



**ITASCA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Itasca County Courthouse
123 NE 4th Street
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
(218) 327-2847

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

2:30 PM

Itasca County Boardroom

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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Snyder called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Cory Smith	District #1	Absent	
Terry Snyder	District #2	Present	2:30 PM
John Johnson	District #3	Present	2:30 PM
Larry Hopkins	District #4	Present	2:30 PM
Casey Venema	District #5	Present	2:30 PM

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion To: Approve Agenda as presented.

RESULT: APPROVED (4 TO 0)
MOVER: Commissioner John Johnson
SECONDER: Commissioner Casey Venema
AYES: Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema
ABSENT: Cory Smith

IV. MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Approve the minutes of the Tuesday, August 25, 2026, Itasca County Regular Agenda.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL - NO ACTION TAKEN

V. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion To: add additional information to Item #5.1 (Approve MN Safe and Secure Grant), and add Item #5.5 (Approve temporary on-sale liquor license for Keewatin American Legion Post 452-even at Barn in the Woods) and Approve as Amended

RESULT: APPROVED (4 TO 0)
MOVER: Commissioner John Johnson
SECONDER: Commissioner Casey Venema
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1. Approve the MN Safe and Secure Grant.
2. Approve the Airport Improvement Grant Request letter and authorize necessary signatures.
3. Approve the contract with Great American and authorize signatures.

4. Approve the donation of three computers to the following: Trout Lake Fire Department (1), Taconite Fire Department (1), and Greenway Fire Department (1)
5. Approve a temporary on-sale liquor license for Keewatin American Legion Post 452-event at Barn in the Woods located at 27037 Baich Road, Bovey MN.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Commissioner Warrants

Motion To: Approve Commissioner Warrants with a check date of September 2, 2026, in the amount of \$ 1,570,328.96.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4 TO 0)
MOVER:	Commissioner Casey Venema
SECONDER:	Commissioner Larry Hopkins
AYES:	Terry Snyder, John Johnson, Larry Hopkins, Casey Venema
ABSENT:	Cory Smith

VII. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

No update provided

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Hopkins reported on attending Coffee with Commissioners and budget meetings.

Commissioner Johnson reported on attending Coffee with Commissioners and budget meetings.

Commissioner Snyder reported on attending a North Itasca Joint Powers Board meeting, Coffee with Commissioners and budget meetings.

Commissioner Venema reported on attending a Nashwauk City Council meeting regarding Blue Lake.

IX. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Snyder provided comment regarding Bovey Farmer Days is coming up.

X. CITIZEN INPUT

1. Receive citizen input.
No input provided.

XI. CLOSED SESSIONS

XII. ADJOURN

Vice-Chair Snyder adjourned the meeting at 2:33PM.

ATTEST

Terry Snyder
Vice-Chair of the County Board

Brett Skyles
Clerk of the County Board