

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
January 21, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

The Wood County Board of Supervisors composed of nineteen members convened in the new Wood County Boardroom at the Courthouse in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on Tuesday, January 21, 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 Zurfluh 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 Rozar/Schulz to approve the following appointment:

Board of Adjustments – term ending July 1, 2027 – Denise Sonnemann

Three members of the public spoke on the need for safety improvements at the intersection of USH 10 and STH 186, which has been the scene of several accidents and fatalities since the reconfigured USH 10 was opened over a decade ago.

Referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations, Public Safety, Traffic Safety Commission.

RESOLUTION 25-1-1

Introduced by: Public Safety Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To recommend the Department of Transportation to improve safety measures at the intersection of US HWY 10 at STH 186, to include but not limited to an overpass.

FISCAL NOTE: None

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

Committee minutes presented: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, Land Information Council.

RESOLUTION 25-1-2

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

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

FISCAL NOTE: NONE

Motion by Leichtnam/Breu to adopt Resolution 25-1-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative, Highway Infrastructure & Recreation.

By unanimous consent, Item 6-1 was pulled from consideration.

RESOLUTION 25-1-3

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To grant an increase in the Highway Commissioner's compensation from a step 7 to step 8 effective January 1, 2025.

FISCAL NOTE: Wages: \$3,120
Fringe: \$1,900
Total: \$5,020

Motion by Breu/Brehm to adopt Resolution 25-1-3. Motion carried. Voting no were Rozar and Valenstein.

RESOLUTION 25-1-4

Introduced by: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Approval of the 2025 Wood County Forest Annual Work Plan.

FISCAL NOTE: Potential loss of State Aid Revenues of \$57,088.16

Motion by Zurfluh/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 25-1-4. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Property & Information Technology, Fairgrounds Commission, Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of Directors, South Central Library Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION 25-1-5

Introduced by: Chairman Lance Pliml

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To approve the 2025 Wood County Emergency Fire Warden List

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Hamilton/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 25-1-5. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 25-1-6

Introduced by: Wood County Board of Supervisors

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Relating to the life and public service of Larry Vieregge

Motion by Hamilton/Rozar to adopt Resolution 25-1-6. Motion carried by voice vote. The board stood in a moment of silence in memory of former County Board Supervisor Larry Vieregge.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:19 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is February 18, 2025.

Trent Miner
County Clerk