

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, October 28, 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 October 14, 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 Charlie Peters, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the Temporary Malt Liquor License for Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville, for November 1st, 2025, at 7525 Dodd Rd. Faribault.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

III. VETERAN'S SERVICES: Tracy McBroom

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the proclamation for Operation Green Light for the dates of November 4th through the 11th, 2025.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

IV. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Julie Runkel

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, Approve and adopt Resolution #25-038 — Resolution Amending the Solid Waste Service Fee Assessment and Adopting the 2026 Solid Waste Fee Schedule.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

V. COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD: Deb Purfeerst

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to go into the Community Health Board.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, approves Amendment No. 2 for C&TC Contract #230009.**
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 the Community Health Board.
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VI. SOCIAL SERVICES: Mike Johnston

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the updated Rice County Burial Policy.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VII. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebke

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve a contract with James Bros. Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$26,500 for repairs to the CSAH 19 embankment.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

VIII. DRAINAGE AUTHORITY: Jarett Spitzack

A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to go into the Drainage Authority.

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

The Drainage System Repair and Maintenance Policy was discussed with all Commissioners and will be brought back in December for approval.

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

IX. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

A. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, 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 10.3.2025

2. Payment of Bills

Bills Totaled: \$1,468,285.63 180 Degrees, Inc 16,986.90, Alternative Resolutions Inc 7,297.10, Amherst H Wilder Foundation 5,125.00, Anoka County Treasury Office 43,534.75, Arrow Electric LLC 12,814.21, Association Of Minnesota Counties 4,125.00, Beaudry Oil & Propane 19,908.05, Bluff View, LLC 2,637.00, Bruce Harris & Associates Inc 4,296.50, Capital Real Estate Tax Service 2,914.50, Cardinal Health 110 Inc 9,673.85, Community Co-Op General Office 9,163.83, Computer Integration Technologies Inc 5,315.00, Corelogic Centralized Refunds 3,907.00, Crysteel Truck Equipment 5,527.00, Dem-Con Materials Recovery 14,965.87, Dem-Con Trucking 20,940.92, Dynamic Electric LLC 7,669.00, Ecker/Stephen R 3,550.00, Energy Solution Partners LLC 17,312.97, Faribault Area Learning Center 29,315.00, Faribault Interiors Inc 48,563.00, Faribault Interiors Inc 26,250.00, Faribault Public Schools ISD 656 4,096.86, Houck Transit Advertising 2,550.00, Imperial Dade 3,568.41, Innovative Office Solutions 3,971.75, Kibble Equipment 6,446.37, Kielmeyer Construction Inc 14,424.35, Law Enforcement Labor Services 2,077.08, Liberty Tire Recycling Llc 2,542.77, Martin/James R 5,300.00, Merit Contracting Inc 3,394.00, Messick Law PLLC 2,490.00, MetLife 34,457.56, Metro Sales Inc 2,038.23, Minnesota Bureau Criminal Appr 3,000.00, Minnesota Counties Computer Coop 2,684.00, Minnesota Counties Computer Coop 8,069.46, Minnesota Counties Computer Coop 50,810.00, Minnesota Dept Of Transportation 20,148.10, Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 10,143.00, MN Public Employees Assoc 4,560.00, MSA Professional Services Inc 4,073.92, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 5,470.28, Northland Mechanical Contractors Inc 4,540.00, Office of MN IT Services 3,442.44, Paape Companies Inc 2,919.75, Paape Companies Inc 2,768.00, Patton Hoversten & Berg 2,055.00, Quadient Finance USA Inc 4,000.00, Quality Flow 23,500.00, Ratwik Roszak & Maloney Pa 7,943.60, Rice Steele 911 Center 4,764.75, Rochester Sand & Gravel 11,716.50, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community 44,348.53, SHI International Corp 5,179.01, Steele County Treasurer 494,871.58, Stonebrooke Engineering Inc 2,580.00, Superior Jetting 4,875.00, SymbolArts LLC 11,259.50, Thomson Reuters - West 2,729.70, Three Rivers Community Action 8,343.64, Towmaster 3,763.21, University of Washington 9,650.00, Viking Terrace MHC LLC 2,237.00, WMS Weber Multi Services, 4,777.50 Access On Time Companies Inc 24,032.00, Alternative Resolutions Inc 20,897.55, Blue Earth County Human Services 9,985.47, Dept Of Human Services SWIFT 10,705.93, Forensic Nursing Home 3,867.00, GONZALEZ/CYNTHIA & TRINIDAD 2,760.00, Horizon Homes Inc 77,307.12, Jones Law Firm 4,500.00, Le Sueur County Human Services 3,961.78, Moose Lake RTC 5,077.50, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 13,515.00, Nicollet County Social Services 4,148.74, Northfield Community Action Center 9,394.69, Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Inc 3,092.06, Scott County Treasurer 3,378.00, St Peter Rtc 7,512.00

3. Personnel Appointments

Fred Kath FT, Supervisor Landfill, Environmental Services at \$40.51/hr., eff. 10/28/2025
Muna Ahmed FT, Child Support Enforcement Aide, Social Services at \$24.98/hr., eff. 10/27/2025
Liliana Rodriguez FT, Community Health Worker, Social Services at \$24.98/hr., eff. 10/20/2025
Deanna Rodriguez-Bella FT, Office Support Specialist, HRA at \$24.79/hr., eff. 10/27/2025

B. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, requesting the Board to approve starting

the auction process.

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

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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 4th day of November 2025.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator