

Eckstrom Repurchase Tax – Forfeited Land

WHEREAS, Hunter Eckstrom, Heir at the time of forfeiture. (Applicant)

WHEREAS, the Applicant has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax-forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Aitkin, Minnesota and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel # 12-0-040700 SW SW Section 23 Township 52 Range 26

and WHEREAS, said Applicants has set forth in his application that:

A. Hardship and injustice has resulted because of forfeiture of said land, for the following reasons, to-wit:

Eric Eckstrom passed away in March 2022 and we were going through probate and did not receive notice of the taxes being past due.

B. That the repurchase of said land by me will promote and best serve the public interest because:

It is connected to all the other property and is used as hunting land.

and WHEREAS, the Applicants have made payment of all delinquent taxes of properties

and WHEREAS, this board is of the opinion that said applications should be granted for such reasons,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the application of Hunter Eckstrom for the purchase of the above-described parcel of tax-forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

Commissioner Leiviska moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting Yes

STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 24th day of January 2023, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 24^h day of January 2023

Jessica Seibert

Jessica Seibert – County Administrator

J. Mark Wedel

J. Mark Wedel – County Board Chair

Kirk Peysar

Kirk Peysar – County Auditor

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ADOPTED January 24, 2023

By Commissioner: Westerlund

20230103-008

Sentence to Serve – McGregor Lions

WHEREAS, Aitkin County is generally authorized to accept donations of real and personal property with a 2/3 majority vote pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens.

WHEREAS, the following persons and entities have offered to contribute the cash amounts set forth below to the county:

McGregor Lions \$1,000.00

WHEREAS, the terms or conditions of the donations, if any, are as follows:

McGregor Lions Aitkin County Sentence to Serve

WHEREAS, all such donations have been contributed to the county for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners finds that it is appropriate to accept the donations offered.

Commissioner Leiviska moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT All Members Voting Yes

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20230103-009

Award Contract 20231

WHEREAS, Contract No. 20231 is for construction of S.P. 001-611-003, and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were opened for this project at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 with a total of six bids received, and

WHEREAS, KGM Contractors Inc., Angora, MN was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$4,227,400.75.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that KGM Contractors, Inc. be awarded Contract 20231.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this award is subject to KGM Contractors, Inc. obtaining approval from the Minnesota Department of Transportation Office of Civil Rights for the Disadvantaged Enterprise Business (DBE) commitment on this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the chairperson of the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of Aitkin County with said low bidder upon presentation of proper contract documents.

Commissioner Sample moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

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County Administrator

By Commissioner: Sample

20230124-010

State Bonding Request – Aitkin County Fairgrounds

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Fairgrounds has supported the regional economy and community since 1910;

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Fairgrounds provides opportunities for students to develop leadership skills through the 4-H program and local horse riding clubs;

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Fairgrounds provides space for community gatherings such as music performances, fundraisers, stock car races, and annual celebrations;

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Fairgrounds is in need of several renovations and improvements to better serve the public and ensure that the grounds are available to the community for decades to come including:

- Electrical system update
- Drainage system update
- Extension of ADA accessible walking paths
- Development of ADA accessible paved parking
- Improvements to water and sewer infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners supports a request for State Bonding in the amount of \$365,000 to be used in conjunction with local funding to complete needed renovations and improvements at the Aitkin County Fairgrounds.

Commissioner Leiviska moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

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20230124-010

State Bonding Request – Health & Human Services Building Renovation

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Health and Human Services building was built in 1973;

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Health and Human Services department provides support services to the region’s most vulnerable children and adults;

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Health & Human Services Building is in need of important and immediate renovations to maintain the integrity of the current building and ensure services to the public continue uninterrupted in the future.

Renovations include but are not limited to:

- Replacement of outdated heating/cooling systems
- Addition of secure interview spaces
- Creation of ADA accessible restrooms for public and staff
- Creation of meeting space to accommodate full staff and regional community meetings
- Renovation of existing lobby space to allow visitor access to restrooms
- Creation of more convertible work areas to address changing work environment
- Ensure security of private data
- Improve overall building security with badge access technology

WHEREAS, Aitkin County has been reserving funds for several years to complete the building project and is in need of supplemental funds due to inflationary factors and the increase in building costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners supports a request for State Bonding in the amount of \$5,000,000 to be used in conjunction with local funding to complete needed renovations and improvements to the Aitkin County Health and Human Services Building.

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