

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS, GOODHUE COUNTY, MN
JANUARY 16, 2018**

The Goodhue County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room, Government Center, Red Wing, MN with Commissioners Anderson, Majerus, Nesseth, Drotos and Allen were all present.

C/Majerus asked if there were any disclosures of interest. There were none.

¹ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Drotos, and carried to approve the January 2, 2018, County Board Minutes.

² Moved by C/Allen, seconded by C/Drotos, and carried to approve the January 16, 2018, County Board Agenda.

³ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Drotos, and carried to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

C/Nesseth requested to remove the ADC food service and laundry amendment from SUMMIT for 2018-2020.

1. Approve to appoint three youth voting members to the Goodhue County Extension Committee for a one-year term.
2. Approve 2017 Goodhue County Emergency Operations Plan
3. Approve Park Board Members.
4. Approve the 2018 Committee Structure.
5. Approve the 2017 Performance Evaluation for Scott Arneson, Administration.
6. Approve Tuition Reimbursement for Josh Stehr, Sheriff's Office.

Approve the ADC Food Service and Laundry Amendment from SUMMIT for 2018-2020.

C/Nesseth questioned what had changed in the contract and if the budget would be reduced. Sheriff McNurlin did not have a list of the changes with him, however, the report which was included in the board packet summarized the changes. The reduced amount was factored into the approved 2018 budget.

⁴ Moved by C/Nesseth, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve the ADC Food Service and Laundry Amendment from SUMMIT for 2018-2020.

HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Personnel Committee Report. The personnel committee recommended the board approve to hire a Finance Director as a replacement for the vacant Finance Controller position with the intent that they work under the current Finance Director until such time that succession/phased retirement plans are made within the next year.

⁵ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve to hire a Finance Director position with the intent that they work under the current Finance Director until such time that succession/phased retirement plans are made within the next year.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Five Year County Highway Construction Program. This issue was discussed at a previous Committee of the Whole meeting. Staff requested direction from the board on moving forward with phase A which is based on the historic local levy contribution of \$1,300,000 or phase B which starts at \$1,300,000 and is increased by \$200,000 each year thereafter.

⁶ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Drotos, and carried (4-1-0) with C/Nesseth dissenting to approve the Five Year County Highway Construction program presented as option B which includes local levy contribution of \$1,300,000 and is increased by \$200,000 each year thereafter.

COMMISSINER CORRESPONDENCE

License Center Resolution. C/Drotos addressed the board and recommended the board approve the proposed resolution supporting the maintenance of local license bureaus.

⁷ Moved by C/Drotos, seconded by C/Allen, and carried to approve the following resolution supporting the

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maintenance of local license bureaus:

WHEREAS, THE State of Minnesota established a deputy registrar network to provide our citizens with motor vehicle titling and registration services, including driver license transactions; and,
WHEREAS, deputy registrars are required to operate as agents on behalf of the State of Minnesota without compensation from the State for the services they offer; and,
WHEREAS, in 1949, the State of Minnesota established in statute a user-based filing fee on motor vehicle and driver license transactions to be retained by the deputy registrar to defray all their costs to provide this localized service to our citizens for the State; and,
WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has now shifted substantial clerical and auditing responsibilities onto the deputy registrar network due to the State’s conversion their new MNLARS (Minnesota Licensing and Registration System) program; and,
WHEREAS, the new MNLARS regimen is now documented to have multiple shortcomings which have severely strained normal deputy registrar operations with longer processing times that greatly limit their typical volume of daily business; and,
WHEREAS, other MNLARS shortcomings have frequently forced deputies to conduct “no-(filing) fee” services for customers which acerbates the deputy business model; and,
WHEREAS, deputy registrar offices are now forced to invest in additional staff, office equipment, and more space to meet customer demand due to the MNLARS conversion; and,
WHEREAS, the filing fee revenue no longer covers the operational costs to maintain deputy registrar offices such that many local government-based deputies are seeking local property tax subsidies and private operators are applying for lines of credit to stave off complete closure,
NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that Goodhue County calls upon the State Legislature and our Governor to enact legislation in the 2018 to provide deputy registrars with proper compensation by reallocating from the existing state fee structures or other appropriate filing fee adjustments to ensure their valued service and continued presence remains in our local community to serve our citizens and the State.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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| C/Drotos | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electric Car Forum. Anti-addiction Campaign. |
| C/Nesseth | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • |
| C/Anderson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Watershed-One Plan Meeting. |
| C/Majerus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • |
| C/Allen | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History Center Annual Meeting. |
| Administrator Arneson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • |

New Business. C/Allen commented that he has had a number of local principals talk to him about the truancy issue in the schools. Administrator Arneson noted that staff would follow up with the County Attorney’s office.

Review and approve county claims.

⁸ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve to pay the County claims in the amount of 01-General Revenue \$221,546.12, 03-Public Works \$1,193,100.19, 11- Human Service Fund \$18,903.39, 21-ISTS \$00, 25- EDA \$00, 30-Capital Improvement \$00, 31-Capital Equipment \$00, 34-Capital Equipment \$17,531.35, 35-Debt Services \$00, 40-County Ditch \$00, 61-Waste Management \$9,963.87, 62- Recycling Center \$00, 63-HHW \$00, 72-Other Agency Funds \$00, 81-Settlement \$19,198,901.75, in the total amount of \$20,659,946.67.

⁹ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve to adjourn the January 16, 2018, County Board Meeting.

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SCOTT O. ARNESON
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR



JASON MAJERUS, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTE

1. Approved the January 2, 2017 County Board Meeting Minutes. (Motion carried 5-0)
2. Approved the January 16, 2018 County Board Meeting Agenda. (Motion carried 5-0)
3. Approved the Consent Agenda as amended. (Motion carried 5-0)
4. Approved the ADC Food and Laundry Contract Amendment with Summit for 2018-2020. (Motion carried 5-0)
5. Approved to hire a Finance Director. (Motion carried 5-0)
6. Approved the Five Year County Highway Construction Program. (Motion carried 4-1)
7. Approved a resolution supporting the maintenance of local license bureaus. (Motion carried 5-0)
8. Approved the county claims. (Motion carried 5-0)
9. Approved to adjourn the January 16, 2018 County Board Meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)