
FREEBORN COUNTY

Minnesota

Meeting Notice and Agenda July 21, 2026

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Freeborn will meet in session on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 8:30 AM in the Boardroom at the Freeborn County Government Center. Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Freeborn will meet in session on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 8:30 AM in the Boardroom at the Freeborn County Government Center.

Board meetings will no longer be livestreamed. However, meetings will continue to be recorded and made available on the County website shortly after adjournment. Closed captioning will be included on all posted recordings on the Public Portal at <https://freeborncomn.portal.civicclerk.com/>.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Meeting Agenda
3. Consider resolution approving the Consent agenda

The following items will be acted upon without discussion unless an item is asked to be removed and placed on the regular agenda to allow for discussion.

- Approval of Minutes from the July 7th, 2026 Board Meeting
- Approval of Regular Full-Time Status Employees & Acceptance of Resignations and Retirements
- Approval of Drainage Ditch Repairs
- Approval of Claims

4. Reports of the Board Committees
5. Miscellaneous Business

- A. Freeborn County Audit Exit Report - Doug Host - Clifton, Larson, Allen
- B. Bent Tree North Wind Farm Expansion Project Update - Marcus Galante, Alliant Energy
- C. Informational Only - Planning Commission Report

6. Consideration of issues presented by persons of the general public and/or other general items

Persons wishing to address the Board concerning matters pertaining to this agenda, as well as any other matters of County concern, should ask to be recognized by the Chair at this time. All individuals presenting items for consideration shall address the Board of Commissioners as a whole, including County Administration and staff, and shall not direct comments to individual Commissioners, staff members, or County personnel, attempt to engage individuals in separate conversation, or solicit individual responses to the speaker's comments. All speakers are limited to five (5) minutes each, you will hear a bell, indicating that you have 1 minute left to speak.

7. Reports of Various Departments

A. Report of Public Health

- Resolution to Accept a Grant Agreement with the Freeborn County Family Services and Children's Mental Health Collaborative to Support Family Home Visiting Services
- Resolution to Accept a Grant Agreement with the Freeborn County Family Services and Children's Mental Health Collaborative to Support a Community Health Worker Position

B. Report of Auditor-Treasurer

- Motion to set the Hearing for the Wetland Restoration and Partial Abandonment of CD 55

C. Report of Environmental Services

- Consider a resolution approving an amendment to Sec. 42-59 of the Zoning Ord. (Ch. 42) requiring a survey for all structures sited within 5' of a setback line or within a delineated protection district
- Consider a resolution approving an expansion of Conditional Use Permit #186 to allow for a 41' x 168' addition to an existing swine finisher barn

D. Report of Human Services

- Consider a resolution to fill the vacant Human Services Technician position
- Consider a resolution to fill the vacant SW/Case Manager/CPCW position

E. Report of Probation

- Consider a motion to renew the Truancy Officer Letter of Agreement with Albert Lea Public Schools

F. Report of Public Works

- Consideration of a resolution approving Greater Minnesota Legacy Grant Application to the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission for Songbird Trail.
- Consider a resolution to authorize final payment of CP 026-CPR-046 that involved Concrete Rehabilitation on CSAH 46 East of Albert Lea.

G. Report of the Sheriff's Office

- Housing agreement

8. Other items as necessary

9. County Commissioner's Item

10. Closed Session - The Freeborn County Board of Commissioners intends to enter into Closed Session pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.05, subd.3(b) Attorney-Client Privilege. The purpose of the special meeting is to meet in closed session to receive attorney-client privileged

communications related to legal matters involving a ACLU 287(g) Lawsuit. Following the closed session, the Board may reconvene in open session to take any necessary actions arising from the discussions.

11. Adjournment

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