PROCEEDINGS OF THE RED LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 25, 2026

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting, the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners met in the Courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on August 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Members present: Al Remick, Chuck Flage, Tony Gerardy, Andy Moran and Eric Mickelson. Members absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mickelson, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. County Auditor Kelsey Gervais requested the addition of approval of the Extension Budget to the agenda. Motion by Commissioner Remick, seconded by Commissioner Flage, to approve the agenda with the addition as presented. Motion carried.

Taylor Amiot, County Engineer, provided an update on the Plummer Roadway Improvements and Sanitary Improvements project closeout. Contractor signature documents are still needed, so the matter will be tabled until the necessary documentation is received. Amiot will meet with the City of Plummer to review the project costs, payments received, and supporting documentation.

An update was provided on the upcoming mill and overlay project on County State Aid Highway 1. Necessary paperwork is being finalized, with milling tentatively scheduled to begin September 14. Amiot also addressed concerns regarding a pavement depression along the centerline on a curve that has generated public comments regarding safety. The area is scheduled to be addressed as part of the upcoming mill and overlay project. The Board discussed whether temporary repairs were warranted and agreed that, given the scheduled project, additional expenditures for temporary repairs may not be necessary. Amiot noted that centerline rumble strips on curves may be reconsidered for future projects due to potential impacts on pavement conditions.

Commissioner Moran moved, seconded by Commissioner Gerardy, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the meeting on August 14, 2026.

Commissioner Gerardy moved, seconded by Commissioner Flage, and carried unanimously to approve the following expenditures for the period:

Vendor	**Amount**
Hoffman, Philipp, Martell, PLLC	$ 9,570.00
Interstate Traffic Signs, Inc.	$ 4,200.00
Polk County Highway Department	$121,577.74
Ryan's Backhoe Service	$ 9,722.62
Seachange Printing and Marketing Service	$ 2,774.36
Triple D Construction & Leasing Co	$ 8,415.00
9 Payments less than $2000	$ 4,800.36
TOTAL	**$161,060.08**

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Remick – None
Flage – Pennington and Red Lake Public Health and Home Care, RLC Extension Committee
Moran – None
Gerardy – Household Hazardous Waste
Mickelson – None

Auditor Kelsey Gervais presented the 2027 Extension Budget to the Board, noting an increase of 4.77%, or $5,458.00. Commissioner Moran moved to approve the 2027 Extension Budget, seconded by Commissioner Gerardy. Motion carried.

Gervais also requested approval of the appointment of Kevin Reich to the County Extension Budget Committee for a three-year term. Commissioner Gerardy moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Commissioner Flage. Motion carried.

Gervais discussed the proposed 2027 County Revenue Budget, and Amiot discussed the proposed 2027 County Highway Budget, both including anticipated revenues, expenditures, and other budget considerations. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerardy, seconded by Commissioner Flage, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m. The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:_____
Kelsey Gervais, County Auditor

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Eric Mickelson, Chairman
Board of Commissioner