

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS, GOODHUE COUNTY, MN
NOVEMBER 17, 2025

The Goodhue County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, November 17, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room, Government Center, Red Wing, MN, with Commissioners Anderson, Flanders, Betcher, Majerus, and Greseth all present.

C/Anderson asked for any disclosure of interest. There were none.

- ¹ Moved by C/Flanders, seconded by C/Greseth, and carried to approve the November 4, 2025, County Board meeting minutes.
- ² Moved by C/Betcher, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve the November 17, 2025, County Board Agenda.
- ³ Moved by C/Greseth, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- 1. Approve Clerical Error Abatement List 2025
 - 2. Approve Final Contract Payment for CSAH 24 Grading- SAP 025-624-016

SHERIFF’S OFFICE REPORT

GIS Recognition. Chad Steffen, Emergency Services Captain, recognized and highlighted the work of the Goodhue County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) team and the critical role they play in supporting public safety in Goodhue County.

FINANCE & TAXPAYER SERVICES

Public Hearing- 2026 Fee Schedule. Staff recommended the board conduct a public hearing and take comments on the proposed 2026 county fee schedule. Once the public hearing is complete, staff recommended approval of the proposed fee schedule effective January 1, 2026.

- ⁴ Moved by C/Greseth, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve to open the public hearing.

C/Anderson asked three times for public comment. There were no comments.

- ⁵ Moved by C/Greseth, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve to close the public hearing.
- ⁶ Moved by C/Betcher, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the 2026 Goodhue County Fee Schedule.

HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTORS REPORT

Continue retention Committee Proposals. Staff requested direction from the board on continuation of the supervisor training at a cost of \$15,000 and employee recognition credit of \$80 per employee for 2026.

- ⁷ Moved by C/Flanders, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve up to \$15,000 for Supervisor Training and \$80/employee for county logo-wear to be paid for by using fund balance from the dollars set aside for employee retention.

Personnel Committee Report. The Personnel Committee met on Monday, November 17, with the following items on the agenda:

Elected Officials Salary. The Personnel Committee recommended a \$6,500 increase for the County Attorney and the County Sheriff for 2026.

C/Majerus felt the increase should be consistent with what all the other staff would be receiving.

- ⁸ Moved by C/Flanders, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve a 3% increase over the 2025 salary for the County Attorney salary for 2026 which is \$196,456.
- ⁹ Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve a 3% increase over the 2025 salary for the County Sheriff Salary for 2026 which is \$198,598.

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Sheriff Kelly requested the board consider increasing the salary for the Chief Deputy Sheriff for 2026. C/Anderson commented that this was not on the agenda so the board would not take any action on the issue today. C/Betcher felt the process needed to follow the same process for all employees who are appealing the position description.

VETERAN’S SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

Veteran’s Ride Program Transfer. Staff was looking for direction from the board on if they would like to transfer the Veteran’s Transportation Program to the Disabled American Veteran’s (DAV) Office, effective January 1, 2026.

10 Moved by C/Betcher, seconded by C/Greseth, and carried to approve to transfer the Veteran’s Transportation Program to the Disabled American Veteran’s (DAV) office effective January 1, 2026.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

C/Betcher	•
C/Greseth	•
C/Anderson	•
C/Majerus	•
C/Flanders	•
Administrator Arneson	•

New and Old Business.

C/Greseth suggested conducting the Planning Advisory Commission and the Board of Adjustment on the same evening. The board discussed and supported the idea if it worked for scheduling and staff.

Review and Approve the County Claims

11 Moved by C/Greseth, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve to pay the County claims in the amount of 01-General Revenue \$927,023.75, 03-Public Works \$150,559.89, 11- Human Service Fund \$36,167.44, 12- GC Family Services Collaborative \$1,471.25, 15- County Ditch 1 \$00, 20-National Opioid Settlement Fund \$00, 25- EDA \$833.42, 34-Capital Equipment \$335,409.14, 35-Debt Services \$00, 61-Waste Management \$10,206.37, 72-Other Agency Funds \$23,933.91, 81-Settlement \$6,690,679.37, in the total amount of \$8,176,284.54.

Adjourn

12 Moved by C/Greseth, and C/Flanders, carried to approve to adjourn the November 18, 2025, County Board Meeting.

SCOTT O. ARNESON
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BRAD ANDERSON, CHAIR
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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MINUTE

- 1. Approved the November 4, 2025, board meeting minutes. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 2. Approved the November 18, 2025, county board agenda. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 3. Approved the October 21, 2025, consent agenda. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 4. Approved to open the public hearing. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 5. Approved to close the public hearing. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 6. Approved the 2026 County Fee Schedule. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 7. Approved the continuation of the Retention Committee proposals. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 8. Approved the 2026 Salary for the Sheriff. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 9. Approved the 2026 Salary for the County Attorney. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 10. Approved to transfer the Driver’s Transportation Program to the Disabled American Veteran’s Program. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 11. Approved the county claims. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 12. Approved to adjourn the November 17, 2025, County Board Meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)

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