



STEELE COUNTY STEELE COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

Steele County Board Room - 630 Florence Avenue -
Owatonna, MN 55060

Steele County's Mission:
Driven to deliver quality services in a respectful and fiscally responsible way.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026 at 5:00 PM - County Boardroom, Steele County
Administration Center**

Agenda

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Glynn at 5:00 pm. Members present were John Glynn, Joshua Prokopec, James Brady, James Abbe, Greg Krueger. Also present were Robert Jarrett, Renae Fry, and Rebecca Kubicek.

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Greg Krueger, second by Commissioner James Abbe to approve the agenda. Ayes all.

Public Comment - If you wish to share your thoughts, please provide your name and address after being acknowledged by the Board Chair. Each speaker has two (2) minutes to express their remarks.

Correspondence - None

Consent Agenda - Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial by the County Board. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the County Board.

Motion by Commissioner James Brady, seconded by Commissioner Joshua Prokopec to approve Consent Agenda. Ayes all.

4. Approve March 10, 2026 Board Minutes
5. Approve March 10, 2026 Board Work Session Minutes
6. Approve March 16, 2026 Emergency Board Meeting Minutes
7. Approve Bills
8. Approve Journal Entries
9. Approve Personnel Report

10. Approve Wellness Dividend Funds distribution of \$2500.00 for the Employee Picnic
11. Approve Out of State Travel for Community Corrections to Montana Summer Institute 2026: Creating Conditions where the Good Can Grow
12. Approve Out of State Travel for the Records Office to the Fidler Technologies Annual Conference.
13. Approve Out of State Travel for GIS to the Esri Users Conference.
14. Approve Community Corrections Advisory Board - New Member Board Appointment
15. Approve Consumption & Display Permit renewal for Blooming Prairie Country Club
16. Approve Renewal of the 2026 Turnkey Corrections Inmate Communications/ Commissary Contract
17. Authorize Execution of an Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad for Preliminary Engineering of a Railroad Crossing for the CSAH 12 Trail in Medford

County Board Work Session

18. Approve 2026 Local Homeless Prevention Aid Award Recommendations

Motion by Commissioner Greg Krueger, seconded by Commissioner James Abbe to approve 2026 Local Homeless Prevention Aid Award Recommendations from Public Health. Ayes all.

General Agenda

Information Items

19. Public Works Committee Minutes
20. Public Safety & Health Committee Minutes

Commissioner Reports:

- County Attorney, Rob Jarrett gave updates on pending litigation with DOC and the Counties in Minnesota. Eastside Corridor update: Received litigation regarding completing an environmental study. MCIT has provided coverage cost for legal assistance and the county will be represented by Iverson law. It does not prevent the ESC project from moving forward.
- County Administrator, Renae Fry, reported her attendance at the Human Services meeting that included MINUTES. After a 13-month notification of the change to Steele County's Human Services department, it will take place starting 1/1/2027, DHS and other agencies are stating a later time frame to have everything in place. This will not work.
- Commissioner Abbe reported his attendance at the CIP meeting and a work session.
- Commissioner Brady reported his attendance at the Steele County Soil and Water Conservation District Meeting, Emergency meeting, Public Safety meeting, and the Waste Hauler meeting.
- Commissioner Prokopec reported his attendance at the Emergency meeting, Landfill hauler

meeting, SPERO, CIP meeting, and Work Session.

- Commissioner Krueger reported his attendance at Emergency services, Work Force Development Center, Emergency County Board meeting, Public Safety, MNP Finance and JPB, SMART Bus meeting, Waste Hauler meeting, Owatonna Chamber breakfast for healthcare concerns, CIP, and a Work session.
- Commissioner Glynn reported his attendance at BP Township Annual meeting, Waste Hauler meeting, Emergency meeting, Beaver Lake meeting, History Center meeting, and CIP meeting.

Recess till 6 pm.

6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing for Ordinance #43 - Limiting Firearms allowed for Deer Hunting in Steele County Notice of Public Hearing posted in the Owatonna Peoples Press March 7, 2026 (1519741)

Public hearing topic explained:

Presentation of Proposed Ordinance #43: Limiting Firearms allowed for Deer Hunting in Steele County

- Renae Fry, Administrator

Motion to Open Public Hearing

- Chair opens for public testimony

- Chair ends public testimony

Motion to close public Hearing

- Further Board discussion

Consensus on possible decision

Motion by Commissioner James Abbe, seconded by Commissioner Greg Krueger to open for public testimony. Ayes all.

Motion by Commissioner James Brady, seconded by Commissioner Greg Krueger to close public testimony. Ayes all.

a. Ordinance #43 - Limiting Firearms allowed for Deer Hunting in Steele County

Motion by Commissioner Greg Krueger, seconded by Commissioner James Abbe to table this item to the April 14th Board meeting. Ayes all.

Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Greg Krueger, seconded by Commissioner Joshua Prokopec to adjourn to the Call of the Chair at 6:39 p.m. Ayes all.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
ADMINISTRATOR

Steele County



WARRANTS FOR PUBLICATION

Warrants Approved On 3/24/2026 For Payment 3/27/2026

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7 Rivers Recycling LLC	4,147.00
Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	11,452.93
Alcohol Monitoring System Inc	2,096.80
Borneke Construction, Inc.	418,772.19
Central Farm Services	4,520.51
Counties Providing Technology	4,784.00
Diamond Drugs Inc	4,072.50
Dodge County Public Health	5,500.00
From the Ground Up LLC	10,335.00
Health Management Associates Inc	24,063.65
Moore Md/Kellyanna J	4,099.58
Mower County Jail	2,925.00
Nuss Truck & Equipment	2,183.92
Paape Companies Inc	2,331.00
Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc	14,293.50
Streichers Inc	5,343.00
Summit Food Services LLC	11,702.34
Thomson Reuters - West	2,430.41
Towmaster	6,825.53
UKG Kronos Systems LLC	3,692.82
97 Payments less than 2000	38,085.19
Final Total:	583,656.87