NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bids are now being accepted for Mandt Township, Chippewa County, for graveling, road maintenance, and ditch mowing.

Bids may be submitted to Bonnie Haugen, Clerk, 7055 60th Avenue NW, Montevideo, MN. 56265. Bids will be opened at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018.

(January 11, 18, 2018)

NOTICE OF FILING FOR TOWNSHIP ELECTION MANDT TOWNSHIP CHIPPEWA COUNTY

Any resident of Mandt Township who is qualified to vote in the General Election and wishes to place his or her name on the ballot for the Township office must file with the Clerk. Officers to be elected are one Supervisor for a three (3) year term and one Clerk for a two (2) year term.

The election will be held on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018. Filing fee is $2.00.

Bonnie Haugen, Clerk
Mandt Township

(January 11, 18, 2018)

PUBLIC NOTICE 2018 STREET IMPROVEMENTS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Montevideo will meet at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 103 Canton Avenue, Montevideo, Minnesota, to consider the making of the following street improvements:

PROPOSED STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:

Fosnes Avenue, 4th Street to Highway 29

Proposed improvements involve complete reconstruction to the existing 30' width, including excavation, geotextile fabric, aggregate base, new curb & gutter and 3½" of plant-mixed bituminous.

Estimated Cost: $272,500

Canyon Avenue, from Parkway Drive to 1st Street

Proposed improvements involve complete reconstruction to the existing 40' width including excavation, geotextile fabric, aggregate base, new curb & gutter and bituminous surfacing.

Estimated Cost: $225,000

ESTIMATED TOTAL: $497,500

pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 429.011-429.111. The area proposed to be assessed for such improvements is the property abutting on said streets and/or avenues. A reasonable estimate of the impact of the assessment will be available at the hearing.

Such person(s) as desire to be heard with reference to the proposed improvements will be heard at this meeting. Written or oral objections will be considered.

Glennis A. Lauritsen
City Clerk

(January 4, 11, 2018)

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA
PROBATE DIVISION
8TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 12-PR-17-795
ESTATE OF
Arthur S. Hanson,
DECEDENT

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on January 24, 2018, at 8:30 AM a hearing will be held in this Court 629 North 11th Street, Montevideo, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent, dated 02/27/1973, ("Will"), and for the appointment of Luther Hanson, whose address is 3308 Lancaster Lane, Williamsburg, VA 23188, 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.

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.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minneota Statutes 501B.41, subdivision 5.

Dated: 12/21/17

BY THE COURT
Thomas W. Van Hon,
Judge of District Court
Meghan Vein,
Deputy Court Administrator

Attorney for: Personal Representative
Janice M. Nelson
NELSON OYEN TORVIK, PLLP
221 North 1st Street,
P.O. Box 219
Montevideo, MN 56265
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(January 4, 11, 2018)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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: June 23, 2009

MORTGAGOR: Kyle J Visser, an unmarried person.

MORTGAGEE: Heritage Bank N.A..

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded June 30, 2009 Chippewa County Recorder, Document No. A000278373.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: U.S. Bank N.A.. Dated June 23, 2009 Recorded June 30, 2009, as Document No. A000278374.

TRANSACTION AGENT: NONE

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: NONE

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Heritage Bank N.A.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: U.S. Bank National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1060 160th Avenue NE, Raymond, MN 56282

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 080122301

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

That part of the SW1/4. of the NW1/4. of Section 12, Township 118, Range 37, Loan Tree Township, Chippewa County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 12; thence on an assumed bearing of SOUTH, along the west line of said Section 12, a distance of 1674.85 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continuing on a bearing of SOUTH, along the west line of said Section 12 a distance of 40.63 feet; thence on a bearing of N 88° 43' 11" E a distance of 499.36 feet; thence on a bearing of S 04° 20' 59" E a distance of 50.85 feet; thence on a bearing of N 88° 49' 49" E a distance of 421.84 feet; thence on a bearing of N 01° 18' 12" E a distance of 408.12 feet to a point which lies 23.10 feet south of the north line of the SW1/4. of the NW 1/4. of said Section 12; thence on a bearing of S 89° 52' 56" W, parallel with the north line ofthe SW1/4. of the NW1/4. of said Section 12, a distance of 614.69 feet; thence on a bearing of S 00· 6' 41" E a distance of 335.55 feet; thence on a bearing of N 89° 56' 14" W a distance of 323.02 feet to the point of beginning.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Chippewa

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: $145,860.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: $128,887.54

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: February 15, 2018 at 11:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE:L a w Enforcement Center, 629 N. 11th St., Montevideo, MN 56265

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 August 15, 2018 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: December 11, 2017

U.S. Bank National Association

Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.

Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

4500 Park Glen Road #300
Minneapolis, MN 55416
(952) 925-6888
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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

(December 21, 28, 2017, January 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2017

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were Chairman Jim Dahlvang; Matt Gilbertson, Dave Nordaune, Dave Lieser and Jeffrey Lopez.

The Chairman asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda. The Auditor/Treasurer reported that the Board should consider a request from the IT Manager to carry-over vacation leave at year end exceeding the amount allowed in the Personnel Policy. Commissioner Nordaune moved, second by Commissioner Lopez, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

At 1:30 p.m. bids for the 2018 gasoline and diesel fuel supply were opened as follows:

Bid Item # 1-Delivery to Shop in Montevideo	
Vendor	Dealer Mark-up
Dooley's Petroleum	$.09
Clara City, MN	
Farmers Union Oil Co.	$.095
Montevideo, MN	
Hutt Oil Co.	$.12
Boyd, MN	
Bid Item # 2-Delivery to Shop in Watson	
Dooley's Petroleum	$.095
Clara City, MN	
Farmer's Union Oil Co.	$.10
Montevideo, MN	
Hutt Oil Co.	$.12
Boyd, MN	
Bid Item # 3-Delivery to Shop in Clara City	
Dooley's Petroleum	$.075
Clara City, MN	
Farmer's Union Oil Co.	$.10
Montevideo, MN	
Hutt Oil Co.	$.12
Boyd, MN	
Fuel at Service Station Pump in Montevideo	
Reduction at Pump	
Farmers Union Oil Co.	$.32-- Diesel
Montevideo, MN	$.284--Gasoline
Fuel at Service Station Pump in Clara City	
Donner's Crossroads Truckstop	$.342--Diesel
Clara City, MN	$.282--Gasoline
Farmers Coop. Oil Co.	$.319--Diesel
Clara City, MN	$.269--Gasoline

Commissioner Nordaune moved, second by Commissioner Lieser, to accept the bids of Dooley's Petroleum. for Bid Item #1, Bid Item # 2, and Bid Item # 3 and Farmers Union Oil Co. at the service station pump in Montevideo and Donner's Crossroads of Clara City at the service station pump in Clara City and to authorize the Chairman and Auditor/Treasurer to execute an agreement for the purchase of the quantities contained in the call for bids. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Assistant to the Engineer Kevin Enevoldsen met with the Board to recommend final payment of SAP # 12-599-088, 12-599-089, and 12-599-090. The original amount of the contract was $1,022,403.50. The final amount of the contract is $1,034,359.97 with the amount of the final payment of $59,314.21. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Lopez, to approve the following resolution authorizing final payment on the projects listed. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

WHEREAS; Contract No 12-599-088, 12-599-089, and 12-599-090 has in all things been completed, and the County Board being fully advised in the premises.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that we do hereby accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of Chippewa and authorize final payment s specified herein.

Mr. Enevoldsen also requested approval of an "Agency Agreement" between the Minnesota Commissioner of Transportation and the County. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Lieser, to approve the following resolution. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 161.36, the Commissioner of Transportation be appointed as Agent of Chippewa County to accept as its agent, federal aid funds which may be made available for eligible transportation related projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairman and the Auditor/Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of Chippewa County to execute and enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation prescribing the terms and conditions of said federal aid participation as set forth and contained in "Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 1030012", a copy of which said agreement was before the County Board and which is made a part hereof by reference.

The Board discussed the proposed preliminary 2018 property tax levy. The proposed levy is in the amount of $9,816,559 an increase of .66% over the final 2017 levy. Commissioner Lieser moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune, to approve the levy as follows. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota that the 2018 County Levy to be collected be set as follows:

	2018 Gross Levy	2018 Less County Program Aid	2018 Less PERA Aid	2018 Adjusted Levy
County Revenue Fund	$ 6,190,951	$340,355	$11,822	$5,838,773
Road & Bridge Fund	$ 1,348,700	$ 74,147	$ 3,330	$1,271,224
Family Services Fund	$ 2,522,917	$138,701	$ 7,583	$2,376,633
Library Fund	$ 267,122	$ 14,685		$ 252,437
Soil & Water Cons.	$ 82,000	$ 4,508		$ 77,492
TOTAL NET LEVY	$10,411,690	$572,396	$22,735	$9,816,559

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the amount to be spread to the taxpayers of Chippewa County is $9,816,559 for the 2018 payable taxes.

PRELIMINARY BUDGET SUMMARY FOR 2018

Revenues	
County Portion of Tax Levy	$9,813,059
Special Assessments	220,000
License and Permits	25,885
Intergovernmental	10,961,625
Charges for Services	740,202
Interest on Investments	25,400
Miscellaneous	567,854
Other Financing Sources (Ditch)	716,100
Transfers from Other Funds	-0-
Total Revenues	$23,069,925
Expenditures	
General Government	$3,976,365
Public Safety	2,856,857
Road & Bridge	8,244,525
Family Services	6,792,401
Ditch	562,500
Sanitation	267,200
Health	5,000
Culture, Recreation & Parks	476,570
Conservation & Natural Resources	850,751
Economic Development	57,940
Unallocated	300,447
Debt Service	0
Capital Outlay	0
Total Expenditures	$24,390,556
Decrease in Fund Balance	$ (1,320,631)

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a list of General Revenue Fund budget adjustments for 2017. The adjustments are all increases to the final budget previously approved. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune, to approve the budget adjustments as recommended. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Department	Amount
Commissioner	$ 13,000
Accounting Services	$ 13,500
County Cars	$ 4,000
Insurance	$ 4,300
Recorder	$ 86,000
GIS	$ 2,000
DARE	$ 120
Coroner	$ 8,000
Safety Management	$ 9,000
SCORE	$ 21,000
Library	$ 29,000
Fairgrounds	$ 52,000
Parks	$ 11,500
Water Quality	$ 48,000
Land & Resource Management	$ 71,000
Economic Development	$ 21,000

Land & Resource Management Director Scott Williams met before the Board to discuss a recommendation of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commissioner met on December 7, 2017 to consider a request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from T. A. Lauritsen for the installation of a 10' x 60' steel septic storage unit on parcel 13-128-2401. The Planning Commission is recommending approval of the CUP with conditions. Commissioner Lopez moved, second by Commissioner Lieser, to approve the CUP with one additional condition that the tanks are to be used no more than six weeks per year. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

County Assessor Bonnie Crosby met before the Board to discuss an addition to the tax lists for parcel # 16-029-4301 owned by Lone Tree Farm, LLC. The amount of the addition is $602.00. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune, to approve the addition to the 2017 tax lists as recommended by the Assessor and to authorize the Auditor/Treasurer to accept payment without additional penalty if payment is received by December 31, 2017. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the appointment of the Auditor/Treasurer position for the remainder of the term expiring on the first Monday in January, 2019. Commissioner Lopez moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune, to appoint Michelle May as County Auditor/Treasurer for the remainder of the current term beginning on March 1, 2018. Ms. May will begin employment on January 2, 2018 in Pay Grade 14, Step 11, after six months of satisfactory employment will move to Pay Grade 14, Step 12. Vacation leave will accrue at 10 hours per month. Additionally, her vacation leave bank will be credited with 200 hours and sick leave bank with 80 hours. Furthermore, effective January 2, 2018 Senior Deputy Auditor/Treasurer, Accountant Molly Barborek will move to Step 7 in Pay Grade 8 with her anniversary date for step increases moving to January 1st. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

The Board reviewed a request from Information Technology Manager Ken Menning to be allowed to carryover hours in excess of the 240 hour maximum contained in the Personnel Policy due to the vacancy that existed in the Systems Administrator position for several months in his department creating his inability to use any leave during 2017. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Lieser, to approve the request contingent upon the use of the carried over hours by June 30, 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Lopez moved, second by Commissioner Gilbertson, to approve the following items on the consent agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Set the date for the next regular meeting for January 2, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room in the Courthouse in Montevideo.

Approve the minutes of the December 6 & 7, 2017 regular and special meetings as amended.

Approve IT Steering Committee Recommendation to purchase software and 3 years of maintenance to upgrade Back-up software estimated at $14,000 and upgrade software and licensing for Courthouse door locking software estimated at $8,600.

Accounts payable as follows:

County Revenue	$284,338.17
Road & Bridge	$ 38,742.49
Family Service	$ 5,921.35
Ditch	$ 17,272.59
Total	$346,274.60

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 375.12 vendors receiving payments in excess of $2,000 are listed individually below:

Anoka County Human Services	$ 2,000.00
Brookside Senior Living	$ 3,831.20
CDW Government, Inc.	$ 37,333.86
Cenex	$ 8,486.62
Chipp. Co.-Montevideo Hospital	$ 2,495.00
Clara Paint and Wallpaper	$ 9,312.00
Contech Engineered Solutions, LLC	$ 7,988.27
Emergency Automotive Technology. Inc.	$ 5,997.47
Farmers Coop. Oil Co.	$ 3,741.49
Alan Golden	$ 3,600.00
Hillyard-Hutchinson	$ 3,245.55
James Westfield Estate	$ 3,639.03
Kris Engineering, Inc.	$ 2,374.84
Law Enforcement Technology Group	$ 2,500.00
MCCC	$ 10,246.35
MEND Correctional Care, LLC	$ 2,593.23
MN Sheriff's Association	$ 5,073.00
MN State Auditor	$ 30,526.00
Moldes Electric and Mechanical, Inc.	$ 5,311.02
Montevideo Publishing Co. Inc.	$ 2,013.26
Mn Sex Offender Program	$ 17,298.00
City of Montevideo	$ 12,500.00
Nelson Oyen Torvik and Gilbertson	$ 23,208.26
Northern Business Products	$ 2,150.19
Pioneerland Library System	$ 30,800.00
Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney, PA	$ 2,441.41
Regents of the University of MN	$ 14,086.20
Sunderland Engineering, PLLC	$ 4,325.00
Tostenson, Inc.	$ 19,003.78
Yellow Medicine Co. Jail	$ 10,936.49
Ziegler, Inc.	$ 5,568.65
Payments less than $2,000	$ 46,346.07
Total	$346,274.60

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Jon Clauson
Auditor/Treasurer & Clerk of the Board

/s/ Jim Dahlvang
Chairman of the Board

(January 11, 2018)