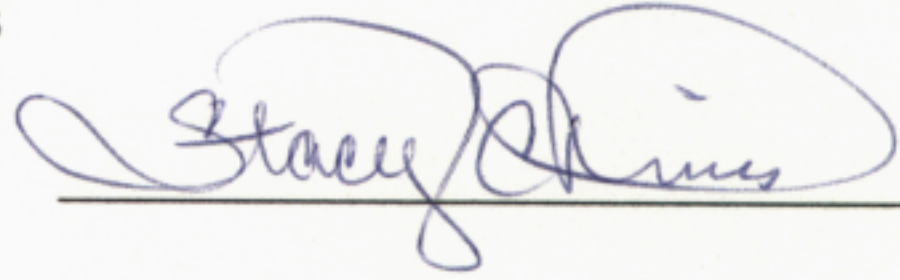


Office Supplies	292 662-727.000	5,176
Memberships & Subscriptions	292 662-802.000	350
Telephone	292 662-850.000	2,000
Travel	292 662-860.000	13,000

TOTAL 139,440 90,147  
 EXPLANATION

To increase spending authorization in various activities

Requested By: Stacy C. Preiss  
 Title: County Clerk



The 2025/2026 FY budget was previewed.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 4-0 roll call vote to authorize an extra payment to MERS in the amount of \$52,686.53.

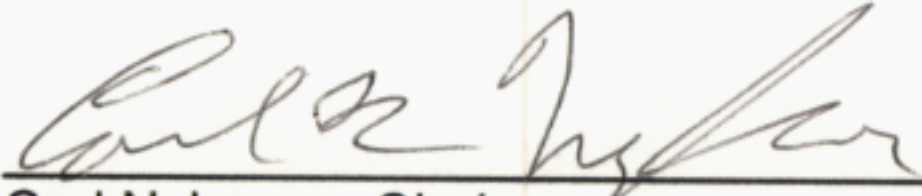
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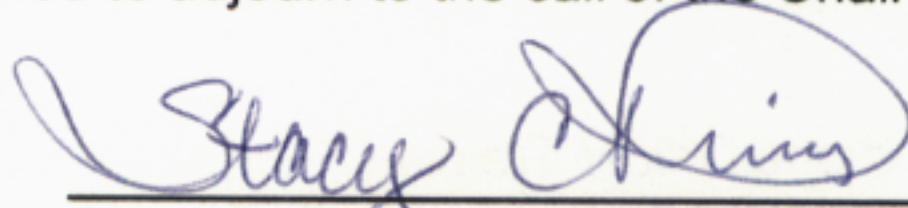
By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 4-0 roll call vote to increase the Department Head, Elected and hourly non-union wages by 3% effective January 1, 2026.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 4-0 roll call vote to not approve a drug dog for the Sheriff Department.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 4-0 roll call vote to cancel the 8/7 & 8/14 special budget sessions.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 3:01 p.m.

  
 Carl Nykanen, Chair

  
 Stacy C. Preiss, County Clerk

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Proceedings  
 Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners  
 Regular Meeting  
 November 18, 2025

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom. At the call to order the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed all commissioners present.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried to approve the minutes of the 10/21/2025 regular meeting.

Public comment: None

By motion of Cane supported by Nousiainen and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Mike Back spoke on Copper Country Mental Health updates.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the Legal Deserts Problem Solving Project.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the Sheriff's Department Storage agreement with KPM Storage LLC.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the Operating Drive grant.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to set special meeting to review insurance quotes.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to decrease the Brownfield Authority members from 7 to 5 members.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the advertising for various board vacancies.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the adoption of Resolution 2025-12 to opt out of PA 152.

#### RESOLUTION #2025-12

#### TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN THE 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT

**WHEREAS**, 2011 Public Act 152 (the "Act") was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

**WHEREAS**, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

**WHEREAS**, the three options are as follows:

- 1) Section 3 – "Hard Caps" Option – limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 – "80%/20% Option – limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the government body;
- 3) Section 8 – "Exemption" Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

**WHEREAS**, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners has decided to adopt the annual Exemption option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, by adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical benefit plan coverage for calendar year 2026.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cane, Bourdeau, Store, Nousiainen & Nykanen

Nays: none

Absent: none

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

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Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the overnight travel request for Stacy Preiss and Haley Rasmussen.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution 2025-13 Schuster Field signature authority.

#### Resolution 2025-13 Schuster Field Signature Authority

The Ontonagon County Airport-Schuster Field enters into contracts grants, and certifications through Federal and State programs, and Lisa Linna has the authority to execute airport sponsor contracts between Ontonagon County Airport-Schuster Field and the State of Michigan Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics.

If the Designated Signer has changed, the Ontonagon County Airport-Schuster Field will contract the State of Michigan Department of Transportation, office of Aeronautics with the changes.

Be it resolved that Lisa Linna of the Ontonagon County Airport-Schuster Field, be authorized and directed to execute airport sponsor contracts with the State of Michigan Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics on behalf of the Ontonagon County Airport-Schuster Field.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2025 Christmas bonus in the form of \$50 gift certificates to eating establishments throughout the county.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2026 Indigent Defense grant agreement.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve MSU agreement for services. It was also brought up that they would like a member of the board to be on the Advisory Committee.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve payment of the following:

(101) General Fund \$61,930.98, (210) SONCO \$0.00, (211) OCAP Fund \$15,000.00, (215) FOC Fund \$0.00, (253) 911 Equipment Fund \$12,717.50, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$750.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$0.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,717.21, (263) CPL Fund \$42.65, (269) Law Library Fund \$648.00, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$0.0 (288) Public Transit Fund \$10,395.27, (292) PCCF \$956.52, (296) Veterans Service Grant Fund \$0.00 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$0.00 totaling \$105,158.13.

Prepaid bills from 10/16/2025 – 11/12/2025 (101) General Fund \$78,250.65, (251) Land Bank Fund \$1000.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$0.00, (260) MIDC Fund \$11,701.30, (261) 911 Service Fund \$0.00, (263) CPL Fund \$0.00, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$0.00, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00 (288) Transit Fund \$11,942.60, (292) PCCF \$934.93, (296) VSO Fund \$0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$1,755.33. Total prepaids \$105,584.81.

Payroll periods ending 10/24/2025 & 11/07/2025 (101) General Fund \$160,571.29, (260) MIDC Fund \$423.89 (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,301.00, (288) Transit Fund \$27,204.67, (292) PCCF \$3,183.60. Total payroll \$193,684.45.

Committee reports  
Department Head reports

Other business: John Cane stepped aside for the Brownfield Authority and Ron Store is the new member and Rick Bourdeau is the alternate.

Agenda requests

Public comment: None

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 4:31 p.m.

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Carl Nykanen, Chair

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Jerri Corey, Chief Deputy Clerk

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Proceedings  
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners  
Special Meeting  
December 3, 2025

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom. At the call to order the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed all commissioners present.

Public comment: None