

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building  
Tuesday, November 12, 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 and Hoisington. Docken and Underdahl were absent.
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the agenda as presented with the rescheduling of the Closed Session under MN Statute 13D.05 Subd. 3 (C)(3) to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the purchase or sale of real or personal property. Parcel ID's include the North ½ of 18.31.1.26.262, 18.31.1.26.267, 18.31.1.26.264, 18.31.1.26.263, 18.31.1.26.261, 18.31.1.26.266, 18.31.1.26.272 will be brought back at a later date when all commissioners are present.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting from October 22, 2024.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**II. OUTSIDE AGENCY: Anne Kilzer and Britta Torkelson Minnesota Rural Counties**

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, approval of joining the royal caucus of the Minnesota Rural Counties.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**III. OUTSIDE AGENCY: Lisa Dierks-Extension Board Presentation**

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, Approval of the 2025-2027 MOA between Rice County and the University of Minnesota Extension.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**IV. Drainage Authority: Jarett Spitzack**

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington to go into the Drainage Authority.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, Approval establishing Joint Lateral 1 to County Ditch 31 Drainage Authority.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to get out of the Drainage Authority.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**V. ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Joshua Schoen**

- A. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the funding request for entering into a contract with Pictometry International Corp., doing business as EagleView and Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative (MCCC). Funding for this will come from the Recorder's Compliance Fund.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**VI. PUBLIC HEALTH/NURSING: Deb Purfeerst**

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, giving authorization to set a public hearing date on December 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. and to publish Public Hearing Notice regarding a proposed Ordinance Regulating the Sale of Tobacco and Related Devices and Products within Rice County.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**VII. COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD: Deb Purfeerst**

- A. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Jim Purfeerst to go into Community Health Board.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None
- Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, Approve acceptance of Cannabis and**

**Substance Use (CSUP) Prevention Grant Award funding award of \$123,577.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to go out of Community Health Board.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**VIII. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebke**

**A. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve MnDOT contract number 1058027.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**B. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the final payment under contract # 2475, Project SP 066-603-010, in the amount of \$18,829.26 to Icon, LLC.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**IX. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted**

**A. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**1. Extra Time/ Over Time Report 10-18-2024**

**2. Payment of Bills**

Bills totaled: \$1,426,505.32- Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc 18,312.17, Advanced Septic Solutions Inc 2,762.71, Allina Health 2,222.43, Amazon Capital Services Inc 2,144.48, Amherst H Wilder Foundation 6,750.00, APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 2,913.91, Beyond Brink 4,800.00, Bongers/James Donald 39,600.00, Cardinal Health 110 Inc 10,131.84, Carleton College 74,000.00, Carr's Tree Service Inc 11,700.00, Community Co-Op General Office 9,745.94, Computer Integration Technologies Inc 7,521.58, Dynamic Electric LLC 2,103.00, Ecker/Stephen R 8,350.00, Emerge Enterprises 4,425.00, Erickson Engineering Company 3,429.00, Faribault City 2,772.88, Faribault Public Schools ISD 656 9,119.44, Healthfinders Collaborative Inc 28,086.16, Heselton Construction Llc 192,538.80, Houston County Sheriff 2,100.00, Imperial Dade 4,537.59, Insty-Prints 3,950.70, Integrity Material Sales Inc 2,255.10, Irwin Law Office 3,832.85, Kielmeyer Construction Inc 5,283.73, Kilgore/Douglas 2,000.00, Le Sueur County Sheriff 19,580.25, Lippert/David & Joanne 38,500.00, Martin Outdoor Innovations 14,596.50, Martin/James R. 2,150.00, Matejcek Implement 2,125.22, Met-Con Construction Co Inc 8,494.00, MetLife 14,589.18, Metro Sales Incorporated 25,763.00, Minnesota Counties Computer Coop 2,504.00, Minnesota Dept Of Transportation 32,082.02, Minnesota State Treasurer 13,008.00, Moore Engineering Inc 13,254.76, Northfield City 19,566.02, Northfield Community Action Center 11,448.00, Northland Business Systems Inc 3,161.41, Nuss Truck Group Inc 5,760.85, Oaklawn Cemetery 4,150.00, Office of MN IT Services 3,113.23, Paape Companies Inc 5,006.21, Patchin Messner Valuation Counselors 19,512.50, Poms Tire Service 6,000.00, ProEnc LLC 15,929.00, R C Bliss Inc 2,838.73, RDO Equipment Co 9,314.98, Rice County Agricultural Society 9,963.00, Rice Steele 911 Center 5,760.00, Sanchez Ponce/Ana Isabel 2,356.00, Scott County Treasurer 23,760.00, SHI International Corp 121,824.61, Summit Food Services LLC 13,821.12, Thomson Reuters - West 3,151.70, Timms Trucking Inc 112,232.27, Uline 4,951.10, Veolia Environmental Services 21,492.31, Waseca County HHW Division 2,360.64, Widseth Smith Nolting Inc 3,313.48, Ziegler Inc 4,665.12, Access On Time Companies Inc 14,820.00, Alternative Resolutions Inc 24,480.34, Barna/Benita 2,053.87, Benzick/Alyssa or Hannah 2,438.08, Blahnik Law Office PLLC 2,987.50, Boughton/Laura 3,187.16, Boyum/Michael 2,736.68, BROWN COUNTY EVALUATION CENTER 2,809.36, BROWN COUNTY FAMILY SERVICES 2,254.85, Cedar Valley Services Inc 30,614.64, Cummings Mobility Conversions & S 2,577.00, Douville/Corey & Jenny 4,179.73, Early Childhood Academy - New Prague 3,358.00, Fernbrook Family Center Inc 4,505.00, Forensic Nursing Home 3,084.00, Gardner/Kendra & Jeremy 2,135.28, Habilitation Center LLC dba Millcreek 17,980.00, Hahn Douville/Olivia or Samantha 10,774.98, Johnson/Scott or Stacy 2,895.40, Lawson/ Alicia 2,163.19, Moose Lake RTC 7,213.70, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 14,610.00, Nichols/Celia 2,938.49, Peterfeso/Charlie & Jenna 2,568.66, St Peter Rtc 6,924.00, Zabar/Anesa Marie 3,122.94

**3. Personnel Appointments**

Tanner Zabel FT, Probation Officer, Community Corrections at \$36.37/hr., eff. 11/18/2024

Liliana Rodriguez FT, Community Health Worker, Public Health at \$23.84/hr., eff. 11/18/2024

**B. Closed Session has been removed from the agenda and will be rescheduled at a later date.**

- C. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to accept and ratify the 2025, 2026 & 2027 union contract for the Teamsters Local 320 Social Services; and to authorize the Board Chairperson's signature on the completed contract.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, NAYS: None

**Approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners this 26th day of November, 2024.**

**RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Galen Malecha, Chairperson

**ATTEST:**

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Sara Folsted, County Administrator