Minnehaha County Commission Approves Fiscal Year 2021 Provisional Budget
Two New Positions Limited to Public Safety Roles

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Sioux Falls, SD – The Minnehaha County Commission approved the FY 2021 Provisional Budget during a regular meeting this morning. No additional opt-out funding is utilized.

The Provisional FY 2021 budget year runs from January 1, 2021 to December 31st, 2021. New positions are limited to public safety roles for one Paralegal in the Public Defender Office and one Correctional Systems Operator at the Jail.

The Provisional FY 2021 budget totals $114,977,021. A further breakdown includes $67.5 million in General Funds, $13.5 million in Highway Funds, $3.98 million in Building Funds, $4.57 million in debt service, and $20 million in Capital Project funds. Excluding capital projects, this represents a 3.1% increase when compared to the final FY 2020 budget. Property tax revenue increased by 2.65% due to new growth and a 1.7% increase from the Consumer Price Index.

The Capital Projects Fund includes renovation of the County Administration Building, Extension Building, and construction of a new Highway Department facility. The capital projects are able to move forward without raising taxes due to other capital debt being fully redeemed prior to the end of FY 2020.

Minnehaha County contains $16,848,000,00 of taxable value. Centrally assessed utility data, which also contributes to the tax base, won’t be available from the State of South Dakota until mid-August. Approximately twenty percent of a property tax bill funds Minnehaha County. The remaining portions of property tax are split between schools, municipalities, townships, and taxing districts.

The County Commission continues to closely monitor budget trends and will continue to make adjustments as needed before the final FY 2021 budget is considered in September this year.

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