

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, September 1, 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, and minute taker Peggy Martin. County Administrator Carrie Smith was absent.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve the agenda (Hansen, Meyer) carried.
2. Minutes – Motion and second to approve minutes of August 18, 2026 with the requested changes (Hansen, 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 09-26-1C – Gambling Permit for Mid-Nite Riders Raffle on 02-07-2027 at Cormorant Pub in Cormorant Twp, Resolution 09-26-1E – Accept Disaster Relief Donations, Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit, Land Use: Environmental Services: Resolution 09-26-1A – Waste Haulers License for Red River Handyman Services LLC (Meyer, Nelson) carried.

The Truth about Kratom: presented by Jason McCoy and Amanda Kumpula.

1. Kratom is a plant from Southeast Asia.
 - Used for pain, energy, and mood.
 - Natural doesn't mean harmless.
 - No FDA approved Kratom products.
 - Options to County Board for education and possible local ordinances.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - None.
2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:

- Commissioner Hansen – PRWD, Airport, PLMSWA, Planning & Zoning, Environmental, RAC.
 - Commissioner Nelson – Zoning Ordinance, Joint Powers, Courthouse, Lakeland Mental Health, Benefits.
 - Commissioner Meyer – Courthouse, DAC, RAC.
 - Commissioner Vareberg – Environmental.
 - Commissioner Jepson – Planning & Zoning, EDA, Housing.
3. Appointments.
- None.
4. Courthouse Security Grant Application: presented by Jason Coalwell.
- Motion and second to approve Resolution 09-26-1F – Courthouse Security Grant Application (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Human Resources: presented by Teaira Christen.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 09-26-1D – Discontinue Short-Term Disability as of 12-31-2026 (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve the Maintenance Tech Career Ladder (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Highway: presented by Jim Olson

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 09-26-1B – Bid Award CP 003-120-001 to Mark's Sand and Gravel in the amount of \$236,539.60 which is over estimate by 4.52% (Hansen, Vareberg) carried.

Planning & Zoning: presented by Kyle Vareberg.

1. Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission for Thomas Truedson on behalf of Gary Kaiser II RLT – a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Health and Fitness Consulting business with retail sales (Hansen, Nelson) carried.
2. Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission for Lakes Community Coop on behalf of Russell & Cherry Ann Post – a Change of Zone from Agricultural to Commercial for the Easterly 405 feet +/- of Parcel 15.0006.002 (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
3. Zoning Ordinance Amendment Proposals.
 - Motion and second to approve bringing Water Orientated Structures to the Ordinance Review Board (Hansen, Meyer) carried.
 - Motion and second to approve bringing the Entire Subdivision Ordinance, Lot Size Requirements for Natural Environment Lakes and Lot Size Requirements for Non-

Riparian Lots behind General Development and Recreational Development

Riparian Lots to the Ordinance Review Board (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

Motion and second to close the meeting at 10:33 am for Labor Negotiations pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.03 Subd. 1(b) (Hansen, Meyer) carried.

Motion and second to come out of Closed Session at 11:32 am (Hansen, Meyer) carried.

Being no further business, Board Chair Jepson adjourned the meeting at 11:32 am.

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