

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
February 17, 2026

2U

Call to Order

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met the 17th day of February, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. at the Aitkin Government Center with the following members present: Board Chair J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Travis Leiviska, and Michael Kearney. Also present were County Administrator David Minke, Administrative Assistant April Kellerman, County Sheriff Dan Guida, County Attorney James Ratz, Aitkin County CARE Executive Director Amy Wyant, and from North Memorial Ambulance Kevin Lee, Brent Custard, and Rob Almendinger.

Commissioner Bret Sample was absent.

Discussion of Ambulance Service Funding and Tax District options. Following discussion, the Board members present desire to have more conversation on this. The County Administrator will gather more information and data. Another Committee of the Whole meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Leiviska, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 2:53 p.m. with the next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at the Aitkin County Government Center.

J. Mark Wedel, Board Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

David J. Minke, County Administrator
Clerk to the County Board