



Board of Commissioners Minutes

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Saint Paul, MN 55102
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March 5, 2024 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:02 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 Xiong

1. Agenda of March 5, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2023-654](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of March 5, 2024.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from February 27, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2023-676](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the February 27, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 [2024-046](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Accept the Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for the period of October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2024-040](#)

4. Maryann Tucker, Parent of D.T. v. Dwight Fontae Smith and Ramsey County [2024-081](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Delegate the authority to determine whether Ramsey County shall defend and indemnify former employee, Dwight Fontae Smith, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 466.07, subdivision 1, to Ramsey County Community Corrections Director Monica Long and that Director Long's determination shall constitute Ramsey County's final and binding decision.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-041

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Presented by Commissioner Moran. 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 9:42 a.m.