



August 11, 2026
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Nicollet County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Nicollet County Board Room. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Dehen, Zins, Kolars, Helget and Dranttel. County Administrator Mandy Landkamer and Chief Deputy Attorney James Dunn were also in attendance.

Approval of Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills
2. July 28, 2026, Board Minutes
3. Consider Approval of the Renewal of the Medical Examiner's Contract Agreement
4. Acknowledgement of the Auditor's Warrants and approval of the Commissioner Warrants as presented for the following amounts:
 - a. General Revenue Fund - \$97,238.38
 - b. Road & Bridge Fund – \$458,422.13
 - c. Human Services Fund - \$247,838.51

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

Public Appearances

Mary Behrends

She expressed her concerns about fraud and ICE. She felt that Nicollet County residents need assurance that detailed plans are ready for a safe, free and fair election so that all voices are heard.

Ted Kunze

Requests the Board resist any attempt to interfere with the election schedule in Nicollet County and to do all they can to encourage participation by every voter and work to ensure fair administration of the election.

Bill Nelsen

He expressed the importance of fair and free elections. He requested the Board to do everything they can to spread the word that it will be without fear that people can come to exercise their citizenship right to vote.

Beth Winterfeldt

She expressed the importance of access, trust, and safety in the voting process. She requested the Board to support safe, fair and secure access to elections throughout Nicollet County and to resist efforts that could create unnecessary barriers to voting.

Elizabeth Hawkinson

She thanked the Board for their service to Nicollet County and their attention to this issue of elections. She presented a concern regarding the US Postal Service and the assurance of mail-in ballots getting from the post office to the county ballot machine.

Alan Bray

He commended Nicollet County for their excellent track record with election integrity and thanked the County for its efforts to ensure accurate ballots, protection of election judges and administrators and for trusting citizens to do the right thing as they cast their ballots.

Pat Orne

She shared her voting experiences and concerns. She requested the Board to make a public stand and state their reassurance about secure, free and fair election procedures.

Scott Kirshner

He commended the Board for their public service and commitment to democratic ideals.

Property Services

Consider PLN26-08: Request of Warren Krohn to Construct a Driveway in the Shore Impact Zone

Zoning Specialist Zehnder requested approval of the following Conditional Use Permit with recommended conditions and findings of facts from the August 4, 2026, hearing.

PLN26-08: Conditional Use Permit Construction of a Driveway in the Shore Impact Zone - Warrant Krohn

Motion by Commissioner Dranttel and seconded by Commissioner Zins to approve the Conditional Use Permit with Findings of Facts for PLN26-08. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Health & Human Services

Consideration of Appointments to the Community Health, Human, and Veteran Services Advisory Committee and the Amended 2026 Committee and Board Assignments and Meetings that Qualify for a Per Diem Payment Resolution

Director Sassenberg requested the appointment of David Johnson and Cindy Favre to serve on the Nicollet County Community Health, Human, and Veteran Services Advisory Committee. Administrator Landkamer requested approval of the amended Resolution that established the 2026 Committee and Board Assignments and Meetings that Qualify for a Per Diem Payment.

Motion by Commissioner Helget and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the citizen appointments and approval of the amended Resolution that established the 2026 Committee and Board Assignments and Meetings that Qualify for a Per Diem Payment. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Public Works

Consider Award of Bid for CP 10-26-CSAH 10 Culvert Joint Repair Project

Director Greenwood requested approval of the Award of Bid for Project CP 10-26 – CSAH 10 Culvert Joint repair Project. Four bids were received. This project involves the repair of 3 large ditch system culverts that cross CSAH 10

Motion by Commissioner Helget and seconded by Commissioner Kolars to approve the Award of Bid for Project CP 10-26 – CSAH 10 to PCi Roads, LLC for the low bid amount of \$262,700.00. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

County Attorney Update

Chief Deputy Attorney Dunn had no specific updates.

Chair's Report:

- True Transit Meeting
- Highway 14 Workshop
- MRCI Finance Meeting
- Community Health, Human and Veteran Services Workshop
- Night to Unite

Commissioner Committee Reports, Meetings & Conferences

Commissioner Kurt Zins

- Personnel Committee Meetings

Commissioner Marie Dranttel

- Personnel Committee Meeting
- Township Association Meeting
- Community Health, Human, and Veteran Services Workshop
- Planning & Zoning Advisory Commission Meeting
- Housing and Redevelopment Authority Meeting

Commissioner Nicole Helget

- Nicollet County Connect
- Community Health, Human, and Veteran Services Workshop
- Diversity Council Meeting

Commissioner Jack Kolars

- True Transit Meeting
- Township Association Meeting
- Community Health, Human, and Veteran Services Workshop

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 with all voting in favor.

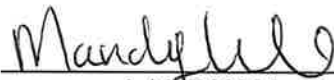
Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.



MARK DEHEN, CHAIR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:



MANDY LANDKAMER,
CLERK TO THE BOARD