



June 24, 2025
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Nicollet County Board Room. Commissioners Dranttel, Kolars, Helget, Zins, and Dehen were present at the meeting. County Administrator Mandy Landkamer and County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer were also present.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

1. June 10, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
2. End of Probations

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Bills:

Acknowledgement of the June 24, 2025, Auditor's Warrants and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts:

- a. General Revenue Fund - \$165,765.09
- b. Road & Bridge Fund - \$39,704.96
- c. Human Services Fund - \$195,914.63

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Appearances:

There were no public appearances.

Health and Human Services

Consider Fraud Prevention Investigation (FPI) Grant Renewal

Director Sassenberg requested approval of the renewal of the Fraud Prevention Investigation Grant Agreement for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027. Nicollet County utilizes these grant funds to support the Fraud Investigator position.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the Fraud Prevention Investigation Grant Renewal. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works

Consider Setting Public Hearing Date for Nicollet County Parks Ordinance

Director Greenwood requested approval to set a Public Hearing date for the Nicollet County Parks Ordinance. The Public Hearing will be held on August 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to consider the Ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Helget to set the Public Hearing date of August 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. for the Nicollet County Parks Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Consider Bridge Maintenance Agreement

Director Greenwood requested approval for the Bridge Maintenance Agreement and to authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the agreement. The repairs will address the significant erosion around Piers 1 and 2 at Bridge #08520. Construction of the repairs is anticipated to occur in the fall of 2025.

Motion by Commissioner Helget and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the Bridge Maintenance Agreement and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the agreement.

Administration

Public Works Facility Study/Master Planning Phase Contract Amendment #2

County Administrator Landkamer requested approval of the Public Works Facility Study/Master Planning Phase Contract Amendment #2 with CMCC. This will increase the existing contract from \$43,890 to \$51,890 to allow additional time required due to a shift in the scope of work.

Motion by Commissioner Dehen and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the Public Works Facility Study/Master Planning Phase Contract Amendment #2.

County Attorney Update:

County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fisher mentioned there were no significant updates to report at this time.

Chair Report:

- South Central Minnesota Multi-County HRA Meeting
- TdS Meetings
- Board Workshop
- County Board of Appeals and Equalization
- Region 9 Bus Tour
- Region 9 Commission Meeting
- Personnel Committee

Commissioner Committee Reports

The Commissioners reported on various meetings and activities, including:

Commissioner Mark Dehen

- AMC District 7 Meeting
- Board Workshop
- County Board of Appeals and Equalization

Commissioner Nicole Helget

- Board Workshop
- MVAC Meeting

- K9 Unit Meet & Greet
- County Board of Appeals and Equalization

Commissioner Kurt Zins

- Board Workshop
- AMC District 7 Meeting
- Planning & Zoning Advisory Commission
- Personnel Committee
- County Board of Appeals and Equalization

Commissioner Jack Kolars

- Diversity Council Finance Meeting
- Diversity Council Juneteenth Celebration
- AMC District 7 Meeting
- Board Workshop
- County Board of Appeals and Equalization
- MAPO Meeting

Approve Per Diems and Expenses:

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the expenses and per diems for the meetings noted above during the Commissioner Reports and/or as submitted on approved expense reports, and authorize payment of those expenses and per diems by the Finance Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Dranttel called a recess at 9:23 a.m. The meeting resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Closed Session – Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §13D.05, Subd. 3(b), a closed meeting of the Nicollet County Board of Commissioners is needed to discuss litigation and legal strategy

At this time 11:02 a.m., the Board moved to a closed session, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b), a closed meeting of the Nicollet County Board of Commissioners is needed to discuss litigation and legal strategy involving Dawn Michels and Maria Magdalena Alvarez-Betkar vs. Nicollet County et. al., file 52-CV-23-143. Motion by Kolars and seconded by Zins to go into a closed session. Motion passed on a roll call vote.

Commissioners Dranttel, Zins, Helget and Kolars were in attendance. Also present were County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer, and County Administrator Landkamer. Attendance via Zoom were Attorneys Dyan Ebert and Cally Kjellberg-Nelson of Quinlivan & Hughes, PA and Jeff Hentges of MCIT. The meeting was reopened at 12:16 p.m.

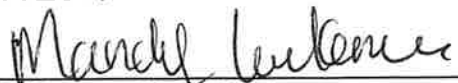
Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.



MARIE DRANTTEL, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:



MANDY LANDKAMER,
CLERK TO THE BOARD