

AGENDA
WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: Tuesday, August 18, 2026
TIME: 9:30 AM
LOCATION: County Board Room

1. Call to order
 2. Roll Call
 3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance – Supervisor Rozar
 4. Approval of minutes from the July 28, 2026, County Board Meeting
 5. Excusals
 6. Resignations
 7. Appointments/Re-Appointments
 8. Public Comments
 9. Review Referral Listing
 10. Review Standing Committee minutes, department reports, and act on any resolutions introduced by the committees
 - a. Operations
 - i. Resolution 26-8-1; Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Establishing Parameters for the Sale of Not to Exceed \$4,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes
 - ii. Resolution 26-8-2; Criminal Justice – Create a Diversion Case Manager FTE
 - b. Health & Human Services
 - c. Public Safety
 - i. Resolution 26-8-3; Increase Deputy Coroner Call-Out Pay
 - d. Conservation, Education, & Economic Development
 - i. Resolution 26-8-4; Town of Rock Zoning Ordinance
 - ii. Resolution 26-8-5; Town of Saratoga Zoning Amendment
 - e. Judicial & Legislative
 - f. Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee
 - g. Property & Information Technology Committee
 - h. Minutes & reports of other committees, commission, and boards
 11. Set date of next County Board Meeting - Tuesday, September 15, 2026
 12. Adjourn
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 28, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

The Wood County Board of Supervisors, composed of nineteen members convened in the Wood County Boardroom at the Courthouse in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on July 28, 2026.

Chairman Pliml called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Supervisors present: Breu, Buttke, Casper, Clendenning, Goldberg, Hahn, Hamilton, Hovendick, Leichtnam, Penzkover, Perlock, Polach, Pliml, Rozar, Schulz, Valenstein, Voight, and Zurfluh.

Excused was Thao.

Supervisor Buttke gave the invocation led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Zurfluh/Penzkover to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Rozar/Hamilton to accept the resignation of Leslie Kronstedt from the Health & Human Services Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Leichtnam/Zurfluh to approve the following appointment: Wood County Wildlife Area Advisory Committee – 3-year term - Larry Isensee, Curt Pluke, Dale Weis. Motion carried by voice vote.

Various committee chairs and department heads came forward to highlight the years of service of selected employees listed in Resolution 26-7-4.

The referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

RESOLUTION 26-7-1

Introduced by: Health & Human Services & Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To create one (1) (.97 FTE) Children's Support and Service Coordinator position.

FISCAL NOTE: Anticipated wages and benefits based upon Grade H, Step 2, with effective start date of August 1, 2026 is:

Wages: \$25,300.26

Fringe: \$ 4,325.93

Total: \$29,626.19

Motion by Schulz/Breu to adopt Resolution 26-7-1. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Thao.

RESOLUTION 26-7-2

Introduced by: Health & Human Services & Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To create Two (2) (.97 FTE's) Economic Support Specialist positions.

FISCAL NOTE: Anticipated wages and benefits based upon Grade F, Step 2, with effective start date of August 1, 2026, is:

Wages: \$41,993.40

Fringe: \$ 6,899.54

Total: \$48,892.94

Motion by Zurfluh/Clendenning to adopt Resolution 26-7-2. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Thao.

RESOLUTION 26-7-3

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Tax deed eligible property – authorize the tax deeding of property in compliance with Section 75.14, Wisconsin Statutes.

FISCAL NOTE:

TAXES 2019 – 2025	\$51,104.47
SPEC. CHARGES	2,693.99
SPEC. ASSESSMENTS	408.39
DELINQUENT UTILITIES	1,996.75
PUBLICATION FEES	386.35
<u>TAX DEEDING EXP</u>	<u>795.00</u>
TOTAL	\$57,384.95

Motion by Breu/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 26-7-3. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Thao.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, Public Safety, Civil Service Commission, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Committee, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Board of Directors, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Tourism, Judicial & Legislative, Criminal Justice Task Force, Highway Infrastructure & Recreation, Property & Information Technology, South Central Library System Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION 26-7-4

Introduced by: County Board of Supervisors

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To recognize these Wood County employees for years of devoted and faithful service to Wood County.

FISCAL NOTE: None

WHEREAS, the following employees, are being recognized for their long-term employment with Wood County,

Joann Wormet - 25 years – Human Services

Chad Schooley - 25 years – Parks

Mai Lee Thao - 30 years – Health

Crystal Varsho - 30 years – Norwood

Shane Wuchpfennig - 35 years – Land & Water Conservation

Jennifer Vetrone - 35 years – Edgewater

Motion by Valenstein/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 26-6-4. Motion carried by voice vote. Excused was

Thao.

Parks & Forestry Director Chad Schooley presented his 2025 Annual Report to the committee, highlighting the projects & Events that have taken over the parks since inception.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:13 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is August 18, 2026.

Trent Miner
County Clerk

REFERRALS FOR AUGUST 18, 2026 – COUNTY BOARD

- 7/28/2026 – Letter signed by a number of residents requesting revaluation of existing signed 287(g) agreement. Referred to Chairman Pliml, Sheriff Becker, Public Safety Committee, Corp Counsel Flanagan, and Judicial & Legislative Committee.

MINUTES OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, August 4, 2026

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: Courthouse – Rm 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Laura Valenstein, Donna Rozar, Lance Pliml, Jake Hahn (WebEx), Joseph Zurfluh

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chair Valenstein called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.
2. There was no public comment.
3. Motion by Rozar/Pliml to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Kelly Borchardt from Childcaring updated the committee on the ARPA dollars they were awarded and have spent to date. She reviewed the capacity grant applications as well as the shared services dollars spent.
5. Wood County has issued bonds to Bug Tussel to provide high speed internet to the county. This was done in conjunction with around 12-15 other counties and questions have arisen on just how much they have done and been providing. Attoles Law has stated they will look into exactly what has transpired since the bonds have been let. Motion by Rozar/Zurfluh to engage with Attoles Law to review the status of the bonding. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Wellness Coordinator Peterson provided a monthly update on Wellness programming.
7. Justin Fischer from Baird presented the bond information for the 2027 borrowing. He reviewed the county's financials and noted the increases in equalized value received over the past few years and the bond rates to date. Motion by Pliml/Rozar to approve the initial resolution for borrowing not to exceed \$4.5 million in general obligation promissory notes. Motion carried unanimously.
8. A resolution to hire a case worker for the Deferred Prosecution Agreement and Deferred Entry of Judgment programs was reviewed by the committee. Criminal Justice Coordinator Ksionek provided background. Motion by Pliml/Zurfluh to approve the resolution and forward it onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Yang reviewed the updated 2027 CIP with the committee as well as the funding sources. Motion by Rozar/Zurfluh to move forward with \$4.5 million in borrowing for 2027. Motion carried unanimously.
10. HR Director McGrath and Tim Deaton from the Horton Group reviewed the most current and projected claims for the Health Fund. He presented several options for the committee to consider for the 2027 renewal, including an 8% increase in premiums, adding Anovia Direct Primary Care, adding Holista Bundle Program, increasing primary care co-pays, as well as medication co-pays, and using Smart Scan for MRIs. Motion by Rozar/Pliml to approve the 2027 renewal projection as well as program recommendations outlined in the committee packet. Motion carried unanimously.
11. McGrath reviewed the current practice of paying Norwood social workers holiday pay in addition to staffing hours on holidays. This is due to the fact that social workers are a 24/7 function. This has been past practice but never formalized into a policy. Motion by Valenstein/Zurfluh to memorialize the aforementioned practice into the Wood County Policy Handbook, under Holiday Policy. Motion carried unanimously.
12. McGrath discussed a current employee that is in a dual role within the county for two different departments. Current county policy is that exempt employees do not get paid for any time worked over 40 hours, however this social worker works 40 hours for human services and picks up hours as a casual employee at Norwood. Motion by Valenstein/Pliml to allow this employee to be paid for working over 40 hours (not overtime pay) for the hours worked in the casual position. Motion carried unanimously.
13. The next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 10:00 AM.
14. Chair Valenstein adjourned the meeting at 11:22 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

Operations Committee

August 4, 2026

NAME	REPRESENTING
Bill Voight	WCB 07
DENNIS POLAKH	WCB 14
Bill Clendinning	WCB 15
Dillon Ksionek	CS
Tim Deaton	MMA - Horton
PAMPA Y	Finance
DARRIN S	Finance
JOHN PECKHAM	HIGHWAY
Mariissa Kannek	Norwood
Joe Joz	Health
Lisa Lewandowski	Aspirus
Jason Gruenberg	P+Z
Riley Peterson	Wellness
Nick Flanagan	Carp Counsel
BRANDON DRUWINK	HSD
JUSTIN CIESLEWICZ	EDGBWATR
Kim McGrath	HR
Kelli Szymanski	HR
Kimberly Shmal	Clerk of Courts
Tim Barendse	WCD #3
Via WebEx	
Sarah Christensen - Emer Mgmt	Amy Kays - IT
"Mtn" ?	Shawn Becker - Sheriff's Dept
Linda Casper - County Board	Tiffany Ringer - Reg of Needs
Mary Schlagenhaff - Human Services	Michelle Wilk - Finance
Quentin Ellis - Sheriff's Dept	Katie Milock - Human Services
Tony Bastien - Dispatch	Katie DeKleyn - County Clerk
Kelly Borchardt - Childcare	Jason DeMarco - IT



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Trent Miner

Letter of Comments – August 2026

- All ballots and media have been delivered to the municipalities, and they are in the middle of conducting their public tests as well as in-person absentee voting. We are ready to go for the Partisan Primary and have already started to program for the November election.
- We have started working on the 2027 budget and will finalize it once the Operations Committee finalizes decisions on wages and health insurance premiums. I will present ours in September.
- Passport numbers are lagging from last year.....down over 40 applications from the same point last year. I am not sure what all I can contribute this to. Maybe because Portage County started offering this service. Perhaps our parking does not make it handy for folks to pop in. And maybe overseas travel is not as appealing at this point in time. In any event, I am concerned about not making our budgeted revenue in this line item.
- I attended an election tabletop exercise in Wausau that was put on by Wisconsin Emergency Management having to do with active shooters in polling locations. This was attended by clerks, Emergency Management officials (including the Wood County EM Director), and law enforcement. I also attended an FBI training dealing with how to handle threats against election administrators and their offices. All of these are informative, if not a little nerve-wracking at the same time.
- There was a resignation of a citizen member of the Health & Human Services Committee, which we have started to recruit for. I am accepting applications until August 19th.
- The Chief Deputy and I worked on getting the center tables used for committee meetings wired into the floor so now they have power to them for charging your iPads. We also bought some cords so you can plug them into the desk if you happen to come and your iPad is dead. If you need one, just ask.
- My office was once again a drop point for Stuff the Bus. We collected school supplies throughout the month of July. This is a United Way project. We also have a drop point in River Block that I will go over to collect at the end and combine with what we collect at the Courthouse. All of this gets dropped off at East Junior High on Thursday, August 6th.



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Office of
Finance Director

PaNyia Yang
Finance Director

Date: 7/30/2026
To: Operations Committee
From: PaNyia Yang
Subject: Monthly Letter of Comments

DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Finance Department Updates

1. ARPA Funds

As of June 30, 2026, we have roughly \$1.89 million remaining – the majority being \$1.7 million of park improvements/building, \$39,000 for radio system updates, Land & Water Conservation of \$103,000 for various projects, and Planning & Zoning of \$9,700 for LiDAR. Funds must be expended by the end of 2026.

2. 2027 Budget - ongoing

Departments are busy working on their budgets. Finance has assisted multiple departments and individuals with questions and changes to be made in the budget software. Overall, it's going well. I sent out budget instructions to departments on July 8th. Departments are expected to have their budgets promoted to Finance review by Wednesday, August 19th. Departments should present their budgets to their oversight committee in September at the latest. The Operations Committee will then hold a special meeting towards mid to late September to invite the oversight committee chairperson and department heads to answer questions related to their budget request.

We expect a notable increase in the 2027 Finance budget, primarily due to replacing our legacy financial system, which is reaching its end of life. The new software - including user licensing, data storage, and annual maintenance - will cost approximately \$52,000 per year. IT will provide us with more solid numbers within the next few weeks. Because our total budget impact depends heavily on deployment timing, I will verify these dates and amounts over the next month before finalizing our budget.

AGENDA ITEMS

Baird Presentation – Debt Financing

Justin Fischer from Baird will be present at our committee meeting to discuss and answer any questions related to our debt borrowing of \$4,500,000 this year.

Resolutions

1. Debt Borrowing not to exceed \$4.5 million

This resolution will be authorizing the issuance and establishing the parameters for the sale of general obligation promissory notes not to exceed \$4,500,000 for 2027 CIP projects.

2. Criminal Justice – Create a Diversion Case Manager FTE position

In June, District Attorney Barnett and Criminal Justice Coordinator Ksionek proposed a resolution creating a full-time Diversion Coordinator to manage the Deferred Prosecution Agreement and



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Finance Director

Deferred Entry of Judgment programs. The J&L and Operations Committees postponed the resolution pending further information. CJ Coordinator Ksionek has now presented an updated resolution with several modifications. The role has been renamed Diversion Case Manager and will be overseen by the Criminal Justice Department rather than the District Attorney. Additionally, the pay scale was adjusted from Grade I to Grade H. Due to this pay reduction and a later start date, the Legacy Foundation grant will fully cover wages for 2026 and 2027, with leftover funds extending into 2028. Once the grant is exhausted, the county tax levy will cover the remaining 2028 costs and fund the position within the Criminal Justice budget going forward.

Finalize and approve 2027 CIP Requests

I have re-included the 2027 CIP Summary (including Scenario 1) in the packet for your review and final approval. While we have sufficient revenue sources to cover all debt-funded project requests, doing so requires drawing down roughly \$920,00 from our General Fund reserves (based on scenario 1). For context, every \$1.2 million change impacts our fund balance ratio by 1%, a key metric Moody's monitors for our bond rating. Please remember that having available funding does not mean every project must be approved if it is not currently critical. While remaining jail contingency funds is helping us with this year's requests, we anticipate a much tighter budget next year that will require significant cuts and reductions if CIP requests come in much higher than the \$4.5 million borrowing threshold, which seems to be the case.



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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

July 31, 2026

To: Wood County Operations Committee

From: Kimberly McGrath, Director- Human Resources

Subject: Human Resources (HR) Monthly Letter of Comments – July 2026

Human Resources Activity

	July 2026	2026 Year-to Date
Applications Received	71	833
Positions Filled	2	89
Promotions/Transfers	3	26
New Hire Orientations	3	60
Terminations, Voluntary	8*	56
Terminations, Involuntary	0	4
Retirements	3	10
Turnover Rate	1.42%	9.55%
Exit Interviews	4	26

*Two of these are casual

Human Resources Narrative

General Highlights

1. Continued preparations for the 2026 Leadership Retreat, **Improving Culture and Engagement Through Change Leadership vs. Change Management**. We are again partnering with Mid-State Technical College (MSTC) for our annual professional development event, which is scheduled to take place over three (3) half-days this fall. Information and details were shared with Department Heads in mid-July. This year's retreat will be focused on building a strategy for improving employee engagement using our results from this year's survey. We are currently collecting attendee information from departments. Looking forward to another great event!
2. In accordance with Finance's budget instructions/timeline, HR began discussing and planning the department's 2027 budget submittal.

Meetings & Trainings

1. Attended the Operations Committee meeting on July 7th.
2. Attended the Highway, Infrastructure, & Recreation Committee on July 8th.
3. Attended the Health & Human Services Committee on July 23rd.
4. Attended County Board on July 28th.
5. Attended von Briesen's Public Sector Town Hall titled "Collective Bargaining- We're All in This Together! What Wisconsin Local Government Needs to Know" virtually on July 15th.

6. Attended the monthly conference call with The Horton Group on July 21st to discuss various benefit topics including the 2027 renewal.
7. Held individual staff and team meetings to discuss and provide updates on the department's identified 2026 goals.

Benefits

1. Processed Family and Medical Leave requests, address changes, beneficiary designations, qualifying events, benefit elections or contributions for new hires, terminations, and cancellation/reporting of benefits.
2. Processed and prepared monthly COBRA remittance, EBC admin fees, and stop loss admin fees.
3. Assisted multiple employees with questions related to FMLA, leaves of absence, retirement, and benefit claims concerns.
4. Processed COBRA notifications for dependents on the health plan reaching age 26.

Recruitment

1. Updated the Status of Open Positions, Headcount Sheet (FTE Control), New Hire, and Termination spreadsheets daily. Reported new hires with the Wisconsin New Hire Reporting Center.
2. Assisted multiple departments with interviews and selection process.
3. Posted multiple vacancies on Cyber Recruiter and other pertinent employment sites based on the Request for Hire submitted. Closed multiple positions in Cyber Recruiter upon successful acceptance of an offer and notified all remaining applicants of position status.
4. Communicated with multiple applicants, employees, and supervisors regarding varying positions.
5. Continue to work with Edgewater, Norwood, and Human Services to review and update/pause/re-instate subscriptions with Indeed. Continually looking into different options to ensure we are reaching out to interested candidates in a timely manner. Sponsored multiple positions on Indeed.
6. Scheduled multiple post-offer, pre-employment drug tests with multiple testing locations for applicants offered employment.

The following chart shows position activity during the month. Positions that are filled are dropped from the list the following month.

<u>Refilled Position</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
Replacements	Edgewater	CNA, RN, LPN, and Dietary Assistant – (Multiple)	Ongoing recruitment- positions posted, applications reviewed, interviews, references, backgrounds, onboarding. Deadline 8/31/26
Replacement	Edgewater	Director of Nursing	Position posted, interviews conducted, background/references completed, offer extended and accepted, filled 8/24/26
Replacement	Emergency Management	EM Relief Worker	Position posted; interview scheduled on 7/28/26
Replacement	Highway	Truck Operator	Filled by internal LTE Truck Operator, 7/20/26
Replacement	Human Services	Case Mgr/SW – Youth Justice	Position posted, deadline 7/27/26
Replacement	Human Services	Accounting Assistant	Position posted, interviews conducted, background/references completed, offer extended and accepted, filled 8/3/26
Replacement	Human Services	CLTS Support & Service Coordinator I or II (2)	Positions posted, deadline 8/24/26
Replacement	Human Services	Economic Support Specialist	Position posted; deadline 8/3/26
Replacement	Human Services	RN – CCS/CSP	Position posted; deadline 8/24/26

Replacement	Human Services	Mental Health/SUD Therapist	Position posted; deadline 8/24/26
Replacements	Norwood	Mental Health Technicians, Dietary Aides, RN, and LPN	Ongoing recruitment- positions posted, applications reviewed, interviews, references, backgrounds, onboarding; deadline 10/19/26
Replacement	Norwood	Head Nurse – LTC	Position posted; filled internally, 7/20/26
Replacement	Norwood	Maintenance Technician	Position posted; interviews conducted, background and references being conducted on final candidate
Replacement	Norwood	Casual Receptionist	Position posted; deadline 10/19/26
New Position	Norwood	Health Unit Coord – 50%	Position posted; interviews conducted, background and references being conducted on final candidate
New Position	Norwood	Health Unit Coord – 100%	Position posted; interviews conducted, background and references being conducted on final candidate
New Position	Norwood	Social Worker-Acute Care	Position posted; filled internally 7/19/26
Replacements	Sheriff	Correction Officers	Position posted; interviews continually being conducted and positions filled, ongoing recruitment, one position filled 8/3/26

Safety/Risk Management

1. Managed open claims with Aegis/Charles Taylor throughout the month.
2. Corresponded with various insurers regarding claims and pending litigation.
3. Attended Edgewater Safety Committee on July 1st and Norwood Safety Committee on July 14th.
4. Conducted N95 fit testing at Edgewater Haven on July 1st for five (5) staff and on July 13th for eight (8) MSTC Nursing students and four (4) staff.
5. Conducted one-on-one Logistics Section Chief training with Health Department staff member on July 2nd.
6. Completed BLS Instructor monitoring for Norwood staff member on July 14th as Training Center Faculty.

NEW Workers' Compensation Claims (1)

1. 7/9/26 – EM – Employee was exposed to poison ivy/wild parsnip while weed whacking at North Wood Co. Park

OPEN Workers' Compensation Claims (6)

1. 2/12/25 – EM – Employee slipped on ice, fell on L side hauling debris to bin at EM Shop (surgery required)
2. 7/13/25 – Health – Employee injured L knee after falling at work-related conference
3. 1/20/26 – Sheriff's (Corrections) – Employee injured L knee while responding to emergency in Jail (surgery required)
4. 2/6/26 – Norwood – Employee strained lower back while transferring resident
5. 5/24/26 – Dispatch – Employee fell on steps in Dispatch Center, injuring L upper arm
6. 6/3/26 – Human Services – Employee suffered needlestick injury to L hand while giving injection

CLOSED Workers' Compensation Claims (1)

1. 6/10/26 – Human Services – Employee was bitten on R hand by dog during home visit

First Aid Injuries (5)

1. 7/9/26 – Sheriff's – Employee cut tip of L index finger while taking resistive subject into custody

2. 7/16/26 – Highway – Employee complained of eye/respiratory issues while working in wildfire smoke conditions
3. 7/16/26 – Highway – Employee complained of eye/respiratory issues while working in wildfire smoke conditions
4. 7/16/26 – Highway – Employee complained of eye/respiratory issues while working in wildfire smoke conditions
5. 7/20/26 – Sheriff's – Employee suffered various cuts and scrapes while taking resistive subject into custody

Property/Vehicle Damage Claims (1)

1. 6/17/26 – Sheriff's – Squad suffered damage while executing PIT maneuver on fleeing subject (restitution will be sought) (est. damage unknown)

Liability Claims (1)

1. 6/24/26 – Norwood – Dietary truck backed into vehicle in parking lot while delivering meals (est. damage unknown)

OPEN EEOC/ERD Claims (1)

1. 2/14/22- Former Norwood employee submitted a claim alleging violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act (EEO), experiencing discrimination based on creed/religion. We received a Notice of Complaint on February 16, 2022. Chubb Insurance assigned external counsel to Jackson Lewis. Our position statement was drafted, finalized, and submitted to the EEOC on April 15, 2022. No recent activity.

Other

1. Created and distributed the Monthly Manager Resource, titled "Employee Retention" to all Wood County managers and supervisors.
2. Quarter 3 Random DOT Selections forwarded to Highway, Parks, and Human Services.
3. Posted multiple announcements on LinkedIn and Facebook throughout the month. These include job advertisements, employee recognition, and other relevant community-focused announcements.
4. Worked with Unemployment Insurance (UI) to provide additional information regarding multiple claims. Worked with various departments to compile information needed.
5. Received and processed multiple invoices for HR, Safety & Risk, and Wellness.
6. Facilitated New Hire Orientation on July 6th and 20th.
7. Conducted exit interviews on July 1st, 15th, 16th, and 22nd.
8. Responded to multiple verifications of employment.
9. Replied to requests from surrounding counties with varied information.
10. Met with several County employees and managers individually over the month to listen to concerns, provide advice, counsel, resources, and appropriate follow-up.



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Heather L. Gehrt

LETTER OF COMMENTS—AUGUST 2026

1. Attended Wisconsin Counties Association weekly calls on Mondays in July.
2. Attended Operations Committee Meeting on July 7.
3. Participated in Wisconsin Department of Revenue State and Local Finance Roundtable on July 9.
4. Participated in Wisconsin County Treasurers' Executive Committee meeting on July 9.
5. Participated in final preparation meeting with Kenosha & Iowa County Treasurer's on July 14 for the upcoming UW-GB classes we will be instructing.
6. Attended Village of Milladore monthly meeting to discuss possible tax deed property on July 14.
7. Taught Tax Roll Preparation class at UW-Green Bay Clerk's & Treasurer's Institute on July 15.
8. Taught Tax Collection and Settlement class at UW-Green Bay Clerk's & Treasurer's Institute on July 16.
9. Collected Real Estate Property Taxes in Marshfield on July 22. Collections went well with over 200 constituents taking advantage of the opportunity. I received many appreciative comments about providing this service every year.
10. Attended Wood County Board of Supervisors meeting on July 27.
11. I have been attempting to work on the budget as time allows when the office is not swamped with mail, walk-in customers, or phone calls for property tax collections. I will present my budget at the September meeting.



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Employee Wellness

Riley Peterson

Letter of Comments – July 2026

- The quarter 3 wellness challenge, Nutrition 101, officially started on July 19th. The goal of this challenge is to educate participants on the basic principles of nutrition by reviewing calories, protein, fats and carbohydrates. This challenge will help participants make informed decisions when they are considering changes to their eating habits. Participants are asked to log 3 food/drinks that support their health goals each week based on the topic being covered. This 4-week challenge will conclude on August 22nd and is worth 300 points.
- I have started to look over the results from this year's biometric screenings and health assessments for putting together the annual aggregate report summary for the 2026 Employee Wellness Program. I plan to share the report and some key highlights when finalized later in the year.
- Health coaching survey results will also be shared in the report. Compiling these results is a great indicator to see how the coaching experience went, and areas of improvement I can focus on for future sessions. I am happy to report that the number of participants who have completed the health coaching feedback survey is now 134.
- The monthly education topic for August will be based on sleeping routines. Aggregate reporting from the 2025 Wellness program highlighted that participants who were at risk in this area thought it was important to change and showed interest in making changes. With school starting soon, this will be a good opportunity for participants to evaluate their sleeping routine or changes that may have happened over the summer.
- I continue to conduct weekly onboarding for new hires and employees who have not yet enrolled in the Wellness Program, including creating wellness portal accounts and initiating the qualifying activity process.



RESOLUTION#

DATE
Effective
Date

August 18, 2026

Upon passage & posting

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Introduced by Operations Committee

Motion:	Adopted:	☐
1 st	Lost:	☐
2 nd	Tabled:	☐
No: _____	Yes: _____	Absent: _____
Number of votes required:		
☐ Majority	☒ Two-thirds	
Reviewed by: _____	NF	, Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: _____	PY	, Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$4,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of Wood County, Wisconsin (the "County") to raise funds for public purposes, including paying the cost of capital improvement projects (collectively, the "Project");

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that the Project is within the County's power to undertake and therefore serves a "public purpose" as that term is defined in Section 67.04(1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes;

WHEREAS, the County is authorized by the provisions of Section 67.12(12), Wisconsin Statutes, to borrow money and issue general obligation promissory notes for such public purposes;

WHEREAS, none of the proceeds of the Notes (defined below) shall be used to fund the operating expenses of the general fund of the County or to fund the operating expenses of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes;

WHEREAS, it is the finding of the County Board of Supervisors that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation promissory notes (the "Notes") to Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated (the "Purchaser");

WHEREAS, the Purchaser intends to submit a note purchase agreement (the "Proposal") to the County offering to purchase the Notes in accordance with the terms and conditions to be set forth in the Proposal; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the sale of the Notes to the Purchaser in a timely manner, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 18, 2026

County Clerk

County Board Chairman

delegate to either the Finance Director or, if the Finance Director is unavailable, the Chairperson of the County Board (each, an "Authorized Officer") the authority to accept the Proposal on behalf of the County so long as the Proposal meets the terms and conditions provided for in this Resolution by executing a certificate in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference (the "Approving Certificate").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors of the County that:

Section 1. Authorization and Sale of the Notes; Parameters. For the purpose of paying costs of the Project, the County is authorized to borrow pursuant to Section 67.12(12), Wisconsin Statutes, the principal sum of not to exceed FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,500,000) from the Purchaser upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Resolution. Subject to satisfaction of the condition set forth in Section 16 of this Resolution, the Chairperson and County Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make, execute, issue and sell to the Purchaser for, on behalf of and in the name of the County, Notes aggregating the principal amount of not to exceed FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,500,000). The purchase price to be paid to the County for the Notes shall not be less than 97.50% of the principal amount of the Notes and the difference between the initial public offering price of the Notes and the purchase price to be paid to the County by the Purchaser shall not exceed 2.50% of the principal amount of the Notes, with an amount not to exceed 1.00% of the principal amount of the Notes representing the Purchaser's compensation.

Section 2. Terms of the Notes. The Notes shall be designated "General Obligation Promissory Notes"; shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$4,500,000; shall be dated as of their date of issuance; shall be in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; shall be numbered R-1 and upward; and mature or be subject to mandatory redemption on the dates and in the principal amounts set forth below, provided that the principal amount of each maturity or mandatory redemption amount may be increased or decreased by up to \$450,000 per maturity or mandatory redemption amount, that a maturity or mandatory redemption payment may be eliminated if the amount of such maturity or mandatory redemption payment set forth in the schedule below is less than or equal to \$450,000 and that the aggregate principal amount of the Notes shall not exceed \$4,500,000. The schedule below assumes the Notes are issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,500,000.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
10-01-2027	\$525,000
10-01-2028	355,000
10-01-2029	375,000
10-01-2030	395,000
10-01-2031	415,000
10-01-2032	440,000
10-01-2033	460,000
10-01-2034	490,000
10-01-2035	510,000
10-01-2036	535,000

Interest shall be payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1 of each year commencing on April 1, 2027 or on such other date approved by an Authorized Officer in the Approving Certificate. The true interest cost on the Notes (computed taking the Purchaser's compensation into account) shall not exceed 4.50%. Interest shall be computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

Section 3. Redemption Provisions. The Notes shall be callable as set forth in the Approving Certificate. If the Proposal specifies that certain of the Notes shall be subject to mandatory redemption, the terms of such mandatory redemption shall be set forth in an attachment to the Approving Certificate labeled as Schedule MRP. Upon the optional redemption of any of the Notes subject to mandatory redemption, the principal amount of such Notes so redeemed shall be credited against the mandatory redemption payments established in the Approving Certificate in such manner as the County shall direct.

Section 4. Form of the Notes. The Notes shall be issued in registered form and shall be executed and delivered in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 5. Tax Provisions.

(A) Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Notes as the same becomes due, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged, and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property of the County a direct annual irrepealable tax in each year during the term of the Notes in such amounts as are sufficient to meet the principal and interest payments due on the Notes in the following year, which amounts are to be set forth in the Approving Certificate. The amount of tax levied in the year 2026 shall be the total amount of debt service due on the Notes in the years 2026, if any, and 2027; provided that if there is debt service due on the Notes in 2026, that the amount of such tax carried onto the tax rolls shall be abated by any amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (D) below which are applied to payment of interest on the Notes in the year 2026.

(B) Tax Collection. So long as any part of the principal of or interest on the Notes remains unpaid, the County shall be and continue without power to repeal such levy or obstruct the collection of said tax until all such payments have been made or provided for. After the issuance of the Notes, said tax shall be, from year to year, carried onto the tax roll of the County and collected in addition to all other taxes and in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the County for said years are collected, except that the amount of tax carried onto the tax roll may be reduced in any year by the amount of any surplus money in the Debt Service Fund Account created below.

(C) Additional Funds. If at any time there shall be on hand insufficient funds from the aforesaid tax levy to meet principal and/or interest payments on said Notes when due, the requisite amounts shall be paid from other funds of the County then available, which sums shall be replaced upon the collection of the taxes herein levied.

(D) Appropriation. To the extent necessary, the County hereby appropriates from proceeds of the Notes or other funds of the County on hand a sum sufficient to be irrevocably deposited in the segregated Debt Service Fund Account created below and used to pay interest on the Notes coming due in 2026, if any, as may be set forth on Schedule III of the Approving Certificate.

Section 6. Segregated Debt Service Fund Account.

(A) Creation and Deposits. There shall be and there hereby is established in the treasury of the County, if one has not already been created, a debt service fund, separate and distinct from every other fund, which shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Debt service or sinking funds established for obligations previously issued by the County may be considered as separate and distinct accounts within the debt service fund.

Within the debt service fund, there hereby is established a separate and distinct account designated as the "Debt Service Fund Account for General Obligation Promissory Notes - 2026" (the "Debt Service Fund Account") and such account shall be maintained until the indebtedness evidenced by the Notes is fully paid or otherwise extinguished. There shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund Account (i) all accrued interest received by the County at the time of delivery of and payment for the Notes; (ii) any premium which may be received by the County above the par value of the Notes and accrued interest thereon; (iii) all money raised by the taxes herein levied and any amounts appropriated for the specific purpose of meeting principal of and interest on the Notes when due; (iv) such other sums as may be necessary at any time to pay principal of and interest on the Notes when due; (v) surplus monies in the Borrowed Money Fund as specified below; and (vi) such further deposits as may be required by Section 67.11, Wisconsin Statutes.

(B) Use and Investment. No money shall be withdrawn from the Debt Service Fund Account and appropriated for any purpose other than the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes until all such principal and interest has been paid in full and the Notes canceled; provided (i) the funds to provide for each payment of principal of and interest on the Notes prior to the scheduled receipt of taxes from the next succeeding tax collection may be invested in direct obligations of the United States of America maturing in time to make such payments when they are due or in other investments permitted by law; and (ii) any funds over and above the amount of such principal and interest payments on the Notes may be used to reduce the next succeeding tax levy, or may, at the option of the County, be invested by purchasing the Notes as permitted by and subject to Section 67.11(2)(a), Wisconsin Statutes, or in permitted municipal investments under the pertinent provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes ("Permitted Investments"), which investments shall continue to be a part of the Debt Service Fund Account. Any investment of the Debt Service Fund Account shall at all times conform with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and any applicable Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations").

(C) Remaining Monies. When all of the Notes have been paid in full and canceled, and all Permitted Investments disposed of, any money remaining in the Debt Service Fund Account shall be transferred and deposited in the general fund of the County, unless the County Board of Supervisors directs otherwise.

Section 7. Proceeds of the Notes; Segregated Borrowed Money Fund. The proceeds of the Notes (the "Note Proceeds") (other than any premium and accrued interest which must be paid at the time of the delivery of the Notes into the Debt Service Fund Account created above) shall be deposited into a special fund (the "Borrowed Money Fund") separate and distinct from all other funds of the County and disbursed solely for the purpose or purposes for which borrowed. In no event shall monies in the Borrowed Money Fund be used to fund operating expenses of the general fund of the County or of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes. Monies in the Borrowed Money Fund may be temporarily invested in Permitted Investments. Any monies, including any income from Permitted Investments, remaining in the Borrowed Money Fund after the purpose or purposes for which the Notes have been issued have been accomplished, and, at any time, any monies as are not needed and which obviously thereafter cannot be needed for such purpose(s) shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund Account.

Section 8. No Arbitrage. All investments made pursuant to this Resolution shall be Permitted Investments, but no such investment shall be made in such a manner as would cause the Notes to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code or the Regulations and an officer of the County, charged with the responsibility for issuing the Notes, shall certify as to facts, estimates, circumstances and reasonable expectations in existence on the date of delivery of the Notes to the Purchaser which will permit the conclusion that the Notes are not "arbitrage bonds," within the meaning of the Code or Regulations.

Section 9. Compliance with Federal Tax Laws. (a) The County represents and covenants that the projects financed by the Notes and the ownership, management and use of the projects will not cause the Notes to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code. The County further covenants that it shall comply with the provisions of the Code to the extent necessary to maintain the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Notes including, if applicable, the rebate requirements of Section 148(f) of the Code. The County further covenants that it will not take any action, omit to take any action or permit the taking or omission of any action within its control (including, without limitation, making or permitting any use of the proceeds of the Notes) if taking, permitting or omitting to take such action would cause any of the Notes to be an arbitrage bond or a private activity bond within the meaning of the Code or would otherwise cause interest on the Notes to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes. The County Clerk or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility of issuing the Notes shall provide an appropriate certificate of the County certifying that the County can and covenanting that it will comply with the provisions of the Code and Regulations.

(b) The County also covenants to use its best efforts to meet the requirements and restrictions of any different or additional federal legislation which may be made applicable to the Notes provided that in meeting such requirements the County will do so only to the extent consistent with the proceedings authorizing the Notes and the laws of the State of Wisconsin and to the extent that there is a reasonable period of time in which to comply.

Section 10. Designation as Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. The Notes are hereby designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265 of the Code, relating to the ability of financial institutions to deduct from income for federal income tax purposes, interest expense that is allocable to carrying and acquiring tax-exempt obligations.

Section 11. Execution of the Notes; Closing; Professional Services. The Notes shall be issued in printed form, executed on behalf of the County by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Chairperson and County Clerk, authenticated, if required, by the Fiscal Agent (defined below), sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, or a facsimile thereof, and delivered to the Purchaser upon payment to the County of the purchase price thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery (the "Closing"). The facsimile signature of either of the officers executing the Notes may be imprinted on the Notes in lieu of the manual signature of the officer but, unless the County has contracted with a fiscal agent to authenticate the Notes, at least one of the signatures appearing on each Note shall be a manual signature. In the event that either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Notes shall cease to be such officers before the Closing, such signatures shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if they had remained in office until the Closing. The aforesaid officers are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and execute and deliver the Notes and all such documents, certificates and acknowledgements as may be necessary and convenient to effectuate the Closing. The County hereby authorizes the officers and agents of the County to enter into, on its behalf, agreements and contracts in conjunction with the Notes, including but not limited to agreements and contracts for legal, trust, fiscal agency, disclosure and continuing disclosure, and rebate calculation services. Any such contract heretofore entered into in conjunction with the issuance of the Notes is hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

Section 12. Payment of the Notes; Fiscal Agent. The principal of and interest on the Notes shall be paid by the County Clerk or County Treasurer (the "Fiscal Agent") unless a third party fiscal agent or mandatory redemption agent is specified in the Approving Certificate. If a third party fiscal agent or mandatory redemption agent is specified in the Approving Certificate, the County hereby authorizes the Chairperson and County Clerk or other appropriate officers of the County to enter into a Fiscal Agency Agreement or Mandatory Redemption Agreement between the County and such agent. Such contract may provide, among other things, for the

performance by a fiscal agent of the functions listed in Wis. Stats. Sec. 67.10(2)(a) to (j), where applicable, with respect to the Notes.

Section 13. Persons Treated as Owners; Transfer of Notes. The County shall cause books for the registration and for the transfer of the Notes to be kept by the Fiscal Agent. The person in whose name any Note shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes and payment of either principal or interest on any Note shall be made only to the registered owner thereof. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Note to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Any Note may be transferred by the registered owner thereof by surrender of the Note at the office of the Fiscal Agent, duly endorsed for the transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Upon such transfer, the Chairperson and County Clerk shall execute and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Note or Notes of a like aggregate principal amount, series and maturity and the Fiscal Agent shall record the name of each transferee in the registration book. No registration shall be made to bearer. The Fiscal Agent shall cancel any Note surrendered for transfer.

The County shall cooperate in any such transfer, and the Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to execute any new Note or Notes necessary to effect any such transfer.

Section 14. Record Date. The 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date shall be the record date for the Notes (the "Record Date"). Payment of interest on the Notes on any interest payment date shall be made to the registered owners of the Notes as they appear on the registration book of the County at the close of business on the Record Date.

Section 15. Utilization of The Depository Trust Company Book-Entry-Only System. In order to make the Notes eligible for the services provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the County agrees to the applicable provisions set forth in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations, which the County Clerk or other authorized representative of the County is authorized and directed to execute and deliver to DTC on behalf of the County to the extent an effective Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations is not presently on file in the County Clerk's office.

Section 16. Condition on Issuance and Sale of the Notes. The issuance of the Notes and the sale of the Notes to the Purchaser are subject to approval by an Authorized Officer of the principal amount, definitive maturities, redemption provisions, interest rates and purchase price for the Notes, which approval shall be evidenced by execution by an Authorized Officer of the Approving Certificate.

The Notes shall not be issued, sold or delivered until this condition is satisfied. Upon satisfaction of this condition, an Authorized Officer is authorized to execute a Proposal with the Purchaser providing for the sale of the Notes to the Purchaser.

Section 17. Official Statement. The County Board of Supervisors hereby directs an Authorized Officer to approve the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Notes and deem the Preliminary Official Statement as "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"). All actions taken by an Authorized Officer or other officers of the County in connection with the preparation of such Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda to it or final Official Statement are hereby ratified and approved. In connection with the Closing, the appropriate County official shall certify the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or

final Official Statement. The County Clerk shall cause copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or final Official Statement to be distributed to the Purchaser.

Section 18. Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure. The County hereby covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the owners of the Notes, to enter into a written undertaking (the "Undertaking") if required by the Rule to provide continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data and timely notices of the occurrence of certain events in accordance with the Rule. The Undertaking shall be enforceable by the owners of the Notes or by the Purchaser on behalf of such owners (provided that the rights of the owners and the Purchaser to enforce the Undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the obligations thereunder and any failure by the County to comply with the provisions of the Undertaking shall not be an event of default with respect to the Notes).

To the extent required under the Rule, the Chairperson and County Clerk, or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility for issuing the Notes, shall provide a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the details and terms of the County's Undertaking.

Section 19. Record Book. The County Clerk shall provide and keep the transcript of proceedings as a separate record book (the "Record Book") and shall record a full and correct statement of every step or proceeding had or taken in the course of authorizing and issuing the Notes in the Record Book.

Section 20. Bond Insurance. If the Purchaser determines to obtain municipal bond insurance with respect to the Notes, the officers of the County are authorized to take all actions necessary to obtain such municipal bond insurance. The Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to agree to such additional provisions as the bond insurer may reasonably request and which are acceptable to the Chairperson and County Clerk including provisions regarding restrictions on investment of Note proceeds, the payment procedure under the municipal bond insurance policy, the rights of the bond insurer in the event of default and payment of the Notes by the bond insurer and notices to be given to the bond insurer. In addition, any reference required by the bond insurer to the municipal bond insurance policy shall be made in the form of Note provided herein.

Section 21. Conflicting Resolutions; Severability; Effective Date. All prior resolutions, rules or other actions of the County Board of Supervisors or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions hereof shall be, and the same are, hereby rescinded insofar as the same may so conflict. In the event that any one or more provisions hereof shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions hereof. The foregoing shall take effect immediately upon adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

Adopted, approved and recorded August 18, 2026.

Lance A. Pliml
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Trent Miner
County Clerk

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

APPROVING CERTIFICATE

The undersigned [Finance Director] [Chairperson] of Wood County, Wisconsin (the "County"), hereby certifies that:

1. Resolution. On August 18, 2026, the County Board of Supervisors of the County adopted a resolution (the "Resolution") authorizing the issuance and establishing parameters for the sale of not to exceed \$4,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes of the County (the "Notes") to Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated (the "Purchaser") and delegating to me the authority to approve the Preliminary Official Statement, to approve the purchase proposal for the Notes, and to determine the details for the Notes within the parameters established by the Resolution.

2. Preliminary Official Statement. The Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Notes is hereby approved and deemed "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

3. Proposal; Terms of the Notes. On the date hereof, the Purchaser offered to purchase the Notes in accordance with the terms set forth in the Note Purchase Agreement between the County and the Purchaser attached hereto as Schedule I (the "Proposal"). The Proposal meets the parameters and conditions established by the Resolution and is hereby approved and accepted.

The Notes shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$_____, which is not more than the \$4,500,000 approved by the Resolution, and shall mature on October 1 of each of the years and in the amounts and shall bear interest at the rates per annum as set forth in the Pricing Summary attached hereto as Schedule II and incorporated herein by this reference. The amount of each annual principal or mandatory redemption payment due on the Notes is not more than \$450,000 more or less per maturity or mandatory redemption amount than the schedule included in the Resolution as set forth below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Resolution Schedule</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>
10-01-2027	\$525,000	\$_____
10-01-2028	355,000	_____
10-01-2029	375,000	_____
10-01-2030	395,000	_____
10-01-2031	415,000	_____
10-01-2032	440,000	_____
10-01-2033	460,000	_____
10-01-2034	490,000	_____
10-01-2035	510,000	_____
10-01-2036	535,000	_____

The true interest cost on the Notes (computed taking the Purchaser's compensation into account) is _____%, which is not in excess of 4.50%, as required by the Resolution.

4. Purchase Price of the Notes. The Notes shall be sold to the Purchaser in accordance with the terms of the Proposal at a price of \$_____, plus accrued interest, if any, to the date of delivery of the Notes, which is not less than 97.50% of the principal amount of the Notes, as required by the Resolution.

The difference between the initial public offering prices of the Notes provided by the Purchaser (\$_____) and the purchase price to be paid to the County by the Purchaser (\$_____) is \$_____, or _____% of the principal amount of the Notes, which does not exceed 2.50% of the principal amount of the Notes. The portion of such amount representing Purchaser's compensation is \$_____, or not more than 1.00% of the principal amount of the Notes.

5. Redemption Provisions of the Notes. The Notes maturing on October 1, _____ and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on October 1, _____ or on any date thereafter. Said Notes are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County and within each maturity by lot, at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. [The Proposal specifies that [some of] the Notes are subject to mandatory redemption. The terms of such mandatory redemption are set forth in an attachment hereto as Schedule MRP and incorporated herein by this reference.]

6. [Payment of the Notes; Mandatory Redemption Agent. Pursuant to the Resolution, Associated Trust Company, National Association is named mandatory redemption agent for the Notes.]

7. Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Notes as the same respectively falls due, the full faith, credit and taxing powers of the County have been irrevocably pledged and there has been levied on all of the taxable property in the County, pursuant to the Resolution, a direct, annual irrepealable tax in an amount and at the times sufficient for said purpose. Such tax shall be for the years and in the amounts set forth on the debt service schedule attached hereto as Schedule III.

8. Approval. This Certificate constitutes my approval of the Proposal, and the principal amount, definitive maturities, interest rates, purchase price and redemption provisions for the Notes and the direct annual irrepealable tax levy to repay the Notes, in satisfaction of the parameters set forth in the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Certificate on _____, 2026 pursuant to the authority delegated to me in the Resolution.

[_____
PaNyia Yang
Finance Director]

[_____
Lance A. Pliml
Chairperson]

SCHEDULE I TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Proposal

To be provided by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

SCHEDULE II TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Pricing Summary

To be provided by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

SCHEDULE III TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Debt Service Schedule and Irrepealable Tax Levies

To be provided by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

[SCHEDULE MRP

Mandatory Redemption Provision

The Notes due on October 1, ____, ____, and ____ (the "Term Bonds") are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity by lot (as selected by the Depository) at a redemption price equal to One Hundred Percent (100%) of the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, from debt service fund deposits which are required to be made in amounts sufficient to redeem on October 1 of each year the respective amount of Term Bonds specified below:

For the Term Bonds Maturing on October 1, 20__

Redemption <u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	\$ _____
_____	_____
_____	_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on October 1, 20__

Redemption <u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	\$ _____
_____	_____
_____	_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on October 1, 20__

Redemption <u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	\$ _____
_____	_____
_____	_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on October 1, 20__

Redemption <u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	\$ _____
_____	_____
_____	_____ (maturity)]

EXHIBIT B

(Form of Note)

REGISTERED NO. R-____	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF WISCONSIN WOOD COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTE	DOLLARS \$_____
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MATURITY DATE:	ORIGINAL DATE OF ISSUE:	INTEREST RATE:	CUSIP:
October 1, _____	October 5, 2026	____%	_____

DEPOSITORY OR ITS NOMINEE NAME: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: _____ THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$_____)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Wood County, Wisconsin (the "County"), hereby acknowledges itself to owe and promises to pay to the Depository or its Nominee Name (the "Depository") identified above (or to registered assigns), on the maturity date identified above, the principal amount identified above, and to pay interest thereon at the rate of interest per annum identified above, all subject to the provisions set forth herein regarding redemption prior to maturity. Interest shall be payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1 of each year commencing on April 1, 2027 until the aforesaid principal amount is paid in full. Both the principal of and interest on this Note are payable to the registered owner in lawful money of the United States. Interest payable on any interest payment date shall be paid by wire transfer to the Depository in whose name this Note is registered on the Bond Register maintained by [Associated Trust Company, National Association] [the County Clerk or County Treasurer] (the "Fiscal Agent") or any successor thereto at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"). This Note is payable as to principal upon presentation and surrender hereof at the office of the Fiscal Agent.

For the prompt payment of this Note together with interest hereon as aforesaid and for the levy of taxes sufficient for that purpose, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged.

This Note is one of an issue of Notes aggregating the principal amount of \$4,500,000, all of which are of like tenor, except as to denomination, interest rate, maturity date and redemption provision, issued by the County pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.12(12), Wisconsin Statutes, for public purposes, including paying the cost of capital improvement projects, as authorized by a resolution adopted on August 18, 2026 as supplemented by an Approving Certificate, dated _____, 2026 (the "Approving Certificate") (collectively, the "Resolution"). Said Resolution is recorded in the official minutes of the County Board of Supervisors for said date.

The Notes maturing on October 1, _____ and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on October 1, _____ or on any date thereafter. Said Notes are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County, and within each maturity by lot (as selected by the Depository), at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

[The Notes maturing in the years _____ are subject to mandatory redemption by lot as provided in the Approving Certificate, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption and without premium.]

In the event the Notes are redeemed prior to maturity, as long as the Notes are in book-entry-only form, official notice of the redemption will be given by mailing a notice by registered or certified mail, overnight express delivery, facsimile transmission, electronic transmission or in any other manner required by the Depository, to the Depository not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date. If less than all of the Notes of a maturity are to be called for redemption, the Notes of such maturity to be redeemed will be selected by lot. Such notice will include but not be limited to the following: the designation, date and maturities of the Notes called for redemption, CUSIP numbers, and the date of redemption. Any notice provided as described herein shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the registered owner receives the notice. The Notes shall cease to bear interest on the specified redemption date provided that federal or other immediately available funds sufficient for such redemption are on deposit at the office of the Depository at that time. Upon such deposit of funds for redemption the Notes shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, things and acts required by law to exist or to be done prior to and in connection with the issuance of this Note have been done, have existed and have been performed in due form and time; that the aggregate indebtedness of the County, including this Note and others issued simultaneously herewith, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law or the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin; and that a direct annual irrevocable tax has been levied sufficient to pay this Note, together with the interest thereon, when and as payable.

This Note has been designated by the County Board of Supervisors as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to the provisions of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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No delay or omission on the part of the owner hereof to exercise any right hereunder shall impair such right or be considered as a waiver thereof or as a waiver of or acquiescence in any default hereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Wood County, Wisconsin, by its governing body, has caused this Note to be executed for it and in its name by the manual or facsimile signatures of its duly qualified Chairperson and County Clerk; and to be sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, all as of the original date of issue specified above.

WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

By: _____
Lance A. Pliml
Chairperson

(SEAL)

By: _____
Trent Miner
County Clerk

[Date of Authentication: _____, _____

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Note is one of the Notes of the issue authorized by the within-mentioned Resolution of Wood County, Wisconsin.

ASSOCIATED TRUST COMPANY,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By _____
Authorized Signatory**]**

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

(Name and Address of Assignee)

(Social Security or other Identifying Number of Assignee)

the within Note and all rights thereunder and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____, Legal Representative, to transfer said Note on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

Signature Guaranteed:

(e.g. Bank, Trust Company
or Securities Firm)

(Depository or Nominee Name)

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(Authorized Officer)



RESOLUTION#

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Introduced by Judicial & Legislative and Operations Committees

Motion:	Adopted:	☐
1 st	Lost:	☐
2 nd	Tabled:	☐
No: _____	Yes: _____	Absent: _____
Number of votes required:		
☐ Majority	☒ Two-thirds	
Reviewed by: _____	NF _____	, Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: _____	PY _____	, Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To create a 1.0 FTE Diversion Case Manager within the Criminal Justice Department, to incorporate a grant from the Legacy Foundation to cover near term expenses

FISCAL NOTE: The Department of Human Services has received permission from the Legacy Foundation to transfer a grant that was initially intended to fund the Mental Health Court to the Criminal Justice Department for the purpose of funding a Diversion Case Manager to oversee the Deferred Prosecution Agreement and Deferred Entry of Judgment programs. The remaining grant money that would be transferred to the Criminal Justice Department is approximately \$134,000.00.

Based on an internal wage analysis, this position would be placed at Grade H. Additionally, we anticipate \$45 a month for use of a cell phone for texting with participant, \$100 a month for rental of space in courthouse and \$200 a month for urinalysis supplies. Using Step 3 and a start date of September 28th, 2026, the budget would be amended by the total below:

2026 Gross wages	\$16,940.88
\$345/mo. program expenses	\$1,035.00
Benefit Costs	<u>\$2,861.15</u>
Total	\$20,837.03

To continue this position into the 2027 year at Step 4 would have the budget requirements below.

2027 Gross wages	66,747.20
\$345/mo. Program expenses	\$4,140.00
Benefit Costs	<u>\$31,220.94</u>
Total	\$102,108.14

The total estimated cost to the County through 2027 (15 months) would be \$122,945.17, leaving an estimated \$11,054.83 to roll over into 2028. Once the grant funds are exhausted, this position will be an ongoing levy-

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County Clerk

County Board Chairman

funded expense within the Criminal Justice budget. Participants will be asked to pay a \$150 program fee or work off the fee through Emergency Government, so the program will also have a small revenue in this time as well.

WHEREAS, the Wood County District Attorney's Office handles a high volume of criminal cases, and

WHEREAS, a diversion program consisting of both Deferred Prosecution Agreements (DPAs) and Deferred Entry of Judgement Agreement (DEOJs) can significantly reduce the congestion and stress placed on the local courts, and

WHEREAS, diversion programs decrease the number of court appearances, get individuals to needed treatment, and protect the community in reduced repeat offenders, and

WHEREAS, DPAs keep first time offenders from appearing on the Wisconsin Circuit Court Access Portal (CCAP) while addressing the causes of the police contact, allowing first-time offenders to avoid the collateral consequences of public stigma, issues with employment, and concerns with landlords, and

WHEREAS, the hiring of a Diversion Case Manager would allow the County to conduct diversion at a scale large enough to facilitate improved outcomes and reduction in court expense.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the moving of the Legacy Grant funds from the Department of Human Services to the Criminal Justice Department and to create a 1.0 FTE Diversion Case Manager Position

Pay Grade: H

Hours: 2080 per year

FLSA status: Exempt

Department: Criminal Justice

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to amend the Criminal Justice (51240) budget for 2026 by appropriating \$20,837.03 of Legacy Grant Funds from Department of Human Services to Criminal Justice Miscellaneous Revenues (48900) and pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 65.90(5) the County Clerk is Directed to post a Class 1 notice of this budget change within 15 days.

MINUTES

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, July 23, 2026
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Edgewater Haven Nursing Home – Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Tom Buttke, Linda Casper, Lee Thao, Laura Valenstein, Marie Topping

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rachel Stankowski, Dr. Tim Golemgieski

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list.

1. Chair Rozar called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and declared a quorum present.
2. Under public comment, Supervisor Clendenning asked about food recalls and how they are handled in restaurant inspections and within the nursing homes. Directors provided answers.
3. The consent agenda was reviewed and items discussed. Motion by Buttke/Thao to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Rozar notified the group of the resignation of Leslie Kronstedt from the committee. The committee directed the County Clerk to post notice on the county's webpage as well as on social media for possible applicants.
5. Edgewater Administrator Cielewicz updated the committee on the CBRF plans. The architectural plans are completed. They are still waiting on the mechanical plans for the HVAC system. He will keep the committee apprised.
6. Norwood Administrator Kornack reviewed the status of the water system replacement plans with the state.
7. Kornack reported on the progress of the operational efficiencies that were discussed at the previous meetings. They are working through job descriptions of the nursing director, head nurse and how those duties get divided.
8. Rozar reported that the Public Health funding resolution that was passed by the County Board has been forward from the WCA Steering Committee to the Resolutions Committee with hopes it makes it to the annual meeting at the WCA Conference.
9. Motion by Valenstein/Buttke to go into closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(f) Wis. Stats to consider a leave of absence request. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Thao/Casper to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

11. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 5:00 PM at Wood County Annex & Health Center in Marshfield.

12. Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

Health & Human Services Committee

July 23, 2026

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North Central Community Action Program- Board Meeting Minutes-6/8/26

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of North Central Community Action Program, Inc. was held on Monday, June 8, 2026, via zoom, as individual staff and Board members logged in from their remote locations. The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by Vice President Jennifer Lemmer.

Pam took roll:

Present	Absent	Staff
Robinson	Breit (ex)	Diane
Dorava	West (ex)	Pam
Guerrero	Lang (ex)	Tony
Fischer	McGivern (ex)	
Zacher	Conway	
Kearns		
Lemmer		
Rotter		
Kieper		
Valenstein		

Wipfli Audit Presentation: Vice-President Jennifer Lemmer announced Wipfli was here to present our 2025 Audit report. Pam thanked Mike Webber, Partner and Braeden Sucharski, Manager for being here today. Board members received the final 2025 Audit report and letter from Wipfli in their Board packets. Mike thanked the Board and staff for their hard work. Mike reviewed the Board of Directors Presentation on our audited financial statements. Mike reviewed the summary of auditor's results including major programs tested and required communications. Mike reviewed our statement of financial position, statement of activities, and statement of functional expenses for 2024 and 2025. Mike reviewed the uniform guidance requirements and the difference between being a low risk and not low risk auditee. There were no findings or questioned costs. Jennifer Lemmer thanked Wipfli for their presentation.

2025 Audit approval: A motion was made by Joe Dorava to approve the 2025 audit report as presented. Second was made by Matt Zacher. Motion carried.

Vice-President Jennifer Lemmer asked that we amend the agenda to add approval of the 2025 990 report to the agenda after reviewing expenses. A motion was made by Wendy Fischer to amend the agenda to add approval of the 2025 990 report. Second was made by Holly Kieper. Motion carried.

Minutes: Jennifer Lemmer asked if there were any changes or questions. A motion was made by Joe Dorava to accept the April minutes as presented. Second was made by Michelle Kearns. Motion carried.

Approval of expenses and Financial statements: Pam reviewed the April financial statement of revenue and expenses and balance sheet. Pam discussed calendar year expenses versus grant year expenses. Current year to date expenses are on target and Pam reported we may need to adjust our budget with the addition of the larger weatherization program. Pam will discuss this at the August Board meeting. Motion was made by Steve Robinson to approve the financial statements as presented. Second was made by Joe Dorava. Motion carried.

2025 990 Report and schedules: Pam reviewed the 990 Summary. We have 16 active Board members and we issued 37 W-2's for 2025 (versus 97 with AmeriCorps for 2024). Pam reviewed comparison of Revenue, expenses, assets, and Liabilities with prior year. A motion was made by Steve Robinson to approve the 990 as presented. Second was made by Matt Zacher. Motion carried.

Line of Credit: Diane discussed the need to renew our line of credit and increase the available amount to \$500,000. Diane explained we are still waiting for the State's decision on advancing weatherization dollars for the new contract starting July 1st. We are hopeful the State will issue some type of advance even if it is lower than in past years. Pam reported we did not need to draw any of our \$300,000 in 2025. We are very good at managing our cash flow, however, with the increase in weatherization funding anticipated to double, we will be looking at carrying double the jobs and contractor payments in progress. A motion was made by Peter Rotter to approve renewing the line of credit and increasing the limit to \$500,000. Second was made by Joe Dorava. Motion carried.

Weatherization: Tony reported we are on target with our contract goals. We have completed 415 units from July 1 through May 31st and we have exceeded our baseload unit goals. Our current deferral rate is 50%. We are anticipating completing 40 units in the last month of our contract. Tony discussed the difficulties we have encountered waiting for our contract expansion. We have secured a location for the additional 7 counties so we can start setting our warehouse up but we are still waiting for a contract.

Next Meeting Date: Our next meeting will be in person at the Community Partners Campus in Wausau on August 10, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Vice-President Jennifer Lemmer would like to discuss moving the meeting start time back to 6:00 pm from 5:30 pm.

Jennifer Lemmer declared the meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm.

MINUTES OF THE VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

DATE: June 22, 2026

PLACE: Room 134 Courthouse, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 1:30 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 1:51 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Ghiloni, and Michael Feirer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tom Heiser

ALSO PRESENT: Rock Larson, Wood CVSO Secretary to the Veterans Service Commission.

Acting Chairman Beverly Ghiloni called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

1. Wisconsin's open meeting law requirements were posted with the County Clerk's Office as required.
2. Public input: None.
3. The May 28, 2026, meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Michael Feirer to approve second by Beverly Ghiloni. Motioned passed unanimously.
4. At 01:32 P.M. Beverly Ghiloni moved, and Michael Feirer seconded to enter closed session pursuant to exemption contained in Chapter 19.85(1)(f), to audit grants and loans to needy veterans and address new applications for grants. Motion carried unanimously. Beverly Ghiloni moved, and Michael Feirer seconded to exit closed session at 1:38 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Motion to approve the audit of grants and loans made by Michael Feirer and second by Beverly Ghiloni. Motion passed unanimously. New grants since January totaling \$1046.23 (one veteran for car repair), two loans totaling \$1,450 (rent assistance). Write off of loans with no activity in seven years \$4,479.86 (four veterans). Current total loans outstanding \$10,801.89.
6. In accordance with Chapter 45 of the Wisconsin State Statutes the commissioners discussed the 2027 budget request. A motion by Beverly Ghiloni and second by Michael Feirer to request \$15,000 for Veterans Relief and \$2,175 for Per Diem/mileage and that it all be tax levy not a portion from the non-lapsing fund. Motion passed.
7. Beverly Ghiloni moved, and Michael Feirer seconded a motion to adjourn at 1:51 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Rock A. Larson, Administrative Secretary, VSC

If you have any questions about this report, please contact Sue Smith at 715-421-8928 (W) or 715-213-8493 (Cell) or ssmith@co.wood.wi.us

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – SUE SMITH, RN, MSN, CPM

- **2027 Budget Preparation:** Kathy Alft is officially retired, and Macy Mancl is continuing to build out our 2027 budget. We have a good start to it. Macy and Val Elliott have picked up other various accounting duties from Kathy and are both doing an amazing job!
- I'm waiting to hear when the blessing of the **Safe Haven Baby Box** will occur. Linda Casper continues to work with the Fire Chief and I'm excited how close we are to having this go live!
- We've been keeping an eye on the **Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)** funding as it becomes available. Information about the RHTP in Wisconsin can be found here: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/rhtp/index.htm>. In a nutshell, the RHTP is a federal funding opportunity provided to states through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) received a first-year award from CMS for \$203,670,005 to invest in rural capacity, sustainability, and innovation across three major initiatives.
 - Strengthen the rural health care workforce - Recruiting and retaining an adequate health care workforce is a challenge in rural areas, making access to quality, timely care for rural residents difficult. This funding will provide grants for innovative workforce projects in rural communities, support career pathways for rural health care providers, and fund services provided by community health workers.
 - Drive rural technology and innovation - Rural Wisconsin needs the technology to support and reach residents, such as closed-loop referral systems and telehealth capabilities. This funding will invest in upgrades to rural provider systems, digital infrastructure, and develop a digital rural health care collaborative.
 - Transform rural care through partnerships - Rural Wisconsinites experience fragmented coordination across primary care, specialty care, behavioral health, chronic disease prevention, and community social supports. This funding will stand up a competitive grant program for rural regions to create coordinated systems of care where multi-sector partnerships show a clear path to sustainability.

SUPERVISOR OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES REPORT – KRISTIE RAUTER EGGE, MPH

- Attended Wood County REDI (Rural Economic Development Initiative) Roundtable.

Communication/Branding

- Met with the Health Department Communication Committee and reviewed the departments Communication Survey Data.
- Began drafting the Communication Plan.
- Planned for the next PIO (Public Information Officer) Network meeting with the leadership team.

Policy

Co-chaired the State Health Improvement Plan Advisory Committee where the committee provided recommendations to the Public Health Council for priorities to be included in the next budget cycle.

Healthy People Wood County

- **Community Health Assessment (CHA)**
 - Continued meeting with healthcare system partners to plan next CHA cycle.
 - Finalizing the next CHA Survey to be released in August.
 - Developing distribution plan for the upcoming CHA survey.

Transportation

- **5304 Grant:**
 - Distributed the Wood County Public Transportation Survey.
 - Planned and sent out notice for the stakeholder meetings and public meetings.
- **Catch a Ride Update:**
 - Awarded a donation from the Marshfield Rotary and Marshfield Medical Center Credit Union.
 - Continued applying for grants and contacting area businesses to support Central Wisconsin Catch a Ride.
 - Meetings were held with community organizations to explore alternative models for community bicycle access as the current bike share program is modified. Discussions focused on opportunities to utilize bicycles at partner sites to connect residents to work, school, recreation, and other community destinations while promoting physical activity and reducing transportation barriers.

Housing

Held Coordinated Entry presentations in Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, and virtually for community partners. A robust discussion was had at the meetings on how to serve people who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness.

Access to Care

Analyzed underinsured/uninsured data for community paramedic project.

Financial Security

- Planning for a food security partner meeting to review key themes and findings from the food insecurity community conversations, discuss opportunities for action, and identify feasible, community-driven solutions we can implement together.
- Analyzing qualitative data gathered from 60 community members collected through 4 focus groups, 7 interviews, and 2 tabling events to learn about food insecurity in Wood County.
- Submitted mid-year grant report for food insecurity grant from Marshfield Clinic & Security Health Plan.

Central Wisconsin Farmers Market Efforts

- Central Wisconsin Regional Farmers Market Collaborative:
 - Assisted with opening day promotions for the Wisconsin Rapids Farmers Market and with promotions for the Double Up WI North Hub markets and statewide website.
 - Onboarded new Graduate Assistant student.
 - Assisted in writing a GusNIP (Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program) grant to support future funding for the Double Up Food Bucks Wisconsin program.
 - Attended markets to begin data collection season: Marshfield, Stevens Point, Waupaca, and Wausau.
 - Attended Focus Groups for Community Health educational webinar.
 - Collaborating with United Way Marathon County on a partnership with the Farmers Market of Wausau.
 - Updated Waupaca Farmers Market website.
 - Created a job description to share with the Wausau Farmers Market in the hiring of a new Manager.
- Wood County Farmers Markets; Marshfield Farmers Market and Wisconsin Rapid Downtown Farmers Market
 - Wisconsin Rapids Downtown Farmers Market season is underway, with ongoing promotion of the Double Dollars program for SNAP participants. Double Dollars match up to \$20 in SNAP purchases for fruits and vegetables, helping increase access to healthy foods, support local producers, and stretch food budgets for families experiencing food insecurity.

Substance Use – IMPACT and MACY

- *Opioid Settlement*: June marked the halfway point for community grantees awarded Opioid Settlement dollars. Mid-year reports will show how far along projects are and help determine whether support is needed in carrying out plans.
- *Building Recovery Ecosystems*: Ashley Normington, Public Health Strategist, is participating in a learning academy around building Rural Recovery Ecosystems through the Overdose Response Network (ORN). The learning academy is every other week with a total of eight modules and will continue into September.
- *LifePoint syringe service (needle exchange) program*:
 - June 2026 marks 3 years of the Wood County LifePoint satellite site through Vivent Health. Syringe service programs are evidence-based to have proven positive health outcomes and support the health and wellbeing of individuals in a community.
 - The Wisconsin Rapids program had five participants in June who supported an additional four people. The Marshfield program started to see more participants with three individuals participating in-person and supported an additional six people with sterile supplies and resources. Vivent Health offers mobile services two days a month in Wood County and will share data on their efforts through Opioid Settlement reports.
- *HOPE Consortium Peer Support and Risk Reduction Workgroup*: Family Health Center hosted a HOPE Consortium meeting with a presentation on CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services) DHS (Department of Health Services) 72 Billable Peer Support. An overview was provided on new Medicaid coverage for Peer Recovery Support Services, which became effective April 1, 2026. Peer recovery support services are intended to complement treatment services and may be covered by Medicaid before, during, or after treatment, including up to 60 days following treatment.
- *Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Team*: Four Wood County staff attended the Wisconsin Overdose Fatality Review Summit in Wausau. Wood County's OFR is supported by state funding and has been in place for over a year. There have been four cases reviewed at three meetings with eight recommendations that have been identified as a result of the case reviews. These recommendations are a critical part of preventing future fatalities from occurring and help fill identified community needs and gaps in services.
- *Providers and Teens Communicating for Health (PATCH)*: We wrapped up the 2025-2026 program year. We have 4 teens returning next year. All materials have been updated to support the 2026-2027 program year. Teen recruitment for the next program year has started; we are hoping to have 8-10 teens on our team.
- *WI Wins*: Wood County Health Department finished all of our contracted 53 tobacco compliance checks which resulted in only 1 sale to an underage volunteer. The 9 public and media outreach activities have been completed, which wraps up the 2025-2026 program year.

- **Peer support:**
 - We have 8 individuals receiving regular peer support and 2 individuals receiving parent peer support.
 - Pamela has her state exam for Certified Parent Peer Support on September 9.
 - Pamela has started outreach for Youth Recovery Coaching.
- **Public Health Vending Machine (PHVM):** We vended a total of 538 supplies across our 6 machines this month. We have vended a total of 8,557 supplies since the machines have been up and running. Winter supplies were replaced with summer kits.
- **Jail Programming:** We had the recovery pod graduation, with 5 completing the program. Next group starts on July 7.
- **Marshfield Area Coalition for Youth (MACY):**
 - **Drug Task Force:** The Drug Task Force met on June 2 to discuss next steps regarding the Teen Court program in the Marshfield School District. Members plan to attend the Marathon School District's teen court next year to learn effective strategies for implementation in Marshfield. The task force also discussed the dissemination of nicotine and vaping educational materials, conducting the next rounds of tobacco compliance checks, and promoting the task force at upcoming events. The task force will not participate in the fair this year and will instead concentrate on events such as Hub City Days and Maple Fall Fest.
 - **Finance Committee:** The finance committee met on June 5 to discuss the possibility of MACY transferring funds into its Charitable Money Market Account to accumulate donations from Forward Bank, in line with its nonprofit status. During the meeting, the committee also explored the use of credit and debit cards for members of the MACY board. They met with a representative from Forward Bank to seek guidance on these matters. The representative agreed to present the information to the board, which will then decide on the next steps.
 - **Mental Health Task Force:** The task force met on June 8 to discuss their outreach efforts. The group is currently focusing on suicide awareness and prevention in collaboration with Sanford Health, aiming to provide parents with a medication lock box and suicide prevention resources through Sanford's social services department. The task force will be stepping away from the "Let's Keep Talking" series and will shift its focus towards educational resources and awareness materials that community members can access at their own convenience.
 - **Board of Directors:** The board met on June 17 to receive a presentation from a representative of Forward Bank regarding MACY's nonprofit checking account. During the presentation, the board learned about fraud protection measures and strategies for growing the donations account with Forward Bank as a nonprofit organization. The board approved for the MACY accountant and director to receive a credit card for future purchases. The board approved moving funds into the MACY donations account to facilitate growth through Forward Bank's nonprofit donation initiative. The meeting also included updates and highlights from all MACY committees.
 - **Presentations:**
 - Pamela Lee, Community Health Worker, presented at the Prevention, Addiction, and Trauma Healing Conference, sharing our overdose prevention strategies with multiple counties throughout Wisconsin.
 - Members of Healthy People Wood County and the Marshfield Police Department presented data on the Place of Last Drink (POLD) to the Health and Human Services Committee on June 25. POLD reminders have been distributed to Wood County retailers, and several have requested materials to aid in compliance checks for alcohol age restrictions.
 - Members of Healthy People, along with partners from the Nicotine Prevention Alliance, presented data and trends on youth nicotine vaping to Sanford Health residents and physicians on June 30. They also shared the 2025 THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) Community Report, highlighting THC retailers and access in Wood County.
 - **Member Training:** Members of Healthy People Wood County attended the 2026 Social Care Summit on June 24 to learn about programs, access, initiatives, and resources offered through Sanford Health and Aspirus. This opportunity served as a networking opportunity with Aspirus and Sanford Health representatives to learn more about and join the substance prevention and mental health initiatives for Healthy People Wood County and MACY.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT – BEN JEFFREY, R.S.

New Businesses and Consultations

A pre-licensing inspection was completed for B's Taphouse in Wisconsin Rapids due to change in ownership. A pre-licensing inspection was completed for Urban Chuckwagon, a mobile food establishment out of the Wisconsin Rapids area. A pre-licensing inspection was completed for On-the-Go Gyro, a mobile food establishment operating out of the central Wood County area.

Complaint Investigations

Eight complaint investigations were completed in the month of June.

- A complaint was received regarding a licensed lodging facility in Wisconsin Rapids. Environmental health staff completed an onsite complaint inspection and noted some cleaning and maintenance violations.
- A caller reported food employees eating in the kitchen while making food for customers. Environmental health staff completed an onsite complaint inspection and reviewed food employees eating in designated areas away from food preparation.
- A caller reported the PH at a licensed pool facility being too high for operation and mold in a room being rented out. Environmental health staff completed an onsite complaint inspection noting high PH in the pool and closing the pool until corrections were made. The room in question was also noted for mold and in need of cleaning.

- A complaint was received regarding material items piling up outside a residence. No public health hazards were noted at this time.
- A complaint was received regarding cockroaches in a rental complex. Environmental health staff spoke with property management and professional treatment has been scheduled.
- A complaint was received regarding poor living conditions. No public health hazards noted at this time. Many complaints were of small maintenance issues at an owner-occupied home.
- A caller reported mold inside a rental unit. Environmental health staff provided information on clean-up and prevention.
- A complaint was received regarding mold inside an owner-occupied residence. Staff provided mold clean-up and prevention information.

HEALTHY SMILES FOR WOOD COUNTY REPORT – NICOLE BURLINGAME, RDH

During the 2025/2026 school year the Healthy Smiles for Wood County program provided oral screenings and oral health education for 1852 children, applied 1832 fluoride treatments, and placed 1852 sealants. The number of children found with unmet dental needs totaled 313 and all these children were referred to their dentist or case managed for dental treatment. The application for Wisconsin Seal-A-Smile funding for the 2026/2027 school year will be released this month. Healthy Smiles is currently providing Dental Hygiene services in the Health Department for Bagdercare+ families, seeing students at the Boys and Girls club of Wisconsin Rapids, and providing services to the patients in Norwood.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE SUPERVISOR REPORT – ERICA SHERMAN, MSN, RN, IBCLC

Emergency Preparedness

- The Health Department continues to strengthen countywide readiness through planning, surveillance, and partner coordination. Recent work includes participating in regional Ebola planning meetings and a tabletop exercise, along with providing education on personal protective equipment for public safety and first responders. Efforts are still underway for creating data dashboards in collaboration with the department's epidemiologist to provide real-time information to planning partners, emergency management, healthcare, and public safety agencies, to better prepare for emerging health or environmental trends in the county.
- The Emergency Planning Leadership Team met for the first time and identified the need for a shared countywide training calendar and an information sharing platform. These tools will streamline communication, reduce duplication, and support coordinated pre-planning for emergency response across the county.

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) REPORT – CAMEN HOFER, RD, CD, IBCLC

- One of our quality improvement projects this year aims to increase WIC caseload by 1% by December 31, 2026, by increasing in person appointments and local agency Facebook presence. We completed 2 local agency posts in March, 3 in April, 6 in May, 6 in June, and plan to continue weekly local agency Facebook posts in July with goals to increase building rapport with families and word of mouth/social media WIC referrals.
- The one-month WIC media campaign posted on free video and audio streaming platforms from mid-May through mid-June resulted in 19 people going to our website after seeing or hearing the ad. We have seen an increase in WIC applications and plan to continue for another month with the media campaign.
- WIC Nutritionist Kayla Saeger earned her Certified Lactation Specialist (CLS) credential after completing the weeklong course and passing the exam on June 30, 2026. This will enhance our lactation support provided to WIC families.
- WIC is partnering with the Health Department and Aspirus to start a monthly "New Mom's Group" in Wisconsin Rapids in August to support moms and babies. Lactation support and weight checks will be available.

2026 Caseload (Funding Basis: 1,541 Participants)

	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Active (initial)	1356	1344	1339	1319	1314	1322	1330						
Active (final)	1369	1356	1353	1329	1327	1330							
Participating	1356	1352	1350	1328	1320	1331	1334						

WOOD COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT July 2026

Director Update by Brandon Vruwink

The Human Services Department has begun working on the 2027 budget. Due to the size and scope of our budget, we began the budget process earlier this year. We will hold internal meetings over the next several weeks to develop the 2027 budget. One of the areas that we will review carefully is the cost of contractual services. We have witnessed a steady increase in the prices of supplies and services. Labor market pressures have continued to push wages up, which in turn increases the cost of contractual services. I am sharing this with you as I anticipate an increase in expenses for our contracted service budget lines. We will review these expenses as we develop the 2027 budget to ensure we have an accurate picture of actual costs. Please feel free to reach out with any questions as we work through the budget process.

We continue to work on Edgewater Haven's strategic plan. We met in early July to review next steps and begin developing a survey to help us move forward with our strategic plan. The planning core group included: H&HS Chair Rozar, Kayla Rombalski (UW Extension), Administrator Cieslewicz, Assistant Administrator Weller, Director of Nursing Rodriguez, Deputy Director Miloch, and me. We will be engaging with additional staff and other stakeholders as necessary to complete the plan.

The Wood County Transportation Program has transitioned to working with MTM as the transportation broker for Family Care members. The process has not been smooth thus far; however, it has not resulted in service interruptions for our riders. The difficult part is that multiple vendors are attempting to pick up the riders we have served for years. This has happened because of a glitch in MTM's software portal. This has frustrated our riders and their families; however, it has not caused a service interruption. We are hopeful this issue will be resolved by the end of July. We continue to work diligently with MTM to ensure that there are no lapses in service. In summary, this is a work in progress, and I am not yet ready to state that this change will work well for our riders. I will provide additional updates as we work through this process.

Administrative Services Update by Mary Schlagenhaft

Administrative Services team members attended various meetings specific to their job duties during the month. These included, but not limited to:

- Divisional budget meetings conducted, continued communication on budget. 2026 meetings scheduled with outcomes reviewed and conversations encouraged
- Edgewater claims billing "Triple Check Meeting," participants include accountant, assistant manager, billing representative, therapy service provider
- Additional accomplishments: ongoing EHR SmartCare learning, cross training, workflows and processes reviewed and updated as needed. WIMCR work completed by multiple team members
- Budget working documents created, reviewed and sent out to all departments to work on for 2027 budget preparation
- Open position for Administrative Services leadership team filled, 1 position in the Fiscal Team open
- Onboarding of revised position called "Fiscal Services Supervisor"

Accounting and Accounts Payable Team

- Contract Coordinator completed two contracts
- Accountant and Asst Admin Manager attended Financial Manager Meeting (Wausau) – Presentations by staff from DCF and DHS
- Accountant attended GWAAR Webinar – Regional Training Follow Up (Elder Abuse Reporting)
- State Aids – Submitted reports for May (DCF/FSET/Energy/GEARS/GWAAR)
- 15 CLTS new enrollments (3 were transfers from other counties)
- Edgewater Haven has 7 new hire orientations
- Accounting Clerk hiring process ongoing and team members working on tasks coverage while in transition process

Support Services Team

Behavioral Health Clinic service notes: all appointments notes are accounted for through 6/3/2026 with system in place to review and communicate with clinicians twice a week about service notes or errors.

Records Released in June:

- Behavioral Health records released: 66
- Family Service record/background checks released: 26
 - Records pending/in progress: 13
 - Total completed: 92

Records Retention: completion of destruction of past retention client documents

- FS MFLD records 4th floor- reviewing 2026 records due for destruction
- RB- FS and CCS records located in vault- reviewing 2026 records due for destruction
- RB- Foster care provider records in progress- scanning/destroying per retention guidelines
- EHR records past retention – electronic records/destruction project completed

Other Unit Information

- Support Services staff updates – no vacancies
- Compiled information needed for Title IV-E funding for DCF: tracking administrative services staff time and fees spent on CHIPS and TPR legal services (*combined)
 - * June: 117 total hours spent on legal services
 - \$245.94 total spent on misc. legal expenses
 - Total allowable reimbursement for 2nd quarter not available yet
- Attend monthly Smartcare CMS mtgs & SHS WI users mtgs
- ShareTru confidential document repository: 4 admin services staff are testing in various BH and FS programs- limited usage- redaction issues found with pdfs
- HIPAA:
 - 1 HIPAA/ Confidentiality breach- investigated/resolved
 - Draft Department, Secure Use of Speech-to-Text Policy
 - Complete Qtr. 2 Smartcare Audit of Staff/Client Access: no concerns
 - Privacy/Security: in progress- SRA risk mitigation 10 of 11 completed
 - Meeting with MetaStar- BH Connect designed SRA for 2026-2027
 - MetaStar- BH Connect partnership was grant funded and ended 6/30/26

Fiscal Service Supervisor (Accounts Receivable/Revenue Team)

- Interim coverage of department continues
- Current new supervisor promoted from A/P started onboarding, will continue to assist in A/P until replacement is hired/trained
- Monthly A/R review to determine collectability at Community, Norwood and EW locations
- Attended Behavior Health billing workgroup meeting for strategic planning
- Requested per diem rate increase for NHC-Admissions Unit to United Behavioral Health Insurance/Contract

Insurance Claims created and submitted for current reporting period:

- Norwood: 234 claims billed: \$1,127,510
- Edgewater: 99 claims billed, \$888,438
- Community: 8,112 claims submitted in the amount of \$827,571. Cash receipts \$221,133

Service Admission Intakes

- NHC Admissions: 33 Hospital, 0 LTC
- Edgewater: 8
- Community
 - 44 intakes for new clients conducted. Waitlist is currently only for psychiatric services
 - 1,268 appointments scheduled, 902 attended (71%)

2026 TRIP Monies Year to Date:

- Norwood: \$42,780
- Community: \$29,060

Youth Diversion Update by Angela O'Day

Our first year of the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board Grant to host Parent Cafes concluded in June. 24 total Parent Cafes were hosted in Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, and Pittsville throughout the grant year (7/1/25-6/30/26). Parent Cafes are a universal child abuse and neglect prevention program based on the five protective factors that help to strengthen families. Each café includes education on the five protective factors (parent resilience, social-emotional development of children, concrete supports, social connections, and knowledge of parenting and child development), and each café includes carefully hosted table conversations. Each café has a unique theme allowing parent-to-parent conversation, self-reflection, and social connection. A few of the café themes in year one included: Parenting with Connection, Not Perfection, Raising Confident Kids, Little Kids, Big Feelings, and Raising Differently. Parent cafes are open to all parents in Wood County, with a special focus on parents with children aged 0-5. Through grant funding, each café includes a meal, childcare, and family giveaways to support household needs and parent/child connection. Human Services collaborated with a variety of partners including the Wood County Health Department, Marshfield YMCA Childcare, Children's Resource Center North, and Marshfield Family Health Center to plan and host cafes in year one. On average, 10 parents and 9 children attended each café meeting our grant attendance goal. Parent Cafes will resume in October 2026.

Edgewater Haven Update by Justin Cieslewicz

Census Update: In the month of June, we had 13 admissions and 8 readmissions. Current Memory Care census is 15 residents. Census comparison to last year:

June 2025 – 46.23 average census with 11.67 rehab

June 2026 – 45.50 average census with 13.94 rehab

June 2025 – Admissions 10/Discharges 9/Readmissions 9/Deaths 2

June 2026 – Admissions 13/Discharges 7/Readmissions 8/Deaths 1

Personnel Update: Open positions of writing this:

Nursing: Director of Nursing, 3 Full-time Nurses, 1 Part-time Nurse, 2-time CNA

Dietary: 1 Full-time Dietary Aide

There were multiple candidates who applied for the Director of Nursing position and interviews have been conducted. I am optimistic that a new Director of Nursing will be in place to ensure a seamless transition when our current Director of Nursing retires.

Edgewater Haven Strategic Planning: Health and Human Services Committee Chair Rozar and leadership of Edgewater Haven have engaged with UW Extension to develop a strategic plan for Edgewater Haven. Data will be gathered by conducting resident, family, and staff surveys which will determine a baseline level of satisfaction and stakeholder perception to assist in developing our strategic goals and performance measures. The strategic planning process will also ensure that Edgewater Haven's Mission and Vision emphasize quality care, continuous improvement, excellence in resident outcomes, and excellence in environment and facilities. The strategic plan will shape the strategic direction for Edgewater Haven for the next 3 to 5 years.

Norwood Health Center**Norwood Health Center Update by Marissa Kornack**

Food Services Supervisor Transition: Larry Burt officially retired on July 1. Joe Miller has transitioned into the Food Services Supervisor role. We thank Larry for his years of service and wish him well in retirement. We are confident in Joe's ability to lead the department effectively.

Nursing Department Staffing Challenges: Recruitment for nurses and CNAs remains a significant challenge. Although additional agency nurses and techs have been secured to support the department and reduce

overtime, we have not been successful in hiring new nurses. The limited applicants identified through direct outreach on Indeed did not respond beyond initial interest.

Health Information Department Update by Jerin Turner

Recruitment is ongoing for the full-time HUC position, a 50% HUC role, and a casual receptionist. A strong pool of applications has been received. Interviews and reference checks are underway, and we anticipate filling the full-time HUC position during the week of July 18, 2026.

Norwood Nursing Department by Liz Masanz

Open positions:

RN: 6 FTE, 3 casual

MHT: 5 FTE, 2 at 50%, 1 casual

We currently have four agency nurses and four agency techs on board. Recent contracts with additional staffing agencies have improved our ability to secure temporary staff and relieve current team members.

The new 12-hour scheduling model for nurses began on July 19. Recruitment efforts continue; no new candidates have progressed to interviews.

Admissions Unit: The average census for the month of June was 6.70 and 6.49 YTD. The average length of stay was 6.76 and 6.79 YTD. There were 33 admissions and 34 discharges.

Long Term Care: The long-term care unit had zero admissions and one discharge in June, with an average census of 9.40 on Crossroads and 14.40 on Pathways.

The head nurse position remains vacant. Director of Nursing Masanz continues to cover associated duties.

Norwood Dietary Department by Larry Burt

June congregate meals totaled 4,869, generating \$41,490 in revenue. Year-to-date, 26,098 meals have been served, reflecting a 9% decrease from 2025, and generating \$222,532.93 in revenue.

Based on year-to-date utilization, total projected meals served in 2026 are approximately 52,196, compared to the budgeted 48,700. The upward trend in meal counts is encouraging, and we anticipate continued improvement.

The remaining option year (2027) in the ADRC congregate meal program contract will be exercised. Meal counts and pricing projections are being incorporated into the 2027 budget. The contract is scheduled for a three-year rebid at the end of 2027.

Norwood Building Operations by Lee Ackerman

CIP Updates

Water Pipe Replacement- Design plans have been completed and submitted to WI DSPS and DQA for approval. The review process may take several weeks to months. Upon approval, a formal request for bids will be issued.

Admissions Nurse Call System- No current updates; DHS plan approval is still pending.

Other Maintenance

Recruitment continues for the vacant Maintenance Technician position. Several applications were received this month and interviews are underway.

A routine inspection identified a failure in the LP gas vaporizer, causing LP gas to vent safely outside the facility and reducing the reserve supply. Due to the device's age, replacement has been recommended. While the final cost estimate is pending, expected costs range from \$9,000 to \$12,000. The vaporizer is necessary for converting liquid propane to gas at the rate required for backup heating.

CVSO Report to the Wood County Health and Human Services Committee

Meeting Date: July 23, 2026

June 2026 Activity: During the month of June, we completed/submitted 232 federal forms to include:

- 19 Intent to file a claim (this marks the effective date while we assist the veteran in gathering all the required supporting documentation)
- 38 Appeals – Higher Level Review, Notice of Disagreement (appeal), appeals to Board of Veterans Appeals (Veterans Law Judge)
- 42 New claims for disability compensation
- 0 New claim for veterans' pension
- 1 New claim for surviving spouse benefits (DIC or surviving spouse pension)
- 9 New applications for VA Healthcare
- 23 Appointments of Claimants Representative (POA for American Legion, VFW, DAV etc.)
- 7 Burial and marker applications
- 17 Request for individual's VA or private medical records

Activities:

1. Completed as of May 21, 2026:
 - a. June 24 – NE CTVSO regional meeting in Oconto Co.
 - b. July 7 - Tomah VA Medical Center Director's Quarterly meeting with CVSOs and Legislative liaisons. While at Tomah updated SMART card credentials for access to VA data systems.
2. Near Future:
 - a. July 17- Tomah VA Medical Center outreach event/town hall at the Wisconsin Rapids Elks Club #693 from 1-5:30.
 - b. July 21 – Video Coffee Talk on Veterans Benefits with Sanford Health Group Veteran employees.
 - c. July 24- Burial of WWII remains of PVT. Elmer Blonien Rudolph WI.
 - d. August 25-30 – Outreach booth at the Central Wisconsin State Fair.

Office Update:

1. One of our staff is on FMLA due to surgery with an expected return of Aug 5, 2026. That is going to have an impact on our response time for calls and inquiries. We start more actions than we complete. Time available for research and review of military and medical files is interrupted by the phone and walkins.
2. Case study – Veteran comes into our office with letter from VA Healthcare stating that the IRS income matching for 2024 shows he made \$261,904 above the VA threshold for copay exempt status for VA Healthcare. That income was from a Vision Center in North Carolina (veteran did formerly live in NC). Veteran is on HUD housing assistance and only income is Social Security of \$19,463 per year (\$1,621.92 per month). To correct that we had to get a local police report of Identity theft and a US Treasury claim of identity theft. However, in the process we discussed his service history and found that he was on Temporary duty to Thailand during the Vietnam War. Under a recent change in the law (2024) Thailand is considered an Agent Orange exposed area and we submitted a disability claim for illnesses he has. Veteran has been rated 70% disabled due to service and will receive a disability back pay amount of \$6,030.11 most likely before this meeting and then monthly compensation of \$1,808 on the first of every month starting August 1. More than **doubling his monthly income**. Most likely this will free up a HUD

voucher to the community for someone else to use. Because the Veteran is now rated as a disabled veteran his copays with VA healthcare go away but are no longer exempt due to low income.

3. Coroner and Veterans office collaboration. From time to time the Coroner reaches out to our office if they know the deceased served in the military and our office reaches out to that office when we have a veteran pass. The issue we work on together is to get the Veterans Service-connected disabilities listed as a cause or contributing factor listed on the death certificate. If service connected disabilities are a factor in the death the surviving spouse can have follow on VA benefits. \$1,600 or more per month and a \$2,000 burial benefit. In the most recent case the Widow is in assisted living in a memory care facility and the family estimated about 5 months of income/assets to continue self-pay. The new VA benefit will allow that date to be extended and when assets are exhausted and spouse goes on assistance more of that cost will be from a federal resource as opposed to state resources.
4. Legislative Council Study Committee on State Veterans' Benefits
Scope - The study committee is directed to review the benefits state law currently provides to veterans and determine whether the term "veteran" should be redefined to provide a more uniform use of the term throughout the statutes, expanded to include individuals who have served in the military but do not meet current applicable definitions of "veteran," or both. In conducting this review, the committee shall examine the definition of "veteran" under s. 45.01 (12), Stats., as well as other statutory definitions or eligibility criteria that define the scope of who is entitled to particular benefits provided to former members of the military. The study committee shall also consider the purposes for which individuals who formerly served in a reserve component of the U.S. armed forces or the National Guard but do not meet current definitions of "veteran" should be included within this term.

Members

Representative Hurd (Chair)

Senator Tomczyk (Vice-Chair)

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Kathleen S. Still

Jordan Tilleson

Senator Wirch

Quarterly Financial Reports -See attached budget vs. Actual printout. At this time I see no problem with the veterans department staying within the approved 2026 budget.

**County of Wood
Veterans Services
For the Six Months Ending Tuesday, June 30, 2026**

	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance...
Veterans Services:				
101-3101-54710-000-101 Veterans Relief Wages	660.00	1,500.00	840.00	56.00%
101-3101-54710-000-120 Veterans Relief FICA	50.52	114.75	64.23	55.97%
101-3101-54710-000-331 Veterans Relief Mileage	236.35	560.00	323.65	57.79%
101-3101-54710-000-710 Veterans Relief Grants & Loans	2,496.23	15,000.00	12,503.77	83.36%
101-3102-54720-000-101 Veterans Service Officer Wages	81,328.11	178,765.19	97,437.08	54.51%
101-3102-54720-000-107 Veterans Service Officer Sick	3,523.45	9,766.68	6,243.23	63.92%
101-3102-54720-000-108 Veterans Service Officer Vacation	8,948.04	17,175.65	8,227.61	47.90%
101-3102-54720-000-109 Veterans Service Officer Holiday	2,267.67	8,094.39	5,826.72	71.98%
101-3102-54720-000-120 Veterans Service Officer FICA	6,981.61	16,355.85	9,374.24	57.31%
101-3102-54720-000-130 Veterans Service Officer Health Insurance	26,973.44	53,947.00	26,973.56	50.00%
101-3102-54720-000-132 Veterans Service Officer Post Employment Benefits	1,921.38	4,276.04	2,354.66	55.07%
101-3102-54720-000-133 Veterans Service Officer Vision Insurance	61.67	156.00	94.33	60.47%
101-3102-54720-000-134 Veterans Service Officer Dental Insurance	953.28	2,005.20	1,051.92	52.46%
101-3102-54720-000-140 Veterans Service Officer Life Insurance	15.08	30.24	15.16	50.13%
101-3102-54720-000-151 Veterans Service Officer Retirement	6,916.92	15,393.74	8,476.82	55.07%
101-3102-54720-000-160 Veterans Service Officer Workers Compensation	64.55	143.25	78.70	54.94%
101-3102-54720-000-214 Veterans Service Officer Prof Services-Printing	49.00		(49.00)	0.00%
101-3102-54720-000-221 Veterans Service Officer Cellphone/Telephone	550.68	1,080.00	529.32	49.01%
101-3102-54720-000-311 Veterans Service Officer Office Supplies	276.95	475.00	198.05	41.69%
101-3102-54720-000-313 Veterans Service Officer Postage	129.52	550.00	420.48	76.45%
101-3102-54720-000-511 Veterans Service Officer Insurance-Liability	1,363.74	2,727.45	1,363.71	50.00%
101-3102-54720-000-531 Veterans Service Officer Interdepartment Rent	6,030.00	12,060.00	6,030.00	50.00%
101-3102-54720-001-101 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Wages	26,879.96	55,445.02	28,565.06	51.52%
101-3102-54720-001-108 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Vacation	2,315.44	3,597.41	1,281.97	35.64%
101-3102-54720-001-109 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Holiday	682.36	2,400.34	1,717.98	71.57%
101-3102-54720-001-120 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld FICA	2,151.11	4,921.93	2,770.82	56.30%
101-3102-54720-001-130 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Health Insurance	8,895.51	17,791.00	8,895.49	50.00%
101-3102-54720-001-132 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld OPEB	597.61	1,286.78	689.17	53.56%
101-3102-54720-001-133 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Vision Insurance	39.00	78.00	39.00	50.00%
101-3102-54720-001-134 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Dental Insurance	334.23	668.40	334.17	50.00%
101-3102-54720-001-140 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Life Insurance	7.54	15.12	7.58	50.13%
101-3102-54720-001-151 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Retirement	2,151.15	4,632.40	2,481.25	53.56%
101-3102-54720-001-160 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Workers Compensation	20.00	43.11	23.11	53.61%
101-3102-54720-001-331 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Mileage	1.45	200.00	198.55	99.28%
101-3102-54720-001-532 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Building Rent	1,300.26	2,600.53	1,300.27	50.00%
101-3104-54740-000-341 Care of Veterans Graves Operating Exp-VET-Care of	196.00	4,000.00	3,804.00	95.10%
101-3105-43567-000-000 WDVA Grants Veterans	(16,600.00)	(16,600.00)		0.00%
101-3105-54750-000-172 Conference/Training WDVA Grants Veterans	1,260.00	1,160.00	(100.00)	(8.62%)
101-3105-54750-000-219 Professional Services-WDVA Grants Veterans	2,080.00	3,050.00	970.00	31.80%
101-3105-54750-000-230 PC Replacement-WDVA Grants Veterans	805.02	1,610.00	804.98	50.00%
101-3105-54750-000-331 Mileage WDVA Grants Veterans	802.84	2,545.00	1,742.16	68.45%
101-3105-54750-000-332 Meals WDVA Grants Veterans	330.00	2,000.00	1,670.00	83.50%
101-3105-54750-000-333 Lodging/Hotel WVDVA Grants Veterans	573.00	3,200.00	2,627.00	82.09%
101-3105-54750-000-531 Veterans - WVDVA Grants Rent	810.00	1,620.00	810.00	50.00%
101-3105-54750-002-312 WVDVA Grants to Counties-Copy Expense	247.91	400.00	152.09	38.02%
101-3105-54750-003-324 WVDVA Grants to Counties-Ads Outreach	390.00	615.00	225.00	36.59%
101-3101-54710-000-160 Veterans Relief Workers Comp		1.01	1.01	100.00%
101-3102-54720-000-219 Veterans Service Officer Other Prof Services		1,440.00	1,440.00	100.00%
101-3102-54720-000-331 Veterans Service Officer Mileage		700.00	700.00	100.00%
101-3102-54720-001-107 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Sick		2,896.18	2,896.18	100.00%
101-3102-54720-001-221 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Cellphone/Telephone		360.00	360.00	100.00%
101-3102-54720-001-313 Veterans Service Officer-Mfld Postage		310.00	310.00	100.00%
101-3103-54730-000-324 Vets Donations for Office Advertising/Outreach		800.00	800.00	100.00%
101-3105-54750-000-325 General Fund-VETERANS-Dues		400.00	400.00	100.00%
Total Veterans Services	188,068.58	444,363.66	256,295.08	57.68%

MINUTES PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, August 3, 2026
TIME: 10:00 AM
PLACE: Courthouse – Room 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph Zurfluh, Dennis Polach, William Voight, Brad Hamilton, Jeff Penzkover

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Zurfluh called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.
2. The minutes of the July 13, 2026, meeting were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Penzkover to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
3. There was no public comment.
4. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 9:00 AM.
5. The Communications Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
6. The Emergency Management Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
7. The Dispatch Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
8. Dispatch Manager Bastien presented the preliminary 2027 Dispatch budget. Once final numbers are determined by the Operations Committee, he will finalize the numbers and present to the committee at their next meeting.
9. The Coroner presented his report and bill listing for review.
10. Coroner Patton presented a resolution increasing the call-out pay by \$10.00 for calls under 4-hours for deputy coroners, effective January 1, 2027. Motion by Hamilton/Voight to approve the resolution and forward onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Sheriff Becker reviewed various reports and activities of the Sheriff's Department.
12. Motion by Zurfluh/Hamilton to approve the voucher listings for Communications, Coroner, Dispatch, Emergency Management, and Sheriff's Department. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Budgets will be included on the agenda for next month.
14. Chairman Zurfluh declared the meeting adjourned 10:32 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

Public Safety Committee

August 3, 2026

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July Monthly Report

Wood County Sheriff's Rescue

Submitted by: Ann Burger, WCSR Secretary

July Training Descriptions		
Date	Type	Description
7-Jul	Business Meeting	July Business Meeting
14-Jul	Work Night	CPR refresher.
21-Jul	Work Night	Washed Rescue 3, Rescue 4, and ATV trailer.
28-Jul	Project Lifesaver	Head transmitter at garage. Went out in pairs to find with receivers.

Call Summary					
Call #	63	64	65	66	67
Date	7/4/2026	7/6/2026	7/7/2026	7/8/2026	7/12/2026
Time	14:46	21:03	14:08	12:46	1:58
Day of Week	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Sunday
Township	Port Edwards	Rudolph	Saratoga	Saratoga	Saratoga
Location	3627 STH 54 W	3RD AVE & COUNTY LINE RD	LARRY AVE & STH 13 S	8311 STH 13 S	LARRY AVE & STH 13 S
Rescue 3	D. Westfall	T. Young		T. Young	T. Young
Rescue 4					
Rescue 5					
10-22ed					
Call Type	10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries	Other		10-50 w/ Injuries	10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries
Medical/ Extrication					
Ambulance	WRFD			WRFD	UEMR
EMR	Saratoga			Saratoga	Saratoga
Fire	Port Edwards			Nekoosa	Grand Rapids
Air					
Tools/ Equipment Used					
Notes					
Other members on scene					M. Wiberg

Call Summary					
Call #	68	69	70	71	72
Date	7/16/2026	7/19/2026	7/20/2026	7/23/2026	7/24/2026
Time	6:50	6:30	7:47	18:13	9:47
Day of Week	Thursday	Sunday	Monday	Thursday	Friday
Township	Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids	Biron	Saratoga	Wisconsin Rapids
Location	7100 SOUTH PARK RD	7100 SOUTH PARK RD	N BIRON DR & MARSH RD	4131 RANGER RD	1801 16TH ST S
Rescue 3			T. Young	M. Wiberg	M. Wiberg
Rescue 4					
Rescue 5					
10-22ed					
Call Type	Other	Other	10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries	10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries	Other
Medical/Extrication					
Ambulance			UEMR	WRFD	
EMR			Biron	Saratoga	
Fire			Biron	Grand Rapids	
Air					
Tools/Equipment Used					
Notes					
Other members on scene	M. Wiberg (R2)	M. Wiberg (R2)			

Call Type		Township		
10-50 w/ Injuries		Grand Rapids		
10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries		10-50 w/ Unknown Injuries		
Water Rescue		Water Rescue		
Snowmobile/ATV		Snowmobile/ATV		
Traffic/Scene Containment		Traffic/Scene Containment		
Missing Person		Missing Person		
Project Lifesaver		Project Lifesaver		
Mutual Aid		Mutual Aid		
Demo				
Other		Other		
Ambulance				
UEMR				
WRFD		Air		
Pittsville		MedEvac		
		Spirit		
EMR		LifeLink III		
Grand Rapids				
Port Edwards				
Vesper				
Rudolph				
Rome				
Armenia				
Biron				
Saratoga				
Grant				
Fire Department				
Grand Rapids				
Port Edwards				
Vesper				
Rudolph				
Rome				
Armenia				
Biron				
Pittsville				
Nekoosa				
WRFD				

TRAINING TYPE				
Extrication				
Water Rescue				
Project Lifesaver				
Business Meeting				
Work Night				
Ice Rescue				
ATV				
Other				



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



SHAWN BECKER, SHERIFF

July 23rd 2026

MEMORANDUM FOR Sheriff Becker; Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Monthly Crime Stoppers Report – July 2026

The Crime Stoppers program received 31 tips in the month of July that were forwarded to the appropriate agencies for follow-up, as reported by P3.

The last monthly board meeting was held on May 13th, 2026. The next regular meeting will August 12th 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Berres
Investigator Sergeant
Wood County Sheriff's Department



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



SHAWN BECKER, SHERIFF

July 2026 K9 Report

	TRAINING HOURS	USEAGE/ DEPLOYMENTS	DEMO/ COMMUNITY
K9 Bingo	15	0	0
K9 Timo	14	2	0
K9 Rosco	15	2	2
K9 Lola			
K9 Ripp	See	Below	

TRAINING (MONTHLY) –

In July the Wood County Sheriff's Department trained with Wisconsin Rapids Police Department, Marshfield Police Department and Portage County Sheriff's Department. Training venues included the Wood County/Wisconsin Rapids Range, Port Edwards Fire Department, Wood County Highway Department-Wisconsin Rapids, and River Cities School.

Training consisted of odor detection, area search for man, article detection and tracking.

Deputy Beathard completed monthly training in Marathon County in July. Training consisted of odor detection, obedience and building search for man.

TRAINING (INDIVIDUAL) –

Lieutenant Christianson and K9 Bingo completed 3 hours of on-duty training in the areas of tracking, obedience and odor detection.

Sergeant Arendt and K9 Timo completed two hours of on-duty training in the area of obedience and odor detection.

Deputy Beathard and K9 Rosco completed three hours of on duty training in the area of odor detection and podcasts for handler knowledge.



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USEAGE –

Sergeant Arendt and K9 Timo had two deployments during the month of July. Both deployments were assisting agencies on traffic stops. Change of behavior and indications were observed on both with THC, Methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia being located.

Deputy Beathard and K9 Rosco had two deployments during the month of July. One was on a traffic stop where change of behavior and indication were observed. No illegal contraband was found but items believed to be used with illegal narcotics were located and driver admitted illegal contraband had previously been inside vehicle.

DEMO/COMMUNITY – K9 Rosco and Deputy Beathard had two demo/ community activities. Anchor Bay/ Fire fundraiser and Marshfield Lutheran church exchange student presentation at Norwood.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION –

K9 Lola report will be added to the August 2026 monthly report.

Ripp's Training/Work Log- July 2026

July 8

- K9 Presentation W/ Ripp @ 4U Adult Day Service
- Visit Courthouse Staff/Dispatch

July 14

- Probation Meeting- Ripp introduction to Probation Staff

July 15

- Introduced to Norwood Health Staff
- Positive interaction with Auburndale School Students involving water activities

July 16

- Attended State Water Ski Show in Wisconsin Rapids

July 28



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- Kandy Kane Park (Arpin) K9/Squad presentation for kids
- Cops @ Culvers-Police Lights of Christmas Fundraiser-WR/Marshfield locations

Respectfully,

Brandon Christianson

Brandon Christianson
Patrol Lieutenant



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HUMANE OFFICER

07-01-26 to 07-29-26

Animal Bites:	<u>Dog</u>	<u>Cat</u>	<u>Squirrel</u>
• Arpin	0	0	0
• Biron	0	0	0
• Grand Rapids	1	0	0
• Nekoosa	1	0	0
• Wis. Rapids	8	0	0
• Wood	0	0	0
• Marshfield	1	0	0
• Rudolph	0	0	0
• Seneca	0	0	0
• Saratoga	0	0	0
• Pittsville	0	0	0
• Richfield	0	0	0
• Lincoln	0	0	0
• Port Edw	0	0	0

Inhumane /Abuse Case: 0

Abandonment: 0

Animal vs Animal: 0

Abatement Order: 0

Animals at Large: 0

Major Incidents: 0

Follow-up-Brooke: 0

Follow-up-Susa: 0

Monthly Hours: 15

2026 YTD Hours: 149.5

Submitted by: Jenna McDonald



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



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Department of Natural Resources Patrols

July 2026

ATV

- Patrol Hours 54.5
- Citations- 4
- Warnings- 8
- Crashes- 3

BOAT

- Patrol Hours 44
- Citations- 3
- Warnings- 4
- Crashes- 1

SNOWMOBILE

- Patrol Hours 0
- Citation- 0
- Warnings- 0

Submitted by

Sgt. Matt Susa



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



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Operations Overtime/Comp Time Totals

July 2025 (07/05/26 to 07/18/26)

Patrol

Overtime hours:	50
Comp time hours:	89.125
Holiday Pay/Comp hours:	0

Investigations

Overtime hours:	29.5
Comp time hours:	3.75

Security Services

Overtime hours:	6.5
Comp time hours:	0

TOTAL CALL OUT:	0
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Submitted By: Charles Hoogesteger – Operations Captain



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DEPARTMENT

Shawn Becker
SHERIFF

Public Safety Committee Meeting

Security Services July 2026 Report

For the month of July, the total number of prohibited items prevented from entering the Courthouse are:

Guns -	0
Knives -	50
O.C. -	5
Misc. Items -	2

The miscellaneous items that were located were a screwdriver and an empty holster.

Security Services screened 5,716 people entering the courthouse in July. Security Services had 28 security requests from different departments within the Courthouse for the month.

We also served 7 (seven) civil process papers, posted 3 (three) Writ of Restitutions, executed an eviction, handled a preliminary hearing for the road deputies and fulfilled 7 (seven) warrants for the month.

Security Services handled 7 (seven) complaints in the jail last month. The complaints were for Criminal Damage to Property, Threats X2, a fighting between inmates, 2 (two) sexual assault complaints, and Bail Jumping.

During the Month of July, I utilize part-time employees for 16 hours to fill employee shortage hours. Several shifts ran short due to no part-time employees being able to help.

Report submitted by: Lieutenant Bryan D. Peterson



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



SHAWN BECKER, SHERIFF

Public Safety Committee Meeting

School Resource Officer (Auburndale) July 2026 Report

For the month of July, the School Resource Officer initiated/responded to 18 calls of service while at the Auburndale High School/Middle School/Elementary School and/or assisting other Wood County Sheriff Divisions. The calls for service included:

- Civil Paper Service Complaints
- Traffic Stops/Enforcement
- Traffic Complaints
- Agency Assists-Transport Prisoner for State Patrol
- Assisted Traffic Crash Investigation
- Traffic Direction for STH 10
- Project Lifesaver Band Change
- Ho-Chunk Casino Walk-Through

The School Resource Officer also participated in the following:

- Safety walk at the High School/Middle/Elementary School for Summer School
- Attended Red Sands for State Water Ski Security W/ K9 Ripp
- 4U Adult Day Service- K9 Presentation
- Probation & Parole Meeting in Marshfield
- Kandy Kane Park- Wheelie Big Finale Event for Arpin Library
- Culvers in Marshfield- Police of Lights Event
- K9 Ripp enjoyed water activities with Auburndale students
- Wood County Health Dept-Discussed Impact Programs for schools

As always, the School Resource Officer made a continued presence within the schools and continues to be a positive role model for students within the district.

Report submitted by: SRO Nehls #441



WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



SHAWN BECKER, SHERIFF

US HWY 10 Cross Traffic Monthly Report

JUNE (07/01/26 – 07/27/26)

Intersection	Time Spent (min)	Citations	Warnings
USH 10/Day RD	135	0	0
USH 10/CTH T	360	2	6
USH 10/CTH E	45	0	0
USH 10/STH 186	1255	1	10
USH 10/North RD	0	0	0
USH 10/CTH K	110	0	0
USH 10/Blueberry RD	0	0	0
USH 10/CTH N	0	0	0
USH 10/CTH S	0	0	0
USH 10/Brookside RD	0	0	0
USH 10/CTH F	520	2	4
Totals:	2425	5	20

MINUTES – 2425

WARNINGS – 20

CITATIONS – 5

REPORTED WW DRIVERS – 1

CRASHES – 0

Submitted By: Charles Hoogesteger – Operations Captain

WOOD COUNTY JAIL

JANUARY - JUNE 2026

TOTAL POPULATION / DAILY POPULATION / ELECTRONIC MONITORING

DAY	JAUNUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY			JUNE		
	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP
1	180	0	22	177	3	23	175	4	19	175	5	23	171	4	22	188	4	17
2	175	0	21	177	3	23	177	4	19	179	6	23	166	4	22	181	4	17
3	177	0	19	175	4	24	169	4	21	180	6	22	167	4	21	178	2	19
4	177	0	19	173	4	24	170	5	22	182	6	22	163	4	20	176	2	19
5	177	0	19	177	6	23	174	5	22	185	6	21	163	7	19	180	2	21
6	177	1	21	176	6	22	169	5	21	185	6	20	160	4	20	182	3	23
7	183	1	22	175	6	23	171	5	21	180	5	19	163	4	21	183	3	23
8	184	1	24	180	6	22	171	5	21	178	5	19	167	4	21	182	3	23
9	179	1	24	181	6	21	172	5	21	181	5	19	171	4	21	185	3	24
10	174	1	22	178	6	21	175	5	23	181	5	19	172	4	21	183	3	23
11	176	1	22	180	6	21	175	4	24	185	5	20	173	4	21	183	3	24
12	175	1	22	183	6	21	175	5	24	185	5	20	173	4	21	183	3	24
13	163	1	22	176	6	22	169	5	22	189	5	20	180	4	22	181	4	25
14	167	1	23	177	6	21	169	5	22	187	7	21	179	4	21	190	4	25
15	162	1	23	177	6	21	176	5	22	178	7	22	179	5	21	188	5	22
16	164	1	23	179	6	21	176	5	22	174	5	22	183	3	21	180	6	22
17	159	1	23	171	8	21	179	5	22	168	5	23	180	3	19	181	5	23
18	165	3	23	171	8	23	169	5	22	169	4	23	181	3	19	178	5	23
19	169	3	23	171	7	24	167	4	22	171	4	22	178	4	19	181	5	22
20	171	3	24	175	6	24	166	4	21	169	4	21	174	2	18	185	5	23
21	173	3	25	171	5	24	173	4	22	170	4	21	171	2	20	187	5	23
22	171	3	24	172	5	24	174	6	22	174	4	20	174	2	20	188	5	22
23	172	1	26	171	5	23	175	6	22	172	4	20	175	2	20	188	6	23
24	167	1	27	169	5	23	174	6	22	169	4	20	175	2	19	186	6	22
25	170	1	26	169	4	23	174	6	22	172	4	21	173	2	19	182	6	24
26	175	1	26	171	4	23	176	6	22	172	4	21	179	2	19	182	6	24
27	173	2	26	174	4	22	174	6	21	180	4	21	175	4	18	189	7	24
28	171	2	26	173	4	20	178	5	21	182	4	22	173	4	18	190	7	24
29	172	3	26				180	5	21	179	4	22	173	4	18	190	6	23
30	170	3	26				181	5	21	174	4	23	181	3	18	184	6	21
31	178	3	24				178	5	22				188	3	17			
AVERAGES																		
Total Jail	172.45			174.96			173.58			177.50			173.55			183.80		
IMMG	1.42			5.39			4.97			4.87			3.52			4.47		
EMP	23.32			22.39			21.65			21.07			19.87			22.40		
Length of Stay	26.70			40.80			28.40			26.60			26.00			0.00		

WOOD COUNTY JAIL

JULY - DECEMBER 2026

TOTAL POPULATION / DAILY POPULATION / ELECTRONIC MONITORING

DAY	JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP	TOTAL	IMMG	EMP
1	184	6	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	183	6	21															
3	187	6	21															
4	191	5	21															
5	198	5	21															
6	201	5	19															
7	191	5	20															
8	188	6	20															
9	189	5	21															
10	186	6	20															
11	177	4	20															
12	181	6	20															
13	182	5	20															
14	179	5	20															
15	183	5	21															
16	186	5	21															
17	180	5	21															
18	172	4	21															
19	176	4	21															
20	177	4	21															
21	172	4	20															
22	169	4	20															
23	162	4	18															
24	160	4	18															
25	162	4	17															
26	164	5	17															
27	169	6	17															
28																		
29																		
30																		
31																		
AVERAGES																		
Total Jail	179.59			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00		
IMMG	4.93			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00		
EMP	19.93			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00		
Length of Stay	0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00			0.00		

2026 YEARLY AVERAGES	
OVERALL POPULATION	176.49
IMMG HOLDS	4.22
ELECTRONIC MONITORING	21.52
AVERAGE LENGTH of STAY	29.70

NEW FACILITY		TOTAL BEDS
80% =	232	290
OPENED 03-22-2025		

	DATE	POPULATION
Color indicates low population	05/06/2026	160
Color indicates high population	06/29/2026	190

MONTHLY	HIGH	LOW
JANUARY	184	162
FEBRUARY	183	169
MARCH	181	166
APRIL	189	168
MAY	188	160
JUNE	190	176
JULY		
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		
OCTOBER		
NOVEMBER		
DECEMBER		

Electronic Monitoring 2026

Month	Monthly Average
January	23.32
February	22.39
March	21.65
April	21.07
May	19.87
June	22.40
July	19.93
August	0.00
September	0.00
October	0.00
November	0.00
December	0.00
TOTAL	21.52

Wood County Sheriff's Department Kitchen

MONTH		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Special
January 1/09/2026	WEEK 1	1241	1242	1216	0
01/16/2026	WEEK 2	1186	1196	1145	0
01/23/2026	WEEK 3	1114	1133	1102	0
01/30/2026	WEEK 4	1124	1128	1107	0
02/06/2026	WEEK 5	1146	1137	1141	0
		5811	5836	5711	0
February 2/13/2026	WEEK 6	1193	1182	1188	0
02/20/2026	WEEK 7	1202	1181	1159	0
02/27/2026	WEEK 8	1131	1126	1125	0
03/06/2026	WEEK 9	1131	1126	1125	0
		4657	4615	4597	0
March 3/13/2026	WEEK 10	1146	1146	1129	0
03/20/2026	WEEK 11	1154	1156	1139	0
03/27/2026	WEEK 12	1161	1154	1150	0
	WEEK 13	1199	1178	1188	0
		4660	4634	4606	0
April	WEEK 14	1237	1220	1229	0
	WEEK 15	1234	1229	1212	0
	WEEK 16	1158	1182	1153	0
	WEEK 17	1200	1203	1182	0
	WEEK 18	1140	1159	1114	0
		5969	5993	5890	0
May	WEEK 19	1165	1170	1167	0
	WEEK 20	1230	1224	1212	0
	WEEK 21	1210	1218	1202	0
06/04/2026	WEEK 22	1235	1233	1218	0
		4840	4845	4799	0
June 6/11/2026	WEEK 23	1211	1208	1196	0
06/18/2026	WEEK 24	1226	1224	1207	0
	WEEK 25	1238	1227	1224	0
	WEEK 26	1248	1247	1243	0
		4923	4906	4870	0
July	WEEK 27	1291	1279	1278	0
	WEEK 28	1240	1266	1229	0
07/23/2026	WEEK 29	1197	1201	1170	0
	WEEK 30	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 31	0	0	0	0
		3728	3746	3677	0
August	WEEK 32	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 33	0	0	0	0

	WEEK 34	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 35	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
September	WEEK 36	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 37	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 38	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 39	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
October	WEEK 40	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 41	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 42	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 43	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 44	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
November	WEEK 45	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 46	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 47	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 48	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
December	WEEK 49	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 50	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 51	0	0	0	0
	WEEK 52				
		0	0	0	0
TOTAL		34588	34575	34150	0

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Total meals	Food Cost plus Labor
3699	\$9,351.08
3527	\$9,230.16
3349	\$9,095.88
3359	\$9,123.04
3424	\$8,960.61
17358	\$45,760.77
3563	\$9,324.37
3542	\$9,269.41
3382	\$8,850.70
3382	\$8,850.70
13869	\$36,295.18
3421	\$8,952.75
3449	\$9,026.03
3465	\$9,067.91
3565	\$9,329.61
13900	\$36,376.30
3686	\$9,318.21
3675	\$9,290.40
3493	\$9,141.18
3585	\$9,062.88
3413	\$8,931.82
17852	\$45,744.49
3502	\$9,164.74
3666	\$9,267.65
3630	\$9,176.64
3686	\$9,318.20
14484	\$36,927.23
3615	\$9,138.72
3657	\$9,328.90
3689	\$9,325.79
3738	\$9,449.66
14699	\$37,243.07
3848	\$9,427.60
3735	\$9,442.08
3568	\$9,337.46
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11151	\$28,207.14
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103313	\$266,554.18

Cost per meal \$2.58

Cost Per day \$7.74



RESOLUTION#

DATE August 15, 2026

Effective
Date

January 1, 2027

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Introduced by Public Safety Committee

Motion:	Adopted:	☐
1 st	Lost:	☐
2 nd	Tabled:	☐
No: ☐	Yes: ☐	Absent: ☐
Number of votes required:		
☒ Majority	☐ Two-thirds	
Reviewed by: <u>NBF</u> , Corp Counsel		
Reviewed by: <u>PY</u> , Finance Dir.		

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To adjust the call out rate for Deputy Coroners, effective January 1, 2027.

FISCAL NOTE: This action will result in an increase in the Coroner budget of \$3,894.70 under personnel costs.

WHEREAS, Resolution 14-6-4 was the last action of the County Board that increased the call out pay for Deputy Coroners, and

WHEREAS, to keep the compensation fair and equitable, and to ensure retention, an increase is both timely and needed, and closely coincides with the commencement of the term of office of the Coroner, and

WHEREAS, the raise will not affect the call out pay for the Coroner.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the per call pay for Deputy Coroners shall be increased from \$85.00 to \$95.00 for 4 hours or less, and remain unchanged at \$135.00 for more than 4 hours, effective January 1, 2027, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the salary and call out pay of the Coroner remains unchanged for the 2027-2031 term of office.

		NO	YES	A
1	Schulz, W			
2	Rozar, D			
3	Buttke, T			
4	Perlock, R			
5	Hovendick, T			
6	Breu, A			
7	Voight, W			
8	Hahn, J			
9	Goldberg, P			
10	Thao, L			
11	Penzkover, J			
12	Valenstein, L			
13	Casper, L			
14	Polach, D			
15	Clendenning, B			
16	Pliml, L			
17	Zurfluh, J			
18	Hamilton, B			
19	Leichtnam, B			

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 15, 2026

County Clerk

County Board Chairman

MINUTES

CONSERVATION, EDUCATION, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, July 29, 2026

TIME: 8:30 AM

PLACE: Courthouse – Room 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Leichtnam, Tom Buttke, Tim Hovendick, Russ Perlock, Wayne Schulz

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Leichtnam called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. Under public comment, Supervisor Clendenning wished to correct the documents submitted under the South Wood County Airport. The name of the airport is actually Alexander South Wood County Airport.
3. After some preliminary comments by the Chair, the committee proceeded to review the grant applications as well as those grants that are ongoing. The following actions were taken by the committee.
 - a) Motion by Buttke/Hovendick to tentatively approve the ongoing request of the Marshfield Aria Chamber of Commerce and the Heart of Wisconsin Chamber in the amount of \$25,000. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b) Motion by Schulz/Hovendick to tentatively approve \$38,000 for the Junior Fair. Motion carried unanimously.
 - c) Motion by Leichtnam/Schulz to tentatively approve \$25,000 to the Central Wisconsin State Fair for sanitary sewer upgrades, pending completion of the project. Motion carried unanimously.
 - d) Motion by Buttke/Schulz to tentatively approve the ongoing request of \$15,000 to the Alexander South Wood County Airport. Motion carried unanimously.
 - e) Motion by Buttke/Hovendick to tentatively approve the ongoing request of \$15,000 to Marshfield Airport. Motion carried unanimously.
 - f) Motion by Hovendick/Buttke to tentatively approve the ongoing request of \$50,000 of REDI Grant funding. Motion carried unanimously.
 - g) Motion by Hovendick/Schulz to tentatively approve \$17,540 for Historic Point Basse building renovations. Motion carried unanimously.
 - h) Motion by Buttke/Hovendick to deny the request of the Village of Rudolph for park improvements due to incomplete information. Motion carried unanimously.
 - i) Motion by Hovendick/Perlock to tentatively approve \$15,000 to Discovery Education Station in Marshfield. Motion carried unanimously.
 - j) Motion by Leichtnam/Schulz to tentatively approve \$5,000 to Nepco Lake District for water quality mapping and testing. Motion carried 4-1. Voting no was Buttke.
 - k) Motion by Leichtnam/Hovendick to deny the City of Marshfield request for revitalization grant program funding. Motion carried unanimously.

- l) Motion by Hovendick/Leichtnam to deny the City of Marshfield Parks & Recreation request for tree preservation and park canopy enhancement funding. Motion carried unanimously.
- m) Motion by Buttke to tentatively approve \$50,000 for the Braem Park Family Destination Pavillion and Playground. Motion died for lack of a second. Motion by Schulz/Buttke to tentatively approve \$35,000 for the Braem Park Family Destination Pavillion and Playground. Motion carried 4-1. Voting no was Leichtnam.
- n) Motion by Hovendick/Buttke to deny the Small Business Development Center grant request. Motion carried unanimously.
- o) Motion by Leichtnam/Perlock to deny the City of Marshfield for the 2nd Street redevelopment project testing. Motion carried unanimously.
- p) Motion by Schulz/Hovendick to tentatively approve \$20,000 for the Pittsville City Center pending this parcel being in or placed in a TIF district. Motion carried unanimously.
- q) Motion by Leichtnam/Hovendick to approve \$30,000 to Childcaring for Good Starts grants. Motion carried unanimously.
- r) Motion by Hovendick/Buttke to deny the request of the City of Wisconsin Rapids for the Lake Woods Crossing Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.
- s) Motion by Perlock/Schulz to tentatively approve \$11,000 to the Pittsville Historical Society for climate control. Motion carried unanimously.
- t) Motion by Buttke/Schulz to deny the request of Indulto Studios for the Wood County Heritage Corridor Initiative. Motion by Hovendick/Buttke to amend the motion to postpone this request until further information is received. Motion to amend carried unanimously. The amended motion was called and carried unanimously.
- u) Motion by Hovendick/Schulz to tentatively approve \$3,805 to the Marshfield Curling Club for ice plant reliability and water conservation upgrade. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Chair Leichtnam adjourned the meeting at 11:47 AM

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee
July 29, 2026

NAME	REPRESENTING
BRAS Hamilton	Dist 18 + CWSF
Jason Greenberg	P+Z
JEFF DEW Kover WCB	Dist 11
Victoria Wilson	P+Z
JUSTIN CASPERSON	City of Marshfield
Staci Kivi	How Chamber
Carce Plim	WCB
Ina Krummel	Historic Point Basse
Jeremy Sickler	Alexander Field
Kathy Borchardt	Child caring
Rachele Johnson	Child caring
Christie Buchanan	Pittsville Area Hist Soc.
Chris Neppen	" " " "
Tim Anderson	Marshfield Curling Club
Ben Jennings	Inducto Studios LLC
Dale Christman Sew	CWSF
Katie Doty (Web Ex)	County Clerk
Julie Hanel (Web Ex)	P+Z
Steve Berg (Web Ex)	C/Marshfield
Kayla Rombalski (Web Ex)	Extension
Kyle Kears (Web Ex)	City of Wisconsin Rapids
Linda Roehrborn (Web Ex)	Discovery Education Station
Jeff Duffy (Web Ex)	Marshfield Airport

MINUTES

CONSERVATION, EDUCATION, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, August 5, 2026

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: Courthouse – Room 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Leichtnam, Tom Buttke, Russ Perlock, Tim Hovendick (arrived 8:04 AM), Wayne Schulz, George Gilbertson

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Leichtnam called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. There were no public comments.
3. The minutes of the July 1 & 29, 2026, meetings were presented. Motion by Buttke/Perlock to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Motion Perlock/Buttke to approve the vouchers, monthly department reports and committee reports. Motion carried unanimously.
5. As a continuation of the economic development grant process, Ben Jennings from Indulto provided a more detailed budget for his application that was reviewed at the July 29th meeting and discussed the project more in depth. Motion by Buttke/Schulz to deny this application. Motion carried unanimously.
6. As it relates to the economic development grant application process, Planning & Zoning Director Grueneberg reviewed the Cran City Corner request and was able to confirm that this project will not be in a TIF district in Pittsville, so the original grant award remains.
7. County Planner Simkowski reviewed the Town of Rock comprehensive plan update and new zoning ordinance. He presented a resolution to approve the new zoning ordinance. Motion by Buttke/Perlock to approve the resolution and forward onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Simkowski presented a resolution amending the Town of Saratoga zoning ordinance. This is due to a new subdivision that will be discussed next. The amendment does not conflict with any county ordinance. Motion by Buttke/Schulz to approve the resolution and forward onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Simkowski reviewed a new preliminary subdivision located in the Town of Saratoga. After review, motion by Hovendick/Buttke to approve the plan as presented, pending passage of the zoning amendment resolution by the county board. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Grueneberg, along with Pittsville City Clerk Renee Losievski, reviewed activity related to the housing economic development grant application. Motion by Buttke/Perlock to approve the

release of \$25,500 of economic development grant funding to the City of Pittsville. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Angel Laidlaw from Centergy provided an update to the Target Industry and Site Readiness Evaluation Plan being conducted right now. This plan was a part of the economic development grant process last year. Motion by Hovendick/Perlock to approve the release of \$5,000 of economic grant funding to Centergy. Motion carried unanimously.
12. There were no bids received for the Wilke manure pit closure.
13. County Conservationist Wucherpfennig reviewed the new bidding standards that was in the updated ATCP 50 rule. This would allow for direct contracting of projects under \$25,000 as well as email submission of bids. Motion by Leichtnam/Buttke to adopt the following guideline from ATCP 50: The committee may require competitive bidding and may determine a cost-share grant amount based on low bid cost, regardless of whether the contracting landowner selects the low bidder. The committee may specify bidding procedures that it considers appropriate. The committee shall require competitive bidding if the cost-share contract may exceed \$25,000. In addition the committee will allow for email submission of those bids. Motion carried unanimously.
14. County Conservationist Wucherpfennig informed the committee that no bids were received for the Lippert stream crossing project so this will be coming back next month. Wucherpfennig reported that some rules for bidding have changed, and he would like to discuss the streamlining of the bidding process to be more inline with DATCP rules. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
15. Wucherpfennig presented a non-metallic mine fee structure. Motion by Gilbertson/Hovendick to approve the new fee schedule as presented, effective January 1, 2027. Motion carried unanimously.
16. The annual North Central Land & Water Conservation Association summer tour is coming up on September 10th.
17. Extension Area Director McNelly reviewed the Director's Report.
18. McNelly reviewed the Health & Well-being position and that the funding for this position had been cut with the federal SNAP funding. She was able to remain employed due to the county stepping in. She stated that the department can continue to fund this position at least through January 2027 at a full time rate. After that, funding dependent, the position would go to an 80% position.
19. Leichtnam requested per diem and mileage for a meeting held at McMillan Library for the scoping meeting put on by Extension. Motion by Buttke/Hovendick to approve this expense. Motion carried unanimously.
20. The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 9:00 AM.
21. Motion by Hovendick/Buttke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously at 10:28 AM.

Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

August 5, 2026

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Monday, July 20, 2026 @ 2:00 pm (Riverblock Auditorium, room 206)

- 1.) The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Leichtham at 2:00 pm.
- 2.) Chair's Remarks (Forwarded to membership on July 22nd)
- 3.) Public Comment-None
- 4.) Approve minutes of June 20, 2026, mtg-Buttke/Hovendick
- 5.) Correspondence/Updates/Handouts/Reports on meetings attended.
 - UW-Ext. Natural Resources Educator Scoping mtg. (Mon. July 6th)
 - Chair attended and shared with CWG that two half-time positions will be combined into one position, hopefully in August. One half-time position was for surface water and producer groups. The other half-time position was for groundwater and environmental groups.
 - Hartland Farms representative invited to CWG meetings
- 6.) Revelations about CWG from Clean Wis. Survey-Chair completed survey and invited CWG attendees to take the same survey. Chair concluded that CWG needs to enhance community outreach through increased activities.
- 7.) Discuss development & dissemination of "Groundwater educational materials to public" (from May & June meetings) Consensus by meeting attendees: materials to disseminate at community-based events, investigate billboard costs-no visible billboards available in the town of Port Edwards; Rome has a table available at the weekly Farmers Market. Additional research on available billboards in Grand Rapids; research and pursue how to submit a grant from Thrivent are pending.
- 8.) Project Ideas (possible needing grant monies support)
- 9.) "Restructuring CWG" Discussion-Chair suggested a division of duties into two possible categories: 1) Planning Commission and/or Events Subcommittee, along with a change of meeting frequency, locations, and times. Open to additional suggestions from CWG members.
- 10.) Discussion/Referral to August agenda
 - Revisit CWG letterhead logo to include service area
 - Vote to identify volunteers for the selected sub-committee with an odd number of CWG members.
 - Nominate and vote for selected sub-committee officers and set first meeting date.

11.) Next mtg. — August 17, 2026, 2:00 pm.

**PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO A CONFLICT SEPTEMBER 21ST IS RESCHEDULED TO
SEPTEMBER 14TH AT RIVERBLOCK**

12.) Adjourn at 3:34 pm: Clendenning/Hovendick

Present in the meeting: Bill Leichtnam, Susan Ettner, Bill Clendenning, Tom Buttke, Sandy Cain,
Russ Perlock, Shane Wucherpennig, Tom Rayome, Tim Hovendick

Respectfully submitted by Susan Ettner on July 27, 2026

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Wood County WISCONSIN

LAND AND WATER
CONSERVATION
DEPARTMENT

CW6 July 20 '26
ATTENDEES:

- NAME
1. Bill Leubtramm
 2. Bill Clesbenning
 3. Tom Butte
 4. Tim Howendick WCB #5
 5. Russ Perlock WCB #4
 6. Shane Wocher Family LWCD
 7. Susan Ethner
 8. Sandy Cain
 9. Tom Steyann
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VIRTUAL

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Extension Wood County staff led, delivered, planned or collaborated on all of the following activities:

4-H POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Laura Huber, 4-H Program Educator

Trina Bores, 4-H AmeriCorps member

Alissa Juedes, 4-H AmeriCorps member

- An 8-week hands-on cooking skills series for teens at the Boys & Girls Club. Through this program, participants build foundational cooking skills over time, gain confidence in preparing meals, and actively practice safe food preparation while preparing and sharing meals together, promoting both healthy eating habits and social connection. This effort has been a collaboration between Health and Wellbeing and 4-H AmeriCorps.
- A 3-day, 2-night overnight travel experience in which middle school-aged youth learn about Wisconsin history and culture, explore college and military pathways, and build independence. Through this experience, youth build independence and learn about post-high school work and educational options.
 - **Total Reach:** 31 youth, 2 adult volunteers

AGRICULTURE

Matt Lippert, Agriculture Educator

- A Badger Dairy Insight webinar for dairy producers and allied professionals, where participants learned methane emissions mitigation approaches, with attention to their effectiveness, tradeoffs, and relative costs within whole-farm systems.
 - **Total Reach:** 268
- Planning for a Pasture Walk for dairy producers where graziers and prospective graziers will learn improved pasture management and livestock care to improve profitability for animal well-being on dairy farms.
- An article to be used in several newsletters, publications and on our Extension website to assist producers to understand and utilize the complex nature of harvesting and feeding high quality forage to improve ration digestibility, dry matter intake and productivity of lactating dairy cows.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Kayla Rombalski, Community Development Educator

- **Ongoing Strategic Planning Support:** Continued facilitation and strategic planning services for two Wood County organizations: FOCUS (Feeding Our Community with United Services) and Wood County Human Services – Edgewater Haven Nursing Home. These processes engage organizational leadership and stakeholders in goal setting, prioritization, and action planning to guide future operations. The resulting strategic plans will serve as clear roadmaps for each organization, strengthening long-term



decision-making, enhancing organizational effectiveness, and supporting sustainable, community-centered service delivery.

- **Wood County Economic Development Roundtable Restart:** Restarted the Wood County Economic Development Roundtable following a six-month hiatus, bringing together local and regional economic development professionals, municipal leaders, business support organizations, and community partners to share updates, discuss emerging opportunities and challenges, and strengthen coordination across Wood County. The roundtable serves as a collaborative forum for building relationships, identifying collaboration efforts, and advancing shared economic development priorities that support community vitality and long-term economic growth.
 - **Total Reach:** 25 attendees

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Ka Zoua Thao, Bilingual (Hmong) Community Health Worker
Hannah Wendels Scott, Health and Well-Being Educator

Behavioral Health

- A weekly program for incarcerated females in the Wood County Jail, where participants practiced healthy coping strategies, built emotional awareness, and strengthened skills for managing stress in daily life. Through this effort, women gained tools that support their well-being during incarceration and increase their capacity to navigate re-entry with resilience and confidence.
 - **Total Reach:** 2 incarcerated females
- A walking club for elders in the community, where I meet with participants twice a week to encourage movement, support healthy routines, and create space for social connection. Through this activity, elders build stronger relationships, increase their physical activity, and strengthen their overall sense of wellbeing and belonging.
- Bi-weekly summer meetings for youth, attending Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School and Lincoln High School, where participants engage in healthy eating, active living, and behavioral health topics affecting their communities. This effort is designed to build a better understanding of these topics and promote advocacy for change in the community.
- A monthly gathering for participants where they connect with one another and learn ways to care for their mental and social well-being. Through this effort, they will strengthen community bonds and build healthier habits.
 - **Total Reach:** 10 participants
- Building and maintaining relationships and engaging with partners to address health needs with the community of Wood County.
- An as needed meeting with community members, where I met one-on-one with them to listen to their needs, offer support, and help them identify and access local health and community resources. Through this effort, participants will gain personalized support, clearer pathways to services, and greater confidence navigating systems.
 - **Total Reach:** 10 one-on-one clients



- A monthly food pantry pick-up for community members in Wood County, where I support families in choosing foods that their household needs and share information about additional local resources. Through this effort, residents gain reliable access to healthier food options and feel better connected to community supports.
 - **Total Reach:** 12 families
- The support group serves as a monthly gathering for women and allies of women to engage in discussions about often overlooked topics within their community. This initiative aims to foster relationships among participants and empower them to advocate for the recognition of their voices.
 - **Total Reach:** 7 participants

HEAL (Healthy Eating and Active Living)

- An 8-week hands-on cooking skills series for teens at the Boys & Girls Club. Through this program, participants build foundational cooking skills over time, gain confidence in preparing meals, and actively practice safe food preparation while preparing and sharing meals together, promoting both healthy eating habits and social connection. This effort has been a collaboration between Health and Wellbeing and 4-H AmeriCorps.
- A series of lessons for adults who are incarcerated participating in the STRONG Recovery Program in the Wood County Jail. Through this series, participants will participate in the StrongBodies program that improves their physical and mental health. Lessons will also include rotating nutrition topics.
 - **Total Reach:** 10 participants
- A StrongBodies Volunteer Leader Training was attended in Eau Claire to support the development of community-based physical activity programming. Through this training, two new volunteers gained the skills and certification necessary to lead StrongBodies classes, helping ensure that more adults and older adults in Wood County have access to safe, effective strength-training opportunities that support healthy aging and independence.
- Planning and early implementation efforts are underway to expand the Student Wellness Advisory Group (SWAG) at Howe Elementary School to engage 4th and 5th grade students in leadership development and wellness promotion. Through this expansion, students will build leadership skills, increase their knowledge of healthy behaviors, and actively participate in promoting wellness initiatives within their school community.
- An ongoing series of strength training sessions (StrongBodies) for older adults/adults at the Lowell Center in Wisconsin Rapids where participants engage in regular, progressive strength training and health education to improve their physical and mental health and enhance social connectedness.
 - **Total Reach:** 20 participants
- An ongoing series of strength training sessions (StrongBodies) for older adults/adults in the Pittsville community, where participants engage in regular, progressive strength training and health education to improve their physical and mental health and enhance social connectedness. This series is led by one Extension StrongBodies volunteer.
 - **Total Reach:** 24 participants



- Planning for a Falls Prevention Resource Fair in Marshfield in collaboration with the ADRC of Central WI, Marshfield Fire Department, and Marshfield Clinic. The Falls Prevention Resource Fair will focus on providing resources for individuals interested in learning more about how to prevent falls, offer screenings for risk of falls, and provide demonstrations of exercises one can do to improve their balance and bone density. Resource Fair will be held in October.

HORTICULTURE

Janell Wehr, Horticulture Educator

- Planning for a Community Resilience workshop for local government staff and officials in collaboration with Wisconsin's Green Fire. The goal is to engage participants in a collaborative, cross-disciplinary workshop, where they will learn about nature-based solutions and green infrastructure in an effort to reduce weather-related risks and costs and deliver multiple community benefits.
- An educational article for Wisconsin homeowners considering private mosquito control services, where readers learned how to assess mosquito control contractors, understand the benefits and risks of residential spraying, and identify additional mosquito management strategies for their property. Through this effort, homeowners are better equipped to make informed decisions that protect human health, beneficial organisms, and the environment while effectively managing mosquitoes.

HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS & DEVELOPMENT

Ben Eberlein, Human Development & Relationships Educator

- A coaching program for families and individuals, where participants learn how to create financial goals and gain money management skills. The goal of this program is to enable participants to prepare for and take charge of household financial situations that occur due to changes in income or unforeseen hardships.
- A six-module course for social workers, case managers, and community agency staff where they learn about financial competency skills such as goal setting, budgeting, building credit and paying off debts, strategies for saving money, and how to engage their clients in money management discussions. The goal of this effort is to build their knowledge and confidence when engaging clients in financial conversations.
 - **Total reach:** 104 professionals
- A 6-session course for renters where participants learn how to find and apply for rental housing, understand their responsibilities as a renter, how to communicate effectively with their landlords, and manage housing expenses. Through this, those with negative rental records and those new to renting are able to increase their ability to find and keep safe affordable housing, thereby increasing their stability and decreasing their reliance on public supports.
 - **Total reach:** 13 participants



LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

STAFF REPORTS – JULY 2026

Barb Peeters

Conservation Administrative Specialist

- Worked with the sales rep for Plantskydd Repellent to offer their product to customers in conjunction with the annual tree sale (as well as year-round). Plantskydd is an organic, non-toxic animal repellent that is not harmful to the environment. It's been so well received, a second order was placed for additional product.
 - Attended July 1st CEED meeting.
 - Reviewed payroll reports and verified distribution by accounts/departments.
 - Completed I.T. annual employee cyber awareness training.
 - Converted LWCD Publisher brochures and documents to Word/Canva documents due to the fact Publisher will no longer be supported or available for use effective 10/1/26 (ongoing project as time allows).
 - Worked on the 2027 LWCD budgets to estimate revenue and expenses for the Land & Water Conservation budget, DATCP budget, Wildlife Damage Abatement Claims Program budget, Nonmetallic Mining budget, Multi-Discharge Variance budget and the Mill Creek TMDL budget.
 - Met with County Conservationist and Conservation Program Manager to discuss 2027 nonmetallic mining budget.
 - Completed LWCD payroll percentages prior to the July 9th and 23rd payrolls.
 - Shared updates from the July 14th Wellness Committee with LWCD staff and Parks/Forestry staff.
 - Attended Farm Tech Days on July 15th in Stratford, WI.
 - Contacted tree nurseries in Wisconsin & Michigan regarding selections for 2027 tree sale.
 - Organized County Board packet materials and submitted electronically to the County Clerk's office.
 - Processed payments for use of no-till drill, animal waste ordinance permits, CREP buyout & Plantskydd as received.
 - Verified wildlife damage general ledger and assembled all invoices and attachments for second quarter 2026 reimbursement request to the WiDNR.
 - Vacation days July 17th to 24th.
 - Met with County Conservationist to review proposed 2027 LWCD budgets.
 - Processed cost-share contracts utilizing SWRM grant funds totaling \$9,684.00 (nutrient management-and streambank crossing).
 - Processed cost-share contracts for cover crops utilizing Mill Creek grant funds totaling \$23,522.76 (cover crops and livestock fencing).
 - Updated the annual 2026 estimates for all revenue and expense budgets as part of the 2027 budget process.
 - Compiled and electronically submitted staff reports/packet materials for the CEED meeting packet.
 - Served as point of contact for LWCD staff as needed.
 - Processed department invoices/vouchers and deposits weekly for submission to Finance/Treasurer.
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Emily Salvinski

Conservation Specialist

- **Wednesday, June 3.** Collected samples to be tested for phosphorus and total suspended solids at 4 sites within the Mill Creek watershed. Met up with farmer to get contracts signed and check practice.
- **Thursday, June 4.** Helped take transect survey (survey of residue cover) across the county.
- **Monday, June 8.** Finished up contracts for farmer to sign, added to maps.
- **Tuesday, June 9.** Used snapplus to get reduction numbers, added to GIS for 2 contracts. Reviewed tree sale options.

- **Wednesday, June 10.** Attended staff meeting to go over files. Sent over edits to one of the files. Answered questions, sent over info regarding NMFE program. Prepared sampling bottles for next sampling.
- **Thursday, June 18.** Checked conservation practices on multiple fields.
- **Friday, June 19.** Took streamflow measurements and samples at 8 locations within SE Wood Co. Completed paperwork and drove them into the lab.
- **June 25-26.** Vacation.
- **Tuesday, June 30.** Attended staff meeting. Shared information on streamflow with grant partner. Gathered information on new farmer for future cost-share.
- **Wednesday, July 1.** Took samples to be measured for total phosphorus and total suspended solids. Worked on cover crop contracts.
- **Thursday, July 2.** Half day. Organized cover crop photos, worked on contracts, maintained pollinator garden.
- **Wednesday, July 8.** Observed how to calibrate multi-meter. Prepared bottles for next sampling in SE Wood Co. Filled out in-kind contributions for NMFE and sent to grand administrator. Sent information regarding contracts and no-till rental to farmer.
- **Thursday, July 9.** Added streamflow data to SWIMS. Attended online badger crop connect. Dropped off contracts.
- **Monday, July 13.** Took streamflow measurements and water samples at 8 locations in the 4 Mile and 2 Mile watershed. Took samples to UWSP lab. Put data onto computer.
- **Tuesday, July 14.** Took streamflow measurements at 2 locations. Picked up contracts.
- **Wednesday, July 15.** Attended part of farm technology days.
- **Thursday, July 23.** Sent streamflow data to UWSP Hydrologist to compare results. Updated nutrient management and cost-share map.
- **Friday, July 24.** Put together some of the results (nitrogen) from the new surface water monitoring. Updated nutrient management map.
- **Monday, July 27.** Prepared bottles for Mill Creek sampling. Filled out paperwork for surface water grant. Further put together results from surface water monitoring.

Kendra Wilhelm

Conservation Specialist

- Sorted through emails upon returning from maternity leave.
- Prepared for and presented at the Nepco Lake District educational session #2 regarding results of the Nepco Lake shoreline assessment that was conducted in August of 2025.
- Took water chemistry and water clarity samples at Dexter and Wazeecha Lakes. Samples were mailed to the State Laboratory of Hygiene.
- Assisted the Wood County Highway Department with invasive species verification and identification in rights-of-way due to reports of potential giant hogweed, which has adverse health impacts. All reports were negative and have been identified as native cow parsnip.
- Created and submitted the semi-annual Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant report to DNR.
- Grant/budget tracking for multiple ongoing projects

Kyle Andreae

Engineer Technician

- July 1 – Heiman Site Investigation, and Drone Flight
- July 2 – Lippert AWO Plan Review

- July 3 – Holiday
- July 6 – Kraig Site Visit, Gilbertson Design
- July 7 – Lippert Site Visit, Lippert AWO Plan Review
- July 8 – Lippert AWO Plan Review, DO Meter Calibration
- July 9 – Lippert AWO Plan Review
- July 10 – Wilke Design, Lippert Site Visit
- July 13 – 2 Mile and 4 Mile Stream Testing
- July 14 – Wilke Design, Roth Flight Plan
- July 15 – Farm Tech Days, Wilke Design
- July 16 – Roth Drone Flight, Wilke Design
- July 17 – Lippert Crossing Contract, Wilke Design
- July 20 – Brockman permitting, Lippert O&M and QA plans
- July 21 – Wilke Design
- July 22 – Wilke Design, Lippert Site Visit, and Brockman Site Visit, CREP Processing
- July 23 – Brockman Plan Review, NPRA site visits
- July 24 – Brockman Permitting
- July 27 – Lippert Site Visit and Permitting
- July 28 – Gilbertson Design
- July 29 – Staff Meeting, Mueske Site Visit and Design, Heckel Site Visit
- July 30 – Heckel Design
- July 31 – Heckel Design

Rodney Mayer

Conservation Program Manager

- Spreeman wildlife damage records review – correspondence with crop owner. Act 82 enrollment app, permit app, fields mapped, database updates, signatures, process, send to DNR.
- Meeting with Shane for Brehm deadline of NMM Vision plan compliance – drafted & sent deadline reminder with updated timeline document – etc.
- Completed KnowBe4 IT training.
- Knuth correspondence – DNR error in permits sent – contact to DNR and corrections made.
- Grimm crop owner correspondence & research – missed objectives in '25 – informed rules of out for this year.
- Phone meeting with Corporation Counsel to discuss Brehm Vision violation site deadline extension. Extension set to July 10 after Town of Sigel special Zoning meeting. Update file and timeline document.
- Pond info exemption discussion for Francis Pond.
- Issued Felch Pond exemption – letter, file, spreadsheet, etc.
- Brehm Fruin violation site reclamation draft 1 plan review. Draft review document for missing info, clarifications, and errors (5 page documents). Sent to Star Environmental (engineering firm doing plan), Brehm, Shance and Corp Counsel. Brehm informed clear for Prairie Chicken avoidance on site and does not need to restore wetlands. Correspondence with DNR to confirm that do need to follow prairie chicken avoidance period on this site and wetlands do need to be restored. Informed Brehm and Star Environ. Timeline/summary updates. Updated DNR stormwater on site and issues.
- Phone meeting with Corporation Counsel & Town of Sigel Zoning Commissioner for Brehm Vision violation site questions from Township.

- Per Corp. Counsel – sent notification to Brehm suspending Vision reclamation plan deadline until after the Town of Sigel meeting for possible change in zoning etc. Updates to summary.
- Re-map Grossman wildlife Act 82 enrollment field changes. Met with Wegner (landowner) on behalf of Grossman for enrollment discussion. Created enrollment application and permit application.
- Reviewed Earth 186 financial assurance. Update to spreadsheet, software, and file.
- Attended Farm Technology Days.
- Brehm Vision violation site phone meeting discussion/questions with County Treasurer and Corporation Counsel.
- DNR – hunter correspondence for confusion on Wendt Act 82 shooting permits.
- Completed 2nd ¼ Wildlife Damage and Abatement reimbursement report. Updates to DNR database, file, and sent to DNR. (27 pages)
- Phone meeting with Star Environmental going over the Brehm Fruin site plan review.
- DNR phone meeting discussing white deer issues with wildlife damage.
- Bohn/Altmann mine site inspection site visit. Completed vegetative transect, GPS samples sites, picture document, veg. % spreadsheet calculations, mapped sample sites, end of permit/release of financial assurance letter drafted, created certificate, updated software, spreadsheet, file. Informed DNR storm water of end of permit – sent all documents.
- Wood County Parks mine site inspection. Completed vegetation assessment, GPSed paved area, mapped, final plan amendment, drafted end of permit letter and certificate, reviewed with Parks Director, sent to DNR, updated spreadsheet, file, software, etc.
- Staff meeting – NMM fees/budget.

Shane Wucherpennig

County Conservationist

- Contacted Landowners on N Bioreactor installations in the 4-mile Watershed. Have been having many discussions with Partners on the projects.
- Attended - NPRA office hours – NR151 compliance project with DNR, UW Ext and WI Land + Water weekly all month.
- Used the Drone on several installed BMPs to get before/after footage.
- Personal phone calls to all 30 well-owners in Grand Rapids & Port Edwards for special testing project this month.
- Visiting & water sampling/testing private wells in Grand Rapids & Port Edwards for the well testing study.
- Bid Opening for Lippert Stream Crossing.
- Attended July 1st CEED Meeting.
- Golden Sands RC&D meetings all day on July 2nd.
- Review & approve Department Time Sheets.
- Vacation
- Submitted payroll percentages to finance for July 23rd payroll.
- Site review & vegetative transect with Conservation Program Coordinator & Summer Intern on Bohn/Altmann NMM site for final reclamation and permit/FA release for the mine site.
- NR 151 compliance checks on the 5 remaining sites as part of the Statewide project.
- Entered the remaining 5 – NR151 sites into the Quadrics Program for the Statewide study.
- Met with Rod for Brehm deadline of NMM Vision plan compliance – the CPS drafted & sent deadline reminder with updated timeline document – etc.
- Completed KnowBe4 IT training.
- Wood County Health Coaching.
- Attended July Wood County Board Meeting.

- Attended Citizens Groundwater Meeting.
 - Zoom meeting with Masarik (UWSP Groundwater Center)
 - Zoom Meeting with Woodrow & Buckley from DATCP on Denitrifying Bioreactors and siting.
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Abby Leis

LWCD Summer Intern

- Completed County cyber awareness training
 - Called landowners about testing their water for the well study
 - Helped with a drone flight at a farm to determine where waterways should be placed
 - CBCW Lake Wazeecha
 - Completed internship assignments
 - Collected water samples from homeowners in Port Edwards and Grand Rapids
 - Prepared documents for water samples
 - Collected water samples, streamflow, and data using a YSI meter at 2 mile and 4 mile
 - Researched nitrates in drinking water
 - Attended farm tech days
 - Helped with a Harvestable Buffer Drone Flight
 - Weeded the pollinator garden
 - Helped with two mine reclamation site closures
 - Took water samples and Secchi depth readings at Lake Dexter and Wazeecha
 - Inspected a silage leachate construction site
 - Went to farms to look at NR 151 standards for a DNR study
 - CBCW Lake Wazeecha
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Wood County WISCONSIN

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

TO: Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee

FR: Jason Grueneberg, Planning & Zoning Director
Emmett Simkowski, County Planner
Paul Bernard, Land Records Coordinator
Brad Cook, Code Administrator
Kayla Koziczowski, Code Technician
Victoria Wilson, Program Assistant
Julie Mancl, Program Assistant

RE: Staff Report for August 5, 2026

1. Economic Development (Jason Grueneberg)

Opportunity Zones –Low-income census tracts are eligible to be designated as Opportunity Zones. The federal Opportunity Zone designation is aimed at spurring investment in economically disadvantaged areas with a focus on workforce housing. Investors that participate in projects located in these areas are eligible for tax incentives, while providing solutions to housing and other community issues. I assisted the city of Wisconsin Rapids in submitting applications to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for 3 census tracts that could be designated as Opportunity Zones for the next 10 years. Attached to this report is a WEDC press release that provides more information about the program.

Courthouse Property Certified Survey Map (CSM) – This past month I have been working Point of Beginning to survey the Courthouse property. The CSM will combine all the County-owned property contiguous to the Courthouse into one parcel. This map will be used in the next steps of the project to provide parking in front of the Courthouse, as I submit an updated Planned Development District proposal to the city of Wisconsin Rapids for approval. The CSM also facilitates the County's dedication of property for the Jackson Street reconstruction project per the development agreement we have with the city.

UW Stevens Point at Marshfield, Laird Theater Renovation – With \$2.4 million committed for Helen Connor Laird Theater renovation, a press release and photo opportunity has been scheduled for August 11th. The press release is being coordinated to create public awareness and generate excitement for this significant Marshfield Campus project.

2. Planning & Zoning (Emmett Simkowski)

We are halfway through the year and so far our office has seen 25 Certified Survey Maps and two subdivision plats, with one plat included in this packet. Including the C&C acres from last month, a total of nine surveys were approved in July. Currently we are at the same pace as last year regarding Certified Surveys, except for the two subdivision plats. The Town of Rock's Comprehensive plan was formally wrapped up in June and they moved forward to approve their updated zoning ordinance in July, also included in this packet. Coming this fall, I have been working with UWSP and Extension on putting together a zoning board and plan commission workshop for Wood County's and neighboring municipalities. More information will be put out to municipalities when the details are worked out. So far this summer has had a lot of zoning and

building activity and I have been speaking with surveyors, builders, elected officials and the general public regarding projects.

3. Land Records (Paul Bernard)

- Publication Routine Automation
- Addressing
- Parcel Mapping
- Custom Map requests

4. Code Administrator (Brad Cook)

7-01-2026- (1) SL permit reviewed and issued TN:07, gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL, organize office room and documentation.

7-02-2026-, (1) SL Inspection TN: 07, (1) mound inspections TN: 07; <24, plow, abs. cell, tanks, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-03-2026- Holiday

7-06-2026- (4) Well permits reviewed and issued TN:07,14, 18, (1) SL permit reviewed and issued TN:07, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-07-2026-(1) POWTS onsite eval TN:18, (1) mound inspections TN: 16; <24, abs. cell, tanks , answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL, organize office room and documentation.

7-08-2026-(2) mound inspections TN: 10, 16; <24, abs. cell, tanks :, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-09-2026-(1) SL permit reviewed and issued TN: 07, (1) Reviewed soils, plan review, issued permit for new rep mound TN:10, (1) mound inspections TN: 06; <24, abs. cell, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-10-2026- (1) mound inspections TN: 06; <24, abs. cell, (1) HS letter written and sent C: 31, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-13-2026- (1) SF permit reviewed and issued TN:07, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-14-2026-- (2) mound inspections TN: 02, 11; <24, abs. cell, (1) HT insp TN: 02,answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-15-2026- (2) mound insp TN: 16, C:31, plow, abs. cell, tanks, answer, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL

7-16-2026-(2) mound inspections TN: 10, 16; <24, abs. cell answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL

7-17-2026- (1)mound inspections TN: 10, 11; <24, abs. cell, Vacation time used.

7-20-2026- (2) Reviewed well permits and issued permit TN: 15, V:25, (2) Reviewed soils, plan review, issued permit for new & rep HT TN: 03, 22, (1) POWTS Onsite Verf TN:02, (1) mound insp TN: 02, plow, abs. cell, tanks answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL

7-21-2026-(1) mound insp TN: 10, plow, abs. cell, tanks , (1) HT insp TN: 16, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL

7-22-2026- (1) mound insp drain field and tanks TN: 02, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-23-2026- (1) SF permit reviewed and issued TN:22, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-24-2026- (1) HT insp TN:17, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-27-2026- (1) soil saturation report reviewed TN: 07, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

7-28-2026- (1) SF permit reviewed TN: 22, (1) soil eval TN: 07, answer, review, and gather information for phone calls and inquires with POWTS, SL, FL.

5. Code Technician (Kayla Koziczkowski)

A. Reviewed and approved POWTS & well permit applications

B. Reviewed and approved soils evaluations

C. Reviewed POWTS & well codes

D. Completed inspection reports

E. Worked on Well/POWTS GIS project

F. Assisted with daily phone calls/emails/office questions

G. Inspections/Investigations:

- 6-29-26: Mound core inspection TN: 20
- 7-7-26: Conventional inspection TN: 18
- 7-8-26: Mound plow inspection TN: 14; Well inspection TN: 14; Conventional inspection TN: 07; Mound reinspection TN: 14
- 7-9-26: Mound plow inspection TN: 06
- 7-10-26: Mound reinspection TN: 06
- 7-14-26: Conventional inspection TN: 18
- 7-15-26: Holding tank inspections TN: 15, 11; Well inspections TN: 01, 01, 01, 11
- 7-16-26: Conventional inspection TN: 18
- 7-22-26: Conventional inspection TN: 07

- 7-24-26: Mound plow inspection TN: 19; Mound reinspection TN: 19
- 7-27-26: Mound plow inspection TN: 15
- 7-28-16: Mound reinspection TN: 15
- 7-29-26: Mound plow inspection TN: 19; Mound reinspect TN:19; Mound tanks inspection TN: 15

H. Attended Meetings/Trainings/Etc.

- 6-30-26: KnowBe4 Social Engineering Red Flags training
- 7-23-26: ETF Webinar

6. Office Activity (Victoria Wilson & Julie Mancl)

- Monthly Sanitary and Well Permit Activity – There were 6 sanitary permits, 2 shoreland permits, 1 floodplain and 20 well permits issued in July 2026.
- ArcGIS Pro Software Project – Julie & Victoria continue to assist Paul with various mapping projects.
- CEED Tour – Planning for the CEED Tour on Friday October 2nd is underway. Stops have been tentatively identified.
- Budget – Updated the annual 2026 budget estimates for revenue and expenses and began plugging in tentative revenue and expenses for the 2027 budget.
- Septic Maintenance Program – The due date for septic maintenance this year is Friday August 7th. The phone calls have increased from property owners who have waited to schedule maintenance and now cannot get on the pumper's schedules until after the due date. Second notices for maintenance are scheduled to be mailed on Tuesday September 22nd.
- Attended the following meetings/trainings & activities:
 - July 1st CEED meeting (VW)
 - July 29th Economic Development grant review meeting (VW & JM)



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Introduced by Conservation, Education, and Economic Development Committee

Motion:	Adopted:	☐
1 st	Lost:	☐
2 nd	Tabled:	☐
No: _____	Yes: _____	Absent: _____
Number of votes required:		
☒ Majority	☐ Two-thirds	
Reviewed by: _____	NF	, Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: _____	PY	, Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Approve the adoption of the 2026 - Town of Rock Official Zoning Ordinance.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County.

WHEREAS, the Town of Rock adopted and administers a zoning ordinance to promote the health, safety, aesthetics, prosperity, and general welfare of the town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 60.62(3)(a) Wis. Stats., in counties having a county zoning ordinance, no town zoning ordinance or amendment of a zoning ordinance may be adopted unless approved by the County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2026, the Town of Rock submitted an updated zoning ordinance to the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning for review and approval pursuant to the Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, county review and decision concerning approval or disapproval of a town zoning amendment is limited to cases of abuse of discretion, excess of power, or error of law; and

WHEREAS, the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning reviewed the information submitted by the Town of Rock and finds the Town adhered to the process for zoning amendments as outlined in the Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning finds no conflict with any county planning and zoning programs and ordinances; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2026, the Conservation, Education and Economic Development Committee (CEED) reviewed the request and recommended approval; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wood County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to § 60.62(3)(a) Wis. Stats., hereby approves the following Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Rock:

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 18, 2026

County Clerk

County Board Chairman



RESOLUTION#

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Introduced by Conservation, Education, and Economic Development Committee

1. Repeal and replace the “*Town of Rock Zoning Ordinance – August 11th, 2016*” and adopt the “*Town of Rock Zoning Ordinance – July 9, 2026*”

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 18, 2026

County Clerk

County Board Chairman



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Motion:	Adopted:	☐
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2 nd	Tabled:	☐
No: _____	Yes: _____	Absent: _____
Number of votes required:		
☒ Majority	☐ Two-thirds	
Reviewed by: _____	NF	, Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: _____	PY	, Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Approve an amendment to the Town of Saratoga Official Zoning Ordinance.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County.

WHEREAS, the Town of Saratoga adopted and administers a zoning ordinance to promote the health, safety, aesthetics, prosperity, and general welfare of the town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 60.62(3)(a) Wis. Stats., in counties having a county zoning ordinance, no town zoning ordinance or amendment of a zoning ordinance may be adopted unless approved by the County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2026 the Town of Saratoga submitted an ordinance amendment to the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning for review and approval pursuant to the Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, county review and decision concerning approval or disapproval of a town zoning amendment is limited to cases of abuse of discretion, excess of power, or error of law; and

WHEREAS, the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning reviewed the information submitted by the Town of Saratoga and finds the Town adhered to the process for zoning amendments as outlined in the Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Wood County Department of Planning and Zoning finds no conflict with any county planning and zoning programs and ordinances; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2026, the Conservation, Education and Economic Development Committee (CEED) reviewed the request and recommended approval; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wood County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to § 60.62(3)(a) Wis. Stats., hereby approves the following amendments to the Town of Saratoga Official Zoning Ordinance:

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 18, 2026

County Clerk

County Board Chairman



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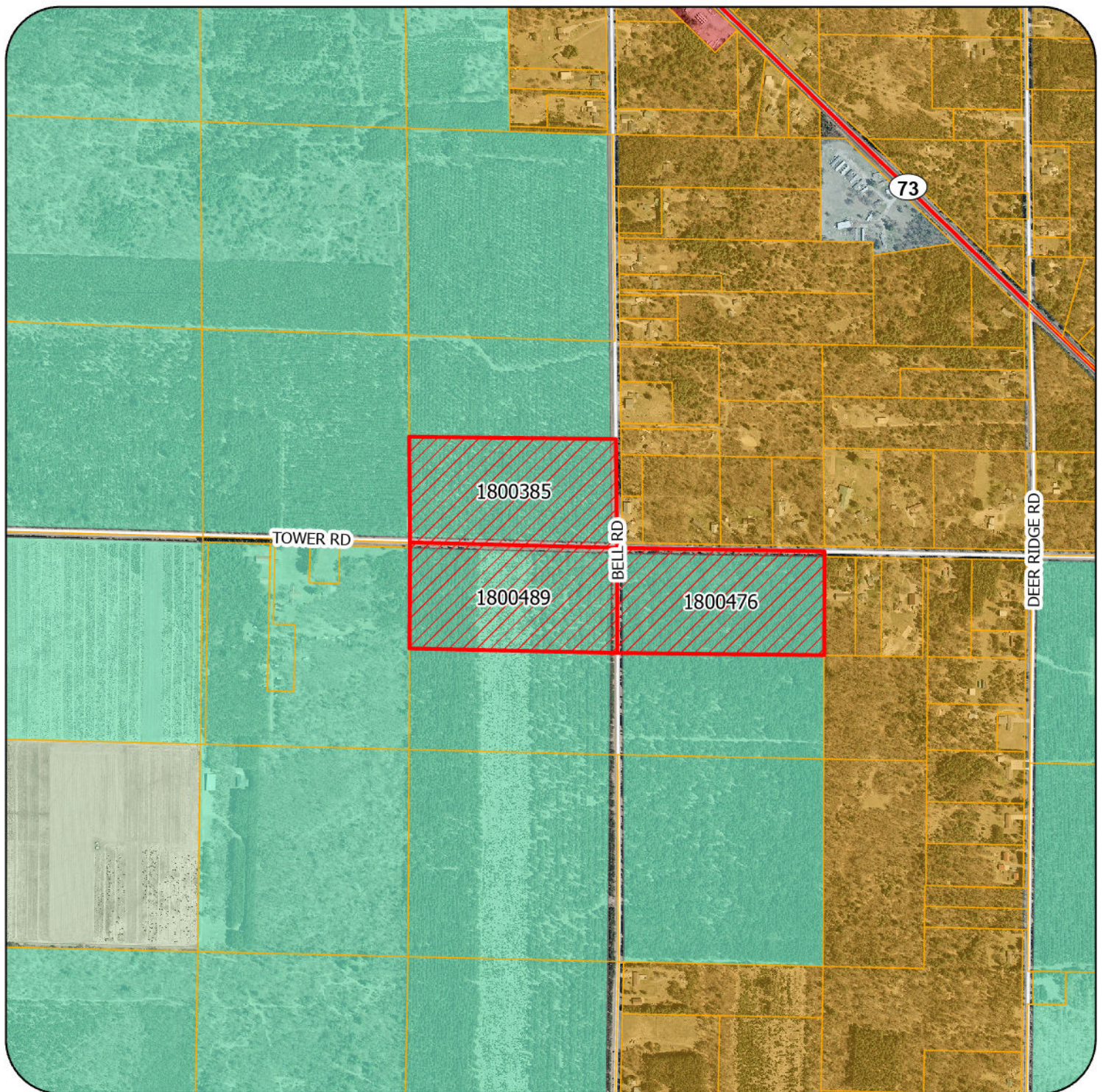
Introduced by Conservation, Education, and Economic Development Committee

1. Rezoning of the southern half of parcel 1800385 from Rural Preservation (RP) to Rural Residential (RR-1).
2. Rezoning of the northern half of parcel 1800476 from Rural Preservation (RP) to Rural Residential (RR-1).
3. Rezoning of the northern half of parcel 1800189 from Rural Preservation (RP) to Rural Residential (RR-1).

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, August 18, 2026

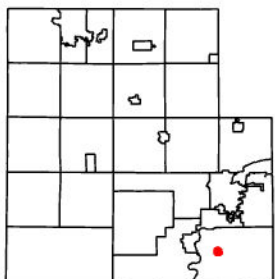
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Attachment 1: Location Map

Town of Saratoga, Wood County Wisconsin



- Rural Preservation District
- Rural Residential District
- Subject Parcels to Rezone



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MINUTES JUDICIAL & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, August 4, 2026
TIME: 8:30 AM
PLACE: Courthouse – Room 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Clendenning, Bill Leichtnam, William Voight, Russ Perlock, Tim Hovendick

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

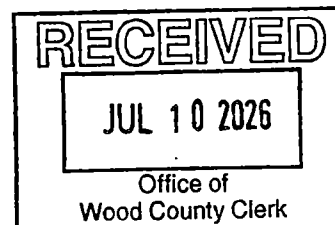
1. Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. There was no public comment.
3. Motion by Leichtnam/Hovendick to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. The claim of Carter Nordrum was reviewed by the committee and will be forwarded to the county board. No action needed at this time.
5. The vouchers and reports from the departments the committee oversees were reviewed and discussed. Motion by Hovendick/Voight to approve them as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
6. A resolution to hire a case worker for the Deferred Prosecution Agreement and Deferred Entry of Judgment programs was reviewed by the committee. Motion by Hovendick/Leichtnam to approve the resolution and forward it onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Criminal Justice Coordinator Ksionek reviewed different methods of using grant dollars and levy dollars for funding of positions and programs in 2027. The committee, by consensus, directed Ksionek to adjust as he sees fit and present it in his 2027 budget proposal for discussion.
8. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 8:30 AM.
9. Motion by Leichtnam/Voight to adjourn. Motion carried at 9:03 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

August 4, 2026

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NOTICE OF INJURY AND CLAIM



To: Wood County Clerk
400 Market Street
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Pursuant to sec. 893.80, Wis. Stats., you are hereby notified of this claim for damage against Wood County.

CC: CORP COUNSEL
HUMAN RESOURCES
PARKS & FORESTRY

THE INCIDENT

Date: 6/6/26

Time: 6:45 am

Place: North Wood County Park Campground 7500 Park Ln. Arpin, WI 54410

The circumstances giving rise to my claim are as follows:
My girlfriend and I were camping the weekend of 6/5-6/6. The morning of 6/6 I woke up to loud cracking noise. Before I knew it a large tree had crashed on our trailer, trapping us inside. I called my parents to come help. They thankfully only live a few miles away. A massive oak tree had split in half and fell directly on our trailer and campsite. The crook of the tree was completely rotten. It was a beautiful sunny morning. Weather was not a factor. Eventually we were able to wake the campground host to contact the park personnel working that weekend to help us remove the tree from my property. When he arrived he said how lucky we were stating if we were in a tent we would have been killed. It was a very scary experience. I do not have any future plans of camping again. The tree destroyed my brand new trailer, my blackstone grill with stand, 2 camping chairs, camping table and our canopy. I have enclosed pictures and receipts of the destroyed items.

The names of county personnel involved are: Dan Vollert, Seth Dupee, Scott Tranbarger

The names of other witnesses are: Alison Karau, Ryan Nordrum, Marsha Nordrum, Campground Host

THE CLAIM

I request the following monetary or other relief: \$5,061.15

Date

7-1-26

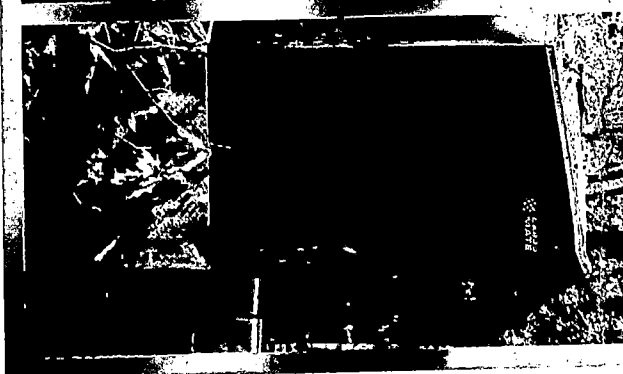
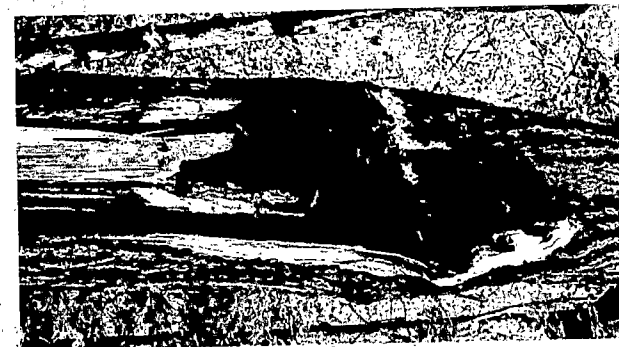
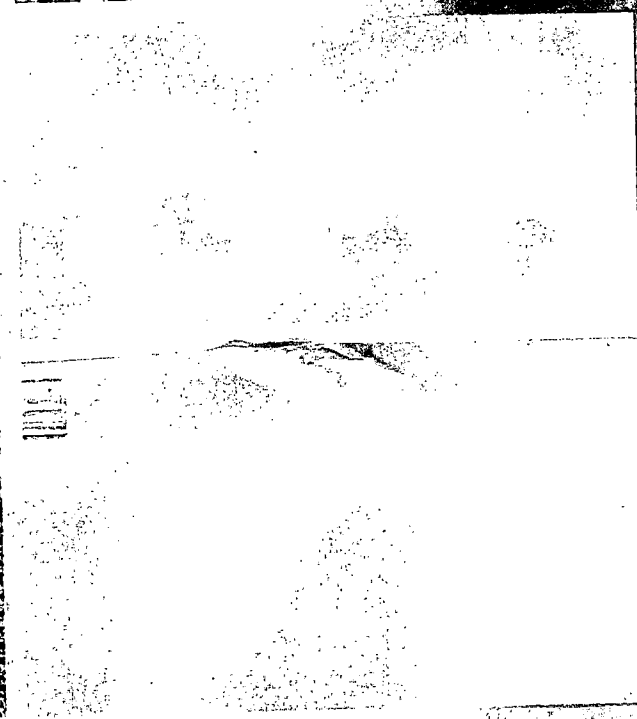
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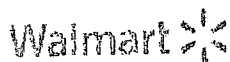
Carter Nordrum

Print Name: Carter Nordrum

Address: 9552 US Highway 10
Marshfield, WI 54449

Phone: 715-751-0665





Invoice

Jul 06, 2023 order

Order# 2000111-11515565

Jack Link's Original and Teriyaki Beef Tender Bites, 9 pack	Unavailable	Qty 1	\$13.98
Great Value Fresh Seal Slider Zipper Bags, Quart Storage, 50 Count	Shopped	Qty 1	\$4.78
Irish Spring 5 in 1 Moisturizing Body Wash for Men, Fresh Eucalyptus & Bergamot Scent, 30 fl oz	Shopped	Qty 1	\$6.94
PanOxyl 10% Benzoyl Peroxide Acne Foaming Wash, Clear Acne, 5.5 Oz	Shopped	Qty 1	\$9.37
Great Value Crispy Kosher Multipack, Box, Shelf-Stable High Protein, Peanut Butter & Dark Chocolate Bars	Shopped	Qty 1	\$2.87
Great Value Cashew Cookie Date & Nut Bars, 8.5 oz, 5 Count	Shopped	Qty 1	\$4.68
Great Value Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Date & Nut Bars, 8 oz, 5 Count	Shopped	Qty 1	\$4.68
Great Value Frozen Broccoli Florets Steamable Bag, 12 oz	Shopped	Qty 3	\$3.48
Perdue, No Antibiotics Ever, Frozen Breaded Popcorn Chicken Breast Chunks, 26 oz.	Shopped	Qty 1	\$9.98
Great Value Grape Clear Liquid Drink Enhancer, 1.62 fl oz, Bottle	Shopped	Qty 2	\$4.68
Ozark Trail 10' x 10' Blue Instant Slant Leg Pop-Up Outdoor Canopy	Shopped	Qty 1	\$49.97

Subtotal

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Savings

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\$100.43

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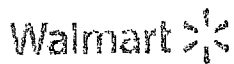
\$3.91

Total

\$104.34

Order# 2000111-11515565





Invoice

May 17, 2026 order

Order# 2000151-06872662

McCormick Premium Black & White Peppercorn Grinder, 1.26 oz Bottle

Ivory Gentle Bar Soap, Original Scent 3.17 oz (12 count)

Coleman All-Purpose Propane Gas Cylinder, 16 ounce, 2-Pack

Blackstone Adventure Ready Tabletop Griddle Leg Kit

Blackstone Adventure Ready 20"x14" 2-Burner Propane Camping Griddle with Latching Hood and Handle

Lawry's Kosher Seasoned Salt, 8.0 oz Bottle

McCormick Himalayan Pink Salt Grinder, 2.5 oz Bottle

Great Value Hot Mexican-Style Chili Powder, 2.5 oz

Grill Mates Montreal Steak Seasoning, 3.4 oz Bottle

Great Value Avocado Oil, 25.5 fl oz

(2 pack) Hyper Tough Wheel Chock Heavy Duty Yellow Plastic

Class of 2026 Photo Backdrop, Black and Gold, Graduation by Way To Celebrate

Great Value Disposable Plastic Cups, Clear, 2 oz, 50 Count

Substitutions	Qty 1	\$2.13
Shopped	Qty 1	\$7.97
Shopped	Qty 1	\$10.47
Shopped	Qty 1	\$59.47
Shopped	Qty 1	\$159.00
Shopped	Qty 1	\$3.12
Shopped	Qty 1	\$2.74
Shopped	Qty 1	\$2.57
Shopped	Qty 1	\$1.97
Shopped	Qty 1	\$12.24
Shopped	Qty 1	\$9.92
Shopped	Qty 1	\$3.97
	Qty 1	\$3.87

Subtotal**\$279.44**

Savings

-\$0.34

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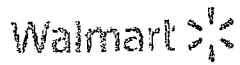
Tax

\$14.00

Total**\$293.10**

Order# 2000151-06872662





Invoice

May 20, 2026 order
Order# 2000149-56766870

Ozark Trail High Back Hard Arm Outdoor Adult Camp Chair with Cup Holder, Polyester, Green

Qty 2 \$105.94

Subtotal (2 items)

\$105.94

Tax

\$5.83

Total

\$111.77

Order# 2000149-56766870



Payment method





TRAILER SALES &
TRANSPORT LLC

2915 Schofield Ave
Weston, WI 54476

Invoice

Bill To

Carter Nordrum
9552 US Hwy 10
Marshfield, WI 54449

Date	Invoice No.	P.O. Number	Terms	Project
05/07/26	2408			

Description	Quantity	Rate	Amount
2027 Cargo Mate 6x12 VIN-5NHUEH214VW125219		4,400.00	4,400.00
PAID 5/7/2026			
Subtotal			\$4,400.00
Sales Tax (5.5%)			\$242.00
Total			\$4,642.00



WAL*MART
7154869440 Mgr. ELIZABETH
MARSHFIELD, WI
ST# 2813 OP# 9035 TE# 35 TR# 857

PDLOCK DISC	003920897648	15.00
TEARAWAY 75	075116696721	16.97
4FT CF TBL	695957660100	38.94

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TAX	1 5.5 %	3.90
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Wood County

WISCONSIN

CHILD SUPPORT
AGENCY

AUGUST 2026

MONTHLY REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Prepared by Child Support Director Brent Vruwink

- The focus for the month of August will be the agency budget. I have the preliminary funding numbers from DCF so the budget process should go smoothly. This is a great time to evaluate Federal and State funding of the program.
- August is “Child Support Awareness Month”. This is a wonderful way to acknowledge agency staff for all the great work they do to help children and families.
- I attended the WCSEA Board meeting on July 16th. As an association we discussed state funding for the program. As things currently stand we will be looking for a five million per year increase in general purpose revenue from the state. When all the counties get a firm grasp of what their current budget situations look like we will solidify an increase request.
- Agency performance continues to be a focus. We are on target to meet three of the four performance measures. We are close to meeting the current support measure, but it will be a challenge to get there.
- The current IV-D case count is 3,661.



Wood County

WISCONSIN

Kimberly A. Stimac

CLERK OF
CIRCUIT COURT

August 2026

Monthly Report to the Judicial and Legislative Committee

Meetings Attended:

- Judicial & Legislative Committee meeting on 7/7/2026.
- Operations Committee meeting on 7/7/2026.
- Monthly Judges meeting on 7/14/2026.
- Meeting with CCAP County Advocate & Supervisor on 7/22/2026.
- County Board meeting on 7/28/2026.
- Condemnation Committee meeting on 7/28/2026.

There was an incident in Price County with an individual who approached the judge's bench on two occasions and removed a pen from the bench when court was not in session. Law enforcement was asked to remove her, but they declined to do so stating the courtroom is a public place. I addressed this with our judges at the judges meeting as well as Lt. Peterson and everyone agreed, the courtrooms should be locked when they are not in use. I spoke with Reuben about this and we will be working on how to best address this. I will keep you informed of the progress.

On July 22, 2026 our CCAP County Advocate, Pete Severson, and his supervisor, Casey Cullen, came for a visit. We met to discuss the role of the county advocate position, find out what software/hardware we are using, determine any struggles with workflow or processing pain points and what is working well. Staff also had the opportunity to meet with them one on one to determine if they had other items they wanted to address. I think this is a great way to promote a good partnership and look forward to meeting with them again in about 6 months.

A majority of my time has been spent on the budget for 2027. At the Condemnation Committee meeting, the per diem was increased from \$25 per meeting to \$50 per meeting plus mileage. The budget for this committee is part of my budget, so you will see that increase for 2027. Corporation Counsel Flanagan is working on the Westlaw Contract for the judges. Judge Wolf previously handled that contract before he retired. You will see that my budget will no longer pay for a portion of that starting in 2027. Mr. Flanagan will provide an update on his findings to the committee with regards to that.

This report has been prepared and submitted by Kimberly A. Stimac



Wood County

WISCONSIN

CORPORATION
COUNSEL

MONTHLY REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

July 2026

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Nick Flanagan

Hearings and Court Cases:

Health & Human Services – The following is a breakdown of Ch. 51 (mental commitment) and 54/55 (guardianship/protective placement) matters handled by my office in the month of June 2026:

- 7 Mental Commitments (includes Probable Cause, Final Hearings, and Recommitments)
- 12 Guardianship/Protective Placement Hearings
- 20 WATTS Review/Contested Hearings

Child Support – During the month of June, the Corporation Counsel's office participated in six dates for Child Support-related hearings (in custody and hearing days).

CAPTA Hearings– During the month of June, the Corporation Counsel's office participated in one CAPTA scheduled prehearing conference and advocated to the Wisconsin Division of Hearings and Appeals in support of a dismissal due to appellant's abandonment of their appeal.

WTA- Wood County Unit Meeting Presentation:

On June 19, 2026, I was invited by the Town of Grand Rapids (*as the Meeting's Hosting Town*) to present at the Wisconsin Towns Association's (WTA) Wood County Unit monthly meeting. These meetings are great opportunities to connect with Wood County township officials as well as area legislators to learn of areas of local concern, and opportunities and areas of joint advocacy. For my presentation topic, I chose to cover the law and best practices surrounding public participation. While it is often universally an interest for governing bodies to receive information and input from the public, each municipality's approach and mechanism for doing so can vary. My presentation first covered basic legal requirements, considerations, and framework for public participation at meetings, and then allowed for Q&A and discussion surrounding examples of rules/policies and best practices used to foster open and meaningful public comment at meetings. Meetings such as the WTA County Unit are excellent opportunities to discuss and learn best practices as well as challenges from our municipal peers. I was impressed with the turnout of municipal and county officials taking part in these conversations!



Wood County WISCONSIN

WOOD COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

July 2026

MONTHLY REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Respectfully submitted by Criminal Justice Coordinator, Dillon Ksionek

Meetings/Trainings Attended:

7/1/2026 – Mental Health Court Staffing
7/7/2026 – Judicial and Legislative Sub-Committee Meeting
7/10/2026 – Drug Court/Jail Programming Presentation with DCC
7/13/2026 – Hope Consortium All-Regions Meeting
7/13/2026 – Drug Court Staffing/Court
7/16/2026 – Drug Court Sustainability Meeting
7/16/2026 – Monthly RSAT Grant Meeting
7/16/2026 – Monthly Deflection Meeting
7/16/2026 – Bi-Weekly Staffing with Outpatient Clinic
7/20/2026 – Drug Court Staffing
7/20/2027 – Transportation Meeting Hosted by Health Department
7/21/2026 – OFR-Related Meeting with Health Department
7/22/2026 – Deflection Team Meeting
7/23/2026 – Monthly DHS Grant Meeting
7/27/2026 – Drug Court Staffing/Court

Adult Drug Treatment Court:

Current Participants: 20
Active Referrals: 3
Pending Referrals: 0
YTD Admissions: 8
YTD Terminations: 5
YTD Graduations: 6
YTD Referrals: 17

Our monthly sustainability meeting in July focused on policy changes that would make us more compliant with state and federal standards. Our department will work in the coming months to find ways to realistically implement these items. We also discussed the possibility of an aftercare program in partnership with Three Bridges Recovery, in hopes that it would help foster long-term success for graduates. Lastly, we spent some time talking about our decrease in referrals from this time last year. I was able to speak at the probation office earlier this month, and I feel like that was a great opportunity to potentially increase referrals moving forward.

I completed the TAD Grant pre-application this month, and that leaves only the final application in the fall before we receive a determination on whether or not we will be included in the next 5-year cycle of that funding source.

Jail Programming (STRONG):

Medication Assisted Treatment Program (MARP):

Current Participants: 17

YTD Admissions: 84

Our DHS funded Opioid Abatement for Law Enforcement Agencies grant application for 2027 has now been submitted. We also found out this month that supplementary funds are available to be used by the end of 2026. I intend to utilize these funds to purchase supplies that will reduce the strain on the 2027 budget for this grant (as well as reduce the demand for Wood County Opioid Abatement funding the rest of 2026).

Jail Residential Treatment Program (RSAT):

Current Participants: 10

YTD graduates: 11

YTD participants: 31

We started another recovery pod cycle in mid-July with 10 new participants (8 males and 2 females). We originally had more females lined up to participate but rule violations in the jail and imminent discharges disqualified several from participating.

The DOJ is looking at another extension of our current RSAT grant contract. This would push funding on this contract into 2027 (tentatively through March) before having to create the next one. At this time, funding appears to be available for 2027 and 2028, but we would need to reapply for it after this extension that is currently being discussed. I don't believe that the current intention is to re-open the application competitively, which makes the funding fairly secure so long as we continue to be compliant. Yearly contract amounts have not been determined, but the state has given verbal commitment to supporting our program moving forward for multiple years.

Diversion (DPA/DEOJ):

I completed the budget resolution to utilize Legacy Grant funding to start the diversion program (with the help of Corporation Counsel, Finance, and Human Resources) as I was instructed to do at the last sub-committee meeting. I changed the position to be a case manager since I would be able to provide direct oversight as an existing justice programs coordinator. This allows for a pay grade that is in line with the other justice programs case managers in my department. If approved, we would look to hire a grant funded case manager starting September 28th of this year, and the funding would sustain that position through 2027 at no cost to the county.

Legacy Grant funding is intended to be utilized only in the South Wood County area. This would necessitate at least a part-time case manager to assist with the program if we wanted to offer diversion opportunities to individuals who live in our Northern communities. I have a case manager who is willing to help with this, but some changes need to be made to how her position is funded to make her involvement realistic.

Other Matters:

I have started working on my county budget for 2027, and plan to meet with finance in the near future to go over some potential changes. I will have some supplementary information available by our August 4th meeting.



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REGISTER IN PROBATE

August 2026

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Prepared by Register in Probate, Tara Jensen

CCAP was here to meet with Kim Stimac, Clerk of Courts, and myself to meet and hear from the new customer advocate with CCAP. Many topics were addressed including support information, project updates and on-going issues. After a joint meeting they met and worked with me to address issues specifically related to items in probate.

I have been working with other District 9 Register in Probates in planning the 2027 Spring Probate Conference to be held in Wausau. Districts take turns hosting, providing topics for discussion, training and speakers for each conference.

Attorney Nick Flanagan and I brought a few topics to the August Judges Meeting for discussion.

Meetings Attended:

- 7/09 – District 9 Register in Probate Zoom Meeting
- 7/14 – Monthly Judges Meeting
- 7/22 – CCAP presentation/meeting in the morning and observation in the afternoon
- 7/27 – District 9 Register in Probate Zoom Meeting
- 7/28 – Wood County Board Meeting



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REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE

Tiffany R. Ringer
Register of Deeds

AUGUST 2026

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- I attended WCA's County Leadership weekly meetings for the month.
- The public access court computer located in the vault is back up and functioning as it should.
- I attended Fidlar Tapestry EON training to learn the system's features and functionality.
- The semi-annual Fidlar software update has been successfully completed. Thank you to our IT team for their assistance in ensuring everything was up and running smoothly following the update. Your support is greatly appreciated! The next major update is scheduled for January 2027.
- I attended the Judicial and Legislative Committee meeting.
- Clint Heitz, Fidlar's Partner Relationship Manager, visited our office to provide information on new software features and enhancements. He also shared details about upcoming training opportunities available for ROD staff.
- I attended PRIA webinar training and WCA In the Board Room webinar.
- I am working to finalize the Register of Deeds budget and will submit it to the Finance Department within the requested timeline.

Monthly Report to the Judicial and Legislative Committee

Prepared by Victim Witness Coordinator: Cristin Jolee

July 29th, 2026

During this reporting period, the Victim Witness Department implemented batch generation printing for victim and witness notifications. This new process has significantly improved the timeliness and consistency of required notifications while increasing overall operational efficiency. By streamlining administrative tasks, staff have been able to dedicate more time to victim intake, direct victim services, case coordination, and responding to the individual needs of victims, witnesses and the courts.

The department has continued to strengthen community partnerships through increased collaboration with victim service providers throughout the region. Staff met with the South Wood County Advocacy Center to tour the facility, meet their team, and identify opportunities for closer coordination of services. We have also expanded our collaboration with the North Wood County advocacy center and continue to meet regularly with Quad-County Victim Witness Coordinators to share resources, discuss best practices, and participate in joint training opportunities. These partnerships help ensure victims receive coordinated, comprehensive support while strengthening the overall response to crime across our region.

The Victim Witness Department has continued to improve internal operations by reviewing and standardizing procedures to promote consistency and efficiency. Staff have also begun developing informational pamphlets and resource materials to provide victims with clear, accessible information about the criminal justice process, victims' rights, and available community resources. These efforts support our commitment to delivering consistent, victim-centered services while continually improving the quality of assistance we provide.

VW Services in July 2026

Services Requested	142
Services Provided/Not Requested	583
Total Services Provided	725
Unique Parties	302

MINUTES

HIGHWAY, INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, August 6, 2026
TIME: 9:00 AM
PLACE: Highway Dept., Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jake Hahn, Al Breu, Wayne Schulz(WebEx), Jeff Penzkover, Lee Thao

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk, see attached sign-in sheet

1. Chairman Hahn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. There was no public comment.
3. The minutes of the July 8, 2026, meeting were presented. Motion by Breu/Thao to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. The Highway Dept. staff reports were reviewed and discussed.
5. The Highway revenue report was reviewed.
6. Motion by Thao/Breu to approve the Highway Dept. vouchers. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Highway Commissioner Hawk noted that, so far, the 2027 Highway CIP has remained intact.
8. Because of the numerous accidents occurring recently along CTH M, Hawk is requesting to hire a firm to design intersection improvements at CTH Y and CTH H. The committee directed Hawk to hold a public informational hearing prior to any design in garner input and support. Hawk intends to do these intersections at the same time the road is scheduled to be re-paved, which is in 2028.
9. Hawk reported that he would like to have a policy that would increase the pricing of small batch blacktop mixes. When the Highway Dept. does a small batch mix of asphalt, the cost increases exponentially and currently, with no policy, they are not able to recoup their additional cost. Motion by Breu/Penzkover to direct the Highway Commissioner to draft a policy and bring back to the committee for final approval. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Highway Superintendent Kunding presented a power point presentation highlighting the spray method of weed control in the ditches. There was a complaint of overspray killing some soybeans in the Town of Wood, however, looking at the scenario of when it was sprayed and the pattern left, it is questionable whether or not the spray caused the issue. Questions and answers followed.
11. Accounting Supervisor Peckham reviewed the 2027 proposed Highway Dept. budget. It will be finalized over the next month and brought for committee approval in September.
12. The Parks & Forestry staff reports were reviewed.

13. Parks & Forestry Director Schooley presented two special use permits to be reviewed by the committee.
 - First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center – South Park shelter and trail.Motion by Penzkover/Thao to approve the special use permits as presented. Motion carried unanimously
14. The discussion of E-Bikes in county parks and on trails was discussed. The committee reviewed possible documentation provided by Schooley and noted that as currently written, our current ordinance is enforceable as it according to the Wood County Sheriff's Dept.
15. The speaker on the agenda item concerning controlled burning on the county forest was not able to attend this month. They will be rescheduled when they are able to attend.
16. Forest Administrator Schubert reviewed the contract extensions for jobs #780, #800, & #801 were reviewed and discussed. Motion by Thao/Breu to approve all contract extensions
17. without an increase in stumpage. Motion carried unanimously.
18. The Parks & Forestry revenue reports were reviewed.
19. Motion by Thao/Breu to approve Parks & Forestry vouchers. Motion approved unanimously.
20. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 6, 2026, at 9:00 AM.
21. Motion by Thao/Schulz to go into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85(1)(f) to review a personal leave of absence request for Highway Dept. employee. Motion carried unanimously.
22. Motion by Thao/Schulz to move back into open session. Motion carried unanimously.
23. Chairman Hahn declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.



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OFFICE OF
HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

Roland Hawk
COMMISSIONER

July 30, 2026

To: Highway, Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

From: Roland Hawk, PE Highway Commissioner

Subject: Commissioner Report for August 6, 2026, HIRC meeting

Department Activities

Personnel/Administration

Currently all Highway positions are filled.

Commissioner and Accounting Supervisor working on 2027 Budget.

There is renewed interest from a few new towns and municipalities to present proposals to provide winter maintenance services for the 2026 – 2027 winter season. Our service agreements request balancing summer construction projects to offset any need for staffing or equipment increases. The Town of Seneca has opted to not renew their agreement for 2026, so Highway will not serve that community this winter. However, the Town of Richfield is seeking assistance for full-time winter maintenance. The Town of Dexter is requesting to continue our services for a second winter. Many others have indicated they wish to continue contracting with Highway for our service. The number of towns and municipalities requesting Highway's winter services is growing, which may have an impact on our future staffing level if this continues.

Commissioner continues to investigate risks of receiving possession of 8896 CTH A, Marshfield. Site has contamination and preliminary plans for CTH A reconstruction show possible need for R/W to expand the intersection at Richfield Drive & CTH A. Commissioner is communicating with WDNR and possible new owner on transfer of parcel.

WisDOT has changed their notice date for the 2026 – 2031 Rural STP Grant Program from late 2026 to mid-August 2026. Applications were submitted in October 2025. Wood County submitted for construction funding only to reconstruct CTH A from STH 73 – Grant Road. The pavement on CTH A is at End of Life and needs to be replaced. As the HIRC approved at their July meeting, the Class B posting will be erected as soon as the signs have been delivered. Expected date for posting is August 15.

Recent fatal and serious injury crashes at CTH H & M as well as CTH M & Y both in the Town of Auburndale have generated calls to improve safety at each of these intersections. Highway staff have been approached by area residents and adjacent property owners, inquiring if there will be something done at these locations to prevent further accidents. Commissioner has requested proposals for intersection evaluations and design for selected improvements. Funding could be obtained by moving LRIP funds from CTH HH (STH 186 – CTH N) slated for 2028. CTH M is programmed for pavement replacement in 2028, so timing is critical.

Highway/Facility Projects

- WisDOT STP Project CTH F & HH Intersection **Construction 2026**
 - Bid Opening was November 11, 2025, Mashuda Contractors, Inc, is low bid at \$1,303,522.47
 - Work started July 20 and is anticipated to be complete by late October 7, 2026.
- CTH F Bono Ave – CTH HH Pavement Replacement **Construction 2026**
 - Work to be completed by County forces as the CTH F & HH Intersection work progresses.
 - Initial pavement recycling completed June 19, 2026.
 - Paving new surface scheduled for September.
- WisDOT STP Urban (BIL) CTH U Village of Biron **Construction 2026**
 - Earth Inc was successful bidder
 - Work started week of June 22, 2026.
 - Phase I included underground water, sewer, and storm sewer in urban area of the Village.
 - Project is scheduled to be completed November 6, 2026.
- CTH AA Lynn Creek **Construction 2026**
 - Bridge construction completed July 17, 2026
 - Road work and retaining wall work anticipated to begin August 10, 2026.
 - Working to resolve issues with Fish & Wildlife over permanent easement for drainage.
 - Project anticipated to be complete and open to traffic October 15, 2026.

Highway Maintenance

Work in July included:

- Mowing & vegetation control
- Ditching
- Sign replacements
- Culvert repair and replacement
- Bridge maintenance
- Concrete joint blow-ups

WCHA Events & Misc. Meetings since the last HIRC report:

Commissioner attended the following events/meetings:

- June 25, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Pittsville
- June 29, Meeting with Property owners on CTH AA, Plank Hill project
- June 30, CTH U Construction weekly meeting, Village of Biron
- July 1, Meeting with Property owners on CTH AA, Plank Hill project
- July 2, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Pittsville
- July 7, CTH U Construction weekly meeting, Village of Biron
- July 8, HIRC meeting WR Highway Conference Room
- July 9, STH 13/34 Construction weekly meeting, virtual
- July 9, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Pittsville
- July 13, Cranberry Creek Landfill Standing Committee meeting, WR Highway Conference Room
- July 14, CTH U Construction weekly meeting, Village of Biron
- July 14, Private Access meeting with Village of Biron for property on CTH U, Village of Biron
- July 15, NC Region Commissioners/DOT managers meeting, Rhinelander DOT office
- July 16, STH 13/34 Construction weekly meeting, virtual
- July 16, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Virtual
- July 20, Conference Call w/WDNR for CTH AA
- July 21, CTH U Construction weekly meeting, Village of Biron

- July 22, Meeting with Property owner on CTH X regarding spraying roadside
- July 23, WDOT Work Zone Safety event STH 54
- July 23, CTH F & HH RAB Construction weekly meeting, virtual
- July 23, STH 13/34 Construction weekly meeting, virtual
- July 23, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Pittsville
- July 27, Delasoft Permit Software Access Permit review, WR Conference Room
- July 28, County Board Meeting, Court House
- July 28, CTH U Construction weekly meeting, Village of Biron
- July 30, STH 13/34 Construction weekly meeting, virtual
- July 30, CTH F & HH RAB Construction weekly meeting, Town of Town of Sigel
- July 30, STH 73/80/CTH A RAB Construction weekly meeting, Pittsville

EQUIPMENT

Two 2026 single axel Mack patrol trucks are scheduled to be in service by late October – early November. Highway had a used Quad axel dump truck on its 2026 Equipment CIP and a new Quad axel dump truck on its 2027 CIP. Commissioner reversed this and purchased a new 2026 International Quad Axel dump truck. Reason for the change, during the search for a used truck there were no vehicles in central Wisconsin +/- 150 miles listed for less than \$150,000 with reasonable miles and age. The International truck Highway purchased was in Marshfield listed at \$270,000, and we purchased for \$237,520. In October we anticipate selling a used 2009 Western Star quad axel dump truck to help offset the difference.

The Highway Department contacted the IT Department on June 22 to approve access to a Cloud-based web site for two remote weather stations purchased from Frost Solutions. Because of the volume of weather stations obtained by the 18 counties in the NC Region of Wisconsin, Wood County received significant savings. These stations can monitor weather conditions, pavement conditions, provide weather predictions, and provide images to verify the existing conditions. These weather stations/cameras will save our staff lots of time not having to drive and verify road and weather conditions during nights, weekends and in poor conditions. All equipment is leased, and no data or information will be stored on County servers. As of July 30, Wood County IT has not evaluated the security risks and approved access for highway personnel. There are several hundred of these weather stations positioned all across the US and Canada with no reported cybersecurity attacks or compliance violations.

Accounting Supervisor Report

By John Peckham, Wood County Highway Department Accounting Supervisor

HIRC Meeting

Revenues and Expenses

We received the second of three General Transportation Aids payments in early July. We have started up the asphalt plant so asphalt revenues have started to come in. Also, the increased trucking due to construction projects has resulted in higher machinery fund revenues, shown as an offset to expenses in Fund 53240. Local municipal revenues are traditionally low at this time of year while we focus on state and county work, though we have begun a big project in the Town of Port Edwards.

Other

I have begun work on the budget. My Accounting Technician, Travis Hofer, and I worked with Finance on the Position Allocation spreadsheet as a preliminary document utilized for budget preparation. The packet includes a draft summary of the budget for committee review.

County of Wood
 DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT W/SUBTOTALS
 Highway Departmentwide
 Friday, July 31, 2026

	Actual	2026 Budget	Variance	Variance %
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental Revenues				
43531 State Aid-Transportation	\$2,195,406.69	\$2,927,208.95	(\$731,802.26)	(25.00%)
Total Intergovernmental	2,195,406.69	2,927,208.95	(731,802.26)	(25.00%)
Licenses and Permits				
44101 Utility Permits	42,128.63	30,550.00	11,578.63	37.90%
Total Licenses and Permits	42,128.63	30,550.00	11,578.63	37.90%
Intergovernmental Charges for Services				
47230 State Charges	1,025,260.01	1,442,179.00	(416,918.99)	(28.91%)
47231 State Charges-Highway	204,407.21	263,817.00	(59,409.79)	(22.52%)
47232 State Charges-Machinery	35,163.04	(14,629.00)	49,792.04	(340.37%)
47300 Local Gov Chgs	403,593.95	847,362.00	(443,768.05)	(52.37%)
47330 Local Gov Chgs-Transp	574,931.51	1,961,954.00	(1,387,022.49)	(70.70%)
47332 Local Gov Chgs-Roads		265,997.00	(265,997.00)	(100.00%)
47333 Local Gov Chgs-Bridges	(30,968.57)	117,349.00	(148,317.57)	(126.39%)
Total Charges to Other Governments	2,212,387.15	4,884,029.00	(2,671,641.85)	(54.70%)
Interdepartmental Charges for Services				
47470 Dept Charges-Highway	262,498.84	2,862,576.00	(2,600,077.16)	(90.83%)
Total Interdepartmental Charges	262,498.84	2,862,576.00	(2,600,077.16)	(90.83%)
Total Intergovernmental Charges for Services	2,474,885.99	7,746,605.00	(5,271,719.01)	(68.05%)
Miscellaneous				
48100 Interest	2.22		2.22	0.00%
48340 Gain/Loss-Sale of Salvage and Waste	5,110.70	10,605.00	(5,494.30)	(51.81%)
Total Miscellaneous	5,112.92	10,605.00	(5,492.08)	(51.79%)
Other Financing Sources				
49110 Proceeds from Long-Term Debt		4,261,700.00	(4,261,700.00)	(100.00%)
Total Other Financing Sources		4,261,700.00	(4,261,700.00)	(100.00%)
TOTAL REVENUES	4,717,534.23	14,976,668.95	(10,259,134.72)	(68.50%)
EXPENDITURES				
Public Works-Highway				
53110 Hwy-Administration	246,536.11	427,565.04	181,028.93	42.34%
53120 Hwy-Engineer	152,075.32	272,041.52	119,966.20	44.10%
53191 Hwy-Other Administration	256,723.98	400,326.78	143,602.80	35.87%
53210 Hwy-Employee Taxes & Benefits	(962,000.13)		962,000.13	0.00%
53220 Hwy-Field Tools	(24,456.07)	(45,386.55)	(20,930.48)	46.12%
53230 Hwy-Shop Operations	211,735.44	325,400.34	113,664.90	34.93%
53232 Hwy-Fuel Handling	(13,214.38)	(17,415.00)	(4,200.62)	24.12%
53240 Hwy-Machinery Operations	(1,152,789.69)	(344,515.87)	808,273.82	(234.61%)
53250 Hwy-Crushing Operations	18,607.86	35,624.03	17,016.17	47.77%
53251 Hwy-Crushing Operations Production	27,660.74	127,671.91	100,011.17	78.33%
53260 Hwy-Bituminous Ops	158,045.89	215,368.25	57,322.36	26.62%
53266 Hwy-Bituminous Ops	241,691.55	2,032,292.73	1,790,601.18	88.11%
53270 Hwy-Buildings & Grounds	154,977.55	258,245.36	103,267.81	39.99%
53290 Hwy-Salt Brine Operations	(14,802.85)	(0.45)	14,802.40	#####
53291 Hwy-Salt Brine Operations	(29,977.93)	1,170.55	31,148.48	2,661.01%
53281 Hwy-Acquisition of Capital Assets	263,002.50		(263,002.50)	0.00%
53310 Hwy-Maintenance CTHS		62,998.99	62,998.99	100.00%
53311 Hwy-Maint CTHS Patrol Sectn	1,320,422.61	2,676,572.21	1,356,149.60	50.67%
53312 Hwy-Snow Remov	937,762.86	992,793.92	55,031.06	5.54%
53313 Hwy-Maintenance Gang	139,648.45	272,777.37	133,128.92	48.80%
53314 Hwy-Maint Gang-Materials	2,610.00	8,302.00	5,692.00	68.56%
53320 Hwy-Maint STHS	1,196,831.16	1,442,179.24	245,348.08	17.01%
53330 Hwy-Local Roads	732,584.08	1,961,954.25	1,229,370.17	62.66%
53340 Hwy-County-Aid Road Construction	52,699.95	326,618.11	273,918.16	83.86%
53341 Hwy-County-Aid Bridge Construction	287,726.72	249,955.50	(37,771.22)	(15.11%)
53490 Hwy-State & Local Other Services	394,037.09	847,361.79	453,324.70	53.50%
53491 Hwy-ATV Route Signage		17,080.61	17,080.61	100.00%
Total Public Works-Highway	4,598,138.81	12,546,982.63	7,948,843.82	63.35%
Capital Outlay				
57310 Highway Capital Projects	940,885.49	4,233,864.78	3,292,979.29	77.78%
Total Capital Outlay	940,885.49	4,233,864.78	3,292,979.29	77.78%

County of Wood
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT W/SUBTOTALS
Highway Departmentwide
Friday, July 31, 2026

	Actual	2026 Budget	Variance	Variance %
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,539,024.30	16,780,847.41	11,241,823.11	66.99%
NET INCOME (LOSS) *	(821,490.07)	(1,804,178.46)	982,688.39	(54.47%)

MINUTES
PROPERTY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, August 3, 2026
TIME: 9:00 AM
PLACE: Courthouse – Room 300

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Breu, Dennis Polach, Brad Hamilton, Paul Goldberg, Linda Casper

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Breu called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
2. There was no public comment.
3. The minutes of the July 6, 2026, meeting were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Polach to approve them as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. The Information Technology vouchers were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Polach to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
5. The IT Report was reviewed.
6. Chairman Breu stated he has received complaints from department heads concerning contacting the IT Department for issues and how those issues get prioritized. IT Director Kaup went through the call process, the on-call process for after-hours, and how individual tickets get tracked within the system. It was noted that communications between department heads and IT needed to improve so that everyone is on the same page. It was noted that requests from department heads should take priority. This item will be discussed at the next department head meeting as well.
7. The Maintenance vouchers were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Polach to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
8. The Maintenance Report was reviewed and discussed.
9. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 10:30 AM.
10. Department budgets will be reviewed next month.
11. Chairman Breu declared the meeting adjourned at 10:03 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

July 2026

1. The County phone line contract ends at the end of July. Staff worked with multiple vendors to secure the best pricing and support. A new contract has been signed.
2. Upgraded several systems to the latest version for vulnerability patches, bug fixes and enhancements. One of these systems included enhancements to the Guest WiFi.
3. All hardware has arrived to ensure we have a very redundant network to support the new radio over IP system being used by public safety and highway. In the last week of July, we will get this hardware configured and implemented at the different critical path locations throughout the county.
4. Replaced the expiring SSL Certificates on all servers prior to the expiration date to ensure services would continue working. An SSL certificate is a digital file used for security.
5. Payroll and HR software, HRMS quarterly tax form update was completed.
6. Staff continue to prepare for the rollout of CoPilot, the County's Artificial Intelligence (AI) Platform. In preparation for the implementation of CoPilot, OneDrive has been configured, and testing of the migration process has begun. A preliminary group from several departments has been identified. These staff will work with IT on the implementation and rollout. This will involve setting up a Wood County tenant to ensure County data is secure.
7. Wood County internet and intranet website updates are being posted continually as we work to keep employees and citizens informed. The IT intranet website has been improved for user ease of use and locating important resources and instructions. IT is working to cross-train additional staff to perform website updates which will improve request accommodation.
8. Triageed and followed up with 16 alerts from the County's end point protection system. Manually investigated and cleaned up each detection and worked with the vendor as needed. In every instance, when an alert was triggered the end point protection system quarantined and stopped the process until an investigation could be completed.



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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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9. Review and research continues for an app by UR Secure that is a 3rd party vendor for the Complete Control vendor. The app provides remote access and test control for the Edgewater Haven alarm systems.
 10. Employees submitted approximately 205 phishing emails to IT for review. Each submittal was reviewed. Several were identified as legitimate phishing attempts. Filters were put in place to disallow mail from known phishing senders.
 11. Staff continue to assist county email users with mailbox cleanup in preparation for migration of the County Outlook email system. We have been identifying possible issues and making changes to improve the overall process of moving user mailboxes. A lot of time has gone into the planning of migration to Exchange Online. Testing with moving on premises mailboxes to the cloud continues.
 12. A total of 7 actionable security alerts were received this month. Each incident was addressed and resolved.
 13. The Countywide backup solution is up for renewal in 2026. Staff continue to meet with vendors to review options to determine the best backup solution. A new backup solution was configured for M365 applications which includes Exchange Online and SharePoint. This addresses immediate backup needs while allowing additional time to review options for onsite data backup.
 14. Staff continues to work with CIS, Countywide law enforcement software, on resolving interface and various software issues. IT staff spends time following up on issues and assisting with troubleshooting on the servers and user devices. IT is piloting a ticketing system with CIS. The new ticketing system will allow us to view our support requests, comments, assigned support contact and track status.
 15. Staff continues preparing for the CIS upgrades that will be completed in the upcoming months. New CIS servers are being configured and software install packages have been created for each software package.
 16. Review and research begins for a Highway project request for access to a web\cloud based management system for Highway's recently leased equipment (2) that will remotely monitor road conditions and upload data to a cloud server. The website system and uploaded data will be available for highway staff to review and monitor as needed pending security review and approval.



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17. Staff continued working on troubleshooting issues with the Norwood paging system. Adjustments were made to the paging system to increase volume and quality of sound from the overhead speakers.
 18. Continued work on forms process improvement and document storage in Information Technology leveraging Laserfiche.
 19. Staff continue to meet with vendors who attended the Spring GIPAW Conference to discuss alternative backup solutions, virtualization platforms, and security products.
 20. Completed the rollout the Software Restriction Policy to all County staff, effectively blocking software installation in known exploitable locations, massively shrinking the potential for users to install unapproved software either on purpose or by consequence of visiting a malicious internet site.
 21. For the month of June, 587 helpdesk requests were created, with staff completing 557 tickets and leaving 152 open requests. In addition, there are currently 198 project requests.
 22. Support for GCS\Catalis property tax systems is ongoing Initial training and migration of the 34 municipalities to the new system is complete. Training and communication regarding the Register of Deeds data interface to the Treasurer's tax system was investigated and addressed. Work and research begins to create and support an import of tax data into the Dynamics, the general ledger system.
 23. IT network staff work on mapping and documenting network infrastructure and hardware. This includes detailed documentation, physical and logical diagrams, and backups of config files.
 24. Addressing recent Personnel Action Form and other onboarding process concerns. Composing online forms to streamline the flow of information to key stakeholders. Having all the information in one place will allow the onboarding process to be as smooth and as fast as possible for the hiring department, the new hire, and all the departments involved in making sure the employee is setup for their first day.
 25. The IT Security Team continues the Security Awareness Program. Additional security training is being assigned to all who fail a phishing campaign. A 2026 Social Engineering Red Flags training was assigned to all staff.



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26. Due to the delays in receiving hardware, staff have also placed the 3rd and 4th quarter PC Replacement orders. Most equipment in quarter 1-3 arrived. Quarter 4 equipment is still in transit. Traveled on-site to County facilities to place new equipment deployments for orders that did arrive.
 27. Implementation phase continues and training begins for a project for the Highway Department to replace the current Highway permit system with Delasoft vendor software.
 28. Review and research continues for a Highway project requests for software installation and configuration to support a traffic counting\radar system and devices.
 29. Programming staff continue courses and training to maintain and advance best practices concerning code, security and support of in-house developed systems. Cross-training additional staff to support in-house code has begun.
 30. Norwood and Edgewater Matrix Claims Management support continues with multi-factor authentication (MFA) migration to a new system evolving constantly. Account work for new backup procedures for Claims Management continues. Work on a new Matrix therapy codes interface, requested in late July, is scheduled. Claims user setup process was tested, refined and step by step procedures documented.
 31. IT staff work to schedule and upgrade various server operating systems and database management systems, SQL servers, begins a new cycle. This ongoing project takes considerable time to plan, test, and implement. Continued work improving database server security.
 32. Support for Norwood Healthcare Center and Edgewater Haven Matrix (EHR) and CART (CMS abstraction and reporting tool) software is ongoing. IT support works to improve the user reliance on IT for basic system functionality. eMAR provides ability to dispense patient medication when the EHR system is not accessible. Super user training continues and results in improved support of the EHR (electronic health record) system.
 33. Continued work with the Finance Department and Treasurer's Office implementing a new general ledger accounting software system.



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34. The TimeStar, electronic timecard and time tracking software system configuration changes is ongoing. Staff work to adjust settings as change requests continue. PBJ reports are submitted to CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid) using TimeStar data for both the Edgewater and Norwood Facilities. PBJ mapping update work to support new job codes is complete for existing codes. CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid_ PBJ data submission location is scheduled to change in August, preparation and testing for the move will be scheduled.
35. The Register of Deeds work to upgrade AVID/Apex application scheduled for early July is complete. IT staff escorts and assists the vendor, Fidlar Technologies, with server and application updates and maintenance on a regular basis. Work to increase server security via user account permissions and port access is scheduled for early August 2026. Review and research regarding the Fidlar Tech hosted solution and backup solution is scheduled.
36. Discussions with Maintenance continue regarding space needs for the IT department. There is significant increase of technology being supported in the LEC and the increase of staff and services in other Departments within the County increases the demands on IT support as well. IT will need additional IT staff and space in order to properly support the County's expanded facilities, staff, software, hardware, systems and the increased reliance on technology. The IT Conference room now serves as our vendor staging area, network setup area, equipment storage and conference room. We have repurposed and triple purposed as much space as possible. IT needs more space to function properly.



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Reuben Van Tassel
Facilities Manager

Letter of Comments August 2026

Ongoing Projects and Planning

Courthouse – The second phase of road construction near the courthouse has begun; vehicle access to the small ADA parking lot near the main entrance and pedestrian access from the north (Baker St) parking lot to the main entrance remain open.

Design meetings for the future Market Street parking lot have begun; there are many details to consider and City guidelines to follow as we develop documents for this project.

We have started a minor refresh in some of the older Courthouse restrooms as time allows; the rooms are very dated and will benefit from a facelift. Most of the feedback from those who notice has been positive.

Contractors are continuing to monitor the Courthouse chiller as it has been struggling during some of the hot and humid days; it appears there is some work that needs to be performed when time/weather allows.

Jail Project – The security electronics contractor is still working on resolving a few issues with system integrations.

Building automation system adjustments are ongoing.

River Block – Working to replace and update lighting in multiple areas of the building and adjust light levels to better accommodate employees.

Replaced one of the air conditioning compressors that was beyond its useful life.

Miscellaneous

Attended PIT, HHS, County Board, and numerous project meetings.

Supporting Norwood and Edgewater with various project planning.

Working on 2027 budget documents, which will be reviewed at the September PIT meeting.

Working with the Sheriff's Department on access to the new facility for other law enforcement agencies within Wood County.

CWSF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Monday June 15 th, 2026 at 6:30 PM – Fair Office

513 East 17 th Street Marshfield, WI

Call to Order: Sandi Leonhard called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

Roll Call: Dale Christiansen, Gary Bymers, Brad Hamilton, Joyce Karl, Scott Karl, Kate Kohl, Dave Lang, Heather Wellach, Rob Wiskerchen, Sandi Leonhard, Richard Kranz

Not present- Nick Wayerski, Peggy Sue Behselich

Public Comments: none

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Gary Bymers, 2nd Brad Hamilton to approve minutes as presented. -unanimous approval

CWSF Financial Report: Motion by Gary Bymers, 2nd Brad Hamilton to approve financial report as presented. -unanimous approval

Executive Director's Report:

1. Tourism banquet for visit MFLD. Dave and Dale will be representing the board at this banquet.
2. Working with Saffire announcement they are joining with with Audience View. All of our team will be the same. Dale highlighted that this new joining will bring additional marketing techniques and payment systems. More to come as we learn more. Weekly meetings happening with Haley for education involvement.
3. Legion has resolved their account with the fair. Motioned moved by Dave Lang, 2nd by Brad Hamilton to approve the letter signed by all fair board members. Approving them to do food and beer at the fair this year.

Junior Fair Report: Need to follow up on March and May for city. Revote due to missed agendas. Superintendent dinner to be Aug 12th 2026 at 530 dinner 6 pm education.

Fair update: Entertainment tent finalized.

Dale's Board Follow Up Items:

Grant (CEED)- Dale went to rapids and presented to the CEED committee about the sewer project. Dale was encouraged to fill out again for 2027 budget as well. Dale to take to the City as well.

Advertising for events- Mayor's breakfast had advertisement about Born to Dairy.

Topics to be discussed:

Executive Committee Report- Presentation by Don on future planning and alignment project. Creating a common mission/vision/ goal for all involved entities (city, county, commission, association/board.)

Where are we at? Where do we want to go? How are we getting there? Business model and orientation. Delivery value to the community.

First step is looking at the 10 year plan picking one entity as a business and breaking that down. Working on Mission statement and alignment as a board with focus to come in September.

Sponsorship Report/Marketing Report- working on book release. Dale and Haley are working on a sponsorship list follow up. Book to be released in July. Strategy for marketing discussed Radio/TV/Streaming. Posters to be made for next meeting to be passed out.

Fairest of the Fair Report- Doing an amazing job out in the community.

Livestock Report- Dairy cow testing lifted. Will still encourage use of own claw at the fair.

Draft Horse Report- no new information

Building & Grounds Report- Working with Tom from Dakota Electric on some updates. Continued to work on updates and new 4 foot hood. Expo 1 building construction is happening. New lighting mapping for the animal campus. More to come on transformer steps completed. Llama pad to be extended.

Fair Park Management Report- Financial report presented. Brad Hamilton moved to approve as presented, 2nd by Joyce Karl – no further discussion unanimous approval. -Ask from City to lower mower decks due to grass being to high. This was communicated to mowing company.

Volunteer Report- volunteers coming in.

Old Business:

Born To Dairy – Event Follow Up Summary- Well attended. Good feedback. Break down of event presented.

Suggestions for improvements- Time changes. Could end earlier unless changing the vibe/environment. Increase shaded areas and picnic table areas. Advertise earlier. Setting dates now.

10 Year Plan- keep looking at this working document

New Business

Christmas Event- Nov 28th. Get advertising out there for the date. Raffle items

Agenda Item for next meetings- Date for Born to Dairy 2027- 10 year plan meeting date in September

Next Meeting is July 20th -6:30pm

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned without objection-

MEETING MINUTES
South Central Library System Board of Trustees
June 25, 2026

Present: Nancy Foth, President; Mary Nelson, Vice President; Marlee Jorgensen, Treasurer; Michael Howe, Secretary (online); Joe Bachmann (online); Richard Bloomquist; Chassitti Clark (online); Bill Clendenning; Susan Feith; Joan Fordham (online); Tayler Palkowski (online); Gary Poulson; Henry St. Maurice; Amanda Smith (online); Jordan Tilleson (online). **Administration:** Shannon Schultz, Director; Kerrie Goeden, HR & Finance Coordinator.

Excused:

Absent: Gen Carter; Jacob Wright

Recorder: Megan Doyle, Office Manager

1. Call to Order

N. Foth called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

2. Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Tana Elias and Catrina Ahlbach from Madison Public attending as proxy for G. Carter.
Introduction of Joe Bachmann who is the new trustee for Portage County.

3. Changes or Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Requests to Address the Board

None.

5. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by G. Poulson to approve the minutes of the 5/28/2026 Board of Trustees meeting.
Seconded by B. Clendenning. **Motion carried.**

6. Review of the Financial Statements

K. Goeden provided an overview the financial statements.

7. Presentation and Approval of Bills for Payment

Motion by S. Feith to approve bills for payment in the amount of \$138,494.98. Seconded by R. Bloomquist. **Motion carried unanimously.**

8. Reports

a. Committees

- i. Budget & Finance and Personnel Committees – M. Nelson shared the updates from the review on the midyear budget review that happened on June 22, 2026.
- ii. Personnel –S. Feith shared the committee met in person at 11:00 a.m. today, June 25, 2026 for the system director’s performance review.

b. Director’s Report

- i. S. Schultz shared updates from the Director’s Report. Report is available in the documents online.

9. New Business

a. Approval of the 2026 midyear budget review

- i. Motion to approve M. Nelson. Second by S. Feith. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- b. Approval of the annual performance review of the system director**
 - i. Motion to approve S. Feith. Second by M. Jorgensen. **Motion carried unanimously.**

10. Announcements and Information Sharing

- a. H. St. Maurice shared that libraries are wanting LinkCat PR to be share with the public more frequently
- b. R. Bloomquist shared it's the 15th anniversary of Fitchburg Public Library

11. Next meeting: July 23, 2026

Bill Examiner is M. Nelson, and the alternate is C. Clark. S. Schultz suggested sharing the findings of the governance review committee and further updates with the LinkCat migration updates for July meeting.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by President N. Foth at 12:41 p.m.

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