

Carver County

Board of Commissioners

Regular Session Minutes

July 7, 2026

A Regular Session of the Carver County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Government Center, Chaska, on July 7, 2026. Tom Workman, Board Chair convened the session at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Tom Workman, Tim Lynch, John P. Fahey, Matt Udermann and Lisa Anderson.

Public Comments received from Monique LaCroix (Chaska), Pam Undestad (NYA) Natasha Adams (Chaska), Tom Desautel (Chaska)

Lisa Anderson moved, Matt Udermann seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Tim Lynch moved, John P. Fahey seconded, to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2026, Regular Session and June 16 2026 Board of Equalization minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

John P. Fahey moved, Tim Lynch seconded, to approve the following consent agenda:

Approved the County Board to issue Lower-Potency Hemp Retail Registration to Good Time Liquors LLC. Issuance is subject to receipt of all required paperwork, fees paid, and all delinquent taxes paid.

Adopted resolution 34-26 issuing final payment to WM Mueller in the amount of \$3913.64.

Approved the 1 Day to 4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor License application for the Chaska Rotary Club for Friday, November 13, 2026, through Sunday, November 15, 2026.

Approved the County Board to issue Lower-Potency Hemp Retail Registration to Anna Tobacco Victoria LLC. Issuance is subject to receipt of all required paperwork, fees paid, and all delinquent taxes paid.

Authorized the issuance of a Certificate of Zoning Compliance (#A20260240) for the Recovery Fest event scheduled for August 7-8, 2026.

Adopted the Findings of Fact and issue Order #PZ20260013 for the issuance of an Interim Use Permit.

Appointed applicant Lisa Herges to the Carver County Personnel Board of Appeals.

Approved the acceptance and use the funds toward the Sheriff's Office volunteer Reserves.

Authorized the Assistant County Administrator to submit the necessary paperwork to petition the annexation of Carver County owned parcels: 070200110, 070200130, 070200140, 070200010, 070200150 and 070200020 into the City of Waconia from Laketown Township.

Approved the 2026 Watercraft Inspection Agreement with the City of Chanhassen pending contract review.

Approved a \$73,105.00 professional services agreement with WSB Engineering for design and engineering services related to construction and installation of a public fishing pier at Lake Waconia Regional Park subject to completion of the contract review process.

Approved a professional services agreement with Alliant Engineering for construction services support for the Traffic Signal Technologies and ITS Corridor Enhancements Project, pending finalization of the contract review process.

Approved hiring state-licensed on call STOC nurses to provide clinical care and medication management to incarcerated individuals within the Carver County Jail and Carver County Juvenile Detention Center.

Entered into a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Carver for the Jonathan Carver Parkway Project – Carver Creek Area and authorize the County Board Chair and County Administrator to execute the agreement, pending finalization of the contract review process.

Reviewed June 12, 2026, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$330,354.70; reviewed June 18, 2026, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$852,450.86; reviewed June 26, 2026, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$147,652.61 and reviewed July 2, 2026, Community Social Services' actions/Commissioners' warrants in the amount of \$450,311.97.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tim Lynch moved, John P. Fahey seconded, to open the public hearing to consider Amendment to the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Paul Moline, Deputy Division Director – Public Services, reported that Watertown Township's solar ordinance, requiring large-scale solar projects on owner-occupied land will be added to Carver County's 2040 Comprehensive Plan. After a 60-day adjacent community review with no comments, the amendment is recommended for submission to the Metropolitan Council. Once approved, the township will have nine months to update its ordinance to align with the new policy.

Tim Lynch moved, Lisa Anderson seconded, to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Tim Lynch moved, John P. Fahey seconded, to submit the 2040 Carver County Comprehensive Plan amendment to the Metropolitan Council for review. Motion carried unanimously.

Tony Albright and Courtney Jasper, Poul Haas delivered the 2026 End of Session Summary, noting multiple legislative changes and several special elections. State spending continues to exceed revenue, and all 201 legislators face re-election among others. Jasper highlighted HHS funding totaling \$15 million statewide, including \$213,636.69 for Carver County, along with a temporary pause of the 48-hour rule until July 1, 2027. Albright noted a \$50 million effort to modernize the HHS IT system and discussed transportation funding, including a failed proposal to divert transit dollars to the Metropolitan Council. The session ended with \$1.2 billion approved from over \$4 billion requested, including \$4.7 million for Hwy 5 in Chanhassen and Watertown Township. Fraud, Firearms and the Federal Government were the main topics this year.

10:47 am Commissioner Anderson left room

10:49 am Commissioner Anderson returned to room

Allison Streich, CDA Executive Director, provided an overview of the Trails Edge Senior Project, noting Carver County's \$3 million award to support Carver Place, Carver Oaks, and the 43-unit Trails Edge Senior development in Waconia. She summarized unit counts, income qualifications, amenities, and the project's \$15.8 million funding structure, with anticipated closing in late 2026 or early 2027. Updates on LAHA programs, including first-time homebuyer down-payment assistance and the 10% set-aside of \$310,000 for 2026, were also shared.

Tim Lynch moved, Matt Udermann seconded to release \$1,000,000 to the Carver County Community Development Agency from the CDA Housing Project Account for the Trails Edge Senior project. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Kamerud, Carver County Sheriff, requested permission to designate old Sheriff's Office badges, replaced in 2024 after the state updated its flag and seal, for employee appreciation. These badges are currently marked for disposal under county policy. He asked for an exception so the badges may be returned as keepsakes to the employees who last wore them, with any remaining badges to be disposed of.

John P. Fahey moved, Matt Udermann seconded to approve the distribution of Retired Sheriff Badges through the Employee Recognition Program. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Dave Hemze, met with the financial auditing team from CliftonLarsonAllen. The audit was clean and without issues. There will be no meeting next week. Highway project open houses next week. Hemze will be out next week, with Nick overseeing operations in his absence. A township meeting is scheduled

for July 15. The following week will include a Board Meeting with budget hearings immediately afterward.

Tim Lynch moved, Lisa Anderson seconded to enter into closed session to discuss confidential appraisal data and consider counteroffers for the purchase of real property for the Highway 40 Project – Silver/Bevens Creek Area, pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.05, Subd. 3(c). Motion carried unanimously.

Tim Lynch moved, Matt Udermann seconded, to adjourn the Regular Session at 12:54 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.


Dave Hemze (Jul 21, 2026 09:04:55 CDT)
Dave Hemze, County Administrator


Tom Workman (Jul 21, 2026 10:02:49 CDT)
Tom Workman, Board Chair