

Board of Commissioners Minutes

August 26, 2025 - 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: Jebens-Singh, Miller, Moran, Xiong and Vice-Chair McGuire. Commissioner McMurtrey and Chair Ortega were excused. Also present were Ling Becker, County Manager, and Scott Schwahn, Assistant County Attorney, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong
Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Presented by Commissioner Jebens-Singh.

1. Agenda of August 26, 2025 is Presented for Approval [2025-323](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of August 26, 2025.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong

Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

2. Minutes from August 19, 2025 are Presented for Approval [2025-324](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the August 19, 2025 Minutes.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong

Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Sanitary Sewer Pipeline Right of Entry Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for Access to Grass Lake section of Vadnais-Snail Lakes Regional Park [2025-311](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Approve a Temporary Right of Entry Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for access to Grass Lake section of Vadnais-Snail Lakes Regional Park for the completion of a sanitary improvement project.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Temporary Right of Entry

- agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and amendments in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are consistent with compensation requirements within the Right of Entry Agreement with the Metropolitan Council.
 4. Authorize the County Manager to accept compensation funds from the Metropolitan Council to be given to the Parks & Recreation department to complete work identified within the compensation section of the Temporary Right of Entry Agreement with Metropolitan Council.
 5. Authorize the County Manager to establish a project number for restoration compensation funds in the Parks and Recreation budget.

Motion by Jebens-Singh, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong

Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

Resolution: B2025-160

5. Agreement with Independent School District 622 for Election Services [2025-313](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Approve the agreement with North St. Paul, Maplewood, and Oakdale Independent School District 622 for election services for the period of September 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026 in the amount of \$118,290, with the option to renew for one additional two-year terms.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreements in accordance with the provisions of the agreements and with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, and in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

Motion by Jebens-Singh, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong

Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

Resolution: B2025-161

4. Rice Creek Commons Public Road Right of Way Dedication [2025-309](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Authorize the County Manager to approve, execute, and deliver the subdivision plat known as "RICE CREEK COMMONS SECOND ADDITION", in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office and the County Surveyor's Office.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Jebens-Singh, seconded by Miller. Motion passed.

Aye: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, Miller, Moran, and Xiong

Excused: McMurtrey, and Ortega

Resolution: B2025-162

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

Presented by County Manager, Ling Becker. Discussion can be found on archived video.

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion can be found on archived video.

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Presented by Vice-Chair McGuire. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair McGuire declared the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

CLOSED MEETING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 13D.05, subdivision 3(b) in order to discuss Purdue Opioid Settlement. The Ramsey County Board met in a closed meeting, which is not open to the public.

In Re Purdue Opioid Settlement

The Closed Meeting was called to order at 10:31 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Jebens-Singh, Miller, Moran, Xiong, and Vice-Chair McGuire

Absent: McMurtrey and Ortega

Also present: Ling Becker, Ramsey County Manager; Kristine Nogosek, Assistant County Attorney, Ramsey County Attorney's Office; Scott Schwahn, Assistant County Attorney, Ramsey County Attorney's Office; David Asp, Lockridge Grindal Nauen; Alex Kotze, Chief Financial Officer, Finance; Nadir Abdi, Deputy County Manager, Health and Wellness Service Team; Amy Caron, Director, Public Health; Deanna Pesik, Chief Compliance and Ethics Officer, Compliance and Ethics Office; Mandy Malecek, Enterprise Risk Manager, Compliance and Ethics; Jason Patten, Risk Specialist, Compliance and Ethics Office; Jason Yang, Chief Clerk, County Manager's Office.

The Board of Ramsey County Commissioners authorized the Ramsey County staff to proceed as discussed in this closed meeting.

The closed meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.