

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

February 17, 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 Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

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, Schulz, Thao, Valenstein, Voight, and Zurfluh.

Excused was Rozar.

Chairman Pliml gave the invocation led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Hovendick/Breu to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

There were no public comments.

The referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

Chairman Pliml declared his intent on taking the first 12 resolutions with one vote. No objections heard.

RESOLUTION 26-2-1

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Treasurer (51520) budget for additional expenditures that were not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from Tax Increment Revenues. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
51520	Treasurer		\$7,500
41120	Tax Increments	\$7,500	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-1. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-2

Introduced by: Health & Human Services and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To Amend the 2026 Edgewater Administration (54219) budget to include expenditures for the CBRF architectural design which was in progress but not completed as of December 31, 2025.

FISCAL NOTE: No Cost to Wood County. The source of funding is from previously approved 2024

Edgewater Haven budget surplus.

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	DEBIT	CREDIT
54219	EW Administration		\$127,325
33900	EW Retained Earnings	\$127,325	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-2. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-3

Introduced by: Public Safety & Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Emergency Management Admin (52520) budget for additional expenditures that were not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from donations and the Legacy Foundation. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
48500	Donations	\$7,623	
48900	Other Misc. Revenue	\$358,858	
52520	Emergency Mgmt. Admin		\$366,481

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-3. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-4

Introduced by: Public Safety & Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Dispatch (52601) budget for additional expenditures that were not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated grant revenues from the Department of Military Affairs (DMA). The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
52601	Dispatch		\$363,849.94
43528	State Grants	\$363,849.94	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-4. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-5

Introduced by: Public Safety & Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To provide for unanticipated revenue from the Bureau of Traffic Safety, housed with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Division of State Patrol, to finance additional patrol for seat belt enforcement from January 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026.

FISCAL NOTE: The costs to be funded in the 2026 budget are in lines 101-2504-52140-000-115 (Traffic Police Overtime). The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
52140	Sheriff Traffic Police		\$22,000.00
43521	State Aids Traffic	\$22,000.00	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-5. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-6

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Land Water Conservation Department of Agriculture, Trade, Consumer Protection (DATCP) (56122) grant budget for additional expenditures not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of the funding is unanticipated DATCP State Aid grant revenues and use of DATCP grant fund balance. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
43586	State Aid	\$7,054.00	
34112	Fund Balance – DATCP	\$11,104.64	
56122	DATCP Grant		\$18,158.64

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-6. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-7

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Planning and Zoning Land Records (56320) budget to reflect additional expenditures funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The source of funding is American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
43300	Other Federal Grants	\$63,000	
56320	Land Records		\$63,000

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

RESOLUTION 26-2-8

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 budget for Corporation Counsel function (51320) for purpose of

funding higher than anticipated personnel costs.

FISCAL NOTE: The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from Corporation Counsel Court Fees (46140) and Corporation Counsel Local Department Charges (47413). The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
51320	Corporation Counsel		\$11,300.00
46140	Court Fees	\$6,000	
47413	Local Department Charges	\$5,300	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-8. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-9

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Register in Probate (51215) budget for additional expenditures not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from Court Fees & Costs. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
51215	Register in Probate		\$2,200
46144	Court Fees & Costs	\$2,200	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-9. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-10

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 Parks and Forestry Department Administration Budget (55210) for additional expenditures that were not anticipated during the original budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from Insurance Recoveries (48440) and County Forest Revenue (46813) revenue accounts. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
55210	Parks and Forestry Admin		\$28,335
48440	Parks Insurance Recoveries	\$22,500	
46813	County Forest Revenue	\$ 5,835	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-10. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-11

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2025 budget for the Parks & Forestry Capital Projects function (56913) for expenditures not anticipated during the 2025 budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The source of funding is unanticipated revenues from Parks State Aid (43576). The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
56913	Parks & Forestry Capital Projects		\$244,917
43576	Parks State Aid	\$244,917	

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-11. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-12

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2026 Maintenance Capital Projects (57119) budget to include expenditures for the Courthouse HVAC project that was in process but not completed on December 31, 2025.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of funding is previously approved and unspent jail contingency funds placed in the capital projects fund balance:

Function	Account Name	Debit	Credit
34113	Capital Projects Fund Bal.	\$343,205	
57119	Maintenance Capital Projects		\$343,205

Motion by Zurfluh/Hovendick to adopt Resolution 26-2-12. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, Public Safety, Civil Service Commission, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Tourism, Citizen Water Group.

RESOLUTION 26-2-13

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To request the Wisconsin Counties Association to lobby the State Legislature and Governor on Legislation for Greater Local Control for Wisconsin Counties

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Schulz/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 26-2-13. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative.

RESOLUTION 26-2-14

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative and Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To encourage the Governor of Wisconsin and the State Legislature to enact a comprehensive, sustainable transportation funding solution

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Brehm/Clendenning to adopt Resolution 26-2-14. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

Committee minutes presented: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation.

ORDINANCE 26-2-15

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend Wood County Ordinance #400, Speed Limits Ordinance, to change the speed limit on a portion of County Trunk Highway B

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Clendenning/Breu to ordain Ordinance 26-2-15. Motion carried. Voting no was Voight. Excused was Rozar.

Chairman Pliml declared his intent on taking the next 3 resolutions with one vote. No objection heard.

RESOLUTION 26-2-16

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To become eligible for maintenance monies on the existing:

- a) Wood County ATV Intensive Use Area (All-Terrain Vehicle) trail, in the designated area of T22N, R35E, S31, 32, and;
- b) The Kimball & Hazelnut Connector Trail of 5.1 miles at T22N, R5E, S32 and T21N, R4E, S18, 19, 30, 13, 24, 25, and;
- c) The Hay Creek-Peterson Road Connector Trail of 4.0 miles at T22N, R2E, S8, 17, 20, 21, and;
- d) The Range Road Connector Trail of 1.5 miles at T22N, R5E, S29, 32.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. Total reimbursement from the State Aid Registration Fund, account #43572, and for the ATV Intensive Use Area, donated services by the Central Wisconsin ATV Riders Club, account #48503.

Motion by Brehm/Voight to adopt Resolution 26-2-16. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-17

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To become eligible for snowmobile trail maintenance monies on the existing trail

on County and private lands for the 2026-2027 snowmobile year.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. Total reimbursement from the State Snowmobile Trail Aid account #43574.

Motion by Brehm/Voight to adopt Resolution 26-2-17. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

RESOLUTION 26-2-18

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To become eligible for 2026-2027 snowmobile trail maintenance monies for the proposed additional 13.64 miles of snowmobile trail for the Rudolph River Rovers Snowmobile Club.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County – Total reimbursement from State Snowmobile Trail Aid account #43574.

Motion by Brehm/Voight to adopt Resolution 26-2-18. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

Committee minutes presented: Property & Information Technology.

RESOLUTION 26-2-19

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Support Wisconsin establishing a Membership with the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) to Cover the Cost of Membership for all State, Local, Tribal and Territorial (SLTT) Organizations.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Clendenning/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 26-2-19. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Rozar.

Committee minutes presented: Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of Directors, Wood County Library Board.

RESOLUTION 26-2-20

Introduced by: Chairman Lance Pliml

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To approve the 2026 Wood County Emergency Fire Warden List

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Clendenning/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 26-2-20. Motion carried via voice vote.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 9:56 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is March 17, 2026.

Trent Miner, County Clerk