

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

August 19, 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, August 19, 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, and Voight.

Excused was Zurfluh.

Supervisor Rozar gave the invocation led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There was no public comment.

There were no referrals.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

RESOLUTION 25-8-1

Introduced by: Public Safety and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To accept WI DOJ COSSUP grant funding totaling \$350,000 and create a Coordinated Response Specialist position. (1.0 FTE)

FISCAL NOTE: 2025 and 2026 will be entirely funded by grant. One half of 2027 will be funded by the grant but would require \$83,077.75 County budgeted funds to continue the position and contracted services.

Motion by Hamilton/Schulz to adopt Resolution 25-8-1. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Zurfluh.

RESOLUTION 25-8-2

Introduced by: Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Resolution authorizing the issuance and establishing parameters for the sale of not to exceed \$4,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes.

Motion by Clendenning/Voight to adopt Resolution 25-8-2. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Zurfluh.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, North Central Community Action Program Board of Directors, Public Safety, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, North Central Wisconsin Tourism Partnership Tourism Committee, Land Information Council.

RESOLUTION 25-8-3

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To designate the Citizens Water Group of Wood County as an advisory subcommittee of the Wood County Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee.

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact to Wood County.

Motion by Leichtnam/Schulz to adopt Resolution 25-8-3. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Zurfluh.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative.

RESOLUTION 25-8-4

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To delegate the authority to enter into Settlement Agreements with Opioid Defendants.

FISCAL NOTE: Wood County is projected to receive approximately \$1.57 million from initial Opioid Settlements through 2038.

Motion by Hamilton/Schulz to adopt Resolution 25-8-4. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Zurfluh.

Committee minutes presented: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation, Property & Information Technology, Junior Fair Board, McMillan Library Board of Trustees, South Central Library Board of Trustees.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS PARKS & FORESTRY ANNUAL REPORT

Parks & Forestry Director Schooley presented the 2024 Annual Report for his department, highlighting the construction projects completed, and various statistics tracked for previous year comparison.

Motion by Valenstein/Leichtnam to go into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85 (1)(e) to review the proposed development agreement with the City of Wisconsin Rapids. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rozar/Schulz to return to open session.

RESOLUTION 25-8-5

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize entry into the attached Agreement with the City of Wisconsin Rapids to provide for improved accessibility to the Courthouse.

FISCAL NOTE: The final cost of the improved accessibility is yet to be determined, decisions on how to fund the project will be decided by the County Board.

Motion by Hamilton/Brehm to adopt Resolution 25-8-5. Motion carried unanimously. Excused was Zurfluh.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:53 AM. Next scheduled county board meeting is September 16, 2025.

Trent Miner
County Clerk