

Board of Commissioners

Minutes

June 25, 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, Moran, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Martinson. Commissioner Ortega was absent. Also present were Johanna Berg, County Manager, and Jada Lewis, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner Moran.

1. Agenda of June 25, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2023-669](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of June 25, 2024.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

2. Minutes from June 18, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2023-690](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the June 18, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Amendment to Administrative Code - Chapter 5, Employee Personal Effects Policy [2024-198](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

1. Approve the amendments to the Administrative Code, Section 5.10.27, Employee Personal Effects Policy.
2. Direct the Chief Clerk to the Ramsey County Board to amend the Administrative Code to reflect the approved amendments.

Motion by Moran, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-112

5. Cooperative Agreements with General Contractors for Construction Services [2024-227](#)

Sponsors: Property Management

1. Approve the selection of and the agreements for the General Contractor Cooperative Contracts identified below for the period of June 25, 2024 through June 24, 2029, in accordance with the rates established in the agreements:
 - Construction Results Corporation, 5465 Highway 169 North, Plymouth, MN 55442
 - General Contractors of Minnesota, Inc., 2201 107th Lane Northeast, Blaine, MN 55449
 - Lindee Construction Services, LLC, 1971 Ashland Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55104
 - Cy-Con, Inc., 110 Sycamore Street West, Saint Paul, MN 55117
 - Greiner Construction, 121 South 8th Street, Suite 1200, Minneapolis, MN 55402
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreements.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreements in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of available funding.

Motion by Moran, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-113

6. Rice Creek Commons Annual Financial Report and Combined Project Budget [2024-171](#)

Sponsors: Community & Economic Development, Finance

1. Accept the 2023 Rice Creek Commons Annual Financial Report.
2. Accept the 2024 Rice Creek Commons Combined Project Budget.
3. Approve a \$500,000 loan from the general fund to the 2024 Rice Creek Commons Combined Project Budget to be paid back upon the execution of the sale of Outlot A.

Motion by Moran, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-114

4. Agreement with Morcon Construction Company, Inc. for Metro Square Service Center Remodel Project [2024-226](#)

Sponsors: Property Management

1. Approve the selection of and agreement with Morcon Construction Company, Inc., 5151 Industrial Boulevard Northeast, Fridley, MN 55421, for the Metro Square Service Center Remodel project, for the period of June 25, 2024 through June 24, 2025, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,522,000.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreement in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within

the limits of available funding.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-115

POLICY ITEM

7. Amendment to Appointments to the Recycling and Energy Board

[2024-285](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

1. Amend the appointments to the Recycling and Energy Board as follows:

- Frethem
- McGuire
- Ortega
- Reinhardt
- Xiong
- Moran - Alternate

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-116

ORDINANCE PROCEDURES

8. Adoption of the Ramsey County Commissioner's Salary Ordinance for 2025

[2024-216](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

Adopt the Proposed Ramsey County Commissioner's Salary Ordinance for 2025.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: B2024-117

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

Presented by County Manager, Johanna Berg. 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 9:58 a.m.

CLOSED MEETING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 13D.05 subdivision 3(b) in order to discuss *Sporleder v State of Minnesota, et al.*, the Ramsey County Board will meet in a closed meeting, which is not open to the public.

In Re *Sporleder v State of Minnesota, et al.*

The Closed Meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Martinson. Also present: Johanna Berg, County Manager; Jada Lewis, Director of Civil Division, Office of the Ramsey County Attorney; Karen Francois, Deputy County Manager, Information and Public Records Service Team; Tracy West, Ramsey County Treasurer and Auditor, Property Taxes, Records and Election Services; Alex Kotze, Chief Finance Officer, Finance; Mandy Malecek, Enterprise Risk Manager, Compliance & Ethics Office; Jason Patten, Claims Analyst, Compliance & Ethics Office; and Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board, County Manager's Office.

Motion by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Frethem. Unanimously approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Ramsey County Commissioners:

- Approve the settlement agreement negotiated in *Sporleder v. State, et al.*, Court File No. 62 -CV-23-3405, which is funded by a legislative appropriation in Chapter 113 of the 2024 Session Laws.
- Authorize the County Auditor to meet the requirements for participating counties outlined in Chapter 113 of the 2024 Session Laws.
- Authorize the County Attorney or designee to execute the settlement agreement on behalf of Ramsey County.

(Resolution B2024-118)

The closed meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.