



Goodhue, Minnesota 55027

Goodhue City Council Special Meeting Minutes

6:00 pm, November 8, 2023

In-Person Meeting, First Floor Conference Room, City Hall

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Council Members Present: Mayor Ellen Anderson-Buck, Patrice O'Reilly, Joe Benda, Jason Thuman

Council Members Absent: Chris Schmit

City Staff Present: Jason Mandelkow

Guests: Cailin Richard, McCrae Olson

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### **Call to Order**

6:00 pm

### **Adoption of Agenda**

Unanimous adoption of agenda with a motion from Thuman and a second from O'Reilly (4-0-0) with no amendments to the agenda.

### **Agenda Items**

Council was presented with the 2024 contract with the Goodhue County Sheriff's Department. The 2024 rate for the City of Goodhue was approved at the latest County Commissioners meeting, and reviewed by the City Attorney. Mayor Anderson-Buck shared that the contract was for a length of one year, and Council would have the ability to discuss longer contract lengths in the future. There was discussion amongst Council on the current workforce challenges in law enforcement. The proposed contract was for 42 hours per week at a rate of \$71.03 an hour, with credits for equipment, bringing the total proposed contract cost to \$118,880. There was discussion amongst Council on the equipment credits they were receiving, future credits and negotiations, how the going rates were determined and additional cost savings through car insurance decreases. With a motion from Benda and a second from O'Reilly (4-0-0), Council unanimously voted to accept the contract with the Goodhue County Sheriff's Department and release the squad car, police radio and computer to the Department at the same time.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:10 pm by Thuman and seconded by Benda (4-0-0).

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Respectfully submitted,  
Cailin Richard, EDA Coordinator