

**Carlton County
Board of Commissioners
ANNUAL SESSION – Rough Draft
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
8:30 a.m.**

The Carlton County Board of Commissioners met this 6th day of January 2026, in Annual Session at the Carlton County Transportation Building.

Auditor/Treasurer Kevin DeVriendt called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Bodie, Plante Buhs, Proulx, Reed, and Zmyslony. Absent: None.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Nominations were called for Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners for the year 2026. Commissioner Proulx was nominated by Reed. There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes that Proulx serve as Chairperson for the year 2026.

Commissioner Proulx took over the meeting as Chairperson of the Board.

Nominations were called for Vice-Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners for the year 2026. Commissioner Reed was nominated by Bodie. There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes that Reed serve as Vice-Chairperson for the year 2026.

Motion by Plante Buhs, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Consent Agenda and items as follows:

Approve the Minutes of December 22, 2025, Adjourned Board Meeting.

Approve the following claims over \$2,000 and the summary number of claims and amounts under \$2,000 in the month of December 2025:

A-1 FENCE CO 7625.57, AFSCME COUNCIL 65 7269.87, AKITABOX INC 11181.36, ALL AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY LLC 3575, ARROWHEAD ECON OPPORTUNITY AGENCY 11103.06, ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEMS 58633.67, ARROWHEAD REGIONAL CORRECTIONS 175856.87, ARROWHEAD REGIONAL DEV COMM 27681.02, ASCENDANCE TRUCKS PARTS & SERVICE 13014.85, ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA COUNTIES 4277, AT&T MOBILITY 11238.60, BEAUDRY OIL & SERVICE INC 57840.43, BLAINE BROTHERS 7399.07, BOLTON & MENK INC. 14356.50, BP BUILDERS LLC 687033.73, BRIGHTWATER HEALTH 36753.48, BURGER'S SHOES LLC 2060.65, CARLTON COMMUNITY EDUCATION 2057.79, CARLTON COUNTY ABSTRACT & TITEL COMPANY 2072, CARLTON COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILY 45527, CARLTON COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT 3626.36, CARLTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH 8700, CARLTON COUNTY TREASURER 62607.55, CBT NUGGETS, LLC

4193, CENTER FOR ALCOHOL & DRUG TREATMENT 8797.91, CENTRAL PENSION FUND 7970.77, CENTURLINK 7783.86, CENTURLINK/LUMEN 2325.63, CHI ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH 2000, CHOICE, UNLIMITED 5750.25, CITY OF BARNUM 128005.96, CITY OF CARLTON 284561.21, CITY OF CLOQUET CITY HALL 3660412.65, CITY OF CROMWELL 106782.97, CITY OF KETTLE RIVER 44710.84, CITY OF MOOSE LAKE 525772.77, CITY OF SCANLON 162534.24, CITY OF WRENSHALL 88647.82, CITY OF WRIGHT 23001.34, CLAY COUNTY 9300, CLOQUET RIVERSIDE RECYCLING, INC 7662.50, CLOQUET SANITARY SERVICE INC 2392.19, COMM OF FINANCE, TREAS DIV 36001.92, COMMUNITY PRINTING, INC. 3183.23, COMO LUBE & SUPPLIES, INC 7195, COMPENSATION CONSULTANTS LTD 4593, CONSOLIDATED CORRECTIONAL FOODSERVICE 14923.28, CRAFTCO, INC 28704, CUMMINS INC 3937.16, DECAIGNY EXCAVATING INC 29400, DELTA DENTAL OF MINNESOTA 17550.02, DHS-MSOP-462 4770, DRCC 3893.40, DULUTH TIRE 2855, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERV COUNCIL 2450.11, EMPIRE INVESTIGATION & PROTECTIVE SERVIC 2128.75, ENTERPRISE FM TRUST 36251.26, FASTENAL COMPANY 2390.98, FAUL PSYCOLOGICAL 3990, FIRST CALL FOR HELP OF ITASCA COUNTY 9964.50, FIRST WITNESS CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER 16800, FOND DU LAC OFF RES-ADMIN 2400, FOND DU LAC OFF-RESERVATION 3897, FOND DU LAC ON RES-ADMIN 7200, FOND DU LAC ON-RESERVATION 8208.30, FRYBERGER, BUCHANAN, SMITH & FREDERICK 5581.40, GUARDIAN RFID 3320, HENDRICKSON/ANNE 2500, HUNT ELECTRIC CORPORATION 10576.29, IDENTISYS INC 4470.70, IMPERIAL DADE 2182.46, IMPERIAL SUPPLIES LLC 4968.95, INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LLC 2200.92, ISD 100 WRENSHALL 38730.23, ISD 91 BARNUM 75951, ISD 91-BARNUM COMMUNITY ED 2373.75, ISD 93 CARLTON 41132.42, ISD 94 CLOQUET 173766.86, ISD 95 CROMWELL-WRIGHT 84141.63, ISD 97-MOOSE LAKE 45657.96, ISD 99 ESKO 66266.20, KANABEC COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH 7556.94, LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERV INC 4206.86, LHB INC 4309, LITTLE FALLS MACHINE INC 3881.29, LITTLE SAND GROUP HOME 11833.20, LSSMN 3913.80, LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF MN 37716.66, M R SIGN CO INC 19716.60, MARSH & MCLENNAN COMPANIES, INC 9000, MATRIX TRUST COMPANY 3616.66, MATTHEW MILLER, ATTORNEY AT LAW PC 3067, MCCARTHY ARCHITECTS/KLEIN 10255.12, MCKINSTRY ESSENTION, LLC 206742.80, MIDWAY FORD COMPANY 57584, MCIT 18532, MINN OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY 2841.36, MINNESOTA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION 6464, MINNESOTA DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES 33837.29, MINNESOTA DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES 22971.20, MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES 11601.05, MINNESOTA POWER 40508.48, MINNESOTA TELECOMMUNICATIONS 2489.88, MOOSE LAKE FIRE PROTECTION 80840.74, MORTON SALT INC 36801.85, NAPA AUTO PARTS 4713.40, NEUMANN/JINYEENE 2247.55, NEXT CHAPTER TECHNOLOGY, INC 127849.50, NORTH COUNTRY STRATEGIES, LLC 3000, NORTH HOMES INC 8640.12, NORTHEAST MINNESOTA OFFICE OF JOB TRAIN 52437.86, NORTHERN ENGINE & SUPPLY INC 2398.40, NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, INC 9330.08, NORTHLAND CONSTRUCTORS OF DULUTH 89481.45, NORTHLAND VEBA PLAN 1234652.50, NORTHWEST CARLTON CO AMBULANCE DISTRICT 26144.18, NORTHWOOD CHILDRENS SERVICES 20554.08, PARAMOUNT PLANNING GROUP LLC 6900, PARSONS ELECTRIC LLC 5388.23, PEACEMAKER RESOURCES 3152.25,

PEARSON/ADRIENNE 5525, PINE KNOT LLC 3997.18, PINWOOD CLOQUET INC 3947.23, POLK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH 13728.87, POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC 17686.10, POWERPLAN 17484.69, PRECISION AUTO BODY LLC 8282.60, R S & H INC 26539.20, RADCO TRUCK ACCESSORY STORE 6866.80, REDACTED-Foster Care 4065.70, REDACTED-Foster Care 3479.48, REDACTED-Foster Care 3363.60, REDACTED-Foster Care 2647.50, REDACTED-Foster Care 2640.60, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2634, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2452, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2132, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2073, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2014, REDACTED-Refund overpayment tax 2001, REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY 7948.85, REINFORCEMENT CONSULTING LLC 4000, SAINT PAUL PORT AUTHORITY (PACE) 17119.04, SANFORD HEALTH 16353, SCHNEIDER GEOSPATIAL LLC 14388, SCOTT ANDERSON PROPERTY MANAGEMENT 2448, SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION 50130.23, SINNOTT GROUP INC 65024.82, SK TAXI 4268, STELLHER HUMAN SERVICES, INC 9751.83, STREICHERS 11618.66, SUN LIFE FINANCIAL 6805.69, SUPER ONE FOODS RETAIL ACCOUNTING 10875, TEAMSTERS LOCAL 346 4529, TENDER LOVING CARE 6991.55, THOMPSON/BETHANY 3528.26, THOMPSON/BILL L 3067, THOMSON REUTERS - WEST 2156.21, THRIFTY WHITE PHARMACY 2650.25, TOWN OF ATKINSON 22122.66, TOWN OF AUTOMBA 24594.07, TOWN OF BARNUM 71891.07, TOWN OF BESEMAN 16183.52, TOWN OF BLACKHOOF 104423.75, TOWN OF EAGLE 60487.74, TOWN OF HOLYOKE 39989.22, TOWN OF KALEVALA 26121.29, TOWN OF LAKEVIEW 21981.50, TOWN OF MAHTOWA 89433.89, TOWN OF MOOSE LAKE 92144.16, TOWN OF PERCH LAKE 42155.03, TOWN OF SILVER 35456.67, TOWN OF SILVER BROOK 33709.91, TOWN OF SKELTON 30654.98, TOWN OF SPLIT ROCK 15955.84, TOWN OF THOMSON 877723.55, TOWN OF TWIN LAKES 613386.03, TOWN OF WRENSHALL 42145.85, TRIMIN SYSTEMS 3600, TRUE NORTH GOODWILL 3325, TWIG AREA TRAIL RIDERS ATV CLUB 12075.55, TWIN PORT MAILING 7767.49, U.S. BANK 15937.19, ULINE, INC. 18457.6, ULLAND BROTHERS 11261.54, WALMART COMMUNITY-GEGRB 4171.92, WELLNESS IN THE WOODS 5606.43, WLSSD 154887.83, ZIEGLER INC 19163.58, Payments over \$2,000 -189 Vendors 12,291,811.20, Payments less than \$2,000 -475 Vendors 210,546.14, GRAND TOTAL DECEMBER 2025 12,502,357.34,

Approve the following resolution (26-001):

BE IT RESOLVED by the Carlton County Board of Commissioners that the County enter into a Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) Operational Enhancement Grant Program. This grant will be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Statutes 197.608. This grant will not be used to supplant or replace other funding. The grant cycle is SFY2026 from 7/1/2025-6/30/2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor and County Veterans Service Officer are hereby authorized to execute this Grant Contract and any amendments thereto.

Approve the following resolution (26-002):

WHEREAS, Minn. Statute § 331A.03 Subd. 3(b), allows a county to use its website or recognized industry trade journals as an alternative to disseminate solicitations of bids, requests for information and requests for proposals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that from this day forward, the County of Carlton may use the Carlton County website, www.carltoncountymn.gov, as an alternative means to disseminate solicitations of bids, requests for information, and requests for proposals for transportation related construction and maintenance projects. Alternative method has been used since the original resolution adoption date of January 2, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the first six (6) months after this designation of an alternative means of dissemination, the county shall continue to publish solicitations of bids, requests for information and request for proposals, in the same official newspaper of the county in addition to the alternative method and that the publication in the official newspaper must indicate where to find the designated alternative method.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any dissemination by alternative means must be in substantially the same format and for the same period of time as a publication would otherwise be required under Minn. Statute § 331A.03 Subd. 3.

Approve the calendar 2026 and 2027 Child Support agreement with the Minnesota Department of Children, Youth, and Families as on file at the Public Health and Human Services Department.

Regular Agenda

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve the Annual Agenda as amended.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to approve contracts for opioid identification, remediation, and peer support services with Wellness in the Woods for \$50,908, Essentia Institute for Rural Health for \$13,336, and Arrowhead Regional Corrections (ARC) for \$10,000. Contracts are on file at the Public Health and Human Services Department.

Zoning Administrator provided progress report on County Interim Ordinance #41 Green Burian moratorium.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Reed, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-003):

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Board of Commissioners did previously enter into an Agreement for the removal, transportation, and disposal or recycling of hazardous materials and scrap metal from waste appliances with Afterlife Electronics; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for one-year renewals at the same rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve a one-year renewal of the agreement for the removal, transportation, and disposal or recycling of hazardous materials and scrap metal from waste appliances with Afterlife Electronics effective from December 1, 2025, to November 30, 2026.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to approve a fifty-year lease with Fond du Lac for property along Airport Road for proposed compost site access.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-004):

WHEREAS, Carlton County has reviewed the pertinent date on bridges requiring replacement, rehabilitation or removal, supplied by local citizenry and local units of government; and

WHEREAS, Carlton County has identified those bridges that are high priority and that require replacement, rehabilitation, or removal within the next ten years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following bridges are high priority and Carlton County intends to replace, rehabilitate or remove these bridges as soon as possible when funds become available.

Old Bridge Number	Road Number and Name	Crossing	LPI	Total Project Cost	Township or State Bridge Funds Requested	Federal Funds	Local / State Aid Funds	Proposed Construction Year
09504 (rehab)	CSAH 1	Forbay Canal	65	500,000	SBB			2028-2033
09505 (rehab)	CSAH 61	BNSF RR	73	800,000	SBB			2028-2033
97816	CR 127	Tamarack River	56	300,000	SBB		Local	2028-2033
L8973	CR 135	Silver Creek	30	300,000	SBB		Local	2028-2033
N/A	CR 135	Tributary		500,000	SBB		Local	2028-2033
L1189	CSAH 4	Kettle River	33	1,500,000	SBB			2027-2032
09518	CSAH 6	Blackhoof Crk	53	10,000,000	SBB		State	2028-2033
L1198	CSAH 8	Silver Creek	38	1,000,000	SBB			2028-2033
96279	Ditchbank Rd	Stony Brook	58	500,000	TB		20,000	2028-2033
3077	CSAH 61	Stream	40	750,000	SBB			2028-2033

3039	CSAH 61	Stream	40	750,000	SBB			2028-2033
L6369	Farm	Ditch	28	500,000	TB		10,000	2030-2035
L6370	Cattle Dr	Ditch	23	500,000	TB		10,000	2030-2035
N/A	CSAH 61	Mission Creek		800,000	SBB			2026-2027
L1207	CR 157	Moose Horn	53	1,000,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
09508	CR 138	Moose Horn	59	1,800,000	Fed/BROS	1,440,000	360,000	2027
09501	CSAH 12	Kettle River	34	2,000,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
L8972	CR 157	Moose Horn	66	400,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
L8781	M-1 (Wright)	Tamarack River	46	400,000	SBB			2030-2035
09539	Palo Rd	West Br Kettle	50	500,000	TB		10,000	2030-2035
93265	CR 126	Little Tamarack	50	500,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
93266	CR 126	Little Tamarack	52	500,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
09520	CR 126	Little Tamarack	69	500,000	SBB		Local	2030-2035
L1211	CSAH 17	Split Rock River	58	1,500,000	SBB			2030-2035

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Carlton County does hereby request authorization to replace, rehabilitate, or remove such bridges; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Carlton County does hereby requests financial assistance with eligible approach grading and engineering costs on township bridges, as provided by law.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-005):

WHEREAS, Carlton County is required by Minnesota Statute 203B.121, Subd.1, to establish a County Absentee Ballot Board; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting of returned absentee ballots in Carlton County; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of election judges appointed as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors trained in processing and counting of absentee ballots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Carlton County Auditor to establish an Absentee Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors to perform the task. This is for the 2026-2027 election cycle, ending on December 31, 2027.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-006):

WHEREAS, Carlton County is required by Minnesota Statute 204B.45, Subd.2, to establish a County Mail Ballot Board; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting of returned mail ballots in Carlton County; and

WHEREAS, the Mail Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of election judges appointed as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors trained in processing and counting of mail ballots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Carlton County Auditor to establish a Mail Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors to perform the task. This is for the 2026-2027 election cycle, ending on December 31, 2027.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-007):

WHEREAS, Carlton County is required by Minnesota Statute 203B.23, Subd.1, to establish a County Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) Ballot Board for ballots issued under sections 203B.16 to 203B.27; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting of returned UOCAVA absentee ballots in Carlton County; and

WHEREAS, the UOCAVA Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of election judges appointed as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors trained as election judges and in processing and counting of UOCAVA absentee ballots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Carlton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Carlton County Auditor to establish a UOCAVA Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22. The board may include deputy county auditors to perform the task. This is for the 2026-2027 election cycle, ending on December 31, 2027.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-008):

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat. § 388.18 Subd. 2., at the January meeting prior to the first date on which applicants may file for the office of County Attorney, the Carlton County Board of Commissioners shall set by resolution the minimum salary to be paid the County Attorney for the term next following.

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat. § 387.20 Subd. 2. (b), at the January meeting prior to the first date on which applicants may file for the office of County Sheriff, the Carlton County

Board of Commissioners shall set by resolution the minimum salary to be paid the County Sheriff for the term next following; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the minimum salary as set by the Carlton County Board of Commissioners for the elected positions for the County Attorney and County Sheriff shall for the next term following be:

Position Minimum Salary 2026–Grade 250 Step 1 (Sheriff) & Grade 260 Step 1 (Attorney)	
Sheriff	\$130,686.40
Attorney	\$139,401.60

Motion Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (26-009):

WHEREAS, public officials and employees of Carlton County could be in a position to refer or contract with private vendors of service; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, section 382.18, prevents Carlton County officials and employees from being interested, directly or indirectly, in contracts; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to the integrity of Carlton County that contracts and referrals for services be made in the best interests of Carlton County and free from any possible conflict.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that no public official or employee of Carlton County in direct contact with providers or potential providers, or who may directly or indirectly influence the purchasing of services or contracting for services, or otherwise has official involvement in the purchasing or contracting process may:

1. Have any financial interest or have any personal beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in contracts or purchase orders for goods or services used by or purchased by Carlton County.
2. Accept directly or indirectly from a person, firm, or corporation to which a contract or purchase order has been or may be awarded, a rebate, gift, money, or anything of value other than items of nominal value. No such employees may further accept any promise, obligation, or contract for future reward.
3. Serve on any board or commission as a representative of Carlton County that contracts with or provides services to Carlton County or its Board, without the express written consent of the Carlton County Board, except that public officials need only to notify the Carlton County Board of such service. This provision does not apply to union activities, as defined by the various collective bargaining agreements.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, as Department Heads, Elected, and Appointed Officials, have read the foregoing and are not aware of any violations of this policy.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (26-010):

BE IT RESOLVED to award the bid for legal publications for 2026 to the newspaper indicated below at the Stated Rate per Standard Advertising Unit (S.A.U.), contingent upon meeting all bid specifications and statutory requirements in regard to legal publications:

1. Summary of Commissioner Proceedings \$15.00 Per S.A.U.
(Both the Moose Lake Star Gazette and Pine Knot News in combination will publish the Commissioner's Proceedings for 2026.)
2. Other Legal Publications (combined bid MLSG & PKN) \$15.00 Per S.A.U.
3. Notices and Lists of Real Estate Taxes Remaining Delinquent on the First Workday of January 2026 (combined) \$15.00 Per S.A.U.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (26-011):

BE IT RESOLVED the schedule of Carlton County Board Meetings for 2026, with meetings to be held at the Carlton County Transportation Building, 1630 County Road 61, Carlton, unless otherwise indicated and/or posted, shall be as follows:

Regular Meeting - 8:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month
Adjourned Meeting - 4:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the May Adjourned Board Meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at the Carlton County Transportation Building unless indicated otherwise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the August Regular Board Meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at the Carlton County Government Services Building, 1307 Cloquet Ave, Cloquet unless indicated otherwise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the December Regular Board Meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m., on December 10th, 2026, at the Carlton County Transportation Building unless indicated otherwise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners will meet for the Truth in Taxation at 6:00 p.m. on December 10th, 2026, at the Carlton County Transportation Building; this meeting is subject to change in accordance with Department of Revenue Guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that per the 2025 Legislative changes to Minnesota Statute 13D regarding Open Meeting Law (OML), Commissioners may be participating via interactive technology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners will meet as the Carlton County Board of Appeal and Equalization (CBAE) and the Board of Review (BOR) for the Unorganized Townships of Carlton County at 3:30 p.m. on June 15, 2026, and if necessary at 3:00 p.m. on June 22, 2026, at the Carlton County Transportation Building; These meetings are subject to change in accordance with Department of Revenue Guidelines.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (26-012):

BE IT RESOLVED the Carlton County Board of Commissioners shall meet as a Committee of the Whole at the Carlton County Transportation Building Meeting Room, 1630 County Road 61, Carlton, on the first Tuesday of each month in 2026 at 4:00 p.m. beginning in February, to discuss Road and Bridge, Land and Buildings, General Government, Public Safety, and other matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the November Committee of the Whole Meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at the Carlton County Government Services Building, 1307 Cloquet Ave, Cloquet unless indicated otherwise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that per the 2025 Legislative changes to Minnesota Statute 13D regarding Open Meeting Law (OML), Commissioners may be participating via interactive technology.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Plante Buhs, and carried by all yea votes to approve the following resolution (26-013):

BE IT RESOLVED to approve committee, commission, and other appointments of Commissioners in 2026 as follows:

2026 Committee/Commission

Committee of the Whole (COTW) (rotate annually- dist 5,1,4,2,3)
Arrowhead Counties Association (ACA)
Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA)
Arrowhead Health Alliance (AHA)
Arrowhead Library System (ALS) (Regional)
Arrowhead Regional Corrections (ARC)
Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC)
Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) District 1
AMC District 1 Alternate Director
AMC Education Committee
AMC Env & Nat Res Policy Committee
AMC General Government Policy Committee
AMC Health & Human Services Policy Committee

Commissioner(s)/Representative

Reed-Chair/Plante Buhs-Vice
Bodie
Reed
Zmyslony/Bodie (alt)
Anja Lisa Bottila
Bodie/Proulx (alt)
Zmyslony
All Commissioners
Zmyslony
Zmyslony
Plante Buhs
Reed
Proulx

AMC Public Safety Policy Committee	Bodie
AMC Transportation & Infrastructure Policy Committee	Zmyslony
AMC Tribal Relations Committee	Proulx/Plante Buhs
AMC ICWA/MIFPA Out of Home Placements	Proulx/Plante Buhs
Big Sandy Watershed District	Reed
Carlton Ambulance & Fire District	Zmyslony/Plante Buhs (alt)
Carlton County Airport Commission	Reed/Plante Buhs
Carlton County Association of Townships (CCATO)	All Commissioners
Carlton County Building/Facilities Committee	Bodie/Proulx
Carlton County Collaborative	Proulx/Plante Buhs
Carlton County Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP)	All Commissioners
Carlton County Department Head Hiring Committee	All Commissioners
Carlton County Drug Prevention Coalition	Proulx/Plante Buhs
Carlton County Economic Development Authority (EDA)	Bodie/Zmyslony
Carlton County Extension Committee (CEC)	Zmyslony/Reed
Carlton County Fair Board Representative	Zmyslony/Reed (alt)
Carlton County Finance Committee (rotate annually chair & vice)	Proulx/Reed, Zmyslony (alt)
Carlton County Fire Chiefs	Zmyslony
Carlton County Housing Trust Fund	Zmyslony/Plante Buhs, Reed (alt)
Carlton County Human Services Advisory Committee (HSAC)	Bodie
Carlton County Human Services Appeal Committee	Bodie/Plante Buhs/Napoli/Genereau
Carlton County Information Technology Committee (IT)	Bodie/Plante Buhs (alt)
Carlton County Insurance Committee (rotate annually)	Bodie/Zmyslony, Reed (alt)
Carlton County Justice Partners	Bodie/Plante Buhs
Carlton County Law Enforcement Community	Zmyslony
Carlton County Law Library	Reed
Carlton County Personnel Committee	Zmyslony/Plante Buhs (alt)
Carlton County Planning Commission	Reed/Zmyslony (alt)
Carlton County Probation Committee	Bodie/Boucher, Proulx (alt)
Carlton County Special Board Meetings	All Commissioners
Carlton County Union Negotiation Committee	Zmyslony/Plante Buhs (alt)
Carlton County Wellness Committee	Proulx
Cloquet Economic Development Partnership	Proulx/Plante Buhs/Pervenanze
Community Health Board (CHB) (Regional)	Bodie/Rick Breuer CMH
Cromwell/Wright Fire District	Reed (unorg)/Plante Buhs (alt)
Emergency Medical Services Council (EMS)	Zmyslony/Reed (alt)
Fond du Lac Tribal/County Relations	Proulx/Plante Buhs, Reed (alt)
Lakes and Pines Community Action Council (CAC)	Reed
Laurentian Resource Conservation & Development (LRCD)	Zmyslony
Local Emergency Food and Shelter Board	Zmyslony
National Association of Counties (NACo)	All Commissioners
Northeast MN Area Transportation Partnership (NEATP)	Reed/Neumann, Zmyslony (alt)
Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training (JET)	Proulx
Northeast Waste Advisory Board (NEWAC)	Reed/Proulx (alt)
Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board (NCLUCB)	Zmyslony/Proulx (alt)
Northwest Carlton County Ambulance District (NWCCAD)	Reed (unorg)/Dennis Lundin (alt)
One Watershed One Plan Policy Committee (1W1P)	Zmyslony/Reed (Nemadji River) Bodie/Proulx (St. Louis River) Reed/Zmyslony (Kettle River) Reed/Zmyslony (Upper Mississippi River)
Regional Emergency Communications Board	Bodie/Sheriff Lake (alt)

Soil & Water Conservation District Liaison (SWCD)

Reed/Zmyslony (alt)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a per diem plus all necessary expenses associated with these meetings be paid for by the County.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to adopt the following resolution (26-014):

BE IT RESOLVED that Non-Commissioner appointments to the Committee of the Whole in 2026 shall be as follows:

All Carlton County Department Heads	elected and appointed
Transportation Matters Representative	Rick Norrgard
Township Representatives	primary and alternate to be determined by the Association of Townships

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event a Department Head cannot attend Committee of the Whole Meetings, their designee may represent the department at the meetings.

Motion by Zmyslony, seconded by Bodie, and carried by all yea votes to close the annual meeting as permitted by section Minnesota. Statute 13D.05 related to attorney-client privilege.

Motion by Bodie, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes to close the closed session and return to the annual meeting.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Zmyslony, and carried by all yea votes that this meeting be adjourned.

Attest: _____
Kevin DeVriendt
County Auditor/Treasurer

Thomas R. Proulx
County Board Chairperson