

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, June 2, 2026 at 8:15 am

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

1. Meeting was brought to order by Chair Jepson. Commissioners in attendance: Jepson, Hansen, Meyer, 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 updates: Add a Liquor License for Music on the Mountain to the Consent Agenda, update the bid applications for Land Use: NRM: Award Forestry Site Prep Contract to Skytech Solutions (Meyer, Hansen) carried.
2. Minutes – Motion and second to approve minutes of May 19, 2026 with the requested changes (Nelson, Meyer) 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, Resolution 06-26-1E – Gambling Permit – DL Youth Hockey at WE Fest, April 2026 Cash Comparison, Sales Tax, and Investments, License List: Temporary Liquor License - Music on the Mountain – June 27, 2026 – Thomas Thiel – Erie Twp, Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit, Transit: Resolution 06-26-1B – Approval of Becker County Transit Revised Procurement Policy, Resolution 06-26-1C – 2026 Vehicle Replacement Grant Application, Land Use: NRM: Award Forestry Site Prep Contract to Skytech Solutions, Environmental Services: Resolution 06-26-1F – Northern Pine Sanitation – Waste Haulers License, Sheriff: WE Fest Civilian Traffic Control, Resolution 06-26-1G – 2026 Federal Boat & Water Patrol Grant Acceptance, Resolution 6-26-1J – 2026 State of Minnesota Boat & Water Grant Acceptance (Hansen, Meyer) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - Del Jasken – Would like to be appointed to the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments.

2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:
 - Commissioner Hansen – Transit, Trail Alliance, Airport, Construction & Demo Regional Study, Highway, PLMSWA, Environmental.
 - Commissioner Meyer – Transit, Sheriff.
 - Commissioner Nelson – LARL, Sheriff, Joint Powers Red River Basin.
 - Commissioner Vareberg – Highway, Environmental, EDA.
 - Commissioner Jepson – EDA, Mahube.
3. Appointments.
 - Cormorant Lakes Watershed District – will bring back to the next meeting.
 - Motion and second to appoint Del Jasken to the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments as a Member at Large (Hansen, Meyer) carried.

County Administrator: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Report.
 - District Meeting Friday, June 5 in Fergus Falls.
 - Board of Equalization – Monday, June 15 at 6:00 pm.
2. Probation Supervision Fees.
 - Motion and second to approve the Probation Supervision Fees Policy (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-26-1I – Probation Supervision Fees (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve Per Diem for Commissioners for Next Generation 911 Events being held this week (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

Land Use-Environmental Services: presented by Steve Skoog.

1. Environmental Services.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-26-1D – Amend Tip Fees for Out of County Demo Waste (Hansen, Meyer) carried.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-26-1H – Seasonal Temporary Pay Station Clerk (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

Highway: presented by Jim Olson.

1. Motion and second to accept the 2025 Becker County Highway Annual Report (Hansen, Vareberg) carried.

Planning & Zoning: presented by Kyle Vareberg.

1. Planning Commission Recommendations 05-27-2026

- Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation to approve for John & Jenna Berry – Request a Conditional Use Permit for a Transportation Business to include temporary storage of homes and structures with the following conditions: 1) This Conditional Use Permit is limited to 3 years and will expire. 2) A review of the Conditional Use Permit is required after 18 months. 3) Temporary structures must fit within the designated 2.81-acre section defined as being 350 feet by 350 feet located 460 feet from the south property line and 320 feet from the center line of County Road 26. 4) Trailers being scrapped must be removed within 4 months. 5) Applicant has 4 months from date of approval to get the current structures moved into the designated area. 6) Applicant must comply with County Demo Ordinances. 7) No burning of demo material. 8) No more reduction in trees for screening purposes. (Hansen, Vareberg) carried. Roll Call Vote: Nelson – Yes, Meyer – Yes, Hansen – Yes, Jepson – No, Vareberg – Yes.
- Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation to approve for Steven & Sara Skadsem – Request a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Therapy and Wellness Center (Nelson, Hansen) carried.
- Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation to approve for Prairie Lake Investment LLC – Request an amendment to Recorded Document Number 715209 for a reduction from 350,000 to 50,000 total cubic yards of material extracted in the described 20-acre area. The amendment will include no crushing of material. The amendment also includes the sale of existing excess topsoil in the amount of 10,000 cubic yards from the plat of Prairie Lake Estates, and the removal of requiring berms. (Hansen, Vareberg) carried.

2. Zoning Ordinance Amendments.

- Motion and second to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendments for the following items while following DNR Requirements:
 - i. Requirements regulating wind energy, solar energy, and data centers. Requirements will include but are not limited to the location and type of permit for such land use.
 - ii. Requirements regulating vegetation alterations within the shoreland area. Requirements will include but are not limited to permissible vegetation removal, non-permissible vegetation removal, and vegetation replacement.

- iii. Requirements regulating land alterations within and outside the shoreland area. Requirements will include but are not limited to permit requirements for land alterations, riprap, and stormwater management.
- iv. Requirements regulating Planning Commission member appointments. Revisions are related to membership and creation for members appointed each year.
- v. Requirements for structure definition. Revisions include the removal of sidewalks, fences, driveways and training walls. These objects do not typically meet land use setbacks.
- vi. Requirements for building height. Revisions include an increase for allowable building height outside of the shoreland with the addition of increase setbacks when exceeding certain heights.
- (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

Being no further business, Board Chair Jepson adjourned the meeting at 10:58 am.

<u>/s/</u>	Carrie Smith	<u>/s/</u>	Erica Jepson
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	County Administrator		Board Chair