

March 24, 2026

At 9:00 AM, on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, the Brown County Board of Commissioners met in Room #204 of the Brown County Courthouse located in New Ulm, Minnesota, 56073. Commissioners present were David Borchert, Anton Berg, Brian Braun and Jeff Veerkamp, along with Lay Board Members DeeAnn Gieske and Vicki Sieve, County Administrator Sam Hansen and Human Services Director Anne Broskoff. Commissioner Scott Windschitl excused.

Call to Order

1. Vice-Chairman Braun called to order the Regular Meeting at 9:00 AM. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Review

2. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to accept the printed agenda. This motion duly carried.

Consent Agenda Review

3. Previous Meeting's Official Proceedings and Synopsis Approval

4. Human Services Claims Payments

In accordance with MS 375.12 the following claims exceed \$2,000; ELAN Financial Services \$2,493.85; Verizon Wireless \$2,842.25; 9 payments less than \$2,000 for a total of \$2,737.12. Final Total: \$8,073.22.

5. Staffing Report

A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to approve said Consent Agenda items. This motion duly carried.

New Business

6. Anne Broskoff, Human Services Director, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to approve (1) temporary Income Maintenance staff through April 2026. This motion duly carried.

7. Anne Broskoff, Human Services Director, and Rhonda Lux, Child Support Supervisor, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to accept and order file the Annual Child Support Program Overview report. This motion duly carried.

8. Anne Broskoff, Human Services Director, and Annie Braun, Social Services Supervisor, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to accept and order file the Adult Protection and Disability Services Program Overview report. This motion duly carried.

9. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to accept and order file the Human Services Monthly Update report. This motion duly carried.

10. Jennifer Wenisch, License Bureau Supervisor, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to approve new On-sale, Off-sale, and Sunday Liquor licenses for Searles Bar and Grill with prorated annual license fees to reflect licenses only being valid for 3 months. This motion duly carried.

11. Andrew Lang, Engineer, and Alexandra Davis, Assistant Engineer, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to set bid letting date for the 2026 Highway Surfacing Rehabilitation Projects for May 4, 2026, at 2:00 PM to be opened electronically via BidVAULT. This motion duly carried.

12. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to set bid letting date for 2026 Highway Maintenance Pavement Markings for May 6, 2026, at 10:00 AM to be opened electronically via BidVAULT. This motion duly carried.

13. Greg Peterson, Veterans Service Officer, and Sue Marti, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to accept, order file, and approve the Captain Willibald Bianchi Repatriation update report and activity. This motion duly carried.

Break

14. Eric Earheart, Realty Specialist, and Jon Beyer, District Manager, both with Windom Wetland Management District, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by

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Commissioner Berg, to approve a motion of "certification" acknowledging notification of the conservation easement project by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service protecting approximately 126 acres located in Brown County, Mulligan Township (T-108-N, R-33-W), Section 35. This motion duly carried.

15. Jesse Kral, Facilities Manager, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to deny the Public Health flooring replacement and to include it in the 2027 budgeting process. This motion duly carried.

16. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to approve AFSCME 65 Courthouse Union Contract for 2026-2028. This motion duly carried.

17. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to approve the AFSCME Highway Union contract for 2026-2028. This motion duly carried.

Other Business

18. Commissioner Committee Reports: Commissioner Borchert reported on the SC EMS Taskforce meeting; Commissioner Braun reported on the Woodlake Taskforce meeting, and the MNGO meeting; and Commissioner Veerkamp reported on the Woodlake Taskforce meeting, Ag Society meeting, and Township meeting.

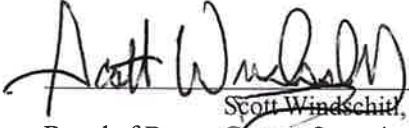
19. Calendars were coordinated for the next two-week period.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Braun declared the Meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

Notice

County Board Workshop regarding Statewide Affordable House Aid (SAHA) following the Board Meeting.



Scott Windschitl, Chair
Board of Brown County Commissioners
Brown County, Minnesota

ATTEST:



Sam Hansen
Brown County Administrator
Brown County, Minnesota