

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, September 28, 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 Dave Miller, 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 Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve minutes from the regular board meeting from September 14, 2021.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- D. Retirement Recognition for Judy VanErp, County Recorder
- E. Retirement Recognition for Donna Morelan, Accounts Payable

II. PROPERTY TAX & ELECTIONS: Denise Anderson

- A. Introduction of the 2021 Farm Family
Donahue's Greenhouse is a family-owned business run by first generation owner Lois Donahue, her children, a son-in-law, grandson, and granddaughter working full time in day-to-day operations. Many of her other grandchildren work part-time or seasonally in the greenhouse, making it a true family business!
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to adopt Resolution #21-042, Classification and Approval for Potential Sale of Non-Conservation Forfeited Land.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

III. PUBLIC HEALTH/NURSING: Deb Purfeerst

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve an agreement authorizing Rice County Public Health to enter into a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for traffic safety projects during the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; to authorize the PH Director to execute agreements and amendments as necessary to implement this grant and to serve as fiscal host/grant administrator.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve an agreement between Rice County Public Health and Kathy Cooper for professional services related to a 2022 TZD Safe Roads Grant, for the period of October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

IV. SOCIAL SERVICES: Mark Shaw

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the Social Services Department Work Number Participation Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Human Services and TALX Corporation.**
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 the Appointment of Member Social Services Director Mark Shaw and Alternate Adult Mental Health Supervisor Christine Kern (or successor) to the South Central Community Based Initiative Joint Powers Board.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve Social Services Department**

Contract with Healthy Community Initiative.

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

D. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve Social Services Department Transportation Contracts with Local School Districts. The first includes Discovery Public School.

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

Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve a contract with Social Services Department of Transportation and Faribault Public Schools.

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

Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve a contract with Social Services Department of Transportation and Faribault Stem School.

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

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve a contract with Social Services Department of Transportation and TriCity United.

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

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve a contract with Social Services Department of Transportation and Northfield Public Schools.

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

V. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebbe

A. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve final payment under contract #21-51 to Kielmeyer Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$20,310.71

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

B. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve Final Payment to Fitzgerald Excavating in the amount of \$ 6,582.99 for work completed under Contract # 2174.

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

VI. FINANCE: Paula O'Connell

A. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to adopt Resolution #21-041 Setting the Preliminary Tax Levy for 2022.

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

VII. PARKS & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Matthew Verdick

A. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to accept the proposal with Contegrity for the Construction Manager for the Public Safety Center.

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

B. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve the purchase of 3 Ford Escape Hybrid County Fleet vehicles for Rice County Government Center from Bliss RC Ford.

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 declaration of 14460 Irwin Path as a Surplus Property and to be sold.

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

VIII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

A. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve 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 09-10-2021.

2. Payment of Bills

Bills totaled: \$611,552.67: Claims over \$2000 Listed: Access On Time Companies Inc. 15,960.00, Alternative Resolutions Inc. 32,148.15, Demars/Charlotte Ann 2,014.07, Forensic Nursing Home 2,430.40, Johnson/Brad or Kim 5,159.64, KCQ INC 14,054.07, Laura Baker Services Assoc. 7,861.60, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 14,010.45, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 14,839.97, Rose-Buchta/Faith or Budda 3,729.92, Volunteers Of America 14,725.00, Zahl Petroleum Maintenance Co 10,681.70, Ziegler Inc. 3,619.06, AmeriCare Mobility Van, Inc. 2,553.72, Ancom Technical Center 16,267.81, AVM Construction LLC 10,315.10, Bemis Well Drilling 10,279.00, Bolton & Menk Inc. 3,737.00, Community Action Center of Northfield 7,747.17, Computer Integration Technologies Inc. 32,150.60, Dakota County Financial Services 7,080.00, Dick's Sanitation 20,412.85, Faribault City 2,614.70, Foth Infrastructure & Environment LLC 10,188.46, Frana Masonry & Excavation 2,750.00, Geiger 3,176.99, InPro Corp 5,000.00, Inspectron Inc. 24,450.00, Klein Mccarthy Architects 3,304.05, Lingsweiler/Leonard 16,600.00, Mayo Clinic 2,310.00, Mayo Clinic 6,535.96, Met-Con Construction Co Inc. 19,400.00, Midwest Monitoring & Surveillance 3,132.50, Midwest Tree Llc 4,600.00, Minnesota Co Computer Coop Mi33 2,104.50, Minnesota Dept. of Agriculture 45,418.50, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 15,017.75, Northfield Union Of Youth Inc/The 2,849.84, Nutrien Ag Solutions 8,824.65, Olmsted Co Health Housing & Human Serv 3,180.00, Ratwik Roszak & Maloney Pa 2,310.62, Rdo Equipment Co 6,550.00, Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Inc. 2,661.98, River Bend Industries 9,807.45, Sanofi Pasteur Inc. 8,210.73, Shreffler/Lawrence 8,750.00, Sirek Hydraulic Service Inc. 8,528.83, Steele County Detention Center 8,085.00, Stepp Manufacturing Co Inc. 3,345.64, Stonebrooke Engineering Inc. 4,231.51 Streamworks 10,600.00, Summit Food Services LLC 10,643.00, Thomson Reuters - West 6,839.55, West Central Sanitation 5,066.68

3. Personnel Appointments 09-28-2021.

Daniel Belcourt FT, Sergeant, Sheriff's Office at \$44.14/hr., eff 9/27/2021.
Nicholas Bemis FT, Jail Sergeant, Sheriff's Office at \$34.27/hr., eff 9/27/2021.
Nathan Budin FT, Patrol Sergeant, Sheriff's Office at \$47.54/hr., eff 9/24/2021.
Nichole Kadrlik FT, Transport Officer, Sheriff's Office at \$22.46/hr., eff 9/14/2021.
Jonathan King FT, Jail Sergeant, Sheriff's Office at \$29.80/hr., eff 9/28/2021.
Breanna Macheel PT, Registered Nurse, Public Health at \$32.78/hr., eff 9/27/2021.
Donna Morelan PT, Accts Payable-Elections Coordinator, Finance at \$33.06/hr., eff 10/1/2021.
Angela Nagel Temporary On-Call, Public Health at \$42.85/hr., eff 9/27/2021.
Ross Spicer FT, Sergeant-Investigator, Sheriff's Office at \$47.54/hr., eff 9/20/2021.

B. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to accept and ratify the 2022, 2023 & 2024 union contract for the MNPEA Sergeants; and to authorize the Board Chairperson's signature on the completed contract.

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, and accept the recommendation of Sheriff Dunn to appoint Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jesse Thomas as the Interim Rice County Sheriff to serve the remaining term of the current Rice County Sheriff commencing on November 13, 2021, and expiring on December 31, 2022.

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

D. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve the Appointment of the County Surveyor, Michael Fangman, to the combined compatible position for a four-year term as the County Recorder/County Surveyor, commencing on October 2, 2021, and expiring on December 31, 2024.

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

Purfeerst, NAYS: None

IX. COMMISSIONER'S REQUEST:

A. Public Hearing Continuation for 2040 Rice County Comprehensive Plan. Public was able to speak.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, 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 this 12th day of October, 2021.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jeff Docken, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator