

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, September 27, 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, to approve the Agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting September 13, 2022.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- D. Retirement Presentations for Mike Jarvis and Stacy Sartor-Sheriff's Office

II. PARKS & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Matthew Verdick

- A. **Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, be it resolved that the Rice County Board of Commissioners awarded a bid to Timm's Trucking for \$320,000.00 for downtown demolition.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, requesting approval of low quote to purchase piping for the Regional Storm Water Pond.**
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 Jeff Docken, to approve the purchase of Desk Monitor arms from Schmidt Goodman for the amount of \$40,697.44.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

IV. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Julie Runkel

- A. A public hearing was opened by the Board at 9:00 a.m. regarding Rice County Ordinance Amendments.

Nancy Marth-Erin Twp spoke on behalf of the public in regards to some responses on whether these items need to be reconned with.

Ron Byron-Wanted the Board to know about a project cabin on Roberts Lake that is wanting to be updated to use it as a home. He wants the board to consider this project and knows there will be additional variances.

Sam Sunderland-Forest Twp. felt the ADU's are great. She had a few other concerns about the zoning restrictions. She felt this could cause massive numbers of people. She stated she was concerned for the farmers.

The public hearing came to a close by the Board at 9:12 a.m.

- B. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to adopt Resolution #22-063 - to Adopt Amendments to the Rice County Zoning Ordinance.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Dave Miller, Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, NAYS: None

AMENDMENTS TO THE RICE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

Official Summary

The following official summary of amendments to the Rice County Zoning Ordinance has been approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners clearly informing the public of the intent and effect of these Ordinance amendments.

The amendments to the Rice County Zoning Ordinance are being made to establish standards for Accessory Dwelling Units as a permitted use in certain zoning districts, establish standards for Interim Use Permits and convert several conditional uses to interim uses, revise several chapter purposes in accordance with the Rice County 2040 Comprehensive Plan, and make other technical and administrative clarifications.

The Rice County Zoning Ordinance provides for official controls for the use and development of land in the unincorporated areas of Rice County, excluding Bridgewater Township which may adopt more restrictive controls. It provides for zoning districts and regulations for uses and development within each district. It also provides procedures for granting permits and variances, as well as regulations for nonconformities and subdivision of land.

The Zoning Ordinance amendments are effective September 27, 2022. A printed copy of the Zoning Ordinance amendments is available for inspection at the Rice County Auditor's Office.

V. 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 MN Dept of Public Safety for traffic safety projects during the period of Oct 2022 - Sept 2023, to authorize the Public Health Director to execute agreements and amendments as necessary to implement the 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 Dave Miller, to approve an agreement between Rice County Public Health and Kathy Cooper for professional services related to a 2023 TZD Safe Roads Grant, for the period of October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023.

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

- C. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve request for write-offs of uncollectible 2019 and 2020 accounts received in the amount of \$2,576.63

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

VI. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebbe

- A. Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Dave Miller, to adopt and approve Resolution # 22-062 Authorizing Application for State Easement.

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

VII. FINANCE: Paula O'Connell

- A. Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Dave Miller, to adopt Resolution #22-064 Setting the Preliminary Tax Levy for 2023.

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

VIII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

- A. Motion by Dave Miller, seconded by Steve Underdahl, 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 08-26-2022.
2. Payment of Bills
Bills totaled: \$1,963,919.46 Claims Over \$2000 listed: Access On Time Companies Inc 17,131.00, Alternative Resolutions Inc 34,641.93, Bilotta/Merric 7,403.68, Blahnik Law Office PLLC 3,123.96, CENNEIDIGH, INC. 2,071.49, CUMMINGS MOBILITY CONVERSIONS & SUPPLY 2,577.00, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 4,649.67, Forensic Nursing Home 2,718.70, Laura Baker Services Assoc 7,861.60, Moose Lake RTC 2,644.61, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 12,634.05, Roepke/Katie & Jake 2,170.62, St Peter Rtc 3,075.20, Susan Rynda Consulting LLC 3,725.00, ADP Inc 8,484.57, Amazon Capital Services Inc 5,176.85, Anoka County Corrections 17,857.83, APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 2,653.73, Blahnik Prchal & Stoll 7,000.00, Braun Intertec Corp 3,196.00, Community Action Center of Northfield 3,390.75, Community Co-Op General Office 17,877.49, Construction Systems Inc 13,839.60, Contegrity Group Inc 50,901.80, Dakota County Financial Services 7,633.52, Davis Mechanical Systems Inc 38,950.00, Department Of Natural Resources 2,000.00, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 75,660.06, Election Systems & Software Inc 2,378.23, Emerge Enterprises 7,150.00, Erickson Engineering Company 6,017.00, Erin Twp 3,746.44, Faribault City 2,633.30, Faribo Plumbing & Heating Inc 4,900.00, Faul Psychological 2,100.00, Forest Twp 2,095.63, Hoisington Koegler Group, Inc. 7,010.00, I & S Group Inc 6,418.75, Inspectron Inc 8,550.00, Institute for Environmental Assessment 9,675.00, Jetter Clean Inc 2,047.63, Kibble Equipment 90,500.00, Kielmeyer Construction Company 2,771.67, Klein Mccarthy Architects 26,205.33, Laketown Electric Corp 33,250.00, Landwehr Construction 669,560.00, Le Sueur County Sheriff 10,350.00, Life Insurance Company of North America 2,066.89, Masters Plumbing Heating & Cooling LLC 42,840.25, Mavo Systems 2,000.00, Mcnearney Funeral Home 4,266.00, Minnesota Co Computer Coop Mi33 2,152.28, Minnesota Monitoring Inc 4,319.00, Minnesota Paving & Materials 3,780.52, Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 9,896.00, Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative 2,147.33, MN Public Employees Assoc 3,276.00, Morristown Twp 3,559.35, Nexus - Mille Lacs Academy 7,714.66, Nexus Gerard Family Healing LLC 14,939.43, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 19,255.46, Northland Mechanical Contractors Inc 6,580.00, Pauly Jail Building Co Inc 114,192.03, Quadient Finance USA Inc 2,000.00, Ratwik Roszak & Maloney Pa 6,078.74, RCM Specialties Inc 5,118.88, Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Inc 3,315.00, Regents Of The U of M 4,196.25, Rinke-Noonan 5,837.50, Sanofi Pasteur Inc 11,023.65, Schmidt Goodman Office Products Inc 18,945.27, Schneider Geospatial LLC 3,165.00, School Dist #2143 2,071.93, School Dist #2905 12,479.07, School Dist #656 8,853.00, School Dist #659 9,139.48, SHI International Corp 2,701.50, Shieldsville Twp 5,009.71, Steele County Detention Center 5,060.00, Stonebrooke Engineering Inc 100,876.02, Streichers 2,858.94, Summit Food Services LLC 11,733.96, Thomson Reuters - West 2,017.20, Trimin Systems Inc 33,714.00, Wells Concrete 81,343.28, Westman Freightliner 2,800.00, Wheeling Twp 4,051.06, Wsb & Associates Inc 21,289.42, Xcel Energy 4,105.43, Ziegler Inc 14,838.28
3. Personnel Appointments 09-27-2022.
Branden Banks FT, Correctional Officer, Jail at \$25.72/hr., eff 10/3/2022.
Christopher Ekegren FT, Probation Officer, Community Corrections at \$35.76/hr., eff 10/10/2022.
Jessica Reiten FT, Correctional Officer, Jail at \$25.72/hr., eff 9/26/2022.
Megan Speckhals FT, Office Support Specialist, Social Services at \$20.56/hr., eff 9/26/2022.
Paul Zunkel FP, GIS Technician, Assessor at \$26.95/hr., eff 11/14/2022.
Jennifer Zylstra FT, Office Support Specialist, Social Services at \$20.56/hr., eff 10/3/2022.
Elizabeth Jiminez FT, Community Health Worker, Public Health at \$26.74/hr., eff 9/19/2022.
Nancy Bernal FT, Office Specialist, Public Health at \$22.00/hr., eff 9/19/2022.
Cindy Gray FT, Office Specialist, Public Health at \$29.45/hr., eff 9/19/2022.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galen Malecha, 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 11th day of October, 2022.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jim Purfeerst, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator