

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY RICE & STEELE 911 CENTER JOINT POWERS BOARD
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Friday, September 15, 2023 at 2:00 PM**

I. Call to Order

- A. The Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Chair Jim Abbe.
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by James Brady, Requesting approval of Agenda**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Peter van Sluis, James Brady, Jime Abbe, Nate Dotson, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, Requesting Approval of 08/02/2023 Minutes**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Peter van Sluis , James Brady , Jim Abbe, Nate Dotson, NAYS: None

II. Finance-Brian Becker

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Peter van Sluis , Approval of July 31, 2023 Financials**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Peter van Sluis , James Brady , Jim Abbe, Nathan Dotson, NAYS: None

III. Operations Committee-Jesse Thomas

- A. Becker went over topics discussed at Operations Committee from August 16, 2023 meeting.

IV. Administration (Old Business) -Brian Becker

- A. Becker provided a staffing update to the Board. We had a trainee resign and one full-time employee resign to part-time due to personal reasons. We have two employees in training and we have two employees starting the end of September. We had one employee come back from FMLA, but will be going back on FMLA in a few weeks.
- B. Becker presented two new 2024 Budget proposals to the Board. Proposal option #2 has a 303% increase in total expenditures and proposal#3 has 2.2% increase in total expenditures.
Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Peter van Sluis , to approve 2024 Budget Proposal Option #2 with a 3.3% increase in total expenditures.
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Peter van Sluis , James Brady , Jim Abbe, Nathan Dotson, NAYS: None

V. Administration (New Business) -Brian Becker

- A. Becker provided information to the Board on looking for new health insurance plans for the 911 Center as current health insurance premium costs at the Center are high for employees. Becker has been working with Gallagher and Hietzman Law Office for assistance with finding new health insurance plans. Becker will find out next week if the Center will be able to join health insurance plans with Rice County or Steele County. Galen Malecha and Adam Johnson will take part in discussions with the Union on any health insurance plan changes.

VI. Adjournment

- Motion by James Brady , seconded by Peter van Sluis, to adjourn meeting.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Peter van Sluis , James Brady , Jim Abbe, Nathan Dotson, NAYS: None

