

Board of Commissioners Minutes

August 16, 2022 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:01 a.m. with the following members present: Carter, Frethem, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Chair MatasCastillo. McDonough: absent. 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, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt
Absent: McDonough

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner Reinhardt:

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 16, 2022 is Presented for Approval [2022-328](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of August 16, 2022.

Motion by Carter, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

2. Minutes from August 9, 2022 are Presented for Approval [2022-329](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the August 9, 2022 Minutes.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

PRESENTATION OF AWARD

3. Recognition Award to Maria Wetherall, Director of Veterans Services [2022-459](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4. Authentic Connections Program Fee Adjustments [2022-411](#)

Sponsors: Public Health

1. Approve adjustments to Public Health Authentic Connections program fee from \$73 per service to \$75 per hour, plus travel expenses and additional program costs.
2. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute service revenue agreements and amendments for the Authentic Connections program, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

Resolution: B2022-188

5. Agreement with Emphasys Software for Investment Software [2022-391](#)

Sponsors: Finance

1. Approve the selection of and the agreement with Emphasys Software, 1200 SW 145th Avenue, Suite 310, Pembroke Pines, Florida 33027, for investment software for the period of August 17, 2022 through August 16, 2027, with two five-year renewal options, in accordance with the rates established in the agreement.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreement in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of available funding.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

Resolution: B2022-189

6. Updated Fee Schedule for Cross-Country Ski and Battle Creek Winter Recreation Area [2022-402](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Approve the updated fee schedule for cross-country ski and Battle Creek Winter Recreation Area.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

Resolution: B2022-190

7. Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 [2022-437](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Accept the Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for the period of April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

Resolution: B2022-191

8. May 2022 Report of Contracts, Grant and Revenue Agreements, Emergency Purchases, Sole Source, Single Source Purchases and Final Payments. [2022-414](#)

Sponsors: Finance

Accept the monthly report of contracts, grant and revenue agreements, emergency purchases, sole source and single source purchases and final payments for the month of May 2022.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Carter. Motion passed.

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

Absent: McDonough

Resolution: B2022-192

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 10:06 a.m.