



Board of Commissioners Minutes

15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102
651-266-9200

February 20, 2024 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:01 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Martinson. Also present were Ryan O'Connor, County Manager, and Jada Lewis, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Present: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Absent: Moran

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner Ortega.

1. Agenda of February 20, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2023-652](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of February 20, 2024.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

2. Minutes from February 6, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2023-674](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the February 6, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: Moran

PRESENTATION OF AWARD

3. Ramsey County Employee Achievement Award: Dawn Colliander, Workforce Solutions [2024-009](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

None. For information and discussion only.

Presented by Commissioner Frethem. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4. Appointment to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District [2024-054](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Appointment Val Eisele to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District Board of Managers for a term beginning February 24, 2024 and ending on February 23, 2027.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: Moran

Resolution: [B2024-031](#)

5. Certification of Property Assessed Clean Energy Charges for Energy Improvements

[2024-032](#)

Sponsors: Community & Economic Development

1. Request the County Auditor to extend the proposed special assessment plus interest on the following property:

Owner: GA and J Properties LLC

Property Address: 1375 St Anthony Ave, Saint Paul, MN 55104

PIN: 34-29-23-31-0029

Project Type: Insulation, roof and solar upgrades

Assessment Request: \$34,000

Interest Rate: 7.00 %

Interest Starts Accruing: 01/01/2025

Finance Period: 10 years

Such assessments shall be payable in equal annual principal and interest installments extending over the term of the special assessment. The first of the installments shall be payable with general property taxes in 2024, and shall bear interest at the rates per annum and interest start date stated above, and to the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the interest start date until December 31 of the tax payable year to which the first installment will be extended, and to each subsequent installment, when due, shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments and to each installment shall also be added the special assessment administration fee required by Minnesota Statutes section 429.061, subdivision 5.

2. Request the County Auditor to extend the proposed special assessment plus interest on the following property:

Owner: GA and J Properties LLC

Property Address: 1375 St Anthony Ave, Saint Paul, MN 55104

PIN: 34-29-23-31-0030

Project Type: Insulation, roof and solar upgrades

Assessment Request: \$189,000

Interest Rate: 7.00 %

Interest Starts Accruing: 01/01/2025

Finance Period: 10 years

Such assessments shall be payable in equal annual principal and interest installments extending over the term of the special assessment. The first of the installments shall be payable with general property taxes in 2024, and shall bear interest at the rates per annum and interest start date stated above, and to the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the interest start date until December 31 of the tax payable year to which the first installment will be extended, and to each subsequent installment, when due, shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments and to each installment shall also be added the special assessment administration fee required by Minnesota Statutes section 429.061, subdivision 5.

3. Direct the Chief Clerk to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor to extend the assessments for PIN 34-29-23-31-0029 and PIN 34-29-23-31-0030 on the property tax lists of the county.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: Moran

Resolution: B2024-032

6. 2023 Budget Adjustments for Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and Ramsey County Attorney's Office [2024-051](#)

Sponsors: Finance

1. Authorize the County Manager and the Chief Financial Officer to transfer up to \$600,000 to the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office budget and the Ramsey County Attorney's Office budget from the unallocated general account in 2023.
2. Authorize the use of remaining funds in the Sheriff's Office State Fair Project for 2023 operating budget expenses.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: Moran

Resolution: B2024-033

POLICY ITEM

7. 2024 Capital Improvement Program Bond Series 2024A - Report on Sale [2023-475](#)

Sponsors: Finance

None. For discussion only.

Presented by Finance staff. Discussion can be found on archived video.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative Committee Vice Chair Martinson provided legislative updates. Discussion can be found on archived video.

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

Presented by County Manager, Ryan O'Connor. Discussion can be found on archived video.

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion can be found on archived video.

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Presented by Chair Martinson. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Martinson declared the meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

