

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building  
Tuesday, November 25, 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 Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on November 18, 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 Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to Adopt: Resolution #25-042: Resolution adopting and confirming special assessments for delinquent utilities.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

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

- A. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the renewal agreement with Kristin Cook, RPT, for home-based physical therapy services.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

**IV. OUTSIDE AGENCY:**

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Charlie Peters, to consider approval and adoption of Resolution #25-050 regarding repeal of Minnesota's Moratorium on Nuclear Energy Production.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha

**V. ADULT SERVICES: Megan Thomas**

- A. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the Alternative Resolutions Inc. (ARI) contract.**  
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None

**Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the Scott County Guardianship Contract.**

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

**Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the LSS-Guardianship Contract.**

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

**Motion by Charlie Peters, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the LBS-SILS Contract.**

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

**Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the Cedar Valley Contract.**

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

**Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve the LSS-SILS Contract.**

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

- B. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Charlie Peters, to approve receiving the donation for the Friendship House.**

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 and adopt Resolution #25-049 and the DNR Cooperative Agreement for developing plans, and the construction of up to 6 shore fishing structures along CSAH 12 (Cannon Lake Trail).**

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

**VII. HIGHWAY: Dennis Luebbe**

- A. Presentation of the draft 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Plan**

- B. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, to set a Public Hearing on the proposed 2026 -2035 Transportation Improvement Plan at 9:00 a.m. on January 13th, 2026.**

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

- C. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve a public open house on December 16, 2025, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm, at the Government Services Building (Room C208) for review of, and to receive comments on, the proposed construction of a shared-use path adjacent to County Road 20.**

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

**VIII. ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted**

- A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Charlie Peters, 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 11-14-2025**

- 2. Payment of Bills**

Bills Totaled: \$613,157.04 ADP Inc 7,201.50, Alpha Training and Tactics 12,351.36, Assured Security 34,024.63, Blahnik Prchal & Stoll 6,712.50, Bruce Harris & Associates Inc 3,110.98, Community Co-Op General Office 5,622.58, Dakota County Financial Services 12,400.00, Dem-Con Materials Recovery 16,221.82, Dem-Con Trucking 22,144.10, Dick's Sanitation 27,067.80, Ecker/Stephen R 2,300.00, Emerge Enterprises 13,608.00, Faribault City 3,439.67, Foth Infrastructure & Environment LLC 36,787.53, I & S Group Inc 2,550.00, Imperial Dade 2,311.22, Information Systems Corp 24,460.00, Jaak LLC 3,773.99, Kilgore/Douglas 5,200.00, Law Enforcement Labor Services 2,012.42, Liberty Tire Recycling Llc 2,528.18, Messick Law PLLC 2,124.00, Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 10,288.00, MN Public Employees Assoc 4,560.00, Motorola Solutions Inc 20,652.00, Newterra Corporation, Inc 9,931.86, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 36,921.72, Peterson/Jena 2,100.00, RDO Equipment Co 2,984.80, Schneider Geospatial LLC 3,987.00, Squires, Waldspurger & Mace 2,385.00, Steven R. Stromquist 2,222.00, Three Rivers Community Action 2,393.21, Veolia Environmental Services 20,043.63, Xcel Energy 4,986.57, Access On Time Companies Inc 4,671.00, C.A. Rice LLC 10,800.00, Cxxxxx 4,597.24, Cedar Valley Services Inc 19,946.96, Community Action Center, Inc 8,945.34, Counseling Services Of Southern Mn Inc 2,355.00, Forensic Nursing Home 3,995.90, Goettl/Catherine 2,659.18, GONZALEZ/CYNTHIA & TRINIDAD 2,852.00, Horizon Homes Inc 77,519.76, Moose Lake RTC 5,386.25, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 13,965.50, Sheehan/Theresa M 8,074.57, St Peter Rtc 7,762.40

- 3. Personnel Appointments**

Tatiana Achar PT, Office Specialist, Public Health at \$24.39/hr., eff. 11/24/2025  
Elaine Dworak FT, Child Support Enforcement Aide, Social Services at \$26.11/hr., eff. 11/24/2025  
Angela Orebanjo FT, Probation Officer, Community Corrections at \$34.79/hr., eff. 12/1/2025  
Jeremy Viskocil FT, Heavy Equipment Operator, E-Services-Landfill at \$27.25/hr., eff. 11/24/2025  
Muna Ahmed FT, Child Support Enforcement Aide, Social Services at \$24.98/hr., eff. 11/17/2025

**IX. 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 2nd day of December 2025.**

**RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Gerry Hoisington, Chairperson

**ATTEST:**

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Sara Folsted, County Administrator