

City of Sauk Rapids
Summary Financial Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of financial information concerning the City of Sauk Rapids to interested citizens. The complete financial statements may be examined at the City Hall or on the city website at: www.ci.sauk-rapids.mn.us. Questions about this report should be directed to Jack Kahlhamer, Finance Director at (320) 258-5330.

Revenues and Expenditures for General Operations (Governmental Funds)			
	Total 2023	Total 2022	Percent Increase (Decrease)
REVENUES:			
Taxes	\$ 5,428,776	\$ 4,820,191	12.63%
Local Sales Taxes	1,238,227	1,239,292	-0.09%
Tax Increments	114,678	100,403	14.22%
Special Assessments	783,908	451,693	73.55%
Licenses and Permits	443,959	487,651	-8.96%
Intergovernmental	5,057,960	4,063,892	24.46%
Charges for Services	1,336,059	1,320,082	1.21%
Fines and Forfeits	55,268	56,241	-1.73%
Investment Earnings	1,077,308	(1,422,952)	-175.71%
Miscellaneous	326,208	230,363	41.61%
Total Revenues	\$ 15,862,351	\$ 11,346,856	39.80%
Per Capita	\$ 1,153	\$ 822	40.28%
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
General Government	\$ 1,083,340	\$ 1,078,805	0.42%
Public Safety	4,136,534	3,649,531	13.34%
Streets and Highways	1,466,081	1,269,317	15.50%
Culture and Recreation	735,451	678,203	8.44%
Economic Development	372,104	283,795	31.12%
Debt Service:			
Principal	851,781	434,087	96.22%
Interest and Other Charges	311,671	229,139	36.02%
Capital Outlay	7,913,775	6,432,136	23.03%
Total Expenditures	16,870,737	14,055,013	20.03%
Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(1,008,386)	(2,708,157)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses):	-	-	#DIV/0!
Bonds Issued	-	-	
Net Operating Transfers In (Out)	140,000	1,058,933	-86.78%
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	140,000	1,058,933	-86.78%
	17,010,737		
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (868,386)	\$ (1,649,224)	-47.35%
Per Capita Total Expenditures	\$ 1,227	\$ 1,018	20.45%
Total Long-term Indebtedness (Governmental Funds)	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 9,805,000	-8.21%
Per Capita	\$ 654	\$ 710	-7.89%
Governmental Funds Fund Balance:			
Non-Spendable	\$ 59,900	\$ 59,900	0.00%
Restricted	5,377,367	5,035,754	6.78%
Assigned	10,864,812	12,286,037	-11.57%
Unassigned	4,402,008	4,150,609	6.06%
Total Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 20,704,087	\$ 21,532,300	-3.85%
Unassigned Per Capita	\$ 320	\$ 301	6.43%
Estimated Population	13,753	13,801	-0.35%

City of Sauk Rapids
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds
December 31, 2023

	Liquor (600)	Water (601)	Sewer (602)	Storm Water (603)	Street Light (604)	Total
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash and investments	\$ 1,690,691	\$ 3,397,811	\$ 3,049,623	\$ 728,482	\$ 289,755	\$ 9,156,362
Special assessments receivable						
Delinquent	-	4,183	4,365	364	182	9,094
Deferred	-	19,124	14,661	194,034	520	228,339
Accounts receivable	17,302	630,981	400,169	81,671	62,755	1,192,878
Due from other governments	-	8	8	2,214	3,260	5,490
Inventories	523,363	88,409	936	-	-	612,708
Total current assets	2,231,356	4,140,516	3,469,762	1,006,765	356,472	11,204,871
Noncurrent assets						
Capital assets						
Land	164,671	187,898	74,279	720,403	-	1,147,251
Construction in progress	-	636,013	138,237	-	-	774,250
Infrastructure	-	19,989,096	13,921,779	12,742,034	-	46,652,909
Buildings	518,794	9,259,184	-	-	-	9,777,978
Improvements other than buildings	67,209	426,189	-	-	2,972,916	3,466,314
Vehicles	-	256,973	40,315	583,714	-	881,002
Machinery and equipment	125,033	1,862,693	3,509,087	27,605	-	5,524,418
Office furniture and equipment	17,679	-	-	-	-	17,679
Sewer rights	-	-	10,260,208	-	-	10,260,208
Total capital assets	893,386	32,618,046	27,943,905	14,073,756	2,972,916	78,502,009
Less accumulated depreciation	(513,522)	(18,490,811)	(11,926,741)	(6,398,247)	(1,290,278)	(38,619,599)
Net capital assets	379,864	14,127,235	16,017,164	7,675,509	1,682,638	39,882,410
Total noncurrent assets	379,864	14,127,235	16,017,164	7,675,509	1,682,638	39,882,410
Total assets	2,611,220	18,267,751	19,486,926	8,682,274	2,039,110	51,087,281
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	76,642	82,519	55,001	19,326	-	233,488
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	83	83	83	28	-	277
Total deferred outflows of resources	76,725	82,602	55,084	19,354	-	233,765
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 2,687,945	\$ 18,350,353	\$ 19,542,010	\$ 8,701,628	\$ 2,039,110	\$ 51,321,046
Liabilities						
Current liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 22,328	\$ 77,774	\$ 14,879	\$ 322	\$ 13,921	\$ 129,224
Contracts payable	-	7,953	-	-	-	7,953
Salaries and benefits payable	13,704	20,648	14,413	3,857	-	52,622
Due to other governments	37,069	2,441	174,562	2,300	-	216,372
Compensated absences, due within one year	11,359	10,158	7,217	12,716	-	41,450
Note payable, due within one year	-	-	380,836	-	-	380,836
Total current liabilities	84,460	118,974	591,907	19,195	13,921	828,457
Noncurrent liabilities						
Compensated absences	110,670	128,865	90,406	26,771	-	356,712
Notes payable	-	-	3,566,917	-	-	3,566,917
OPEB liability	10,489	10,489	10,489	3,496	-	34,963
Net pensions liability	247,741	266,736	177,786	62,471	-	754,734
Less amount due within one year	(11,359)	(10,158)	(388,053)	(12,716)	-	(422,286)

PROBATE NOTICE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF STEARNS
SEVENTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No:
73-PR-24-4514

ORDER AND NOTICE OF
HEARING ON PETITION
FOR FORMAL
ADJUDICATION OF
INTESTACY,
DETERMINATION OF
HEIRSHIP AND
APPOINTMENT OF
PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE IN
UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re: Estate of:
Steven John Dullinger,
Deceased.

TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS AND CREDI-
TORS:

It is Ordered and No-
tice is hereby given that on
the 26th day of July, 2024,
at 8:45 a.m., a hearing will
be held in the above-named
Court at 725 Courthouse
Square, St. Cloud, Minne-
sota, on petition of Amy J.
Meyer for the adjudication
of intestacy and determi-
nation of heirship of the
above named decedent, and
for the appointment of Amy
J. Meyer whose address is
41450 County Road 2, Rice,

TRUST NOTICE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF STEARNS
DISTRICT COURT
SEVENTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
Court File No:
73-CV-24-4288
Case Type: Trust

**Notice of Remote Zoom
Hearing**

In the Matter of the
John L. Guy Revocable
Trust Agreement dated May
11, 1993, and The Ruth
C. Guy Revocable Trust
Agreement dated May 11,
1993, as amended

You are notified this
matter is set for a remote
hearing. This hearing will
not be in person at the
courthouse.

Hearing Information
July 22, 2024
Hearing
4:00 PM

**The hearing will be
held via Zoom and ap-
pearance shall be by video
unless otherwise directed**
with Judicial Officer, Stea-
rns County District Court.
The Minnesota Judicial
Branch uses strict security

NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Central Minnesota Council on Aging (CMCOA) has is-
sued a competitive request for proposal (RFP) process for
2025 funding for Older Americans Act Title III-C Nutrition
for the central Minnesota 14-county service area. Title III
Older American Act information and CMCOA Title III-C
Nutrition 2025 RFP timeline can be found on the CMCOA
website at: <http://www.cmcoa.org/titleiii.shtml>. The RFP is
available on-line at: https://cmcoa.us-1.smartsimple.com/s_Login.jsp. All Title III-C Nutrition Services funding appli-
cations must be submitted on the CMCOA SmartSimple website
https://cmcoa.us-1.smartsimple.com/s_Login.jsp no later than
August 1, 2024, 3:00 pm CST.

Minnesota 56367, as per-
sonal representative of the
estate of the above-named
decedent in unsupervised
administration, and that any
objections thereto must be
filed with the Court. This
is an administrative hearing
and your appearance is not
required.

That, if proper, and no
objections are filed, a per-
sonal representative will be
appointed to administer the
estate, to collect all assets,
pay all legal debts, claims,
taxes and expenses, and sell
real and personal property,
and do all necessary acts for
the estate.

Notice is further giv-
en that ALL CREDITORS
having claims against said
estate are required to pres-
ent the same to said person-
al representative or to the
Court Administrator within
four months after the date
of this notice or said claims
will be barred.

Dated: June 14, 2024
/s/ Kris Davick-Halfen
Judge of District Court
By George Lock
Court Administrator
Joseph S. Mayers
Attorney No. 0295747
KELM & RUETER, P.A.
1287 2nd Street North,
Suite 101
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379
(320) 251-1423
kelmreuter@kelmreuter.com

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controls for all remote tech-
nology when conducting
remote hearings.

You must:

- Notify the court if your
address, email, or phone
number changes.
- Be fully prepared for
the remote hearing. If you
have exhibits you want
the court to see, you must
give them to the court
before the hearing. Visit
<https://www.mncourts.gov/Remote-Hearings.aspx>
for more information and
options for joining remote
hearings, including how to
submit exhibits.
- Contact the court at 320-
656-3620 if you do not
have access to the internet,
or are unable to connect by
video.
- If you need an interpreter,
contact the court before the
hearing date to ask for one.

To join by internet:
1. Type <https://zoomgov.com/join>
in your browser’s
address bar.
2. Enter the **Meeting ID**
and **Meeting Passcode (if
asked)**:
Meeting ID: 161 848 9022
Passcode: 321020

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Total noncurrent liabilities	357,541	395,932	3,457,545	80,022	-	4,291,040
Total liabilities	442,001	514,906	4,049,452	99,217	13,921	5,119,497
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	77,143	83,058	55,360	19,452	-	235,013
Net Position						
Net investment in capital assets	379,864	14,127,235	12,450,247	7,675,509	1,682,638	36,315,493
Unrestricted	1,788,937	3,625,154	2,986,951	907,450	342,551	9,651,043
Total net position	2,168,801	17,752,389	15,437,198	8,582,959	2,025,189	45,966,536
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	\$ 2,687,945	\$ 18,350,353	\$ 19,542,010	\$ 8,701,628	\$ 2,039,110	\$ 51,321,046

City of Sauk Rapids
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes
in Fund Net Position - Proprietary Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Liquor (600)	Water (601)	Sewer (602)	Storm Water (603)	Street Light (604)	Total
Sales and Cost of Sales						
Sales	\$ 3,819,889	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,819,889
Cost of sales	2,904,307	-	-	-	-	2,904,307
Gross profit	915,582	-	-	-	-	915,582
Operating Revenues						
Charges for services	-	2,264,687	2,117,271	430,900	331,535	5,144,393
Special assessments	-	14,972	10,900	104,701	1,037	131,610
Total operating revenues	-	2,279,659	2,128,171	535,601	332,572	5,276,003
Operating Expenses						
Wages and benefits	473,627	570,676	378,400	131,677	-	1,554,380
Materials and supplies	10,408	231,771	28,463	-	-	270,642
Repairs and maintenance	17,989	64,365	52,207	81,832	-	216,393
Professional services	-	39,028	13,044	4,437	-	56,509
Insurance	10,753	21,627	18,389	-	-	50,769
Utilities	21,259	170,653	29,459	-	165,026	386,397
Depreciation	19,577	770,083	726,585	309,512	124,801	1,950,558
Travel	2,084	793	775	-	-	3,652
Equipment	-	118	118	-	-	236
Communications	1,792	4,539	1,844	-	-	8,175
Advertising	41,945	-	-	-	-	41,945
Contracted services	-	-	680,133	-	-	680,133
Credit card fees	66,879	38,425	-	-	-	105,304
Lease payments	-	819	2,135	-	-	2,954
Miscellaneous	2,916	53,565	8,925	1,161	-	66,567
Total operating expenses	669,229	1,966,462	1,940,477	528,619	289,827	5,394,614
Operating income (loss)	246,353	313,197	187,694	6,982	42,745	796,971
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)						
Investment income	87,933	237,991	184,007	55,383	35,987	601,301
Connection charges/development fees	-	53,040	68,952	-	-	121,992
Interest expense	-	-	(59,143)	-	-	(59,143)
Other income	-	305,397	-	-	13,976	319,373
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	87,933	596,428	193,816	55,383	49,963	983,523
Income (loss) before transfers	334,286	909,625	381,510	62,365	92,708	1,780,494
Capital contributions	-	-	-	269,900	-	269,900
Transfers out	(140,000)	-	-	-	-	(140,000)
Change in net position	194,286	909,625	381,510	332,265	92,708	1,910,394
Net Position						
Beginning of year	1,974,515	16,842,764	15,055,688	8,250,694	1,932,481	44,056,142
End of year	\$ 2,168,801	\$ 17,752,389	\$ 15,437,198	\$ 8,582,959	\$ 2,025,189	\$ 45,966,536
Net change in the net position reported above						\$ 1,910,394
Amounts reported for business-type activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:						
Transfers in of capital assets from governmental activities						269,900
Governmental activities contribution revenue reported above						(269,900)
Change in net position of business type activities						\$ 1,910,394

City of Sauk Rapids
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Liquor (600)	Water (601)	Sewer (602)	Storm Water (603)	Street Light (604)	Total
Cash Flows - Operating Activities						
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 3,829,095	\$ 1,957,908	\$ 2,105,048	\$ 507,765	\$ 327,715	\$ 8,727,531
Payments to suppliers	(3,159,344)	(587,500)	(830,010)	(110,420)	(173,124)	(4,860,398)
Payments to employees	(450,212)	(542,401)	(361,143)	(127,297)	-	(1,481,053)
Other income	-	-	-	-	13,976	13,976
Net cash flows - operating activities	219,539	828,007	913,895	270,048	168,567	2,400,056
Cash Flows - Noncapital Financing Activities						
Transfer to other funds	(140,000)	-	-	-	-	(140,000)
Net cash flows - noncapital financing activities	(140,000)	-	-	-	-	(140,000)
Cash Flows - Capital and Related Financing Activities						
Insurance recoveries	-	305,397	-	-	-	305,397
Connection charges	-	53,040	68,952	-	-	121,992
Principal paid on debt	-	-	(375,092)	-	-	(375,092)
Interest paid on debt	-	-	(59,143)	-	-	(59,143)
Acquisition of capital assets	-	(2,969,461)	(1,293,275)	(694,200)	(587,000)	(5,543,936)
Net cash flows - capital and related financing activities	-	(2,611,024)	(1,658,558)	(694,200)	(587,000)	(5,550,782)
Cash Flows - Investing Activities						
Interest and dividends received	87,933	237,991	184,007	55,383	35,987	601,301
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	167,472	(1,545,026)	(560,656)	(368,769)	(382,446)	(2,689,425)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 30, 2015

MORTGAGOR : Anthony J. Ziwicki, unmarried man.

MORTGAGEE : Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for American Heritage National Bank, its successors and assigns.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 5, 2015 Benton County Recorder, Document No. 412809.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Dated April 7, 2017 Recorded April 11, 2017, as Document No. A422071. And thereafter assigned to: Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC. Dated January 16, 2019 Recorded January 22, 2019, as Document No. 433867.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT’S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100590200000017756

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: American Heritage National Bank

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Flagstar Bank, National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 140 Broadway Avenue South, Foley, MN 56329

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 130035300

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Lots numbered Five (5) and Six (6) Orcutt’s Subdivision of Lot numbered Thirteen (13) in Block Numbered Four (4), in Foley’s Second Addition to the Village of Foley, Benton County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Benton

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$69,922.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$58,182.97

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/ Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted

at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: August 29, 2024 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Benton County Sheriff’s Office, 581 Highway 23 Northeast Foley, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys’ fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on February 28, 2025, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR (S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None “THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR’S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.”

Dated: June 26, 2024
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

LIEBO, WEINGARDEN, DOBIE & BARBEE, P.L.L.P. Attorneys for Mortgagee/ Assignee of Mortgagee 4500 Park Glen Road #300 Minneapolis, MN 55416 (952) 925-6888 92 - 24-004127 FC

IN THE EVENT REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW: THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 47 (SAUK RAPIDS-RICE PUBLIC SCHOOLS) STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No.47 shall begin on July 30, 2024, and shall close at 5:00 o’clock p.m. on August 13, 2024.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. At that election, four (4) members will be elected to the School Board for terms of four (4) years each.

Affidavits of Candidacy are available from the school district clerk, Sauk Rapids-Rice Public Schools District Office (1833 Osauka Road Northeast; Sauk Rapids, Minnesota). The filing fee for this office is \$2. A candidate for this office must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more on assuming office, must have been a resident of the school district from which the candidate seeks election for thirty (30) days before the general election, and must have no other affidavit on file for any other office at the same primary or next ensuing general election.

The affidavits of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district clerk and the filing fee paid prior to 5:00 o’clock p.m. on August 13, 2024.

Dated: June 26, 2024

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ Lisa Loidolt

Lisa Loidolt

School District Clerk

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CITY OF SAUK RAPIDS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

City of Sauk Rapids City Council will meet on July 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, at the Sauk Rapids Government Center, 250 Summit Avenue North to consider the following matters that require a public hearing.

APPLICANT

Share House Coffee LLC

PURPOSE

To consider a variance that would allow a single-story building to be constructed on a corner lot rather than a two story, to allow the building to be more than 5 feet from the property line, and to require less glazing then required in the Historic Downtown Ordinance.

Any person desiring to comment on these matters is invited to do so in writing or orally at the time of the public hearing.

Any questions should be directed to Todd Schultz at the Sauk Rapids Government Center at (320) 258-5315 during normal business hours.

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APPLICANT

Share House Coffee LLC

PURPOSE

To consider a Conditional Use Permit that would allow a drive thru window in the Historic Downtown Ordinance.

Any person desiring to comment on these matters is invited to do so in writing or orally at the time of the public hearing.

Any questions should be directed to Todd Schultz at the Sauk Rapids Government Center at (320) 258-5315 during normal business hours.

Published in the Sauk Rapids Herald on Saturday, July 6, 2024.

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Cash and Cash Equivalents						
January 1	1,523,219	4,942,837	3,610,279	1,097,251	672,201	11,845,787
December 31	\$ 1,690,691	\$ 3,397,811	\$ 3,049,623	\$ 728,482	\$ 289,755	\$ 9,156,362
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Flows - Operating Activities						
Operating income (loss)	\$ 246,353	\$ 313,197	\$ 187,694	\$ 6,982	\$ 42,745	\$ 796,971
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash flows - operating activities						
Other income	-	-	-	-	13,976	13,976
Depreciation expense	19,577	770,083	726,585	309,512	124,801	1,950,558
Accounts receivable	9,206	(323,999)	(26,126)	(4,307)	(4,141)	(349,367)
Special assessments	-	2,256	3,011	(21,315)	(189)	(16,237)
Due from other governments	-	(8)	(8)	(2,214)	(527)	(2,757)
Inventory	(23,043)	(6,653)	(50)	-	-	(29,746)
Accounts payable	(54,062)	44,975	6,470	(23,440)	(8,098)	(34,155)
Due to other governmental units	(1,907)	(119)	(938)	450	-	(2,514)
Salaries payable	2,925	3,508	2,424	779	-	9,636
Compensated absences payable	11,134	15,931	11,037	2,773	-	40,875
Pension expense	15,304	14,784	9,744	2,812	-	42,644
Net OPEB payable	(5,948)	(5,948)	(5,948)	(1,984)	-	(19,828)
Total adjustments	(26,814)	514,810	726,201	263,066	125,822	1,603,085
Net cash flows - operating activities	\$ 219,539	\$ 828,007	\$ 913,895	\$ 270,048	\$ 168,567	\$ 2,400,056
Noncash Activities						
Transfer of assets from other funds	-	-	-	269,900	-	269,900
Total noncash activities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 269,900	\$ -	\$ 269,900

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:
DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 7, 2022
MORTGAGOR : Matthew Steven Wappler and Ashleigh K Wappler, Husband and Wife as Joint Tenants.
MORTGAGEE : Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns.
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 8, 2022 Benton County Recorder, Document No. 463681.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC. Dated February 21, 2024 Recorded February 22, 2024, as Document No. 470553.
TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100392411212114196
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation
RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: M&T Bank
MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 913 4th Street Northeast, Rice, MN 56367
TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 150064500
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
Lot Thirty (30), Block One (1), Fox Meadows, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Benton County, Minnesota.
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Benton
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$294,566.00
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$303,048.75
That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:
DATE AND TIME OF SALE: September 5, 2024 at 10:00 AM
PLACE OF SALE: Benton County Sheriff's Office, 581 Highway 23 Northeast Foley, MN
to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.
TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise

provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on March 5, 2025, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.
MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None
"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."
Dated: June 28, 2024
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee
Mortgagee: LIEBO, WEINGARDEN, DOBIE & BARBEE, P.L.L.C.
Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee
4500 Park Glen Road #300
Minneapolis, MN 55416
(952) 925-6888
37 - 24-004076 FC
IN THE EVENT REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW: THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
R-27-6B

**BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2024**

The Benton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 18, 2024, in the Benton County Board Room in Foley, MN. Call to order by Chair Jared Gapinski was at 9:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A roll call showed Commissioners Beth Schlagen, Steve Heinen, Jared Gapinski, Scott Johnson, and Ed Popp present.
County Administrator Montgomery Headley requested to move the appointment of a County Attorney as the first item after the Consent Agenda at 9:05 AM, and to add Consent Agenda item #10 to approve a Resolution authorizing grant application for ARMER radio equipment be moved as the second item after the approval of the Consent Agenda items at 9:05 AM. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Heinen to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
No one was present to speak under Open Forum.
Johnson Requested to pull Consent Agenda item #6 for further discussion. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Popp to approve Consent Agenda items 1 – 5, and 7 – 9:
1) approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2024 and authorize the Chair to sign; 2) accept and file the County Administrator's monthly financial report through April 30, 2024; 3) approve the application for County Combination On-Sale, and Off Sale & Sunday Sale Liquor Licenses and authorize the Chair to sign; 4) approve two applications for MN Lawful Gambling with a Resolution to Conduct Off-Site Gambling for Sauk Rapids Sportsmen's Club and authorize the Chair to sign; 5) approve a request for designation of Identified Official with Authority (IOWA) for MN Department of Education and authorize the Chair to sign; 7) approve the municipal maintenance agreement with the City of Sartell and authorize the Chair to sign; 8) approve the municipal maintenance agreement with the City of Sauk Rapids and authorize the Chair to sign; 9) approve the municipal maintenance agreement with the City of Foley and authorize the Chair to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
Next, Johnson asked how many miles of road were go-

ing to be striped? County Engineer Chris Byrd stated that about 25 miles of road would be striped with the ground-in, reflective epoxy. This would also include fog lines and center lines. The striping has a 7-year life span instead of a 3-year life span. Sir- Lines-A-Lot was the lowest responsible bidder for this project coming in at \$342,576.50. Of that amount, \$252,692.00 would be funded with Federal HSIP funds. The County's share is \$84,866.25. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Popp to approve Consent Agenda item # 6 to award a construction contract for tied project Nos. SP 005-070-009, 005-070-011, 005-070-012 & 005-070-013. Motion carried unanimously.
Next, Headley requested the County Board to consider a Resolution to appoint a County Attorney to serve the unexpired term of County Attorney Karl Schmidt. With the Appointment of County Attorney Karl Schmidt to a judgeship in Benton County District Court, the County Board has the statutory responsibility to appoint a successor to serve the unexpired term of the County Attorney. Such term runs through January 4, 2027. The Resolution reflects the Board's consensus from interviews with prospective candidates on June 11th. The Resolution also sets a salary for the appointment for the remainder of 2024. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Heinen to adopt the Resolution appointing Kathleen R. Reuter as Benton County Attorney to fulfill the unexpired term of outgoing County Attorney Karl Schmidt and to set a salary of \$132,000. Motion carried unanimously.
Next, Sheriff Troy Heck requested the County Board to approve a resolution authorizing a grant application for ARMER radio equipment. The State of MN has made \$4 million dollars available in a grant for public safety agencies to purchase ARMER radio equipment. The Sheriff's Office needs to replace 27 mobile radios from their vehicle fleet sometime in the next 8 years to meet BCA and FBI data privacy standards. The BCA and FBI have mandated that within 8 years we must encrypt the broadcast of criminal justice information (CJI) to prevent the public from hearing this private information. To meet this mandate, we must replace 27 mobile radios as these radios are not capable of sending and receiving encrypted radio transmissions. The grant program requires a local 5% match for any grant funds allocated. Purchasing and installing 27 mobile radios will cost \$203,048.10. This would put our local match at \$10,152.41. Partial grants will be awarded if the demand is greater than what the grant funds will support. We have identified the Capital Improvement Plan fund as our funding source for the local 5% match. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Popp to approve the resolution authorizing submission of a grant application and the designation of the Capital Improvement Plan fund as the source of the local match. Motion carried unanimously.
Next, Land Services Director Roxanne Achman requested to discuss an Interim Ordinance authorizing a study and imposing a moratorium on the operation of cannabis businesses. The most recent legislative session adopted rules to allow for preapproval for a cannabis microbusiness license, cannabis mezzobusiness license or a cannabis cultivator license for social equity applicants. The application process with the Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) opens on July 24, 2024, and closes on August 12, 2024. It is unclear how long the review process will take before preapproval is granted by OCM. With the legislative session recently ending and policies still needing to be established at the State level, Counties have not been provided a sufficient opportunity to review, study and understand the laws, and to further adopt local regulations appropriate for our jurisdiction before the state grants pre-approved licenses. Due to the potential for early licensing, a moratorium on the operation of cannabis businesses un-

til January 1, 2025, should be considered. There are both cannabis business registration and zoning issues associated with the sale of Cannabis products, and the purpose of the interim ordinance placing a moratorium on the sale of Cannabis Products is to allow the County time to study the issue and consider registration and rules, the adoption or amendment of its comprehensive plan, local planning and zoning restrictions, including reasonable restrictions on the time, place and manner of operation of Cannabis Businesses as well as other regulations local units of government may adopt under the Cannabis Legislation. Motion by Heinen and seconded by Johnson to set a Public Hearing on July 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM in the County Boardroom on an interim ordinance setting a moratorium on the operation of cannabis businesses until January 1, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.
Next, Benton County Assessor Brian Folden provided an update on the Assessor's office workload. This item was for informational purposes only.
Next, County Engineer Chris Byrd provided information regarding the underground fuel tanks at the Highway Building. We have recently been made aware of a concern with the underground tanks at the Highway building. On 5/3/2024 a sensor was indicating liquid in the space between the walls of the dual- wall, underground fuel tanks. Minnesota Petroleum Service who performs the annual inspections of our fuel system was called to inspect the fuel tank. Once onsite the service tech "pulled sensor" and observed that the sensor "was in fuel". The technician then performed additional testing by trying to pull a vacuum on the space between the walls. The space could not hold a vacuum (negative pressure as compared to ambient) indicating that there was a leak allowing air/fluids into the space. Again on 5/9/2024 a technician was onsite and pumped the space between the tank's walls and removed about 5 gallons of unleaded fuel. This further indicates that fuel is leaking into the space between the inner and outer walls of the tank. It was noted that we do not have a "release" which is defined as petroleum products being released into the environment. The quote from Minnesota Petroleum to repair the tank is \$32,323.45. We are currently looking through the terms and conditions of the tanks warranty but want to take action in fixing the leak sooner than later. Popp suggested to look into replacing the underground fuel tanks with above the ground fuel tanks. Byrd received direction from the County Board to bring options with pricing back to the County Board.
The County Board Meeting recessed at 9:48 AM to conduct an Economic Development Authority Meeting.
The County Board reconvened at 10:00 AM.
Next, Board members reported on recent meetings they attended on behalf of Benton County.
There were no additional comments under Comments by Commissioners.
Johnson/Heinen to set the Committee of the Whole Meetings: the addition of an update from the University of Minnesota Extension Regional Director Lori Vich to the Tuesday, July 2, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Benton County Boardroom, Foley, 10:00 AM or upon completion of Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
Chair Gapinski adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 10:10 AM.
Jared Gapinski, Chair
Benton County Board of Commissioners
ATTEST:
Montgomery Headley
Benton County Administrator
R-27-1B