

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, October 21, 2025 at 8:15 am

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

1. Meeting was brought to order by Chair Meyer. Commissioners in attendance: Meyer, Jepson, Hansen, Vareberg and Nelson, County Administrator Carrie Smith, and minute taker Peggy Martin.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve the agenda with the following changes: Addition of Information Technology: Server Purchase, additional air conditioning unit in the server room and Auditor-Treasurer: Wildflower Gold Course Tobacco License Renewal, and the following deletions from Human Resources: Auditor-Treasurer Job Descriptions and the Credit Card Policy (Jepson, Nelson) carried.
2. Minutes – Motion and second to approve minutes of October 7, 2025 with the requested changes (Jepson, Hansen) carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Motion and second to approve and accept the following Consent Agenda Items – Auditor-Treasurer: Regular Claims, Auditor Warrants and Claims over 90 Days, License List: Tobacco License Renewal for the following: Toad Lake Store – Cynthia Knoll – Toad Lake Twp, 4 Corners – Joshua Swangler – Erie Twp, Resolution 10-25-2B – Humane Society of the Lakes for a Premises Permit at Forest Hills – 19th Hole in Audubon Twp Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit (Nelson, Jepson) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - None.
2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:
 - Commissioner Jepson – Housing, EDA, WCRJC, Partnership4Health, Human Services.
 - Commissioner Nelson – Planning & Zoning Advisory, LARL, NRM, Courthouse.
 - Commissioner Hansen – Planning & Zoning Advisory, RAC, PRWD, Airport, Heartland Trail.

- Commissioner Vareberg – EDA, NRM, Human Services.
- Commissioner Meyer – Heartland Trail, RAC, DAC, WCI Development Board, Fair Board, Dancing Sky, Historical Society.

3. Appointments:

- Motion and second to appoint Nancy Bachmann to the Zoning Commission representing District 1 (Jepson, Nelson) carried.

Auditor-Treasurer: presented by Mary Hendrickson.

1. Motion and second to approve the Tobacco Renewal License for Wildflower Golf Course in Lake Eunice Twp (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

County Administrator: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Local Road Improvement Program – presented by Meghan Eastman and John Pauna.
 - Motion and second to approve the letter in support of the city of Audubon's proposed reconstruction of 3rd Street and Plover Street (Vareberg, Hansen) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2C – Homeless Prevention Grant Award to Mahube-OTWA (Jepson, Nelson) carried.
3. Report
 - EDA – Letter of support for Tower Road expansion.
 - Leading with Purpose training has begun.
 - State and Tribal Relations Training is this week.
 - District 4 Meeting – October 31 in Fergus Falls.
 - Becker County Road Tour – November 5th.
4. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2A – Operation Green Light for Veterans (Hansen, Nelson) carried.

Information Technology: presented by Judy Dodd.

1. Motion and second to approve the purchase of servers from High Point Networks in the amount of \$84,128 using Special General Funds (Nelson, Hansen) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve the purchase of an additional Air Conditioning Unit for the Server Room in the amount of \$14,966 using Special General Funds (Nelson, Jepson) carried.

Human Services: presented by Denise Warren, Amanda Kumpula and Emma Wartman.

1. Motion and second to approve a private donation to Public Health in the amount of \$10,000 be distributed to the Becker County Food Pantry (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

2. Motion and second to approve the Liberty University Affiliation Agreement with the correction of point 15 to read “governing law state of Minnesota” (Hansen, Jepson) carried.
3. UCare/Medica Care Coordination Recommendation.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2I – Termination of County Participation Agreement with UCare (Jepson, Hansen) carried.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2J – Termination of County Participation Agreement with Medica (Jepson, Hansen) carried.

Human Resources: presented by Teaira Christen.

1. Motion and second to approve the AFSCME Contract MOA (MPFML) (Nelson, Jepson) carried.

Highway: presented by Jim Olson.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2D – Final Payment Acceptance – SP 003-070-021-Rumble Strips to Allstates Pavement Recycling and Stabilization in the amount of \$2,688.99 (Nelson, Hansen) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2F – Final Payment Acceptance – SAP 03-634-020-CSAH 34 to Dennis Drewes, Inc in the amount of \$76,278.50 (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2E – Final Payment Acceptance – SAP 003-630-007-Frazee (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

Transit: presented by Kevin Johnson.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2G – Bus 4 Engine Replacement up to \$6,000 to Wallwork Ford (Hansen, Nelson) carried.

Land Use/Environmental Services: presented by Steve Skoog.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 10-25-2H – 2026 Solid Waste Tip Fee Schedule (Hansen, Vareberg) carried.

Being no further business, Board Chair Meyer adjourned the meeting at 10:11 am.

<u>/s/</u>	Carrie Smith	<u>/s/</u>	David Meyer
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	County Administrator		Board Chair