

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, September 9, 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, to approve the agenda as presented.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Charlie Peters, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve Minutes — Regular Meeting — August 26, 2025, and a motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the Special Rice County Board of Commissioners Minutes, September 2, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

II. FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Chris Kluge

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve advertising for bids for the Conservation Building in two phases, with phase 1 requesting bids on structure repairs and cement work, and phase 2 requesting bids for roof replacement.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

III. SOCIAL SERVICES: Chris Sammon

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the annual renewal of Foster Transportation Purchase of Service agreements with Rice County area school districts.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement with Parent Coach Connection.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

IV. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Angela Brewer

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Galen Malecha, to proclaim September as Recovery Month in Rice County.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, approves the Interagency Agreement between Rice County and the State of Minnesota acting through its agent, the Third Judicial District Administrator's Office, for the funding period of the state's fiscal year 2026, July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

V. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE: Brian Mortenson

- A. **Motion by Charlie Peters, seconded by Galen Malecha, requesting approval to accept the 2026 grant funding for Crime Victim Services in the amount of \$70,000.00.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VI. PARKS: Dennis Luebbe

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the use of up to \$16,875 of available Park Dedication Fees for the construction of ADA access improvements to the Shager Park beach area.**
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 08-22-2025

2. Payment of Bills

Bills totaled: \$1,745,796.56 Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc 17,781.25, Alternative Resolutions Inc 7,966.10, Bierman Benson & Langehough Funeral Home 5,624.14, Bolton & Menk Inc 5,757.50, Brightly Software Inc 2,041.15, Bruce Harris & Associates Inc 9,644.22, Community Co-Op General Office 37,191.83, Consolidated Management Company 14,190.38, Fosters Brothers Marine Corp 25,368.60, Glenn's Service Inc 2,723.59, I & S Group Inc 3,500.00, Kielmeyer Construction Inc 6,915.15, Lacannes Marine Inc 11,779.96, M-R Sign Company 13,877.65, Matejcek Implement 5,841.36, Merit Contracting Inc 4,909.00, Messick Law PLLC 3,225.00, Met-Con Construction Co Inc 24,030.00, Metal Culverts Inc 23,290.80, Minnesota Dept Of Transportation 4,696.11, MSA Professional Services Inc 2,375.60, Northfield City 1,202,789.29, Nuss Truck Group Inc 8,710.00, Pumps Tire Service 2,491.26, Rice Lake Fab Inc 2,849.27, Rochester Diesel Inc 13,711.32, Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric 2,505.44, Stonebrooke Engineering Inc 5,402.41, Timms Trucking Inc 21,996.67, Twin City Filter Service Inc 7,265.56, Voice Products 23,096.50, Widseth Smith Nolting Inc 21,695.00, Wold Architects And Engineers Inc 13,359.38, Wsb & Associates Inc 4,272.50, Ziegler Inc 3,150.58, 180 Degrees, Inc 17,553.13, Gardner/Kendra & Jeremy 2,728.62, Hahn Douville/Olivia or Samantha 8,523.21, Koger/Carol L 2,599.69, Michels/Brandy 3,320.72, Our Circle Of Friends LLP 7,000.00, Scott County Treasurer 11,823.00, Village Ranch Inc 8,422.39, Workforce Development Inc 19,665.00, Zumbro Valley Health Center 3,220.00

3. Personnel Appointments

Erica Martinez FT, Child Support Officer, Social Services at \$28.60/hr., eff. 9/9/2025
Laci Fruit FT, Probation Officer, Community Corrections at \$34.79/hr., eff. 9/8/2025

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, 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 23rd day of September 2025.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator

