

# ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING

## MINUTES

Government Center  
Anoka, Minnesota

January 6, 2026

Chair Schulte called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and called for participation in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:	District #1	John Heinrich
	District #2	Julie Braastad
	District #3	Jeff Reinert
	District #4	Scott Schulte
	District #5	Mike Gamache
	District #6	Julie Jeppson
	District #7	Mandy Meisner

Others Present: Jim Dickinson, County Administrator; Brad Johnson, County Attorney; staff, and citizens

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Commissioner Braastad made motion accepting the regular claims paid over \$500 for the period ending December 12, 2025, and purchase-card claims paid for the period ending December 12, 2025. (Claims are on file in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner Jeppson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Braastad made motion approving the minutes from the December 16, 2025, Anoka County board meeting. Commissioner Meisner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chair Schulte expressed optimism for 2026 and the challenges of the next year. He emphasized his commitment to being part of the solution and encouraged board members to join him in approaching their work in a more unified way. He shared that he and the Vice Chair plan to bring forward a new leadership model to strengthen teamwork and problem-solving within Anoka County. He also noted that a new process will be discussed for selecting future county board chairs and vice chairs to improve planning and continuity.

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Vice Chair Meisner stated that she supports implementing a rotating chair process, noting that such a system removes politics from the equation and prioritizes serving the public. She is excited to be part of a leadership team committed to a non-partisan approach.

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Commissioner Meisner presented the Management Committee of the Whole report from the meeting of December 16, 2025. All items were informational.

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Commissioner Jeppson made motion approving the following as recommended by the Transportation Committee of the Whole Lead Commissioner:

1. Awarding Contract #C0012042, in the amount of \$4,556,829.30, to North Pine Aggregate, Inc., for Project No. SAP 002-622-037.

Commissioner Heinrich seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Schulte presented the Internal Audit Committee report from the meeting of December 15, 2025. All items were of an informational nature.

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The following item came forward on an additional agenda:

1. Commissioner Gamache made motion appointing Commissioner Meisner to the 2026 Anoka County Canvassing Board, replacing Commissioner Reinert. Commissioner Heinrich seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Gamache congratulated Commissioners Schulte and Meisner on their new roles as Chair and Vice Chair of the County Board. He also thanked the board for their support over the past 2 years during his county board chairmanship.

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The county board meeting was adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

ATTEST:

**COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

By:

By:

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Jim Dickinson  
County Administrator

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Scott Schulte, its Chair

*Motion carried means all commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively unless otherwise noted.  
All contracts are subject to review by the attorney's office and are on file in the respective departments.  
Resolutions are declared adopted unless otherwise noted and exhibits are on file in the County Administration Office.*