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THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION CONVENEED AT 9:00 A.M. July 10, 2018, pursuant to adjournment on July 10, 2018. Commissioners present were: Barth, Bender, Beninga, Heiberger, and Karsky. Also present was Olivia Larson, Commission Recorder.

MOTION by Barth, seconded by Bender, to approve the agenda. 5 ayes.

OPT-OUT

Bob Litz, Auditor, presented a Resolution for Opt-Out by Minnehaha County under the property tax limitation statues starting with calendar year 2018 payable in 2019. No one from the public came forward to speak. Commissioner Barth spoke on his interest in approving an opt-out for the difference between the 2.3% rate of inflation and 3% adjustment for the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Upon the request of Commissioner Barth, Kim Adamson, Finance and Budget Officer, explained that the impact of the difference between the rate of inflation and the adjustment for CPI would be \$287,000. Ms. Adamson was also available for questions from the Commission. MOTION by Barth, seconded by Karsky, to approve an opt-out for 0.7% for 25 years payable in 2019. Commissioner Karsky commented on the Commission's ability to appropriately spread out opt-out dollars across a number of years as needed in the budget. Commissioners Heiberger, Bender, and Beninga spoke on their reasons for not supporting an opt-out this time noting that the 2019 budget is balanced due to the use of opt-out dollars from the most recent opt-out in 2015. By roll call vote on the motion: Barth voted aye. Bender, Beninga, Heiberger, and Karsky voted nay. Motion fails.

MOTION by Barth, seconded by Bender, to adjourn. 5 ayes.

The next County Commission Meeting will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 17, 2018.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Cindy Heiberger
Chair

ATTEST:

Olivia Larson
Deputy Auditor