

HENNEPIN COUNTY

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FINAL-REVISED AUTHORITY AGENDA

**HENNEPIN COUNTY REGIONAL
RAILROAD AUTHORITY**
TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025

Chair: Marion Greene, District 3
Vice Chair: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Members: Irene Fernando, District 2
Angela Conley, District 4
Debbie Goettel, District 5
Heather Edelson, District 6
Kevin Anderson, District 7

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1. **Approval of the Agenda**
 2. **Minutes from Previous Meeting**
 - 2.A. May 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [RRA-AUTHORITYMINUTES-20-May-2025](#)

3. **Claims Register**
4. **New Business**

4.A. [25-HCRRRA-0009](#)

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00003438 with Tree Trust for maintenance of HCRRRA property, extend term to 12/31/26, incr NTE \$1,552,500

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Board Action Request

TMP-25-0427

Item Description:

May 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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AUTHORITY MINUTES

**HENNEPIN COUNTY REGIONAL
RAILROAD AUTHORITY**
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025
1:30 PM

Chair: Marion Greene, District 3
Vice Chair: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Members: Irene Fernando, District 2
Angela Conley, District 4
Debbie Goettel, District 5
Heather Edelson, District 6
Kevin Anderson, District 7

Commissioner Marion Greene, Chair, called the meeting of the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority for Tuesday, May 20, 2025 to order at 2:52 p.m.

Present Commissioner Jeff Lunde, Commissioner Angela Conley, Commissioner Debbie Goettel, Commissioner Heather Edelson, Commissioner Irene Fernando, Commissioner Kevin Anderson, and Commissioner Marion Greene

1. Approval of the Agenda

APPROVE

Commissioner Jeff Lunde moved, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel, to approve the Agenda.

Aye Commissioner Lunde Commissioner Conley Commissioner Goettel
Commissioner Edelson Commissioner Fernando Commissioner Anderson
Commissioner Greene

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting

2.A. May 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Marion Greene moved, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Anderson, to approve the Minutes.

Aye Commissioner Lunde Commissioner Conley Commissioner Goettel
Commissioner Edelson Commissioner Fernando Commissioner
Anderson Commissioner Greene

3. Claims Register

4. New Business

4.A. [25-HCRRRA-0006](#)

Award contract to Blackstone Contractors for project 1010811, replacing culvert along HCRRRA corridor in Eden Prairie for \$127,825.93; negotiate Agmt A2512847 with Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District for inspection and maintenance of culverts

ADOPT

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Heather Edelson, to adopt the Resolution.

Aye Commissioner Lunde Commissioner Conley Commissioner Goettel
Commissioner Edelson Commissioner Fernando Commissioner
Anderson Commissioner Greene

4.B. [25-HCRRRA-0007](#)

Approve Lease Agmt A2512865 with City of St. Bonifacius for rental of HCRRRA property, 06/01/25 - 05/31/30 (recv \$1 annually)

ADOPT

Commissioner Marion Greene moved, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Anderson, to adopt the Resolution.

Aye Commissioner Lunde Commissioner Conley Commissioner Goettel
Commissioner Edelson Commissioner Fernando Commissioner
Anderson Commissioner Greene

4.C. [25-HCRRRA-0008](#)

Approve Lease Agmt A2512826 with Rembrandt Properties LLC for rental of HCRRRA property in Spring Park, 06/1/25 - 05/31/30 (annual recv \$1,148)

ADOPT

Commissioner Marion Greene moved, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Lunde, to adopt the Resolution.

Aye Commissioner Lunde Commissioner Conley Commissioner Goettel
Commissioner Edelson Commissioner Fernando Commissioner
Anderson Commissioner Greene

There being no further business, the Regional Railroad Authority for Tuesday, May 20, 2025 was declared adjourned at 2:58 p.m. until Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

Maria Rose
Clerk to the County Board

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www.hennepin.us**

Board Action Request

25-HCRRRA-0009

Item Description:

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00003438 with Tree Trust for maintenance of HCRRRA property, extend term to 12/31/26, incr NTE \$1,552,500

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 1 to Agreement PR00003438 with Tree Trust for maintenance of Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority property, extending the term from June 30, 2025 to December 31, 2026, increasing the not to exceed by \$1,552,500 to \$5,152,500, be approved; that the Chair be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the authority; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed

Background:

The Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRRA) owns 40 miles of abandoned rail corridors as well as corridor-supporting parcels that are preserved for ongoing and future transportation purposes. Park agencies operate recreational trails on all the corridors, and HCRRRA is responsible for maintenance outside the trail area. That maintenance typically includes tree care, mowing, vegetation management, snow removal, graffiti and trash removal, removal of unpermitted materials, sign and fence installation, erosion control, and minor construction. Special projects are also performed to preserve HCRRRA's property as needed.

In 2021, HCRRRA solicited a contract for these maintenance services. The solicitation required that the contract include prevailing wage rates and an employment readiness training program. Tree Trust, was the only company to submit a bid and HCRRRA entered into Agreement PR00003438 with Tree Trust maintenance services (Resolution 21-HCRRRA- 0026). This amendment supports ongoing maintenance needs.

Current Request: This request is to approve Amendment 1 to Agreement PR00003438 with Tree Trust, extending the term to December 31, 2026 and increasing the not to exceed amount to \$5,152,500.

Impact/Outcome: Approval of this request allows for an eighteen-month extension of the contract with Tree Trust for maintenance services on HCRRRA property.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Choose an item.