

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

December 16, 2025 – 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 Tuesday, December 16, 2025.

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

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

Supervisor Hokamp gave the invocation led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Supervisor Rozar was recognized and introduced Angela Nimsgern, Regional Director, Office of Policy and Practice Alignment with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. She highlighted the efforts of the Wood County Health Dept., and presented a plaque to Health Officer Smith on completing the Level 3 Chapter 140 testing. Very few health departments in the state are able to achieve this rating.

Multiple department heads were on hand to recognize their long term employees.

Under public comment, one member of the public spoke on historical happenings overseas as it relates to present day issues.

Referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

RESOLUTION 25-12-1

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 budget for Health Department's Public Health budget (54121) for the purpose of disbursing funds for approved Opioid Remediation applications with opioid settlement funds.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unspent opioid settlement funds. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	DEBIT	CREDIT
48900	Other Misc Revenues	\$362,414.74	
54121	Public Health		\$362,414.74

Motion by Buttke/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-12-1. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 25-12-2

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To accept offer of sale of tax deed property.

FISCAL NOTE:	Offered Amount	\$17,000.00
	R.E. Taxes	(7,478.63)
	R.E. Tax Interest	(1,660.35)
	Publication Fees	(49.00)
	<u>Tax Deed Expense</u>	<u>(125.00)</u>
	GAIN	\$7,687.02

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 25-12-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, North Central Community Action Program Board of Directors, Public Safety, Traffic Safety Commission, Civil Service Commission.

RESOLUTION 25-12-3

Introduced by: Public Safety Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To increase the Cremation Fee and Death Certificate Signature Fee in the Coroner's office

FISCAL NOTE: Approximately \$3,700 per year increase in revenues

Motion by Zurfluh/Brehm to adopt Resolution 25-12-3. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Tourism Committee & Board of Directors, Citizens Water Group, Judicial & Legislative, Criminal Justice Task Force, Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee.

RESOLUTION 25-12-4

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To adopt the Wood County, Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Plan 2026-2030

FISCAL NOTE: Allows eligibility for Wood County and cooperating municipalities to apply for state and federal cost-sharing outdoor recreation grants.

Motion by Brehm/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 25-12-4. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Property & Information Technology

RESOLUTION 25-12-5

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize the Highway Department to enter into a funding agreement for specific funding from the Marshfield Area Community Foundation, Inc. that would provide funds to purchase property.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Rozar/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-12-5. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 25-12-6

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize the Highway Commissioner to purchase the property located in the southwest corner of the intersection of CTH B & CTH BB in the Town of Lincoln (Parcel #1000484).

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Voight/Brehm to adopt Resolution 25-12-6. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Central Wisconsin State Fair Board, South Central Library System Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION 25-12-7

Introduced by: County Board of Supervisors

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

William England - 25 years – Norwood
Betty Ninneman - 30 years – Edgewater
Shannon Lobner - 30 years – Child Support
Randy Kunding - 35 years – Highway
Jennifer Garfield - 35 years – Edgewater

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-12-7. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESOLUTION 25-12-8

Introduced by: County Board of Supervisors

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Relating to the life and public service of Leroy Joosten.

Motion by Hamilton/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 25-12-8. Motion carried by voice vote. The body stood for moment of silence in memory of former Supervisor Leroy Joosten.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:15 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is January 20, 2026.

Trent Miner
County Clerk