

Board of Commissioners Minutes

September 20, 2022 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Carter, Frethem, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Chair MatasCastillo. Also present were Ryan O'Connor, County Manager, and Amy Schmidt, Asst. County Attorney, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Presented by Commissioner McDonough:

Every community owes its existence and vitality to generations from around the world who contributed their hopes, dreams, and energy to making the history that led to this moment. Some were brought here against their will, some were drawn to leave their distant homes in hope of a better life, and some have lived on this land since time immemorial. Truth and acknowledgment are critical to building mutual respect and connection across all barriers of heritage and difference.

We are standing on the ancestral lands of the Dakota People. We want to acknowledge the Ojibwe, the Ho Chunk and the other nations of people who also called this place home. We pay respects to their elders past and present. Please take a moment to consider the treaties made by the tribal nations that entitle non-Native people to live and work on traditional Native lands. Consider the many legacies of violence, displacement, migration, and settlement that bring us together here today. And please join us in uncovering such truths at any and all public events.

1. Agenda of September 20, 2022 is Presented for Approval [2022-334](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of September 20, 2022.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

2. Minutes from September 6, 2022 are Presented for Approval [2022-335](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the September 6, 2022 Minutes.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

PROCLAMATION

3. Proclamation: Hispanic Heritage Month [2022-467](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

Presented by Commissioner Carter. Ramsey County staff of the Hispanic community were present to accept the proclamation. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4. Terms of Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters 320 Correctional Officers I & II for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024 [2022-479](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Approve the terms of the collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters 320 Correctional Officers I and II for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and the County Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-215](#)

5. Terms of Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters 320 Probation Officers for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024 [2022-480](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Approve the terms of the collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters 320 Probation Officers for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and the County Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-216](#)

6. Grant Award from Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program [2022-481](#)

Sponsors: Veterans Services

1. Ratify the submission of the grant application to the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs in the amount of \$22,500 for County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program.
2. Accept a grant award and approve a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$22,500.
3. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the grant agreement.
4. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and execute amendments to agreements in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of the grant funding.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-217](#)

7. Lease Agreement with Frogtown Curling Club for Biff Adams Arena [2022-448](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Approve the Lease Agreement with Frogtown Curling Club for the Biff Adams Arena, 473 Western Avenue North in Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55103, for the period of September 20, 2022 through June 30, 2032 with the option to renew for one additional five-year period in the amount of \$274,800.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Lease Agreement.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-218](#)

8. Cooperative Agreement with the City of Saint Paul for Winter Recreation Operations [2022-496](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Approve the Cooperative Agreement with the city of Saint Paul, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, Saint Paul, MN 55102 for a joint ski pass system and shared use of the Battle Creek Recreation center for the period of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2023.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the cooperative agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to renew the cooperative agreement up to four additional one-year terms with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.
4. Authorize a one-time payment of \$25,000 to the city of Saint Paul to support winter sports programming capital investments at Battle Creek Recreation Center.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-219](#)

10. Restructure of Ramsey County Citizens Advisory Council as Community Advisory Council [2022-473](#)

Sponsors: Social Services

1. Repeal Resolutions 79-665, 79-681, 81-698, and 2002-410 regarding the Ramsey County Citizens Advisory Council.
2. Approve the restructure of the Ramsey County Citizens Advisory Council as the Community Advisory Council to partner with and advise Social Services, Financial Assistance Services and the Health and Wellness Administrative Division.
3. Delegate to the County Manager or designee the authority to appoint members to the Community Advisory Council and to approve revisions to the bylaws.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2022-220](#)

9. Joint Powers Agreement with City of Saint Paul for Workforce Services Through American Rescue Plan Act Funds [2022-397](#)

Sponsors: Workforce Solutions

1. Approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the city of Saint Paul for workforce

services through American Rescue Plan Act funds.

2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: B2022-221

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 MatasCastillo. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair MatasCastillo declared the meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.