

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Charlie Peters, Chairperson. Members present were: Purfeerst, Malecha, Underdahl, and Hoisington.
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the agenda, adding Representative Keith Allen to the Agenda following Community Services Department.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on June 9, 2026.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- D. Retirement Recognition for Karrie Siegfried, Rice County Social Services

II. OUTSIDE AGENCY:

- A. MICA Presentation (Legislative updates from 2026 session)

III. PROPERTY TAX & ELECTIONS: Denise Anderson

- A. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to renew the Tobacco License for Parkside General Store, 230 Main St, Nerstrand, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- B. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve to renew the on-sale malt liquor license for Webster Sports & Rec Association, 4633 40th St W, Webster, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- C. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve to renew the Wine Liquor License for Webster Sports & Recreation Association, at 4633 40th St W, Webster, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- D. **Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve to renew the On & Off Sale Malt Liquor License for LeMieux Resort, 7710 Cedar Lake Rd Blvd, Faribault, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- E. **Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve to renew the Wine Liquor License for LeMieux Resort, 7710 Cedar Lake Blvd, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- F. **Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the Temporary on-sale liquor license for Rotary Club of Northfield at Red Barn Farm, 10063 110th St E, Northfield, on July 9, 2026.**
RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Gerry Hoisington, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None
- G. **Motion by Gerry Hoisington, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the Temporary on-sale**

liquor license for Church of the Most Holy Trinity at 4939 N Washington St, Veseli, on August 16, 2026.

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

- H. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the renewal of On & Off-Sale, including Sunday liquor license for The Lodge on Lake Mazaska, 7170 153rd St W, Faribault, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

- I. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Steve Underdahl, to approve the renewal of the on-sale, including Sunday liquor license for Straight River Golf Course, 23442 Cates Ave, Faribault, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

- J. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve the renewal of the on-and-off-sale malt liquor license for Roberds Lake Resort & Campground, 18197 Roberds Lake Blvd, Faribault, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

- K. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the renewal of the Wine liquor license for Roberds Lake Resort & Campground, 18197 Roberds Lake Blvd, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

- L. Motion by Jim Purfeerst, seconded by Galen Malecha, to approve the renewal of the Off-Sale Malt liquor license for Pilot Travel Center #576, 8057 Bagley Ave, Northfield, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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 Steve Underdahl, to approve the Final Plat with the conditions and findings recommended by Rice County Planning Staff for Adam Simon, on behalf of the landowners Scott & Carol Bordignon. The property is located in Section 13 of Erin Township.**

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

V. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Allan Klug

- A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, to approve the purchase of 80 laptops for \$132,376 from CIT as quoted.**

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

VI. PARKS: Dennis Luebbe

- A. Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to go into Public Hearing regarding proposed updates to the Rice County Parks Ordinance.**

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

Nobody came forward during the Public Hearing.

Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to go out of the Public Hearing.

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

VII. COMMUNITY SERVICES: Rick Gieseke and Toby Anderson

- A. Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Gerry Hoisington, approves the lease agreement with**

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

Representative Keith Allen presented with more legislative updates from the 2026 session.

VIII.

ADMINISTRATION: Sara Folsted

A. Motion by Steve Underdahl, 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 05-29-2026.
2. Payment of Bills

Bills Totaled: \$1,235,744.21 ABC Bus Inc 2,236.54, Access On Time Companies Inc 12,000.00, Advanced Septic Solutions Inc 7,622.12, BHE Community Solar LLC 19,337.41, Cdw Government Inc 5,386.56, Children Youth & Families Dept 3,551.16, Community Action Center, Inc 3,090.00, Community Co-Op General Office 23,712.60, Dakota County Financial Services 16,168.81, Dem-Con Materials Recovery 5,258.96, Dem-Con Trucking 22,524.15, Dundas City 358,279.90, Erickson Engineering Company 6,171.30, Faribault City 17,474.10, Faribault City 12,400.00, Faribault Public Schools ISD 656 12,867.17, Foth Infrastructure & Environment LLC 22,396.21, Imperial Dade 2,803.96, Innovative Office Solutions 2,197.43, Irwin Law Office 12,579.00, Kilgore/Douglas 5,400.00, KNOWiNK LLC 12,945.00, M & W Blacktopping LLC 20,345.00, Malecha's Auto Body LLC 3,517.47, Martin/James R 3,100.00, Metro FiberNet LLC 6,442.72, Metro Sales Inc 87,902.65, Midwest Collision Inc 4,817.00, Minnesota Dept Of Labor & Industry 2,929.67, Minnesota Monitoring Inc 3,211.25, Minnesota Teamsters Union #320 10,093.00, Mitchell1 3,060.00, MN Public Employees Assoc 4,464.00, Northfield Healthy Community Initiative 9,684.83, Northwestern Minnesota Juvenile Center 5,872.50, Office of MN IT Services 3,442.44, Olmsted Co Health, Housing, Human Serv 19,742.50, Otis Elevator Company 4,080.79, Owatonna Veterinary Hospital 3,987.77, Paape Companies Inc 6,522.50, Parker Kohl Funeral Home & Crematory 3,234.00, Quadient Finance USA Inc 2,480.00, R C Bliss Inc 65,159.87, School Dist #656 6,200.00, Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Serv. 5,084.72, Summit Companies 3,700.00, T-10 Construction Services LLC 22,139.04, Three Rivers Community Action 2,930.54, United States Postmaster 6,787.47, Waseca County Attorney's Office 2,251.43, WWGoetsch Associates Inc 5,930.59, Access On Time Companies Inc 27,945.00, Community Action Center, Inc 3,764.02, Community Living Options 2,358.48, Dimick/Dan 2,167.37, Ecker/Stephen R 3,000.00, Family Alternatives 3,037.07, Forensic Nursing Home 3,995.90, Horizon Homes Inc 81,381.61, ----- 2,206.00, Moose Lake RTC 5,138.25, MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM 13,965.50, Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Inc 2,273.81, Sawatzke/Haley Jo 3,680.88, Scott County Treasurer 17,343.00, St Peter Rtc 11,643.60, Village Ranch Inc 9,478.59, Volunteers Of America 10,030.67

3. Personnel Appointments

Amy Keilen FT, Social Worker CAC/CADI/BI, Social Services at \$40.91/hr., eff. 6/29/2026
Curtis Barr FT, Correctional Officer, Sheriff's Office/Jail at \$31.67/hr., eff. 6/29/2026
Karie Francis, Interim Assistant Jail Administrator, Sheriff's Office/Jail at \$45.91/hr., eff. 5/10/2026
Erik Rodriguez FT, Social Worker CAC/CADI/BI, Social Services at \$36.01/hr., eff. 7/1/2026
Lilliana Wunderlich FT, Legal Assistant, Attorney's Office at \$27.67/hr., eff. 7/6/2026
Sydney Bauer, Seasonal FT, Highway and Parks Maintenance, Highway Department at \$20.00 hr., eff. 6/15/2026

Anna Holicky, Temporary PT, Election Judge, Property Tax & Elections at \$20.00/hr., eff. 6/16/2026
Carlo Veltri, Temporary PT, Election Judge, Property Tax & Elections at \$20.00/hr., eff. 6/16/2026
Debra Voorhies, Temporary PT, Election Judge, Property Tax & Elections at \$20.00/hr., eff. 6/16/2026
Ben Fisher, Temporary PT, Election Judge, Property Tax & Elections at \$20.00/hr., eff. 6/16/2026
Ruth Pacheco FT, Office Specialist, Public Health at \$24.17/hr., eff. 6/8/2026

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Steve Underdahl, seconded by Galen Malecha, 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 14th day of July 2026.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Charlie Peters, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sara Folsted, County Administrator