

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(At the beginning of each Committee of the Whole Work Session meeting, the floor will be open to solicit public comments on items on the Agenda. Public comments will be limited to two (2) minutes for each person, subject to the discretion of the County Board Chairperson)

II. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Jesse Thomas

A. Jesse Thomas, Rice County Sheriff, brought forth the idea of having a fence placed in front of the Public Safety Center to create a boundary. Four options were given. First, no fence at all. The second is a fence built into the ground, third a cement wall with a fence above, and fourth a cement wall with pillars. All of the commissioners discussed the different options and it will be brought forward as to what their final decision will be at the next Rice County Board meeting.

III. PARKS & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Matthew Verdick

A. Matthew Verdick, the director of Parks & Facilities, brought back the 4 concepts that were discussed earlier as to which direction they are thinking of going with the downtown development project. Concept 2 and 4 were mentioned as the most likely candidates. This concept 2 making it a green space and then discussing further down the line what they plan to do. Concept 4 would be for future development. All commissioners agreed that going fourth with demoing the buildings was the more likely option. Matt stated he would bring the request for proposal for demolition to the next Rice County Board meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to adjourn the meeting.

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