

# HOUSTON COUNTY PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Date: April 16, 2024 9:00 a.m.

Place: Commissioners Room,  
Courthouse, Caledonia, MN

Members Present:

Dewey Severson, Eric Johnson,  
Robert Burns, Bob Schuldt, and  
Greg Myhre

Presiding: Chairperson Johnson

Call to order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairperson Johnson said item  
No. 4 needed to be removed from  
the consent agenda. Motion was  
made by Commissioner Severson,  
seconded by Commissioner Myhre,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve the agenda with the  
change.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burns,  
seconded by Commissioner Myhre,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve the meeting minutes from  
April 2, 2024.

Motion was made by Commissioner Schuldt,  
seconded by Commissioner Severson,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve the meeting minutes from  
April 9, 2024.

Public Comment: None.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Burns,  
seconded by Commissioner Severson,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve the consent agenda. Items  
approved are listed below.

1) Approve letter of support to  
provide to the contractor, Al's Aerial  
Spraying, that will be completing  
treatment of spongy moth in Houston  
County.

2) Accept grant from Delta Dental  
in the amount of \$15,000.00 to  
support an additional day of mobile  
dental access per month.

3) Hire Hannah Miner as a temporary/casual  
(67 day) employee at a wage of  
\$15.88/hour.

4) This item was removed from  
the consent agenda.

5) Initiate a competitive search  
for 1.0 FTE Jailer/Dispatcher.

## ACTION ITEMS

File No. 1 – Commissioner Myhre moved,  
Commissioner Schuldt seconded,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve donations to the Extension  
Tesmer Farm Safety Day for a total  
of \$2,075.00. Commissioner Johnson  
thanked everyone who had donated.  
He said the event was needed and  
well attended. The Commissioners  
agreed.

File No. 2 – Commissioner Myhre moved,  
Commissioner Severson seconded,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve the 2023 Feedlot Program  
Annual Report and Fiscal Report.

File No. 3 – Commissioner Burns moved,  
Commissioner Schuldt seconded,  
motion carried four to one to  
accept the low bid from Bluff  
Country Brine for liquid chloride.  
All Commissioners voted yes,  
except for Commissioner Myhre  
who voted no.

File No. 4 – Commissioner Severson moved,  
Commissioner Schuldt seconded,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve MnDot's amendment No. 1  
requesting a time extension regarding  
the CSAH 3 and TH 26 intersection  
planning.

File No. 5 – Commissioners discussed  
the increase in State aid maintenance  
funding and aggregate surfacing  
with Engineer Pogodzinski. Pogodzinski  
would seek bids and come back to  
the board for approval at a later date.

File No. 6 – Commissioners discussed  
various improvements to be done  
in conjunction with future MnDot  
projects.

File No. 7 – Commissioner Severson moved,  
Commissioner Schuldt seconded,  
motion unanimously carried to  
approve a request for assistance  
by providing a \$52,000 loan to  
Ryan Ruberg owner of Green Terrace  
Properties LLC from the EDA revolving  
loan fund to purchase the Sawmill  
Inn in Houston, MN at the 2024  
set rate 3.5% and ten year term.

File No. 8 – Commissioner Severson moved,  
Commissioner Schuldt seconded,  
motion unanimously carried to  
review and approve payments.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

Commissioners discussed recent  
and upcoming meetings including  
an Extension, Township Officer,  
Wildcat, and negotiation meeting.

There being no further business  
at 10:28 a.m., a motion was made  
by Commissioner Myhre, seconded  
by Commissioner Schuldt, motion  
unanimously carried to adjourn  
the meeting.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HOUSTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

By: Eric Johnson,

Chairperson

Attest: Polly Heberlein,

Interim Auditor/Treasurer

THE ABOVE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS IS ONLY A  
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