

**December 9, 2025, Regular Board Meeting**

Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 4:00 p.m., Chairperson Mark Stauber called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Board of Commissioners Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present; Chairperson Mark Stauber, Commissioner Ean Bruette, Jacob Conery, Pete Judd, Patti Peretto.

**Also present:** Administrator Lynette Lorenz, Court Administrator Summer Olson, District Court Probation Officer Kianna Eisenrich, Equalization Director Amy Bucek, Facilities and Parks Supervisor Robby Olsen, Friend of the Court Shawn Houle, Prosecuting Attorney Chad DeRouin, Sheriff Ryan Boehmke, Undersheriff Bob Reid, Jail Administrator Danielle Cunningham, Treasurer Melanie Camps, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti, and Clerk/Register Amy Donati.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Moved by Bruette, supported by Conery, to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2025.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Moved by Bruette supported by Conery, to approve the agenda with the following additional changes:

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

**J. Iron County MIDC to assist Delta County MIDC with Administrative duties.**

**K. Facilities & Parks Supervisor Evaluation**

**L. County Administrator Contract Evaluation**

**Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items Only (3 minutes max.)**

Treasurer Melanie Camps asked the County board to extend the current Administrators contract. Treasurer Camps also made comment on how the Facilities and Parks Supervisor Robby Olsen proactive approach to the Courthouse maintenance is refreshing.

**Monthly Financials:**

**Moved by Bruette, supported by Conery, to approve the monthly payables for November in the amount of \$471,960.68 and payroll for November in the amount of \$288,255.28.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Conery, Judd, Peretto, Bruette, Stauber**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**Moved by Bruette, supported by Conery, to approve journal entries 24558 through 24617 for November in the amount of \$3,758,805.18, submitted by Treasurer Melanie Camps, 15 of which are administratively approved budget amendments in the amount of \$48,654.00.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Judd, Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Stauber**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**Commissioner Reports:**

Bruette: Commissioner Bruette reported that the Iron County Veteran Services Department is still looking for a building to buy or rent.

Conery: Commissioner Conery reported that Mansfield Township had their Christmas Party and that a good time was had by all.

Judd: Commissioner Judd reported that the City of Iron River had their Annual Christmas Parade this past

weekend with a tree lighting and fireworks that followed. Commissioner Judd also reported that he attended the WUPPDR meeting at the West Iron District Library and the meeting had great participation from community members. Commissioner Judd stressed that it's very important for all Iron County municipalities and community members to be involved because the mandated recycling will affect everyone in Iron County.

Peretto: None currently.

Stauber: Commissioner Stauber reported on the WUPPDR meeting that he also attended. Commissioner Stauber also reiterated Commissioner Judd's comment about all local involvement in the discussion with the mandated recycling as it affects every person in the County. Commissioner Stauber also reported that the Health Department meeting was cancelled.

**Moved by Judd, supported by Conery, to approve Commissioner Reports.**

**Voice Vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Department Reports:**

Fair Board: Commissioner Peretto reported that finalization is occurring on the contract that the Iron County Fair board has with the company that provides amusement rides. Commissioner Peretto reported that in this contract 10 adult rides will be brought for the 2026 Iron County Fair.

Friend of Court: Friend of Court Shawn Houle reported that \$68,000.00 was paid in the month of November, this included current support and back child support.

MSU Extension: Anne Kretschmann reported that 4H members have been working on the Christmas Tree's at the Museum. Kretschmann also reported that the Sharp Shooters received a grant that was used to purchase safety equipment. Lastly, Kretschmann reported that the 4H program currently has 35 members.

Parks/Grounds: Facilities and Parks Supervisor Robby Olsen reported that the Crystal Falls Fire Department did report to a call at the Courthouse after hours, after a thorough search of the building no issues were found. Supervisor Olsen also reported that he is working with the Administrator on Requests for Proposals for the sound system in the County Board room, HVAC system to be replaced in the cage, and heating in the County Board room and by the Security Officer. Supervisor Olsen informed that board that they are currently working on prepping the basement for repairs. Lastly, supervisor Olsen reported that the County received a \$4,200.00 rebate check back from the lighting upgrade.

Sheriff Office: Sheriff Boehmke wanted to thank all his staff for the extra shifts that they have done because of the Jail being short staffed. Sheriff Boehmke reported that on December 27, 2025 an active shooter training will be done at the Forest Park school. Lastly Sheriff Boehmke informed the board that roughly \$226,000.00 of revenue was brought into the County because of the Iron County Jail housing out of county inmates. That is roughly \$30,000.00 per month.

Treasurer: Treasurer Melanie Camps reported that the last two parcels that were up for public auction were sold on October 31, 2025. This would mark the second year in a row that all foreclosed on properties were sold.

**Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to approve Department Reports.**

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Old Business:**

Pentoga Park Bathroom & Pavillion Flooring: Moved by Peretto, supported by Bruette to move forward with installing Sherwin Williams MVB for moisture/3746 epoxy/4859 urethane to prevent yellowing with  $\frac{1}{4}$ " flake for color in four bathrooms and Sika 100VB for moisture/M200/TC225 on the pavilion floor. Work will be done in the summer months over a four day period of weather permitting days.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Judd, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

Request for Proposal for Design and Build Storage Building: No action taken.

**New Business:**

County Forester Brock VanOss: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to approve the change of compensation from fifteen (15%) percent of the net revenue received from a marked sale to eighteen (18%) percent of the net revenue received from a marked sale. Additionally, approve the change of compensation from ten (10%) percent of the net revenue received from a clear cut sale to thirteen (13%) of the net revenue received from a clear cut sale. Also, to approve the rate of \$75.00 per hour and the use of the IRS mileage rate for County business.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Judd, Peretto, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

Approval to hire a Deputy District Court Clerk/Juvenile Register effective January 2026: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to approve the hire of a District Court Clerk/Juvenile Register, and authorize funds associated with the position to be allocated effective January 1, 2026.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Judd, Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

Camp Batawagama Band Camp Registration Fees: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to approve Iron County Band Camp Registration Fees for the 2026 Band Camp Summer Program; In-County \$250.00, Out-Of County \$500.00.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Judd, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

Colligo GIS 2026 Work Order - 07: Moved by Judd, supported by Conery to approve Colligo GIS 2026 contract and payment of \$3,500.00.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Judd, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

2026 Organization Meeting of the County Board: Moved by Conery, supported by Judd, to set the Organizational Meeting for Friday, January 2, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

Labor Attorney: Moved by Peretto, supported by Bruette to approve Anne Steen from Warner, Norcross and Judd as the County of Iron Labor Attorney.

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

2026 Wages for Elected and Appointed: Moved by Bruette, supported by Conery to increase the Building Inspector salary to \$70,000.00 effective the first full pay period after January 1, 2026 and to increase the Jail Administrator salary to \$63,500.00 effective the first full pay period after January 1, 2026.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Bruette, Conery, Judd, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

2026 Wages for Elected and Appointed: Moved by Bruette, supported by Judd to approve a 4% increase for all other Elected and Appointed Officials who do not have a contract effective the first full pay period after January 1, 2026.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Judd, Peretto, Stauber  
Nays: None

**Motion carried.**

Updates on Department: Temp Employees, Dickinson County Agreement: After discussion no action was taken.

Approval to hire 3 Full time Dispatchers: After discussion, approval was given previously for Central Dispatch to hire Full time dispatchers. No action was taken.

North CAD Group Project: Moved by Judd, supported by Peretto to approve \$4,000.00 of 911 millage funds for North CAD Group CAD project.

Moved by Judd, supported by Peretto to withdraw motion to approve \$4,000.00 of 911 millage funds for North CAD Group CAD project, and set a Special Meeting for Monday, December 22, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. to address: Temp Employees, Dickinson County Agreement and North CAD Group Project.

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

Change in FSA Plan Provider to Burnham & Flowers; Contract and Resolution: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to approve the Contract and Resolution subject to Civil Counsel approval.

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

### **Public Comment:**

Court Administrator Summer Olson informed the County Commissioners that the Courthouse employees will have a soup and salad lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on December 23, 2025 in the common area outside of the main courtroom and invited all Commissioners.

### **Announcements:**

The Courthouse is closed for the Christmas Holiday on Thursday, December 25, 2026 and Friday, December 26, 2026 and New Years Day, Thursday, January 1, 2026.

Facilities & Park Supervisor Evaluation; County Administrator Contract Evaluation: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to move into Executive Session at the request of Robby Olsen.

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Moved out of Executive session 5:24 p.m.**

**County Administrator Contract: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to authorize Civil Counsel Steve Tinti to draw up a contract for Administrative duties.**

**Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Chairperson, Mark Stauber

Clerk/Register, Amy Donati