



May 26, 2026
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Nicollet County Board Room. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Dehen, Kolars, Dranttel and Helget. County Administrator Mandy Landkamer and County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer were also in attendance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills
2. May 12, 2026 Board Minutes
3. May 19, 2026 Board Minutes
4. Consider Approval of Liquor and Tobacco Licenses
5. Consider Approval of the Amendment to the Contract between Direct Care and Treatment and the Sheriff's Office
6. Consider Victim/Witness Coordinator Grant Agreement Amendment
7. End of Probations
8. Acknowledgement of the Auditor's Warrants and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts:
 - a. General Revenue Fund - \$89,055.27
 - b. Road & Bridge Fund – \$31,442.07
 - c. Human Services Fund - \$129,635.08

Motion by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Health and Human Services

Consider Housing Advisory Committee Funding Recommendations

Director Sassenberg requested approval of the Housing Advisory Committee's recommendation to fund a Partnership Community Land Trust project located in North Mankato and authorize the execution of the grant agreement. The allocation of \$90,000 is funded through the Statewide Affordable Housing Aid.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the funding of the proposal and authorize the execution of the grant agreement. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consider Milk Depot Agreement

Director Sassenberg requested approval to execute the Milk Depot Agreement between Nicollet County Health and Human Services and the Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies (MMBB), to establish Nicollet County Health and Human Services as an official Milk Depot site.

Motion by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the Milk Depot Agreement between Nicollet County Health and Human Services and the Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies, (MMBB), to establish Nicollet County Health and Human Services as an official Milk Depot site. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consider Release of Claims for Property Damage to the Health and Human Services building in North Mankato - Closed Meeting Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §13D.05, subd. 3(b)

At this time, 9:05 a.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Helget to enter into a closed session pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.05, subd. 3(b). In attendance were Commissioners Dehen, Dranttel, Helget, Kolars, County Attorney Michelle Zehnder Fischer and County Administrator Landkamer. The meeting was reopened at 9:11 a.m.

County Attorney Zehnder Fischer provided background on the motor vehicle crash that resulted in damage to the North Mankato Human Services Building on January 4, 2025. Nicollet County is insured by Minnesota County Insurance Trust who pursued a settlement of claims with the driver's insurance company of \$100,000. The driver's insurance company asked the County to execute a release of claims to secure the settlement.

Motion by Commissioner Kolars and seconded by Commissioner Helget to approve the Release of Claims for property damage only. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

County Attorney Update

County Attorney Zehnder Fischer had no specific updates.

Chairs Report:

- Board Workshop
- Birchwood Cottages Open House
- Connecting Nicollet County Graduation
- Mayo Ambulance Open House

Commissioner Committee Reports, Meetings & Conferences**Commissioner Marie Dranttel**

- Region 9 Meeting
- Individual Department Head Meeting
- Board Workshop

- South Central Minnesota Multi County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Meeting
- TdS Library Board Meeting

Commissioner Nicole Helget

- Board Workshop
- NACo Arts and Culture Meeting

Commissioner Jack Kolars

- AMC Virtual Legislative Wrap-up
- Board Workshop
- Housing Advisory Committee Meeting
- Diversity Council Meeting

Approve Per Diems and Expenses:

Motion by Commissioner Dranttel 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 with all voting in favor.

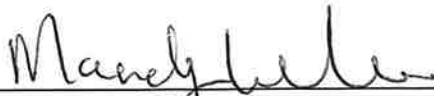
Adjourn:

Motion by Commissioner Helget and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m.



MARK DEHEN, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:



MANDY LANDKAMER,
CLERK TO THE BOARD

