The Goodhue County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Goodhue County Boardroom, Red Wing, MN, with Commissioners Anderson, Majerus, Flanders, Betcher and Greseth all present.

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

- Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve the March 5, 2024, County Board meeting minutes.
- Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the March 19, 2024, County Board Agenda.
- Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve the following items on the consent agenda:
  - 1. Approve 2024 Drug Treatment Court COOP Agreement
  - 2. Approve 2024 EFT Delegation Request
  - 3. Approve Authorized Agents for Designation
  - 4. Approve Memorandum of Agreement with LELS 46 Promotions
  - 5. Approve Award CSAH 1 Grading Contract SAP 025-601-038
  - 6. Approve Award for 2024 Spring Box Culverts Contract SAP 025-599-134 & 025-599-136
  - 7. Approve MnDOT TH58 and CSAH 9 Roundabout Agreement
  - 8. Approve Tuition Reimbursement for Alex Dicke, Public Works
  - 9. Approve Lake Byllesby Park Fiber Agreement

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**Budget Committee Report.** The Budget Committee met on March 19, 2024, prior to the board meeting with the following items on the agenda:

Out of State Travel Requests. The Budget Committee recommended approval of the proposed out of state travel requests as submitted.

Health and Human Services out of state travel would be addressed by the Health and Human Services board.

Moved by C/Betcher, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the following out of state travel requests:

Sheriff's Office Emergency Management

• Basic Level- Emergency Management Certification, Emmitsburg, Maryland

GIS

• ESRI Annual Conference, July 15-19 in San Diego, CA

*Passport Budget.* The Budget Committee recommended approval to move the financial account codes from the Recorder's Budget to a separate program code within the Surveyor's budget.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Greseth, and carried to approve moving the financial account codes from the Recorder's Budget to a sperate program within the Surveyor's budget.

**Department of Revenue (DOR) Letter of Concern.** Staff recommended the board approve the proposed letter to the Department of Revenue addressing the concerns regarding the exploration of removing utility, pipeline, and railroad operating property from property tax and replacing it with a gross operating revenues tax. This was for information only, and if any commissioners had questions or comments, they should send them to Administration.

**National County Government Month.** National County Government Month (NCGM), held each April, is an annual celebration of county government. Since 1991, the National Association of Counties (NACo) has encouraged counties to actively promote county roles and responsibilities in serving residents. Staff recommended the board approve the proposed resolution proclaiming April 2024 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Moved by C/Flanders, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve the proposed resolution proclaiming April 2024 as National County Government month:

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 330 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, counties fulfill a vast range of responsibilities and deliver services that touch nearly every aspect of our residents' lives; and

WHEREAS, Goodhue County and all counties take pride in our responsibility to protect and enhance the health, wellbeing and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of National Association of Counties President Mary Jo McGuire, NACo is highlighting county leadership through the lens Forward Together, celebrating the role of county governments in connecting, inspiring and leading as intergovernmental partners; and

WHEREAS, that role includes a responsibility to inspire county residents to engage with their communities, and to lead by highlighting our strength as intergovernmental partners; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to elevate awareness of county responsibilities, programs and services; and

BE IT RESOLVED, Goodhue County do hereby proclaim April 2024 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

### FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Finance Director, Lucas Dahling, introduced Teresa Reisdorfer as the newly hired Finance Controller

4<sup>TH</sup> Request for Repurchase. Staff requested direction from the board regarding parcel 55.490.0700 forfeited to the State of MN due to nonpayment of property taxes. This was the 4<sup>th</sup> request for repurchase for this parcel, the previous three were unsuccessful.

The County Attorney's Office has been working with the owner and recommended making a deal that states that the full payment must be delivered on or by the close of business June 1, 2024, or the individual must vacate the premises and remove all personal property by the close of business at 4:30 p.m. on June 1, 2024.

County Attorney, Stephen O'Keefe commented that there is a current court case for eviction in process and that is where the proposed agreement was discussed.

Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried (4-1-0) with C/Greseth dissenting to approve to adopt the resolution and approve the 4th request for repurchase of parcel 55.490.0700 on condition that full payment be received by June 1st 2024 and further giving the county's legal staff the authority to make an agreement that the full payment must be delivered by June 1, 2024, or vacate the premises and remove all personal property by end of day June 1, 2024:

WHEREAS, property located in the City of Red Wing described as parcel 55.490.0700 forfeited to the State of MN for delinquent taxes assessed for 2018 payable 2019 and subsequent years, as provided by the appropriate statutes, and

WHEREAS, MS 282.241 provides for repurchase after forfeiture of tax by aggregate of all delinquent taxes and assessments, together with penalties, interest and costs which would have accrued had said lands not forfeited to the State, unless prior to the time of repurchase such parcels shall have been sold, and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that said repurchase would best serve the public interest;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Johnnie Harris-Stumpf, be authorized to repurchase property referred to above, under the provisions of the above mentioned statute, provided that payment is made in the sum of all taxes, assessments, penalties, interest and costs. The property will be placed back into the name of Carl Stumpf, as it was at the time of forfeiture.

### COURT SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**2024** Comprehensive Plan. Court Services Director, Rhonda VanSchoonhoven and Jenny McMahon, District Supervisor with the Department of Corrections, reviewed the 2024 Comprehensive Plan completed by Goodhue County Court Services and the MN Department of Corrections. A future Committee of the Whole will be scheduled for year end review.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the 2024 Comprehensive Plan for Goodhue County Court Services and the MN Department of Corrections.

#### PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Execution of Lease Agreement with the State of MN SAP 025-602-031. Staff recommended execution of a lease agreement with the State of Minnesota to allow for construction of the CSAH 2 Reconstruction Project scheduled to begin in fall of 2024.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve the following resolution to execute the proposed lease agreement with the State of Minnesota for SAP 025-602-031:

WHEREAS, the construction of Goodhue County State Aid Highway (CSAH) No. 2 from CSAH 5 to Trunk Highway 61 is part of the approved Goodhue County Five-Year Construction Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the County completed appraisals for 48 parcel groups; and,

WHEREAS, two parcels, owned by the State of Minnesota, were not able to be appraised and acquired through negotiation; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota is requiring the County to execute a lease agreement to use the property for the two-year construction project; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of the lease agreement is \$962.50; and,

WHEREAS, County staff has reviewed the lease and recommends executing the lease with the State of Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Public Works Director to execute the lease agreement with the State of Minnesota for SAP 025-602-031.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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C/Betcher	Wacouta Township Meeting update.
C/Greseth	•
C/Anderson	SEMMCHRA update.
C/Majerus	•
C/Flanders	•
Administrator	•
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### **Review and Approve the County Claims**

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve to pay the County claims in the amount of 01-General Revenue \$358,845.68, 03-Public Works \$214,320.78, 11- Human Service Fund \$00, 12- GC Family Services Collaborative \$00, 15- County Ditch 1 \$00, 20-National Opioid Settlement Fund \$00, 25- EDA \$283.50, 34-Capital Equipment \$367,580.40, 35-Debt Services \$00, 61-Waste Management \$11,811.60, 72-Other Agency Funds \$00, 81-Settlement \$00, in the total amount of \$987,116.35.

### Adjourn

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Betcher, and carried to approve to adjourn the March 19, 2024, County Board Meeting.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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#### **MINUTE**

- 1. Approved the March 5, 2024, board meeting minutes. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 2. Approved the county board agenda. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 3. Approved the consent agenda. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 4. Approved the out of state travel requests. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 5. Approved the creation of a program code within the Surveyor budget for passport revenues and expenses. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 6. Approved the letter to the Department of Revenue. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 7. Approved the resolution declaring April as National County Government Month. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 8. Approved the resolution for the request for repurchase. (Motion carried 4-1)
- 9. Approved the Execution of Lease Agreement with Sate of MN. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 10. Approved the county claims. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 11. Approved to adjourn the March 19, 2024, County Board Meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)