

Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: April 22, 2025

Title of Item: Land Sale Summary **Action Requested: Direction Requested REGULAR AGENDA** Approve/Deny Motion Discussion Item CONSENT AGENDA Adopt Resolution (attach draft) Information Only Hold Public Hearing *provide copy of hearing notice that was published Submitted by: **Department:** Dennis (DJ) Thompson Land **Estimated Time Needed:** Presenter (Name and Title): Dennis (DJ) Thompson, Land Commissioner 15 Minutes **Summary of Issue:** I would like to give a presentation on the two land sales we had recently under the new forfeiture law. Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: Recommended Action/Motion: **Financial Impact:** Yes Is there a cost associated with this request? What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? No Please Explain: Yes

LAND SALES



2024 FORFEITURES

- Total of 15 properties
- One in the City of Aitkin
- Total EMV of the properties = \$852,000
- Properties must be put up for sale within 6 months from the time of forfeiture

FIRST AUCTION

- January 10th
- Minimum bid, by law, was set at Estimated Market Value of the property
- 5 of the 15 properties sold
- One lake lot went for \$267,000
- Properties were available for purchase over the counter for 30 days, one did sell OTC

SECOND AUCTION

- February 14th
- Minimum bid dropped to whatever the back taxes, fees, interest, and penalties were at the time of forfeiture
- Lowest minimum bid was \$340.13
- Remaining 9 properties sold on the second auction

SUMMARY

- For properties that sold at the second auction, the selling price averaged 42% of what the EMV was
- Back taxes, fees, interest, and penalties the county was able to recoup = \$27,945.81
- Available "surplus" that can be claimed by previous owners and lien holders = \$500,454.19
- Surplus needs to be claimed within 6 months

NEXT AUCTION IS:

May 30th at 1:00 p.m.

County Board Room

QUESTIONS?

