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TO: Honorable County Commissioners
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RE: 08 August 2024 County Board Meeting
Kenyon Cleanup Day - July 27, 2024

Date: 31 July 2024

Summary

On July 27, 2024, Goodhue County held the second of five cleanup days at the County Maintenance Facility in Kenyon. A total of four County employees (three operators from the Recycling Center and the Deputy Public Works Director) were at the event to assist customers and collect payment.

Available items to drop off consisted of five categories: scrap metal, appliances, electronics, tires, and furniture. Pricing was pursuant to the Goodhue County fee structure and materials dropped off were subject to the State of Minnesota's solid waste tax. Nineteen customers dropped off items for disposal. Seventeen customers were from Kenyon, one was from Cannon Falls, and one was from Dennison. A total of 45 items were collected for disposal. The items consisted of:

- Washer/dryer/stove/water heater/microwave = 2
- Air conditioner = 1
- Refrigerator = 2
- Couches = 5
- Mattresses/box springs = 21
- Other furniture = 8
- Computers/fax machines/laptops/scanners/receivers/DVDs/VCRs/vacuums = 1
- TVs less than 20" = 2
- TVs greater than 27" = 3
- Scrap metal = 0
- Tires = 0

A total of 35 customers have brought items to the two events. The County has collected \$1,450.10, which includes sales tax. While actual expenses are not completely known, it is estimated that the County has accrued approximately \$1,575 in costs, consisting of \$600 in dumpster rental and \$975 in disposal costs. This amount does not include costs for staff time/overtime paid or County equipment used.

Recommendation

County staff is seeking direction from the Board on how to proceed with future cleanup events. Three events remain, with the next event scheduled for August 24, 2024 from 8 am to 12 pm.

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