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(Classified Ad deadline is Thursday at Noon)

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FOR SALE

B's Liquor & Quick Mart in Rockville. Family owned since 2006. Inquire within, call or text 320-492-0839 or email rockvillebeer@gmail.com.

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ALBANY
• 2 Bedroom \$750/month
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Loreen 763-238-0616

Miscellaneous

We pay top dollar for junk cars, trucks and late model repairables!
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Garage Sales

MOVING/DOWNSIZE & CLEAR OUT SALE
360 1st St. S.W. • Richmond
Some furniture, random items from all over the house and garage. Last sale of ours at this Richmond address. Come on over! October 11th, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. and October 12th, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. or so. See you there!
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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF STEARNS

DISTRICT COURT 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No.: 73-PR-24-7690

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

Estate of Rosemary O'Konek, Decedent

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on November 8, 2024, at 8:45 am, a hearing will be held in this Court at 725 Courthouse Sq, St Cloud, MN 56303, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Cindy O'Konek, whose address is 1534 Co Rd 137, Waite Park, MN 56387 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

This hearing will be held administrative and you are not required to appear.
Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

BY THE COURT
Dated: September 24, 2024
William Cashman
Judge of District Court

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota
Dated September 24, 2024

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REQUEST FOR QUOTES
ROCORI ISD 750, will receive written quotes until 4 pm October 16th, 2024 for snow removal rates for; Secondary building, Cold Spring Elem, District Ed building, Richmond Elem, and Rockville Elem. Quotes can service individual buildings or a combination of buildings. Contract term will be two years including the 24-25 and 25-26 school term. Site visits and questions can be coordinated by contacting Brent Neisinger at 320-685-4909.

(Publish October 8, 2024)

Collegeville Township Notice to Voters

Notice is hereby given that Collegeville Township of Stearns County will conduct a public accuracy test of electronic voting equipment on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 6:00pm. The testing is for the State & Federal General Election and will be conducted at the Collegeville Township Hall, located at 27724 County Road 50, Cold Spring, MN.

Joe Pohl
Collegeville Township Clerk
(Publish October 8, 2024)

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Stearns County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
Mon., September 23, 2024

Call to Order

10:00 AM Meeting called to order by Tarryl Clark, Chair, on September 23, 2024, in the Board Room of the Stearns County Administration Center, 705 Courthouse Square, St. Cloud, MN.

Roll Call

Present: Commissioner District 1 Tarryl Clark, Commissioner District 2 Joe Perske, Commissioner District 3 Jeff Bertram, Commissioner District 4 Leigh Lenzmeier, and Commissioner District 5 Steve Notch

Approve Agenda

Motion was made to approve the agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: District 3 Jeff Bertram

SECONDER:

District 5 Steve Notch

Consent Agenda

E.1. Approve Minutes of September 3, 2024.

E.2. Authorize the Stearns County Attorney's Office to apply for the 2025 Sex Trafficking Investigations Grant to continue grant funding for the Central Minnesota Human Trafficking Task Force for a one-year period beginning January 1, 2025.

E.3. Approve 5-year contract award to Waste Management for garbage and recycling for County facilities.

E.4. For Informational Purposes Only, Claims Paid for August 24th, 2024, through September 13th, 2024, amounted to \$3,465,541.08, Excluding Investment Purchases.

E.5. Authorize the Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer to sign the State of Minnesota Grant Contract (GMRPTC 24-03) for the Quarry 2 Erosion Control and Bank Stabilization project.

Consent Agenda Vote:

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: District 3 Jeff Bertram

SECONDER:

District 2 Joe Perske

Auditor-Treasurer

F.1. 2024 Tax Forfeiture Update

Marc Iverson, Land Records Coordinator, and Alex Buysse, Land Records Specialist, reviewed the decision of the US Supreme Court ruling declaring Minnesota's Tax Forfeiture Law violates the Constitution. This affects properties sold during the period June 2016 through December 2023 above the minimum sales price. The Board was informed of the legislative changes and the settlement process.

RESULT: NO VOTE - INFORMATIONAL ONLY

Environmental Services

G.1. Review Cannabis Ordinances Discussion

Presentation was provided by Chad May and Brenda Theis, Assistant County Attorneys, and Angie Berg, Environmental Services Supervisor. Ms. Berg addressed amendments to the Land Use Zoning Ordinance and answered questions from the Board. Cannabis Licenses are pre-approved by the OCM (Office of Cannabis Management). Environmental Service's role is to approve the location and assuring standards are met. Mr. May and Ms. Theis reviewed the proposed Cannabis Events, Retail Business Registration and Compliance Ordinance and answered questions of the Board. After much discussion, motion was made to set a public hearing date of November 19, 2024, for consideration of said proposed ordinance. This will allow for more time for additional information and notification to Stearns County townships and small cities for possible enactment by their entities versus establishing their own ordinance.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: District 3 Jeff Bertram

SECONDER:

District 2 Joe Perske

Human Services Consent Agenda

H.1. Motion was made to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Human Services for the Lead Agency Employment First Capacity Building Grant effective October 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026, in an estimated amount of \$360,000 as follows:

For the period October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, estimated amount \$180,000

For the period October 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, estimated amount \$180,000

H.2. For Informational Purposes Only, Human Services claims paid August 30, 2024 through September 13, 2024 amounted to \$71,000.84.

Human Services Consent Agenda Vote:

Motion was made to approve the Human Services Consent Agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: District 3 Jeff Bertram

SECONDER:

District 2 Joe Perske

Administration

J.1. Approve the Resolution adopting the 2025 Preliminary Budget and Property Tax Levy

Motion was made to approve Resolution 24-45 adopting the 2025 Preliminary Budget and Property Tax Levy.

RESOLUTION 24 - 45

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners has given careful consideration to the various budget requirements for the County of Stearns for the year 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board hereby adopts a preliminary tax levy of \$96,965,859 levied on all taxable property for Stearns County as taxes payable in 2025;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board hereby adopts the proposed budget totaling \$210,696,207 for 2025.

Adopted by the Stearns County Board of Commissioners this 23rd day of September 2024

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: District 4 Leigh Lenzmeier

SECONDER:

District 5 Steve Notch

Adjournment

Chair Clark adjourned the County Board Meeting at 12:14 p.m.

(Publish October 8, 2024)

Stearns County Board of Commissioners Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Stearns County Board of Commissioners, in and for the County of Stearns, will conduct a public hearing to consider enactment of Ordinance Number 679 (Stearns County Cannabis Events, Retail Business Registration and Compliance Ordinance) and 680 (an Ordinance amending Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 for cannabis businesses). Copies of the proposed changes can be found by visiting <https://www.stearnscountymn.gov/> (click on Public Notices) or contacting Environmental Services.

Notice is further given that the above hearing will be held on **Tuesday, November 19, 2024, beginning at 9:00 a.m. or soon thereafter** in the County Board Room of the Stearns County Administration Center, located at 705 Courthouse Square, St. Cloud, MN 56303.

Please contact Angie Berg, Stearns County Land Use Division Supervisor, at 320-656-3613 or angie.berg@stearnscountymn.gov with questions or to submit written testimony on or before, November 12, 2024. Written testimony may

also be mailed to the Stearns County Environmental Services Department, Service Center, 3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, MN 56387.

(Pub. Oct. 8, 22 & Nov. 12, 2024)

Notice of Public Hearing Stearns County, Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given that the Stearns County Planning Commission, in and for the County of Stearns, will conduct certain public hearings as follows:

1. To consider a rezoning request submitted by **Ryan Cuffe, St. Cloud MN on behalf of William & Theresa Doll, Richmond MN** according to Section 4.10 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 to rezone approximately 45.6 acres from the Agricultural 40 (A-40) zoning district to the Residential 10 (R-10) zoning district. The property is part of the NW1/4 SW1/4 and part of Government Lot 1 north of Edgeton Road and southeast of Elmway Road in Section 35 of Munson Township (123/31).

2. To consider a rezoning request submitted by **Brian Buermann, Richmond MN on behalf of Elizabeth L Buermann Trust, Richmond MN** according to Section 4.10 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 to rezone approximately 7 acres from the Agricultural 40 (A-40), Residential 5 (R-5) and Residential 1 (R-1) zoning districts to the Residential 1 (R-1) zoning district. The property is part of Government Lot 2 south of Big Lake Road in Section 28 of Munson Township (123/31). Property address is 21114 Big Lake Road, Richmond MN.

3. To consider a conditional use permit request submitted by **Ross Tamm, Albany MN** according to Sections 4.8, 6.34 and 9.3.5 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439. The request is to operate a dog grooming and boarding facility (commercial kennel) in the Agricultural 40 zoning district. The property is in part of the SW1/4 SW1/4, lying east of County Road 41 in Section 27 of Albany Township (125/31). The property address is 33052 County Road 41, Albany MN.

4. To consider a conditional use permit request submitted by **Curt & Rebecca Feldewerd, Melrose MN** according to Sections 4.8, 6.7 and 9.2.5 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439. The request is to expand an agriculturally oriented business in the Agricultural 80 zoning district. The property is in part of the E1/2 NW1/4 and part of the W1/2 NE1/4, lying west of County Road 12 in Section 31 of Oak Township (125/32). The property address is 32755 County Road 12, Melrose MN.

5. To consider revoking conditional use permits 2007-36, 2007-53, and P-001090 for property owned by **Mark Engler, Paynesville MN** according to Sections 4.8.8, 6.50 and 9.3.5 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439. Revocation is being sought due to permit violations for a recycling center. The property is in part of the SW1/4 NW1/4 and part of the NW1/4 SW1/4 in Section 23, lying west of 330th Ave, Spring Hill Township (124/33). The property address is 28403 330th Ave, Paynesville MN.

When and where is the meeting?
Date and Time: October 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
Location: Stearns County Service Center
3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, MN 56387

How do I participate?
Public Testimony: If you would like to provide public testimony, you may do so by appearing at the above hearing, by telephone or other electronic means, please contact Heidi Winskowski at Heidi.Winskowski@stearnscountymn.gov or by calling (320) 656-3613.

Written Testimony: You may submit written testimony

by emailing Heidi Winskowski at Heidi.Winskowski@stearnscountymn.gov by 3 p.m. on **October 23, 2024**. Written testimony may also be mailed to the Stearns County Environmental Services Department, Service Center, 3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, MN 56387.

Comments on this public hearing are not limited to those persons receiving copies of this notice. If you know of any interested person who for any reason has not received a copy of this notice, it would be appreciated if you would inform them of this public hearing.

Where can I view the application?

A copy of the application can be viewed approximately one week prior to the meeting at <https://stearnscounty.civicweb.net/portal/>. Action taken on this request will be available shortly after the meeting at the same website location.

What if the meeting changes?

This meeting is subject to change. Please sign up for automatic updates for this meeting at <https://stearnscounty.civicweb.net/portal/>. Call the Department for assistance.

What is the next step?

The Stearns County Board of Commissioners will consider this request on **November 5, 2024**. The agenda can be found at <https://stearnscounty.civicweb.net/portal/>. Interim Use and Conditional Use Permits will be placed on the consent agenda which is heard at the beginning of the agenda. To inquire how to request an item be placed under the regular agenda for discussion, please contact the Department. If the Board of Commissioners do not concur with the Planning Commission, they will hold another public hearing and new notice will be sent.

Stearns County Planning Commission

Barrier Free Status: This meeting will be accessible to the handicapped. Attempts will be made to accommodate any other individual need for special services. Please call (320) 656-3613 early so arrangements can be made.

(Publish October 8, 2024)

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC TESTING OF VOTING MACHINES TO BE HELD IN STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOTICE is hereby given that a public accuracy test of the voting equipment to be used at the November 5, 2024, General Election for Stearns County, and Melrose City absentee ballot and mail ballot precincts will be held Tuesday, October 15th, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. The test will be conducted at the Stearns County Service Center, 3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, Minnesota. Mail ballot precincts include: Cities of Elrosa, Greenwald, Lake Henry, Meire Grove, New Munich, Roscoe, St. Anthony, St. Rosa, Spring Hill; Townships of Crow Lake, Crow River, Farming, Getty, Grove, Lake George, Lake Henry, Melrose, Munson, North Fork, Oak and Spring Hill.

Randy R. Schreifels
Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer
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Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you might have been thinking about making changes for a very long time. One of the biggest changes could be moving home base. Look at real estate.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, even if you're not sure what to do this week, you may have to make a decision quickly. Take an innovative approach when mulling your options if need be.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Nothing but pleasant energy will surround you this week, Gemini. Use it to your advantage to get a lot of things done at your own pace. Then you can enjoy a night or two out this week.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Don't let a cranky beginning to the week ruin the rest of it. There are plenty of days to recover and have a good time with friends and family.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, typically you enjoy being the center of attention and being gregarious with others. This week you might want to step back and enjoy some quiet time at home.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Just when you thought you wouldn't hear back from someone you thought was out of your life, he or she turns up again, Virgo. You are not sure how to feel about this.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

This week could prove to be all about the unexpected, Libra. Some things may not go according to plan, but it can be fun to be on a little bit of an adventure.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you are in a home-driven mood, with plans for renovation on your mind. While you are full of inspiration, the only thing holding you back is the budget.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, if someone had predicted last year where you'd be right now, you might not have believed it. But just look at how far you have come in such a short amount of time.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

You might be walking on shaky ground, Capricorn. Certain variables are shifting, and you need to plan for a way to navigate the new situation. Trust your gut.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

You are always there for other people when they need you no matter how inconvenient that can be for you, Aquarius. This week someone else steps up and take the weight off you.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, you are in a dreamy mood and everything seems like you are looking through rose-colored glasses. Have fun while it lasts, but don't venture too far away from reality.

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Work!