

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD
Tuesday June 2nd, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of Freeborn County met in the Freeborn County Boardroom at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2nd, 2026. Members present: Commissioners Severson, Edwin, Kaasa, Shoff and Eckstrom.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Kaasa offered the following motion;

MOVED, approving the agenda as presented.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Severson.

After discussion, a vote was taken and the Chair declared the motion approved.

Commissioner Eckstrom offered the following resolution;

RESOLUTION No. 26-173
Approval of the Freeborn County Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda as provided
in the Freeborn County Board Rule of Procedure 9(A)

WHEREAS, the Freeborn County Board is the governing body of Freeborn County, and;

WHEREAS, the Freeborn County Board has implemented a Consent agenda to perform the duties of the board in a more effective and efficient manner, and

WHEREAS, the following items have been placed for approval of the Freeborn County Board of Commissioners on the current Board meeting Consent Agenda as provided by the Board rules of procedure, being routine and of a regular action;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to place the following are hereby approved for appropriate action:

- 1) Approval of the May 19th, 2026 minutes;
- 2) Approval of Regular Full-Time Status Employees & Acceptance of Resignations & Retirements
- 3) Approval of Drainage Repairs
- 4) Approval of Claims

The following claims be allowed and paid on or before June 5th, 2026.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
01	General Fund	\$ 447,766.43
03	County Road & Bridge	\$ 650,080.68
05	Human Services	\$ 135,303.62
06	Public Health	\$ 54,819.14
07	Opioid Settlement	\$ 51,095.96
40	County Ditch	\$ 16,126.14
70	Trust & Agency	\$ 147,574.17
73	Payroll Clearing Fund	\$ 23,048.35
74	Turtle Creek Watershed	\$ 4,200.00
	FUND TOTALS	\$ 1,530,014.49

Number of Claims not exceeding \$300 – 40

Dollar amount of claims not exceeding \$300 – \$4,211.80

Resolution seconded by Commissioner Kaasa.

After discussion a vote was taken and the Chair declared the resolution adopted.

The Commissioners provided Board Committee updates.

Chairman Edwin asked if there was any public comment and there was none.

Commissioner Kaasa offered the following resolution;

RESOLUTION NO. 26-174

TITLE: Administration is recommending to fill the Freeborn County Probation and Pre-Trial Assistant position

WHEREAS, the Freeborn County employees have the responsibility for providing quality service with integrity and accountability to the citizens of Freeborn County;

WHEREAS, the Freeborn County Board is the appointing authority for all county employees, and;

WHEREAS, Miranda Herfindahl, Freeborn County Probation and Pre-Trial Assistant, has resigned her position effective May 15, 2026;

WHEREAS, the position of Probation and Pre-Trial Assistant has been reviewed by the department head, Human Resources, and the Administrator to assess the ongoing need for the role and the responsibilities it entails;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the board approves the filling of the vacant part -time Freeborn County Probation and Pre-Trial Assistant position.

Resolution seconded by Commissioner Eckstrom.
After discussion a vote was taken and the Chair declared the resolution adopted.

Commissioner Shoff offered the following resolution;

TITLE: Transfer of Tax Forfeiture Property 15.014.0010

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Natural Resources has made application under authority of Minn. Stat. sec. 282.01, subd. 2(b), on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources for release of the following described lands from the trust in favor of the taxing district:

Beginning at a point on the section line 300 feet south of the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section number Fourteen (14), Township number One hundred Three (103) North, Range number Twenty-three (23) West; thence South 88°30' West 250 feet more or less to the waters edge of Freeborn Lake; thence North 50 feet; thence East in a straight line paralleling the South boundary line to a point on the section line of said Section 14 Fifty (50) feet from the place of beginning; thence South 50 feet to the place of beginning. Subject to the Right-a-way easement of the Dairyland Power Co-operative Company now of record,

WHEREAS, it appears that there is need for such lands and the Commissioner of Natural Resources desires to obtain such lands for conservation purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of said Commissioner of Natural Resources of the State of Minnesota, be granted and that the above-described lands be and hereby are released from the trust in favor of the taxing district to the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources.

Resolution seconded by Commissioner Severson.
After discussion, a vote was taken and the Chair declared the resolution approved.

Commissioner Eckstrom offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED AS, RESOLUTION No. 26-176 FILLING THE ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY POSITION

Resolution was seconded by Commissioner Shoff.
After discussion, a vote was taken and the Chair declared the resolution approved.

Chair, Commissioner Edwin adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026.

By: _____
Brad Edwin
Chair

Attest: _____
Chelsea Barrett
County Clerk