

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

June 17, 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, June 17, 2025.

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

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

Excused was Rozar. Hahn, Penzkover.

Supervisor Hamilton gave the invocation led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Clendenning/Breu to approve the following appointments: ADRC-CW Advisory Committee member - Marilyn Follen; Wood County Wildlife Area Advisory Committee – 3-year term – Mike Wipfli, Scott McAuley. Motion carried by voice vote.

There was no public comment.

There were no referrals.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

Chairman Pliml declared his intention on taking the first 2 resolutions with one vote. No objection heard.

**RESOLUTION 25-6-1**

Introduced by: Health & Human Services and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the Health Department’s 2025 budget (54121) for the purpose of disbursing 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	\$25,000	
54121	Grants & Donations		\$25,000

Motion by Buttke/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 25-6-1. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

**RESOLUTION 25-6-2**

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

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To seek County Board approval to amend the 2025 Wood County Land & Water Conservation budget for unanticipated State of Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) Surface Water Grant monies and to appropriate those monies to the Land & Water Conservation budget for expenditures.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County. The source of the funding is unanticipated revenue from a DNR Surface Water Grant. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
56121	Land & Water Cons.		\$50,000.00
43586	State Grants Surf. Water	\$50,000.00	

Motion by Buttke/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 25-6-2. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

### **RESOLUTION 25-6-3**

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To approve the transfer of tax deeded property to the City of Wisconsin Rapids.

FISCAL NOTE:       Offered Amount \$ 1.00  
                          R.E. Taxes (20,760.66)  
                          Publication Fees (19.00)  
                          Tax Deed Expense (144.00)  
                          LOSS (\$20,922.66)

Motion by Hamilton/Schulz to adopt Resolution 25-6-3. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, North Central Community Action Program Board.

### **RESOLUTION 25-6-4**

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To support the transition of a current RecoveryCorps member into a full-time Community Health Worker role focused on opioid and substance use prevention, harm reduction, and recovery support.

FISCAL NOTE: Salary and benefits will initially be supported with Opioid Task Force funding (\$75,000); thereafter future funding will be sought through diversified funding mechanisms, partnerships, and public health grants for position sustainability.

Motion by Voight/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-6-4. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

Committee minutes presented: Public Safety, Traffic Safety Commission, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Board of Directors, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Tourism.

## **RESOLUTION 25-6-5**

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

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

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to Wood County.

Motion by Schulz/Clendenning to adopt Resolution 25-6-5. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

## **RESOLUTION 25-6-6**

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To discontinue the Wood County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Communities Housing Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Rehabilitation program and that Wood County continue to participate in the Central Housing Region.

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact to Wood County.

Motion by Clendenning/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 25-6-6. Motion carried unanimously. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative, Residential Options.

## **RESOLUTION 25-6-7**

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To set the compensation of the County Board of Supervisors beginning with the new term of office commencing April 21, 2026.

FISCAL NOTE: Using 2024 data, the increase would be approximately \$45,403 but is dependent on the number of meetings attended by the County Board Supervisors.

Motion by Voight/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-6-7. Discussion followed. Motion by Buttke/Hovendick to amend Resolution 25-6-7 to increase the Administrative Coordinator salary to \$30,000. Motion to amend carried. Voting no were Schulz, Perlock, Brehm, Thao, Valenstein, and Hokamp. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover. Motion by Clendenning/Zurfluh to refer Resolution 25-6-7 back to Judicial & Legislative Committee. Motion to refer carried. Voting no were Buttke, Hovendick, Breu, Pliml, and Leichtnam. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

Committee minutes presented: Highway, Infrastructure & Recreation, Property & Information Technology.

## **RESOLUTION 25-6-8**

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize out-of-state travel for two Information Technology employees and Supervisor Brehm to attend the National Association of Counties (NACo) AI Central Regional Forum, September 17 & 18, 2025, in Hennepin County, MN.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated cost for attendance totals \$1,300, to be paid for by budgeted Information Technology funds, and the Committees/Commissions budget.

Motion by Buttke/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 25-6-8. Motion carried unanimously. Abstaining was Brehm. Excused were Rozar, Hahn, and Penzkover.

Committee minutes presented: Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of Directors, Marshfield Fairgrounds Commission, McMillan Library Board of Trustees, South Central Library System Board of Trustees.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:13 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is July 22, 2025.

Katie DeKleyn  
Chief Deputy County Clerk