

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, July 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 Charlie Peters, to approve the agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on June 24, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

II. OUTSIDE AGENCY: Sara Folsted will be presenting on behalf of NACo

- A. Presentation of the 2025 NACo Achievement Award

III. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Angela Brewer

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Services week proclamation.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

IV. SOCIAL SERVICES: Chris Sammon

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the Out-of-State Travel Request/2025 National Sexual Assault Conference.**
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 Steve Underdahl, to approve the out-of-state travel request for K9 handlers Deputy Krueger and Deputy Borash to attend the 2025 Police Canine Training from August 18th - 21st, 2025, in Tucson, AZ.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VI. DRAINAGE AUTHORITY: Dennis Luebbe

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to go into the Drainage Authority**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

Discussion regarding updating the Drainage Ditch Policy. It will be brought back to a board meeting once it's updated.

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to go out of the Drainage Authority.
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, 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 for 6.13.2025
 2. Payment of Bills
 3. Personnel Appointments
Toby Anderson FT, Supervisor Behavioral Health Services, Community Services at \$41.45/hr., eff.

7/21/2025

David Schwichtenberg FT, Temporary Maintenance Worker, Facilities at \$18.00/hr., eff. 6/30/2025

- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the SELCO Contract Renewal.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Charlie Peters, to go into 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 for the following parcels: Northern portion of 1831126262, 1831126272, 1831126271, 1831126263, 1831126264, 1831126267, 1831126266, 1831126265**

2nd parcel 1819176005

Third parcel 1836250006.

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

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to go out of Closed Session.

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

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, 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 July 2025.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator