



**City of Moorhead  
Community Facilities Task Force  
Meeting Minutes  
November 10, 2015 at 4:00 PM  
Probstfield Center for Education - Room 204**

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A regular meeting of the Community Facilities Task Force was held in the Probstfield Center for Education - Room 204, on October 13, 2015, at 4:30 PM.

**Attendees:**

Moorhead Area Public Schools: Matt Valan; Mark Altenburg; Lynne Kovash

Clay County: Kevin Campbell; Jenny Mongeau

City of Moorhead: Michael Redlinger

**1. Moorhead Area Public Schools Bond Referendum Results**

- a. Lynne Kovash, Moorhead Area Public Schools, provided a handout that included a summary of election results from the November 3, 2015 levy referendum. She noted that teacher work groups are gathering to discuss design and development of the new facilities.
- b. A Master Plan Implementation Committee has been convened to discuss next steps at the elementary and middle school levels.
- c. On November 23, 2015 the School Board will discuss implementation steps.
- d. The School District will be conducting an "after action" report to discuss improvements to the special election process.

**2. Clay County Jail and Joint Law Enforcement Center Planning Update**

- a. Kevin Campbell provided an update on Clay County's Jail Committee and property acquisitions in the residential neighborhood to the north of the Law Enforcement Center (LEC).
- b. County staff is pleased with the property acquisition process and the response received from property owners.
- c. The County Board is committed to the project and is formulating financing plans for construction.
- d. The current LEC will be demolished to make room for cell expansion and additional "pods" to house inmates.
- e. The mental health subcommittee has convened to discuss mental health issues within the jail and how to address needs in the inmate population.
- f. Clay County, in partnership with Chisago County (MN), is working on a joint legislative approach to bond for, and construct, correctional facilities.
- g. A potential sales tax may need to be considered in the future to support the construction of the facility.

**3. Other Updates**

- a. Clay County is partnering with the City of Moorhead to plan and design a new joint transfer station and hazardous materials facility.
- b. A regional study has been proposed by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to study a regional approach to solid waste.
- c. Clay County is evaluating a joint highway facility with the City of Hawley to combine maintenance functions with the Rollag maintenance location.
- d. Campbell answered a question about the future of detox services in Clay County and challenges with retaining qualified medical staff to keep the facility operational.

**4. Future Meetings**

- a. Meetings will be quarterly in 2016 (March/June/September/December). A Doodle.com poll will be sent out in 2016.