

June 16, 2026

At 9:00 AM, on Tuesday, June 16, 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, Scott Windschitl, and Jeff Veerkamp, along with County Administrator Sam Hansen and County Attorney Charles Hanson. Commissioner Brian Braun excused.

Call to Order

1. Chairman Windschitl 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 Veerkamp, to accept the printed agenda. This motion duly carried.

Consent Agenda Review

3. Previous Meeting's Official Proceedings and Synopsis Approval

4. General Government Claims

In accordance with MS 375.12, the following claims exceed \$2,000: Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc \$2,893.83; ALPHA WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS \$4,478.33; Consolidated Correctional Foodservice \$12,040.97; I & S Group Inc \$5,607.50; KNOW INK, LLC \$3,340.00; Lamar Companies/The \$2,175.00; Lang's Automotive LLC \$2,828.68; Midstates Equipment & Supply \$10,637.35; New Ulm/City Of \$2,814.00; PDCM/SCSU-Range \$2,915.00; PHYSICIANS GROUP OF NEW ULM LTD \$2,000.00; PRINTWEAR GRAPHICS \$4,174.65; R.D. Partners, Inc \$6,518.20; River Bend Leasing \$2,312.52; RTVISION INC \$7,320.48; Smith & Johnson \$12,000.00; TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL CO INC \$5,097.00; Trane U.S. Inc \$4,556.25; Turner Gymnastics \$4,359.89; WENDLAND SELLERS LAW OFFICE \$27,617.11; Western Detention Products Inc \$3,655.00; 112 payments less than \$2,000 total \$48,998.44. Final Total: \$178,340.20.

5. Human Services Claims Payments

In accordance with MS 375.12 the following claims exceed \$2,000; Brown Co Probation \$2,500.00; Brown Co Public Health Nursing \$3,000.00; Client \$2,416.48; Independent School District 84 \$5,500.00; Independent School District 88 \$5,500.00; Mn Valley Funeral Home \$3,300.00; Pro Kinship for Kids \$2,275.00; Sibley Co Public Health & Human Services \$9,709.82; Watonwan Co Human Services \$8,021.15; 145 payments less than \$2,000 total \$50,801.71. Final Total: \$93,024.16.

6. Stark Baseball Club Off-site Gambling Application

Application to conduct off-site gambling at Stark Ballpark, located in Brown County at 23215 County Road 24, Sleepy Eye, MN 56085 for the following dates: June 26–28, 2026.

7. DNR Electronic License System (ELS) Agent Contract

8. DNR Electronic License System Point-of-Sale Agent Contract

9. Opioid Settlement Grant Recipients

10. Staffing Report

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

New Business

11. Sam Hansen, County Administrator, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to recognize Lyle Heiderscheidt and Gary Kuebler for their contributions and commitment to the safety of others. This motion duly carried.

12. Jason Seidl, County Sheriff, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to accept and order file the Sheriff's Office May 2026 Monthly Report of activity. This motion duly carried.

13. Kelly Hotovec, Auditor-Treasurer, and Andrew Lang, Engineer, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by Commissioner Windschitl, to approve the following drainage repair request(s) and the payment of said repair(s):

System	Repair	Order	TWP	Section	Repair Type	Cost
CD55	26-020	1	Northstart	17	Blowout	\$475.88

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This motion duly carried.

14. Andrew Lang, Engineer, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to accept by Resolution No. 2026-16, the Carbon Reduction Program Agreement between the City of Springfield and Brown County. This motion carried on a roll-call vote of 4-0.

15. Robert Santaella, Planning and Zoning Director, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to approve the new Park Manager position and the posting. This motion duly carried.

16. A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to approve Park Caretaker, Gary Schenk, reimbursement in the amount of \$660 for time and equipment used outside his contract as recommended by the Park Commission. This motion carried on a roll-call vote of 4-0.

Closed Session

17. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to convene into closed session as permitted by Minnesota Statute § 13D.05, subd. 2 to consider Social Services Payments. This motion duly carried.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to authorize payment of Social Services claims in the amount of \$249,927.51. In accordance with MS 375.12, the following claims exceed \$2,000: Brown Co Evaluation Ctr \$14,426.36; Character Challenge Adventures \$10,470.00; Children Youth & Families Dept \$2,364.00; Children's Home \$2,609.27; Counseling Services of S. MN Inc \$5,118.34; DHS-MSOP \$13,965.50; DHS St Peter RTC-472 \$7,762.40; ELAN Financial Services \$5,678.03; EON Inc \$2,358.48; Gerard Nexus Inc \$26,433.08; Greater MN Family Services \$11,338.00; Klyberg, Donald \$2,222.00; Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota \$3,014.02; Mankato Family YMCA \$8,020.00; MN Valley Action Council \$15,547.38; MRCI Inc \$9,126.80; Nexus - Mille Lacs Family Healing \$18,272.64; Perala/Samantha Jo \$2,852.00; Prairie Lakes Youth Programs \$35,286.06; Prairie Support Services LLC \$2,956.33; Presbyterian Family Foundation Inc \$8,056.10; Village Ranch Inc \$17,159.58; 37 payments less than \$2,000 total \$24,891.14. Final Total: \$249,927.51. This motion duly carried.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to cease closed session and reconvene the open session. This motion duly carried.

Break

18. Planning Commission Recommendations:

Robert Santaella, Planning and Zoning Director, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Veerkamp, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to approve Final Plat APP-P-0178 Application filed by Scott Vogel on the property owned by Scott Vogel known as Vogel's 9th Subdivision Lot 1 (9.12 Acres) described as: Block 1, Lot 1 Vogel's seventh Subdivision and that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 109 North, Range 34 West, Brown County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of said Section 11; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds East, along the north line of said section, a distance of 575.00 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 1, Vogel's Seventh Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, said northeast corner being the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence continuing South 89 degrees 45 minutes 54 seconds East, along said north line, a distance of 470.00 feet to a survey monument; thence South 0 degrees 04 minutes 10 seconds East a distance of 380.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 470.00 feet to the southeast corner of said Lot 1; thence North 0 degrees 04 minutes 10 seconds West, along the east line of said Lot 1, a distance of 380.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.10 acres. Section 19, Township 110 North, Range 32 West, Home Township, Brown County, Minnesota. This motion duly carried.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp, to approve Final plat APP-P-0179 Application filed by Timothy Lipetzky on the property owned by Timothy & Hyon Hui Lipetzky known as Lipetzky Second Subdivision Lot 1 (3.53 Acres) described as: Part of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 24, Township 109 North, Range 35 West, North Star Township, Brown County, Minnesota. Application is to split the building site from the tillable land. This motion duly carried.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Windschitl, to approve Preliminary Plat APP-P-0180 Application filed by Pat Mohr on the property owned by Deanna J Mohr known as

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Mohr Subdivision Lot 1, Block 1 (2.50 acres) described as: Lot 1, Block 1 Berg's Subdivision, Section 22, Township 108, Range 31, Brown County, Minnesota, except A parcel of land situated in Lot 1 of Block 1 of Berg's Subdivision of Sec. 22, Twp. 108, Range 31, Brown County, Minnesota, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of County Recorder of said county and state as instrument No. 189937, said parcel being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Sec. 22, being also the Southwest corner of said Berg's subdivision; then North 00° 35' 00" West, an assumed bearing, along the west line of said Sec. 22, being also the most westerly line of said Berg's Subdivision, a distance of 356.14 feet; then continue along the westerly boundary lines of said Berg's subdivision on the following six described courses; 1) North 64° 11' 00" East 814.89 feet; 2) North 76° 39' 00" East 1700.00 feet; 3) North 89° 29' 00" East 177.00 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; 4) North 00° 09' 00" West 525.00 feet; 5) North 89° 51' 00" East 221.00 feet; 6) North 04° 09' 00" West 778.00 feet; then depart from said westerly line North 89° 29' 00" East 184.95 feet; then South 00° 31' 00" East 1300.00 feet; then South 89° 29' 00" West 360.00 feet to the point of beginning containing 7.17 acres, more or less, Brown County Minnesota. Application is to split residential site from tillable land. This motion duly carried.

Other Business

19. Commissioner Committee Reports: Commissioner Borchert reported on the Opioid meeting, Detox special meetings, District 7 meeting, JP workforce meeting, and MVAC meeting; Commissioner Berg reported on the Opioid meeting, the Planning Commission meeting, Public Health meeting, Drainage workgroup meeting, and District 7 meeting; Commissioner Windschitl reported on the District 7 meeting, TAC meeting, SCHA meeting, and the BCHS meeting; and Commissioner Veerkamp reported on the RCRCA meeting.

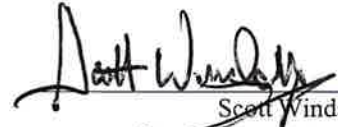
20. Calendars were coordinated for the next two-week period.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Windschitl declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:22 AM.

Notice

Ditch Committee Meeting took place following the Board Meeting.


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

ATTEST:

Sam Hansen
Brown County Administrator
Brown County, Minnesota

Resolution No 2026-16
Brown County Resolution

City of Springfield Carbon Reduction Program Agreement

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Borchert and moved for adoption at a regular board meeting held on June 16th, 2026, at the Brown County Courthouse, New Ulm, MN:

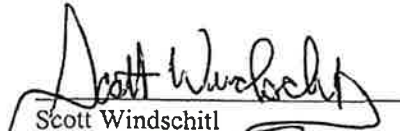
IT IS RESOLVED, that Brown County enter into Agreement with the City of Springfield for the following purposes:

To establish each Party's responsibilities regarding administration, reimbursement, and compliance with the grant requirements associated with the Carbon Reduction Program under State Project No. **SP 008-596-002** and MnDOT Project No. **CRP 0827(035)**;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

Seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp and the same being put to a vote was duly carried.
This Resolution shall become effective immediately and without publication.

Adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4 Nays 0, with Commissioner Braun absent.
Dated this 16th day of June 2026.


Scott Windschitl
Chairman, Brown County

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota
County of Brown

I, Sam Hansen, duly appointed, qualified and acting County Administrator for the County of Brown, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a Resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Brown County, Minnesota, at their session held on the 16th day of June, 2026, now on file in my office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal at New Ulm, Minnesota, this 16th day of June 2026.


Sam Hansen
County Administrator