

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Galen Malecha, Chairperson. Members present were: Purfeerst, Malecha, Underdahl, Docken and Hoisington.
- B. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the Agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on January 23, 2024 and the Special Rice County Board Minutes from February 6, 2024.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

II. COMMISSIONERS REQUEST: Jim Purfeerst and Gerry Hoisington

- A. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve and adopt Resolution #24-012 regarding the redesigning of the state flag and seal.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha

III. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Julie Runkel

- A. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Waiver of Plat with the conditions and findings recommended by the Planning Commission for Jamie Vandenheuvel, on behalf of landowners Paul and Wendy Vandenheuvel. The property is located in Section 16 of Webster Township.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

IV. PARKS & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Matthew Verdick

- A. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve quote from North Central Cleaners to furnish the materials and perform the labor necessary for the final cleaning of the Public Safety Center in the amount of \$51,666.46 or \$55,476.86 which would add window cleaning.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, approving the Cannon River View Developer agreement. This agreement identifies Rice County's agreement to issue such a trail easement to the City of Faribault as part of the plat.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

V. SOCIAL SERVICES: Rick Gieseke, Tina Johnston, Megan Thomas and Chris Sammon

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve the Child Support Program Interagency Cooperative Agreement between DHS (Department of Human Services) and Rice County.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the acceptance of the Hannah Lips Grant in the amount of \$1,007.07.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the provider Participation Agreement between UCare and Social Services.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

VI. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebbe

- A. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve out of state travel for Ron Radatz, Aaron Bode, Tim Chappius and Matt LaCanne to attend the Northland ATSSA conference in Fargo, ND.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve and adopt Resolution #24-010-2024 Bridge Priority List.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve and adopt Resolution #24-011 Parking Restrictions on County Road No. 79.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- D. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the draft I-35 and CSAH 9 Interchange Feasibility Study Report.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- E. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jeff Docken, to initiate adoption of Official Map No. 2 CSAH 9 and I35 Interchange, set a public hearing for 7:00 pm on March 7, 2024 before the Planning Commission and authorize publishing the Intent to Enact.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

VII. FINANCE: Paula O'Connell

- A. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst to go into Drainage Authority.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Jeff Docken, to approve Order for repair to Steele-Rice Judicial Ditch #6.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst to go out of Drainage Authority.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

VIII. HOUSING: Joy Watson

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve Conveyance of Land to HRA for Twin Oaks Subdivision.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

IX. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

- A. **Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
1. Extra Time/ Over Time Report 01-12-2024 & 01-26-2024
 2. Payment of Bills
Bills totaled: \$1,592,605.94 Claims over \$2000 listed: Access On Time Companies Inc 24,799.00, Ain Dah Yung Our Home Shelter 5,264.00, Alee Service 2,104.50, Alternative Resolutions Inc 23,585.14, Bilotta/Merric 2,919.40, Boughton/Laura 4,931.70, BROWN COUNTY EVALUATION CENTER 5,396.54, Cervenka/Janice H 2,979.72, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 9,772.12, Dimick/Dan 4,980.17, Douville/Corey & Jenny 4,034.96, Fredin/Melissa & David 2,097.46, Hahn Douville/Olivia or Samantha 12,638.70, Johnson/Scott or Stacy 2,800.54, Kindercare 3,305.00, Nicollet County Social Services 5,770.59, North Homes Inc 14,498.70, Northfield Community Action Center

25,442.20, Peterfeso/Charlie & Jenna 2,116.68, Prairie Lakes Youth Programs 3,088.00, Rice County Facilities 4,200.00, Schroeder/Robecca A 2,427.30, Scott County Treasurer 9,300.00, Slinger/Jeannie 2,510.34, Smith/Paula Jo 2,192.40, Welch/Jennifer or Mark 2,918.86, WILLMAR REG TRMT CENTER 108,376.00, Workforce Development Inc 17,214.00, Zumbro Valley Health Center 3,220.00, ADP Inc 15,948.46 Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc 11,008.63 Amazon Capital Services Inc 2,649.31 Anoka County Treasury Office 42,678.00 APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 2,204.36 Arcasearch LLC 2,468.00 Beyond Brink 4,800.00 BHE Community Solar LLC 8,940.57 Blahnik Prchal & Stoll 7,850.00 Community Action Center of Northfield 5,724.00 Computer Integration Technologies Inc 125,426.00 Dakota County Financial Services 3,956.08 Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 9,655.87 Dlt Solutions LLC 14,818.00 Election Systems & Software Inc 4,957.50 Geiger 2,198.17 Healthfinders Collaborative Inc 24,449.32 Irwin Law Office 4,100.00 Jason Anderson Consulting 2,000.00 Le Sueur County Sheriff 14,475.00 Mayo Clinic 2,552.57 MetLife 6,599.98 Metro Sales Incorporated 7,119.36 Minnesota Dept of Public Safety 2,982.13 MN Public Employees Assoc 3,437.78 Nexus Mille Lacs Family Healing 9,672.93 Northfield City 20,941.93 Northland Mechanical Contractors Inc 3,757.00 Northwestern Minnesota Juvenile Center 9,548.00 Office of MN IT Services 2,473.23 Paape Companies Inc 28,827.50 Schneider Geospatial LLC 15,402.00 SeaChange Print Innovations 2,705.17 South Metro SWAT 17,500.00 Streichers 2,874.82 Thomson Reuters - West 5,512.62 Townsquare Media Faribault-Owatonna 3,000.00 Verizon Wireless 22,872.94 Xcel Energy 9,109.58, Auto Value Faribault 2,402.77 Bolton & Menk Inc 9,914.50 Braun Intertec Corp 8,482.50 Cargill Inc 38,751.90 Central Pension Fund 3,858.67 Matejcek Implement 3,620.70 Minnesota Transportation Alliance 2,896.00 MSA Professional Services Inc 3,324.50 Nuss Truck Group Inc 4,848.04 Pumps Tire Service 4,822.56 Ronco Engineering Sales 6,820.21 Snap-On Tools 4,777.12 Tifco Industries 2,561.81 Ziegler Inc 3,102.42, Alternative Resolutions Inc 9,218.05 Bradshaw Funeral & Cremation Services 2,447.00 Messick Law PLLC 2,826.93 MetLife 5,340.85 Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 9,074.00 Quadient Finance USA Inc 2,000.00 Verizon Wireless 9,776.50, Elk Creek Consulting 2,786.41, Advanced Septic Solutions Inc 8,734.50 Cedar Lake Electric Inc 2,916.78 Minnesota Public Facilities Authority 21,144.19, Community Co-Op General Office 8,694.52, Emerge Enterprises 3,350.00 Foth Infrastructure & Environment LLC 10,901.19 Lonsdale City 3,800.30 Met-Con Construction Co Inc 255,266.24 Northland Safety Solutions LLC 2,000.00 Steele Waseca Electric Co 2,920.80 West Central Sanitation 5,523.02, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 198,085.32 Minnesota State Treasurer 11,903.50, Computer Integration Technologies Inc 7,310.00 Le Sueur County Sheriff 2,333.72, Nelrod Company/The 2,585.00 Widseth Smith Nolting Inc 7,343.00

3. Personnel Appointments

James Bond FT, Building Official Supervisor, Planning and Zoning at \$40.83/hr., eff. 01/02/2024
 Jon Bolster PT, Interim Director Emergency Mgmt, Sheriff's Office at \$32.72/hr., eff. 02/05/2024
 Alysha Strickland FT, Correctional Officer, Sheriff's Office/Jail at \$30.15/hr., eff. 2/1/2024
 Anne Gerber PT, Public Health Nurse, Community Health at \$35.84/hr., eff. 2/20/2024
 Chris Brekke FT, Interim Supervisor Solid Waste, Environmental Services at \$30.64/hr., eff. 2/4/2024

B. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve amendment number 2 to Minnesota Department of Corrections SWIFT Contract #195686.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

C. Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to re-appoint Charlie Peters to both the Rice County Planning Commission & Board of Adjustment for the 2024-2026 term.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

D. Motion by Jeff Docken, seconded by Jim Purfeerst to go into Closed Session under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13D.05 Subd. 3 (b) Attorney-Client-Privilege.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst to go out of Closed Session.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Jeff Docken, to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jeff Docken, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry

Hoisington, NAYS: None

Approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners this 27th day of February, 2024.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Galen Malecha, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator