

PROCEEDINGS OF THE RED LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 30, 2025

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting, the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in special session at the Courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on September 30th, 2025, at 10:00 am.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Eric Mickelson called the meeting to order. Commissioners present were Allen Remick, Tony Gerardy, Andy Moran and Eric Mickelson. Commissioner Chuck Flage was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Gerardy moved, seconded by Commissioner Remick and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

LABOR RELATION STRATEGY

Per Minnesota Statute §13D.03, Commissioner Moran moved to close the meeting to discuss labor relations strategy. Commissioner Remick seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. Present during the closed session were Commissioners Eric Mickelson, Al Remick, Tony Gerardy, and Andy Moran, along with Human Resources Director Angie Lundeen and Auditor Kelsey Gervais. The meeting was closed at 10:05 a.m.

Commissioner Gerardy moved to reopen the meeting at 10:40 a.m., with Commissioner Remick seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDITOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Auditor Gervais provided worksheets to the Board with six proposed County budget and levy options. It was noted that once the preliminary levy is set, it cannot be increased when adopting the final 2026 levy; however, the preliminary budget can be adjusted as needed until it is finalized in December 2025. After discussion, the board agreed upon a \$530,675 increase, noting that a sizable portion of increases are due to wages, health insurance costs and the reduction federal benefits for residents. Motioned by Commissioner Gerardy, seconded by Commissioner Remick, to approve the following resolution, the 2026 proposed levy of 12.75%, and the County budget as written. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the 2026 budgets submitted by the various departments; and

WHEREAS, the proposed levies have been reduced by the amount to be received from the State of Minnesota for the following: County Program Aid - \$612,557

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budgets for 2026 are approved and that the following proposed levies be adopted:

	Levy Before CPA	CPA*	Net Levy After CPA
Revenue	3,586,130	414,053	3,172,077
Road and Bridge	1,201,347	138,706	1,062,641
Welfare	517,919	59,798	458,121
Totals	5,305,396	612,557	4,692,839

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Remick, seconded by Commissioner Moran, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest: _____
Kelsey Gervais, County Auditor

Anthony Flage, Chairman
Board of Commissioner