

Board of Commissioners Minutes

May 28, 2024 - 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: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Martinson. 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, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Presented by Commissioner Frethem.

1. Agenda of May 28, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2023-665](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of May 28, 2024.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from May 21, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2023-686](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the May 21, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

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

PRESENTATION OF AWARD

3. National Association of Social Workers Minnesota Chapter - Social Worker of the Year Award [2024-179](#)

Sponsors: Social Services

None. For information and discussion only.

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

PROCLAMATION

4. Proclamation: Darren Tobolt Day [2024-211](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

5. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 67 Magnolia Avenue West, Saint Paul, MN 55117 [2024-181](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 3
 - PIN: 30-29-22-22-0153
 - Property Address: 67 Magnolia Avenue West, Saint Paul, MN 55117
 - Repurchase amount due to date: \$4,729
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Pang Fang Moua, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2024-095](#)

6. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 287 Cecelia Place, Saint Paul, MN 55105 [2024-182](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 4
 - PIN: 10-28-23-12-0094
 - Property Address: 287 Cecelia Place, Saint Paul, MN 55105
 - Repurchase amount due to date: \$29,094
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by David Neel Fodor, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2024-096](#)

7. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 523 Western Avenue North, Saint Paul, MN 55103 [2024-183](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 4
 - PIN: 36-29-23-24-0081
 - Property Address: 523 Western Avenue North, Saint Paul, MN 55103

- Repurchase amount due to date: \$10,497
- 2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Danny Tran, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-097

8. Parcel C Easement Amendment 1 with the United States of America in the [2024-180](#)
Rice Creek Regional Trail Corridor

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Approve Easement Amendment 1 Agreement with the United States of America for Parcel C within the Rice Creek Regional Trail corridor.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Parcel C Easement Amendment 1 agreement.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-098

9. Personnel Complement Increase in Financial Assistance Services [2024-115](#)

Sponsors: Financial Assistance Services

Approve an increase in the personnel complement of the Financial Assistance Service department up to 28.00 Full Time Equivalent.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-099

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

10. Presentation: Legislative Update 2024 [2024-212](#)

Sponsors: Policy & Planning

None. For information and discussion only.

Presented by Commissioner Moran and Government Relations staff. Discussion can be found on archived video.

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 10:50 a.m.