

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 12, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Government Center Board Room

Regular Session Minutes

1.A CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wedel called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
J. Mark Wedel	District #1	Present
Laurie Westerlund	District #2	Present
Travis Leiviska	District #3	Present
Bret Sample	District #4	Absent
Michael Kearney	District #5	Present
David Minke	County Administrator	Present
April Kellerman	Administrative Assistant	Present

1.B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1.C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to: Approve the agenda.

RESULT:

APPROVED (4 TO 0)

MOVER:

Commissioner Travis Leiviska

SECONDER:

Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

1.D Citizens Public Comment - None

2 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to: Approve the Consent Agenda.

RESULT:

APPROVED (4 TO 0)

MOVER:

Commissioner Michael Kearney

SECONDER:

Commissioner Travis Leiviska

A) Correspondence File-

October 28, 2025 - November 11, 2025

B) Approve County Board Minutes-

October 28, 2025

C) Approve Electronic Funds Transfers

Total \$4,034,921.67

D) Approve Auditor Vouchers-

Auditor Warrants - HHS 10.24.25

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HHS \$49,391.71		Total	\$49,391.71

E) Approve Auditor Vouchers-

Auditor Warrants - School Advances 10.24.25

Townships \$1,780,704.09		Total	\$1,780,704.09
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F) Approve Manual Warrants/Voids/Corrections-

ELAN 10.09.25

General \$2,961.89	Reserves \$200.00	LLCC \$1,934.16	HHS \$92.42
			Total \$5,188.47

G) Approve Auditor Vouchers-

Auditor Warrants - R&B 10.31.25

R&B \$416,553.38			Total	\$416,553.38
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H) Approve	Auditor Vouche	ers-					
Auditor W	arrants - Proper	ty Tax Ove	erpays 10.31.2	25			
Genera	\$496.00	Taxes	\$19,471.42			Total	\$19,967.42
I) Approve	Auditor Vouche	ers-					
Auditor W	arrants - HHS 1	0.31.25					
Genera	\$18.47	HHS	\$20,493.37	AC Collab	\$79,562.00	Total	\$100,073.84
J) Approve	Manual Warran	ts/Voids/C	orrections-				-
Manual W	arrants - HHS 1	0.28.25					
HHS	\$466.17					Total	\$466.17
K) Approve	Manual Warran	ts/Voids/C	orrections-				
Manual W	arrants 10.31.25	5					
Genera	\$656.49	State	\$820,971.43	Taxes	\$3,927.00	Total	\$825,554.92
L) Approve	Commissioner'	s Vouchei	'S				-
Commissi	oner Warrants 1	1.07.25					
Genera	\$185,898.27	R&B	\$54,461.85	HHS	\$1,587.11	Trust	\$21,086.17
Fores	\$92,658.56	Taxes	\$362,142.34	LLCC	\$7,409.46	Parks	\$20,849.14
COVIE	\$143.88					Total	\$746,236.78

Regular Agenda

3A Pat Scollard - Sentence to Serve Coordinator

Informational Only

STS Year in Review - Information Only

RESULT:

INFORMATIONAL ONLY

MOVER: SECONDER:

4A Chris Sutch - IT Manager

Motion to:

Approve Darktrace Renewal - Addition of Email Protection

RESULT:

APPROVED (4 TO 0)

MOVER:

Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

SECONDER:

Commissioner Travis Leiviska

5A Jim Bright – Facilities Coordinator

Informational Only

Facilities Updates - Information Only

RESULT:

INFORMATIONAL ONLY

MOVER: SECONDER:

6A Kathleen Ryan – County Auditor

Motion to

Approve Statement of Work - CLA 2025 Audit

RESULT:

APPROVED (4 TO 0)

MOVER:

Commissioner Michael Kearney

SECONDER:

Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

6B Kathleen Ryan - County Auditor

Motion to:

Deny Adopting Resolution - Off Sale Liquor License OM Malmo, LLC dba Malmo Market

RESULT:

FAILED (2 TO 2)

MOVER:

Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

SECONDER:

Commissioner Michael Kearney

Deny license based on traffic concerns and the fact that there are four off-sale licenses in the township already.

Role Call Vote: Commissioner Westerlund - Aye

Commissioner Leiviska - No Commissioner Kearney - Aye Commissioner Wedel - No

David Minke - County Administrator **Discussion Item** Consider Support for Repealing Minnesota's Moratorium on Nuclear Power - Discussion Item **DISCUSSION ITEM** RESULT: MOVER: SECONDER: **Board of Commissioners** 8A **Informational Only** Commissioner Committee Reports ATV Committee, Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board, H&HS Advisory, Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS), Mississippi Headwaters Board **Motion to Adjourn** Motion made at 9:53 a.m. RESULT: APPROVED (4 TO 0) MOVER: Commissioner Laurie Westerlund SECONDER: Commissioner Travis Leiviska **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 25, 2025 J. Mark Wedel, Board Chair David J. Minke Aitkin County Board of Commissioner County Administrator