



ITASCA COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY

Itasca County Courthouse
123 NE 4th Street
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
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Tuesday, November 18, 2025

2:00 PM

Itasca County Boardroom

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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Venema called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Cory Smith	District #1	Present	2:00 PM
Terry Snyder	District #2	Present	2:00 PM
John Johnson	District #3	Present	2:00 PM
Larry Hopkins	District #4	Present	2:00 PM
Casey Venema	District #5	Present	2:00 PM

II. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion To: Approve additions/corrections to the agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED (5 TO 0)
MOVER: Commissioner John Johnson
SECONDER: Commissioner Larry Hopkins
AYES: Cory Smith, Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema

III. APPROVE OF MINUTES

Motion To: Approve the minutes of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Regional Rail Authority meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED (5 TO 0)
MOVER: Commissioner Terry Snyder
SECONDER: Commissioner Cory Smith
AYES: Cory Smith, Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema

1. Approve the minutes of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Regional Rail Authority meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION / INFORMATIONAL

1. 2026 Schedule of Itasca County Regional Railroad Authority Regular Meetings

Motion To: Approve the 2026 Schedule of Itasca County Regional Railroad Authority Regular Meetings.

RESULT: APPROVED (5 TO 0)
MOVER: Commissioner John Johnson
SECONDER: Commissioner Cory Smith
AYES: Cory Smith, Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema

2. Heavy Haul Road Crossing Agreement

Motion To: Approve the Heavy Haul Road Crossing Agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5 TO 0)
MOVER:	Commissioner Cory Smith
SECONDER:	Commissioner Larry Hopkins
AYES:	Cory Smith, Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema

3. Mesabi Trail

Forest Recreation Specialist Sara Thompson provided an update on the Mesabi Trail.

RESULT:	INFORMATIONAL - NO ACTION TAKEN
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V. **ADJOURN**

Chair Venema adjourned the meeting at 2:25 PM.

ATTEST

Shelley Kebart
Deputy Clerk/Deputy Administrator

Casey Venema
Chair, Regional Railroad Authority