

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Jeff Docken, Chairperson. Members present were: Purfeerst, Malecha, Underdahl, Docken and Miller.
- B. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve minutes from the regular meeting August 24, 2021.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

II. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Julie Runkel

- A. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Dave Miller, to adopt the formal Findings of Fact on the denial of the Conditional Use Permit for Mary Tonjum, on behalf of landowner Witte Estate. The property is located in Section 13 of Morristown Township.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve publishing the Intent to Enact and setting a public hearing for 7:15 pm October 7, 2021 regarding adopting a Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone property from Urban Reserve to Agricultural for Andrew Trussing, on behalf of landowners Lance Snesrud, Peterson Brothers LLP and Steven Tralle Trust. The properties are located in Section 17 of Northfield Township.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Waiver of Plat with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for William Hein. The property is located in Section 9 of Walcott Township.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

III. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Allan Klug

- A. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve registration and use of RICECOUNTYMN.GOV for Rice County business and public-facing communication while maintaining the CO.RICE.MN.US domain redirecting to RICECOUNTYMN.GOV**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

IV. SOCIAL SERVICES: Mark Shaw

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Social Services Department Contract Amendment with the Minnesota Department of Human Services.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

V. PROPERTY TAX & ELECTIONS: Denise Anderson

- A. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve a tobacco license for Parkside General Store, 230 Main St Nerstrand, MN 55053 - Sept 14th, 2021 thru June 30th 2022.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Dave Miller, to adopt Resolution #21-038, Set and Appraise Values and approve Basic Sale Prices, Date & Terms for Sale of Tax-Forfeited Lands in Rice County.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

VI. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

A. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, to present the Consent Agenda as presented.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

1. Extra Time/Over Time Report 08-27-2021.

2. Payment of Bills

Bills totaled: \$733,150.81 claims over \$2000 listed: Access On Time Companies Inc. 7,798.00, Barden/Mary or Cassandra 6,518.78, Benjamin Bus Inc. 6,422.59, Bilotta/Merric 3,770.53, Bornstein/Heather or Dan 3,467.35, BROWN COUNTY EVALUATION CENTER 4,830.01, Dimick/Dan 2,627.00, Douville/Olivia 3,313.59, Eldred-Whitehead/Chris or Kerri 2,140.35, Enberg/Troy or Sandy 5,043.08, Henning/Felicity or Donald 2,240.37, Horizon Homes Inc. 50,774.08, Johnson/Scott or Stacy 2,697.62, Nexus Gerard Family Healing LLC 31,847.24, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 6,583.93, Olson/Theresa or Charles 2,860.99, 2,264.67, Scholljegerdes/Amber or Matt 3,258.80, Simons/Amanda 2,240.37, Turgeon/Becky or Chris 5,698.71, Village Ranch Inc. 5,597.05, Voegel/Renee or Richard 3,544.54, White/Frankie or Bridget 2,227.66, Workforce Development Inc. 21,867.14, Zumbro Valley Health Center 9,572.40, Amazon Capital Services Inc. 2,483.40, American Engineering Testing Inc. 6,900.00, APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 2,351.05, Bauernfeind & Goedtel Inc. 15,489.04, Casa Inc. 2,984.90, Community Co- Op General Office 21,671.72, Computer Integration Technologies Inc. 15,169.60, Dalco 4,020.20, DDA Human Resources Inc. 3,700.00, Dept. Of Human Services SWIFT 22,644.49, Dick's Sanitation 18,179.29, Emerge Enterprises 8,300.00, Giles Irrevocable Trust/Timothy J 17,900.00, Guardian Fleet Safety 18,694.58, Innovative Office Solutions 4,262.38, InPro Corp 19,975.34, Inspectron Inc. 15,075.00, Jr's Advanced Recyclers Inc. 5,476.30, Klein McCarthy Architects 15,051.33, Martin/James 4,700.00, Matejcek Implement 3,558.53, Minnesota Co Computer Coop Mi33 5,044.50, Minnesota Dept. Of Transportation 13,648.14, Mvtl Laboratories Inc. 12,063.00, Neumann/Troy & Corine 37,000.00, Perez Revocable Living Trust/Tomas 35,268.00, Perez/Tomas 18,000.00, Professional Development Academy LLC 3,090.00, Raveling Companies LLC 7,180.00, Rice County Agricultural Society 10,018.00, Rice County Soil & Water Cons 2,639.28, Schneider Geospatial LLC 2,380.00, Summit Food Services LLC 9,981.00, Townsquare Media Faribault-Owatonna 2,000.00, Veolia Environmental Services 16,157.50, Waterford Oil Co Inc. 8,544.39, West Central Sanitation 5,176.37, Ziegler Inc. 5,235.96

3. Personnel Appointments 09-14-2021.

Berit Bringsjord FT, Appraiser, Assessor's Office at \$29.36/hr., eff 9/6/2021.
James Fisher FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/20/2021.
Bethsaida Garcia FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/13/2021.
Sharia Holland FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/13/2021.
Yasser Ibrahim FT, Interpreter Office Support Specialist, Social Services at \$19.99/hr., eff 4/5/2021.
Chelsea Moses FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/20/2021.
Derek Perkins, Appraiser, Assessor's Office at \$31.29/hr., eff 9/20/2021.
Courtney Reim FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/2/2021.
Maria Rendon FT, Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$22.89/hr., eff 9/20/2021.
Melinda Rodriguez FT, Lead Eligibility Worker, Social Services at \$30.14/hr., eff 9/13/2021.
Margaret Schaak FT, Financial Officer, Finance Department at \$36.58/hr., eff 8/23/2021.

A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve, and accept the retirement of Rice County Sheriff Troy Dunn effective on Friday, November 12, 2021.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

B. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve ARP funding in the amount not to exceed \$325,000 for the Spring Creek II housing project.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim

Purfeerst, NAYS: None

VII. PARKS & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Matthew Verdick

- A. **CLOSED SESSION** Pursuant to Minn. Stat. Sec. 13D.05, Subd. 3 (c)(3), to Discuss Offers relating to The Purchase of Real Property.
- B. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl to move into Closed Session at 8:49a.m.**
- C. **Motion by Dave Miller, Seconded by Steve Underdahl to move out of Closed Session at 9:08 a.m.**
- D. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the purchase of 109.2 acres which includes parcels: 1819100002, 1819125001, 1819150001, 1819100001, 1819175001, and 1819425001 at the agreed upon purchase price of \$1.65 million.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- E. **List of all persons present at the closed session:**
Jeff Docken, Galen Malecha, Dave Miller, Jim Purfeerst, Steve Underdahl, Sara Folsted, Paula O'Connell, and John Fossum

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

Approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners on this 28th day of September, 2021.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jeff Docken, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator