

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building  
Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 8:30 AM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Jim Purfeerst, Chairperson. Members present were: Purfeerst, Malecha, Underdahl, Docken and Miller.
- B. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, Shari Noll, to approve the Agenda as presented.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Sunderdahl@co.rice.mn.us, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on April 12, 2022 and the Special Board Meeting on April 19, 2022.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

**II. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Julie Runkel**

- A. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the Temporary Equipment Placement Permit with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for Corey Kielmeier, on behalf of landowner Paul Donkers. The property is located in Section 12 of Walcott Township.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Conditional Use Permit with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for John Larson, of County Line Aggregate, on behalf of landowner Delane Christenson. The property is located in Section 1 of Webster Township.**  
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 the Preliminary Plat with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for Craig Clarkson, of ISG Inc. on behalf of landowner Dale Petelinsek. The property is located in Section 21 of Forest Township. The following conditions were added during the meeting by Jeff Docken. Condition 6 states the Final Plat submittal shall include a storm water design that maintains or lowers the existing rate and volume of storm water runoff going from the plat onto the Cyrus Trail Road Right of Way. Condition 7 states the development agreement shall include provisions to maintain the condition of Cyrus Trail during construction of the new roadway.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, NAYS: None
- D. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve the Waiver of Plat with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for Micheal Shamour. The property is located in Section 11 of Wheatland Township.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- E. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve publishing the Intent to Enact and setting a public hearing for 7:00 pm June 2, 2022 regarding adopting a Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone property from Agricultural to Rural Industrial for Bridgewater Township, on behalf of multiple landowners. The properties are located in Section 29, 31 and 32 of Bridgewater Township.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS:

None

**III. SOCIAL SERVICES: Rick Gieseke**

**A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to approve the Social Services Department Contract with Healthy Community Initiative.**

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

**IV. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Jesse Thomas**

**A. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve and sign the Proclamation for National Correctional Officers Week.**

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 Steve Underdahl to move into Public Hearing for Notice of Intent to Redistrict.**

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

The following came forth to speak during the Public Hearing.

Mar Valdecantos-Northfield spoke regarding plan #1.

Plan #2 does not stay along precinct boundaries. Therefore, it's ruled out.

Sinda Nichols, Faribault, Alyssa Melbye (Zoom) Northfield League of women voters. Margit Johnson-Northfield, Kristi Pursell-Northfield, Tim Murray City of Northfield, and Patricia Johnson, Northfield spoke regarding their interest in plan #3.

Glenn Kaster-Bridgewater Twp, Kate Keller-Faribault, Kathleen Hagen-Lonsdale, Linda Moore-Faribault, Diane Johnson-Lonsdale, Mike Peterson-Northfield, Holly Wollen-Faribault, Brian Peterson-Northfield Twp., Jeff Schultz-Walcott Twp, Tom Donkers-Faribault, Preston Bauer-Faribault, Colleen Hansen-Nerstrand, and Ron Keller-Wheeling Twp, Dan Morris-Morristown Twp., Lawrence McFadden-Webster, Ron Sommers-Northfield and Joe Pesta-Montgomery, Denise Anderson read emails from many more which favored plan #4.

**Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl to move out of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent to Redistrict.**

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

**B. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Jeff Docken, to adopt Resolution # 22-026 Rice County Redistricting Plan #4.**

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

**Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl to move out of Public Hearing.**

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

**C. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Dave Miller, to appoint Jeff Docken and Jim Purfeerst to serve on:**

**The date for the County Canvassing Board for the 2022 Special Election Congressional District 1 is Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rice County Board Room in the Government Services Building.**

**The date for the County Canvassing Board for the 2022 Primary Election is Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rice County Board Room in the Government Services Building.**

**The date for the County Canvassing Board for the 2022 General Election is Monday, November 14, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in the Rice County Training Room in the Government Services Building.**

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 adopt Tax Forfeited Sale to Adjacent Taxpayer - Resolution # 22-023.**

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

Purfeerst, NAYS: None

- E. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Minnesota Lawful Gambling Application for Exempt Permit for Church of the Annunciation, 4996 Hazelwood Avenue, Northfield, MN, 55057 on September 25, 2022.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- F. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve the renewal of the On & Off Sale 3.2% malt liquor license application for LeMieux Resort, 7710 Cedar Lake Boulevard, Faribault, MN 55021 for the licensing period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- G. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the renewal application for an On & Off Sale & Sunday liquor license for Boonies Beef & Brew, 3301 Millersburg Boulevard, Faribault, MN, 55021 for the licensing period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

## VI. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebke

- A. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Jeff Docken, to award Contract # 2270, Crane Creek Asphalt (Div. of Mathy Construction), the low responsible bidder, in the amount of \$4,498,396.89, contingent upon the review and approval of the contractors Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) plan by MnDOT's Office of Civil Rights.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, to award Contract # 2271, to Crane Creek Asphalt, the low responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,474,932.86, contingent upon MnDOT's, Office of Civil Rights, review and approval of the Contractors Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) plan submittal.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jeff Docken, to award Contract # 2273, to Ims Contracting, LLC, the low responsible bidder, in the amount of \$5,473,462.20.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- D. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to set up a Public Hearing of the Rice County Board of Commissioners at the Walcott Town Hall for June 13, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., to hear all interested parties on the proposed reversion of County Road No. 89 to Walcott Township, and to direct the Highway Department to advertise said public hearing.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- E. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to award Contract # 2272, to Crane Creek Asphalt, (Division of Mathy Construction), the low responsible bidder, in the amount of \$3,084,963.26.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

## VII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Dave Miller, 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 0408-2022
  2. Payment of Bills  
Bills totaled: \$1,142,684.54 Claims over \$2000 listed. Access On Time Companies Inc 5,600.00, ADP

Inc 5,650.09, APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 3,746.37, Archambault Bros Disposal Inc 2,491.21, B&B Pumping & Portables Inc 2,415.00, Callyo 2009 Corp 4,704.00, Cargill Inc 8,639.51, Castle Rock Materials 3,374.20, Cellebrite Inc 4,300.00, Computer Integration Technologies Inc 9,543.62, Covert Track Group Inc 3,405.00, Dalco 15,200.49, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 31,187.59, DJ Medin Architects, Inc. 9,962.50, Election Systems & Software Inc 5,857.50, Emerge Enterprises 4,075.00, Faribault Public Schools ISD 656 3,427.55, Faribo Sno-Go Club Inc 7,857.76, I & S Group Inc 28,697.16, InPro Corp 4,443.90, Inspectron Inc 23,100.00, Jr's Advanced Recyclers Inc 6,927.00, Karpel Solutions 6,600.00, Klein Mccarthy Architects 586,869.68, Le Sueur County Sheriff 10,319.24, Life Insurance Company of North America 2,036.62, Lighthouse Transportation, LLC 2,041.00, Lincoln Financial Group 6,474.58, Mayo Clinic 2,660.00, Metro Sales Incorporated 13,798.23, Midstates Equipment & Supply 25,264.80, Minnesota Bureau Criminal Appr 2,685.00, Minnesota Co Computer Coop Mi33 46,032.28, Minnesota Dept of Labor & Industry 2,351.43, Minnesota Dept Of Transportation 16,764.81, Minnesota Paving & Materials 6,066.07, Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 10,749.00, MSSA 3,316.75, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 16,861.34, Office of MN IT Services 2,277.94, Parker Kohl Funeral Home & Crematory 2,978.00, Quadient Finance USA Inc 2,000.00, Thomson Reuters - West 7,284.54, Waterford Oil Co Inc 29,201.88, Xcel Energy 5,231.07, Access On Time Companies Inc 8,959.00, CENNEIDIGH, INC. 2,431.37, CUMMINGS MOBILITY CONVERSIONS & SUPPLY 2,577.00, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 14,243.80, Heartland Girls Ranch 3,260.00, Laura Baker School 2,203.16, Laura Baker Services Assoc 7,861.60, Simons/Amanda 2,353.52, Souza/Constance 2,959.26, Workforce Development Inc 17,522.65

**3. Personnel Appointments 04-26-2022**

Kellie Busch PT, Public Health Nurse, Community Health at \$34.27/hr., eff 5/9/2022.  
Megan Thomas FT, Adult Services Manager, Community Services at \$40.62/hr., eff 5/2/2022.  
Dillon Harvey FT, Community Based Coordinator, Social Services at \$32.78/hr., eff 5/2/2022.  
Amy Keilen, Child Protection Assessment, Social Worker at \$35.76/hr., eff 4/25/2022.  
Adam Kuhlman FT, Social Worker, Social Services at \$31.29/hr., eff 5/9/2022.  
Kirk Miller FT, Social Worker Adult Mental Health Clubhouse Coordinator, Social Services at \$31.29/hr., eff 5/2/2022.  
Nicholas Mueller FT, Information Technology Intern, IT at \$15.00/hr., eff 5/17/2022.  
Angela Nagel FT, Supervisor Public Health Disease Prevention Control & Emergency, Public Health at \$45.85/hr., eff 5/23/2022.  
Christine Sammon FT, Child & Family Services Manager, Community Services at \$50.29/hr., eff 5/2/2022.

**B. Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to adopt resolution #22-024 Commending the commitment and dedication to public service excellence of county staff and officials by proclaiming April 26 County Government Appreciation Day.**

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

**VIII. 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

**Approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners this 10th day of May, 2022.**

**RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Jim Purfeerst, Chairperson

**ATTEST:**

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Sara Folsted, County Administrator