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TO: Honorable County Commissioners
Scott Arneson, County Administrator

FROM: Jess L. Greenwood, Public Works Director

RE: 7 August 2025 County Board Meeting – CONSENT AGENDA
Award Wanamingo Landfill Closure Contract

Date: 30 July 2025

Summary

It is requested that the County Board award the Wanamingo Landfill Closure contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

Background

Bids for the contract were opened on July 28, 2025. Seven bids were received. The lowest bid was from Fitzgerald Excavating & Trucking at \$243,960.00, which is 33.38% under the engineer's estimate. This contract was bid as a lump sum. While County staff could estimate the contract cost based on known quantities, the lump sum nature of the contract required staff to account for potential risks. The level of risk varied between contractors who bid the project, as shown in the Abstract of Bids. While the apparent low bid is substantially under the engineer's estimate, the engineer's estimate is roughly the median value of the bids received.

Alternatives

- Award the work to the lowest responsible bidder.
- Award to another bidder.
- Reject all bids.

Recommendations

It is the recommendation of staff to award the construction contract for the Wanamingo Landfill Closure to Fitzgerald Excavating & Trucking from Goodhue, MN with the lowest responsible bid of \$243,960.00; additionally, staff is requesting change order authority in an amount not to exceed available funding.

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Abstract of Bids

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>%over/under estimate</u>	
Fitzgerald Excavating & Trucking	\$243,960.00	33.38%	UNDER
Schumacher Excavating, Inc.	\$284,749.00	22.24%	UNDER
Nadeau Companies	\$355,479.00	2.93%	UNDER
Alcon Excavating Inc.	\$466,824.20	27.47%	OVER
JJD Companies, LLC	\$513,670.00	40.27%	OVER
Frattalone Companies	\$535,503.50	46.23%	OVER
Burski Excavating, Inc.	\$633,220.50	72.91%	OVER

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Date: 7 August 2025

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ and carried to approve the award of bid for the Wanamingo Landfill Closure Contract, to Fitzgerald Excavating & Trucking of Goodhue, MN with the lowest responsible bid of \$243,960.00, based on staff reports and findings of fact; and to allow staff change order authority in an amount not to exceed available funding.

State of Minnesota
County of Goodhue

Flanders	Yes	_____	No	_____
Anderson	Yes	_____	No	_____
Majerus	Yes	_____	No	_____
Betcher	Yes	_____	No	_____
Greseth	Yes	_____	No	_____

I, Scott Arneson, duly appointed, qualified and County Administrator of the County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Goodhue County, Minnesota at their session held on the 7th day of August 2025, now on file in my office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal at Red Wing, Minnesota, this 7th day of August 2025.

Scott Arneson
County Administrator