

Board of Commissioners Minutes

May 21, 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 Stacey D'Andrea, Assistant County Attorney, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Xiong missed Roll Call and arrived at 9:01 a.m. and was present the rest of the board meeting.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Presented by Commissioner Reinhardt

1. Agenda of May 21, 2024 is Presented for Approval

[2023-664](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of May 21, 2024.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from May 14, 2024 are Presented for Approval

[2023-685](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the May 14, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

PROCLAMATION

3. Proclamation: National Public Works Week

[2024-194](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Presented by Commissioner McGuire, discussion can be found on archived video.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4. Obligation of American Rescue Plan Act Funding for 2024 Housing Development Projects [2024-169](#)
- Sponsors: Community & Economic Development
1. Approve the obligation of American Rescue Plan Act funding for recommended projects and funding amounts for the preservation and construction of affordable housing in the amount of \$4,127,970.
 2. Authorize the County Manager to enter into the necessary loan or other agreements and execute amendments to loan or other agreements in a manner consistent with the American Rescue Plan Act regulations and requirements, federal, state and local regulations and requirements, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.
- Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-087](#)
5. Amendment to Twin Cities Army Ammunition Plan Master Plan [2024-170](#)
- Sponsors: Community & Economic Development
- Approve the amended Twin Cities Army Ammunition Plan Master Plan
- Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-088](#)
6. Cooperative Expenditure Grant Agreement Proof of Concept for Food Security [2024-163](#)
- Sponsors: Health and Wellness
1. Authorize the County Manager to implement the cooperative expenditure grant agreement Purchasing and Contracting Transformation pilot for Food Security Cooperative Grant project for Health and Wellness.
 2. Authorize the County Manager to enter into multiple cooperative expenditure grant agreements and execute amendments to agreements in a form approved by Finance and the County Attorney's Office.
- Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-089](#)
7. Appointment of County Agricultural Inspector [2024-135](#)
- Sponsors: Parks & Recreation
- Appoint Justin Townsend as the County Agricultural Inspector.
- Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-090](#)
8. Sanitary Sewer Pipeline Right of Entry Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for Access to Vadnais-Snail Lake Regional Park [2024-164](#)
- Sponsors: Parks & Recreation
1. Approve a Right of Entry Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for access to Snail section of Vadnais-Snail Lake Regional Park for the completion of a sanitary

- improvement project.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
 3. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to extend the term of the access agreement in accordance with the provisions of the agreement and with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.
 4. 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.
 5. Authorized the County Manager to make temporary cash loans, as needed, from the General Fund to the Parks and Recreation Department to completed work identified within the compensation section of the Right of Entry Agreement with Metropolitan Council with reimbursement to the county for project work completed.
 6. Authorize the County Manager to establish a project to account for activities identified for reimbursement.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-091

9. Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 [2024-167](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Accept the Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for the period of January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-092

10. Appointment to the Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County [2024-042](#)

Sponsors: Workforce Solutions

Appoint Sara Garbe to represent One-Stop Partners on the Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County for a term beginning May 21, 2024, and ending July 31, 2025.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-093

11. Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Local and Regional Plan for 2024-2027 [2024-131](#)

Sponsors: Workforce Solutions

1. Approve and authorize the submission of the Local and Regional Plans for Adult Employment Services in Program Years 2024-2027 (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027) to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development as required by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.
2. Authorize the acceptance and expenditure of funds for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Adult, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Dislocated Worker, and Minnesota Dislocated Worker programs for the Program Years 2024-2027.
3. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and amendments to

- agreements in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of the grant funding.
4. Authorize the County Manager to apply for and accept additional grant funds from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development for the period of July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2024-094

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

No County Connection updates.

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion can be found on archived video.

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

No Board Chair update.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Martinson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.