



# Board of Commissioners

## Minutes

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Saint Paul, MN 55102  
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August 23, 2022 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

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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 (remotely via Zoom) Sam Clark, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

### ROLL CALL

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

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner Carter:

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.

1. Agenda of August 23, 2022 is Presented for Approval [2022-330](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of August 23, 2022.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from August 16, 2022 are Presented for Approval [2022-331](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the August 16, 2022 Minutes.

Motion by Carter, seconded by McDonough. Motion passed.

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

**PROCLAMATION**

3. Proclamation: Luis Rosario, Ramsey County Assessor [2022-466](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Chair MatasCastillo tabled this item until September 6.

This Proclamation was tabled.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

5. Renewal of Active Employee and Early Retiree Medical Insurance Contract with HealthPartners for 2023 [2022-453](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Approve renewal of the contract with HealthPartners Inc., 8100 34th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55440, to continue the HealthPartners Distinctions plan for Active Employees and Early Retirees for Plan Year 2023 at a 9% premium increase without any plan design changes, resulting in a total premium of \$1,103 for single coverage and \$2,629 for family coverage.
2. Authorize the County Manager to execute the 2023 contract renewal with HealthPartners.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-193](#)

6. Renewal of Employee/Retiree Dental, Employee Life and Employee Disability Insurance Contracts for 2023 [2022-454](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Approve renewal of the contract with HealthPartners, 8170 33rd Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55440, for dental insurance for active employees and retirees for Plan Year 2023, at a 3% rate increase with no plan design changes resulting in a total premium of \$46 for Single coverage and \$103 for Family coverage.
2. Approve renewal of the contract with Minnesota Life, 400 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN 55101, for county-paid Basic Life insurance, and employee-paid Optional Employee and Spouse Life, Dependent Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment insurance for Plan Year 2023 at a 0% rate increase with no plan design changes.
3. Approve renewal of the contract with National Insurance Services of Wisconsin, Inc., 14852 Scenic Heights Road #210, Eden Prairie, MN 55344, for county-paid Basic Long-Term Disability and employee-paid Optional Long-Term Disability and employee-paid Short-Term Disability insurance for Plan Year 2023 at a 0% rate increase with no plan design changes.
4. Authorize the County Manager to execute the 2023 contract renewals with HealthPartners, Minnesota Life and National Insurance Services of Wisconsin.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-194](#)

7. Third Amendment to Lease Agreement with Badger Properties Riverview, LLC. [2022-443](#)

Sponsors: Property Management, Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Approve the Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Badger Properties Riverview, LLC, 421 Wabasha Street North, Suite 200, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102 for an additional 5,000 square feet of warehouse space in the Riverview Business Center located at 105 State Street, Suite 200, Saint Paul, MN, 55107, for the period of September 1, 2022 through July 31, 2027.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the lease amendment.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-195

8. Agreement with Carl Bolander & Son's for Building 189 Design-Build Part 1 Services [2022-441](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Accept and approve the Building 189 Demolition Project estimated budget and financing plan in the amount of \$1,431,553.
2. Authorize the County Manager to reallocate county funds from capital project fund balance to fund the Building 189 Demolition Project.
3. Authorize the County Manager to account for the Building 189 Demolition Project as a budgeted project in the Parks & Recreation department.
4. Approve the selection of, and agreement with, Carl Bolander & Sons, 251 Starky St., Saint Paul, MN 55107 for Part 1 Design-Build services for the Building 189 Demolition Project, for the period of two months after contract execution in the amount of \$138,200.
5. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
6. Authorize the County Manager to execute the Part 2 agreement and amendments to the agreements in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of available funding.
7. Accept the recommendation of Ramsey County's project labor agreement associations request to not use a Project Labor Agreement for the project.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-196

9. Ramsey County 2022 Cooperative Deer Management Plan [2022-442](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Approve the Ramsey County Cooperative Deer Management Plan for 2022.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-197

10. Joint Powers Agreement with City of Saint Paul for Immigrant and Refugee Services [2022-409](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

1. Approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the city of Saint Paul authorizing the city's transfer of funds up to \$100,000 to the county for immigrant and refugee legal defense services, for the period from August 23, 2022 through December 31, 2023.

2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Joint Powers Agreement.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-198](#)

11. Appointments to the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee [2022-451](#)

Sponsors: Finance

Appoint James Miller (incumbent) and Sue Hauwiller (incumbent) to the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee for terms that begin September 1, 2022 and end August 30, 2024.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-199](#)

12. Appointments to the Capitol Region Watershed District Board of Managers [2022-446](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Appoint Mary Texer (incumbent) and Shawn Murphey (incumbent) to the Capitol Region Watershed District Board of Managers for terms beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2025.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-200](#)

13. Appointments to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee [2022-450](#)

Sponsors: Public Health

Appoint Lucy Arias and Mark Traynor to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee for terms that begin August 23, 2022 and end June 26, 2024.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-201](#)

14. Appointments to the Corrections Advisory Board [2022-455](#)

Sponsors: Community Corrections

Appointment Richard A. Podvin to the Ramsey County Corrections Advisory Board for a two-year term that begins August 23, 2022 and ends December 31, 2024.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-202](#)

15. Appointment to the Personnel Review Board [2022-439](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

Appoint Angela Nalezny (Incumbent) to the Personnel Review Board for a four-year term that begins August 23, 2022 and ends August 1, 2026.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-203](#)

4. Terms of Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Ramsey County Deputy Federation for 2021 and 2022-2024 [2022-469](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Approve the terms of collective bargaining agreements with the Ramsey County Deputy Federation for the year of 2021 and years 2022, 2023 and 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and the County Manager to execute the agreements incorporating the terms and conditions.

The item was pulled by Chair MatasCastillo. Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2022-204](#)

### **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 9:34 a.m.