

# Board of Commissioners Minutes

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**January 4, 2022 - 9 a.m.**

**Virtual meeting / Council Chambers - Courthouse  
Room 300**

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The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:13 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Chair Carter. Also present were Ryan O'Connor, County Manager, and Sam Clark, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

## **ROLL CALL**

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

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

1. Agenda of January 4, 2022 is Presented for Approval. [2021-704](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of January 4, 2022.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from December 21, 2021 are Presented for Approval [2021-705](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the December 21, 2021 Minutes.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

## **POLICY ITEMS**

3. Election of the Chair for 2022 [2021-707](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Elect the chair for the year 2022.

Commissioner McDonough nominated Commissioner MatasCastillo as Chair, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-001

4. Election of the Vice-Chair for 2022 [2021-710](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Elect the vice-chair for the year 2022.

Commissioner Carter nominated Commissioner McDonough as Vice-Chair, seconded by Commissioner McGuire.

Motion by Carter, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-002

## **STATEMENT OF OUTGOING CHAIR**

Commissioner Carter provided her comments. Discussion can be found on archived video.

## **STATEMENT OF INCOMING CHAIR**

Commissioner MatasCastillo provided her comments. Discussion can be found on archived video.

### **5. Rules of Procedure for 2022 [2021-709](#)**

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

1. Adopt Rules of Procedure to govern the Ramsey County Board.
2. This resolution supersedes all prior resolutions pertaining to procedures.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-003

### **6. Appointments to Standing Committees for 2022 [2021-714](#)**

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Approve appointments to various standing committees for the year 2022.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-004

### **7. Appointments to Outside Boards and Committees for 2022 [2021-716](#)**

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Approve appointments of commissioners to various outside boards, committees and commissions for the year 2022 as listed in the background.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: B2022-005

### **8. Appointment of Members to the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for 2022 [2021-717](#)**

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Approve the appointment of members to the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for the year 2022.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt  
Resolution: B2022-006

9. Appointment of Members to the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority for 2022 [2021-719](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Approve the appointment of members to the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority for the year 2022.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt  
Resolution: B2022-007

### ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM

10. Contracts with Press Publications, Inc. and Medianews Group, Inc dba St. Paul Pioneer Press for 2022 Newspaper Publications [2021-720](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office, Property Tax and Records & Election Services

1. Award a contract to Press Publications, Inc., 4779 Bloom Avenue, White Bear Lake, MN 55110, as the designated Official Newspaper for the following Ramsey County publications:
  - Official proceedings of the Board of Ramsey County Commissioners and all notices for the year 2022; the 2021 Financial Statement; and the Notice of Expiration of Redemption in the Vadnais Heights Press in the amount of \$5.49 per column inch for the first insertion, and \$5.49 for subsequent insertions.
  - 2021 Financial Statement in the White Bear Press as the other newspaper of general circulation located in a different municipality in the County than the Official Newspaper, in the amount of \$13.81 per column inch and \$13.81 per column inch for subsequent insertions.
2. Authorize the Chair and the Chief Clerk to execute the contract with Press Publications, Inc.
3. Award a contract to Medianews Group, Inc dba St. Paul Pioneer Press, PO Box 64831, Saint Paul, MN 55164, as the designated Official Newspaper for publication of Ramsey County's List of Real Estate Taxes Remaining Delinquent on the first day of January 2022 in the Pioneer Press in the amount of \$6.30 per column inch and \$6.30 per column inch for subsequent insertions.
4. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the contract with Medianews Group, Inc dba St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt  
Resolution: B2022-008

### 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

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Presented by Chair MatasCastillo. Discussion can be found on archived video.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair MatasCastillo declared the meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.