

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson. Members present were: Purfeerst, Malecha, Underdahl and Peters.
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, request to approve the agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the regular board minutes from the Rice County Board meeting on March 25, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

II. PROPERTY TAX & ELECTIONS: Denise Anderson

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, Approval of the Off-Site Gambling Permit for Waseca Sleigh & Cutter on May 4, 2025, at The Channel Inn at 23219 Farwell Ave, Warsaw Township.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

III. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Angela Brewer

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, Approval for Rice County staff members to attend the RISE25 Treatment Court Conference in Kissimmee, Florida, May 28-31, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, Approval to publish/announce the opportunity for qualified defense counsel services for the Rice County Treatment Court Program.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Galen Malecha, Approve the contract for services from eHawk for use in Rice County Treatment Court.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

IV. SOCIAL SERVICES: Rick Gieseke, Megan Thomas or Chris Sammon

- A. **Motion by Charlie Peters, seconded by Steve Underdahl, Approve the transportation agreement between Rice County Social Services and Three Rivers, Inc.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the contract for Day Treatment Services with Lighthouse Psychological.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

V. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Jesse Thomas

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve and sign the 2025 State of Minnesota Annual County Boat and Water Safety Grant Contract Agreement.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VI. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE: Brian Mortenson

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, request to approve the Proclamation for National Crime Victims Week April 6-12, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

- VII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted**
- A. Motion by Charlie Peters, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the consent agenda as presented.**
 RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
1. Extra Time/ Over Time Report 03.21.2025
 2. Payment of bills
 Bills totaled: \$1,084,594.06- Access On Time Companies Inc 15,210.00, -- 2,697.21, Benzick/Alyssa or Hannah 2,328.10, Blahnik Law Office PLLC 2,928.33, Blue Earth County Human Services 3,793.37, BROWN COUNTY EVALUATION CENTER 13,329.37, Christensen/David or Anita 2,785.66, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 4,920.28, Dimick/Dan 3,010.66, Dungarvin Minnesota LLC 2,077.39, Early Childhood Academy - New Prague 3,274.40, Gardner/Kendra & Jeremy 2,423.58, Hahn Douville/Olivia or Samantha 13,261.80, Heartland Girls Ranch 11,139.23,----- 3,867.30, Northfield Community Action Center 8,681.11, Peterfeso/Charlie & Jenna 3,660.17, Smith/Paula Jo 2,762.10, Spinler/Melissa 2,833.91, Valley Lake Boys Home 8,856.00, Williams/Mikayla 3,354.78, Zabar/Anesa Marie 3,122.94, 180 Degrees, Inc 3,963.61, Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc 23,873.77, Advanced Septic Solutions Inc 13,794.96, Adventure Specialties Llc 2,921.90, Alternative Resolutions Inc 6,848.55, Amazon Capital Services Inc 2,098.60, Anoka County Corrections 12,447.23, APG Media of So Minnesota LLC 15,625.23, Assured Security 53,475.25, Auto Value Faribault 4,044.02, Beaudry Oil & Propane 19,888.27, Bierman Funeral Home Inc 7,836.10, Blahnik Prchal & Stoll 6,729.14, Bolton & Menk Inc 16,670.00, Community Co-Op General Office 9,854.93, Computer Integration Technologies Inc 88,626.00, Covert Track Group Inc 3,600.00, Dakota County Financial Services 15,327.00, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 12,976.53, DJ Medin Architects, Inc. 3,568.00, Ecker/Stephen R 2,700.00, Esri Inc 58,500.00, Faribault City 57,095.75, Hanzlick/Richard & Gwen 2,445.00, Jaspers, Moriarty & Wetherille P.A. 2,020.41, Kilgore/Douglas 3,100.00, Liberty Tire Recycling Llc 2,318.56, Lonsdale City 7,437.50, Martin/James R. 2,550.00, MCIT 2,500.00, Metro Sales Inc 20,854.89, Midwest Collision Inc 3,840.03, Minnesota State Treasurer 14,867.50, Northern Safety Technology 7,679.06, NORTHFIELD AREA YMCA 2,118.06, Northfield City 56,576.28, Nuss Truck Group Inc 6,404.78, O'Brien/Scott 4,000.00, Pump & Meter Service Inc 2,687.49, Regents Of The U of M 45,237.50, Rice County Agricultural Society 9,470.00, Rice County Historical Society 11,250.00, Rice County Soil & Water Cons 62,346.00, Road Machinery & Supplies Co 56,864.46, SHI International Corp 21,327.00, Steele Waseca Electric Co 4,197.87, Tritech Software Systems 20,548.84, Veolia Environmental Services 20,622.41, Waterford Oil Co Inc 20,316.80
 3. Personnel Appointments
 Deanna Rodriguez-Bella PT Temp, HRA Support Specialist, HRA Office at \$24.79/hr., eff. 4/14/2025
 Joseph Hinrichs FT, Assessor, Assessor's Office at \$34.79/hr., eff. 5/19/2025
 Joshua Johnson FT, Jail/Sheriff's Office at \$30.60/hr., eff. 4/14/2025
 Kellie Parkin FT, Social Worker MNChoices Assessor, Social Services at \$34.79/hr., eff. 4/28/2025
 Julia Schmitzer FT, Social Worker CAC/CADI/BI, Social Services at \$34.79/hr., eff. 4/14/2025
 Courtney Malecha FT, Social Worker Community Based Coordinator, Social Services at \$36.37/hr., eff. 4/7/2025
 Halima Dakane Housing Occupancy Assistant, GU Department at \$34.02/hr., eff. 3/31/2025
- B. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to accept and ratify the 2025, 2026 and 2027 union contract for MNPEA Community Corrections Union; and to authorize the Board Chairperson's signature on the completed contract.**
 RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VIII. SOCIAL SERVICES CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES PRESENTATION WALK THROUGH (Following Board Meeting in training rooms)

Social Services Child and Family Presentation Walk-Through (following the Board Meeting)

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

Approved by the Rice County Board of Commissioners this 22nd day of April, 2025.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator