Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 15, 2026

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom. At the call to order the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed all present.

By motion of Nousiainen, supported by Bourdeau, and carried to approve the minutes of the 08/18/2026 regular meeting with corrections of insertion of Resolution 2026-05 and movement of Resolution 2026-06 and the Special Budget meeting minutes from 8/20/2026 with correction of support from Bourdeau on the motion to schedule the September 15, 2026 Public Hearing.

Public comment: Willie Louis spoke against the prohibition of public recordation.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the agenda with the addition of 23(a): Transit overhead door purchase.

By motion of Cane, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to accept Dale Rantala's retirement as Ontonagon County Sheriff, effective December 11, 2026.

By motion of Nousiainen, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to advertise for the appointment of Ontonagon County Sheriff for the remaining term.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Nousiainen, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the K&W Landfill Summary of Consistency.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to appoint Megan Hagen to the Ontonagon County DHHS Board.

By motion of Cane, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to appoint Marlene Broemer to the Ontonagon County EDC Board.

By motion of Cane, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to appoint Glen Fleming to the Ontonagon County Veterans Affairs Board.

By motion of Nousiainen, supported by Cane, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve Tim Mattson's addition to the Remonumentation Peer Review Committee.

No action taken on Stacy Canada's request for additional vacancies to be added to the Healthcare Needs Committee as she was unable to attend.

No action taken on Judge Pope's request to prohibit recordation without consent inside the courthouse.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve offering Colonial Life as supplemental coverage for Courthouse, Transit, and Sheriff Department employees.

By motion of Nousiainen, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve a $2 wage increase to part-time Sheriff Deputy Mackenzie Prey in lieu of benefits.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the application for the County Veteran Service Fund Grant.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the Amendment to the Materials Management Plan Grant.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Cane, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the Local Emergency Management Program Work Agreement.

By motion of Cane, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the purchase of computer equipment for the Circuit Court bench for $1868.62.

By motion of Cane, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the purchase of Body Worn Cameras for $57,967.84.

By motion of Cane, supported by Bourdeau, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve overnight travel for Haley Rasmussen to attend the UP Clerks Quarterly meeting in Marquette.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve UPACC conference attendance for all commissioners.

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve Transit purchase of overhead doors for $38,724.00.

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

(101) General Fund $75,879.25, (210) SONCO $0.00 (211) OCAP Fund $0.00, (215) FOC Fund $0.00, (253) 911 Equipment Fund $0.00, (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 $613.00, (263) CPL Fund $42.59, (269) Law Library Fund $616.60, (280) Senior Citizens Fund $0.00 (288) Public Transit Fund $12,080.31, (292) PCCF $423.31, (296) Veterans Service Grant Fund $0.00 & (525) Foreclosure Fund $0.00 totaling $90,405.06.

Prepaid bills from 8/13/26 – 9/10/26 (101) General Fund $177,920.07, (251) Land Bank Fund $0.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund $0.00, (260) MIDC Fund $15,853.20, (261) 911 Service Fund $376.02, (263) CPL Fund $458.57, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund $0.00, (269) Law Library Fund $0.00, (271) Library Board Fund $0.00, (288) Transit Fund $41,172.22, (292) PCCF $2,494.36, (296) VSO Fund $0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund $3,989.50. Total prepaids $242,263.94.

Payroll periods ending 8/14/2026 & 8/28/26 (101) General Fund $169,751.70, (260) MIDC Fund $413.64 (261) 911 Service Fund $2,370.24, (288) Transit Fund $30,150.48, (292) PCCF $3,278.80 Total payroll $205,964.86.

Committee report

Department Head reports

Other business: None

Agenda requests: None

Public comment: None

By motion of Bourdeau, supported by Store, and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 4:32 p.m.

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Carl Nykanen, Chair Haley Rasmussen, County Clerk

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