



BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.

Barron County Government Center – Veterans Memorial Auditorium
335 East Monroe Avenue – Barron, Wisconsin 54812

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Live streaming of the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m.

AMENDED AGENDA

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19. Report from County Administrator
 - a. Final SPWG Document
20. Appointments
 - a. **Chetek Public Library - Appoint Barb Ryan**
21. Claims, Petitions & Correspondence
22. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items
23. Petition for Judicial Review of Public Service Commission's Decision Regarding Maple Grove Solar
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County Administrator's Update
CA French
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#3. Special Matters and Announcements:
Sheriff Fitzgerald

#8. Resolution Issuance of G.O. Debt \$4,950,000.00

The bidding for this issuance will be completed on Monday April 14th at noon therefore, I do not have the bid results and/or the interest rate(s). However I can share that our Standard and Poor's bond rating remained AA with a Stable Outlook, which is good, and no surprise. Mr. Lentz will be at the meeting to explain all of the necessary details. Three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$'s) affirmative vote is required for passage.

#9. Resolution Authorizing Market and Johnson Contract for Construction of Secure Sally Port:

This resolution provides for County Board approval for the awarding of the construction contract to Market and Johnson. I want to point out this is the General Contractor the Law Enforcement Committee approved to complete this project as they were the lowest bidder. This resolution must come after the Bond Sale Approval Resolution, (Agenda item #8). A $\frac{3}{4}$ 'rds vote is required for passage.

#9. Resolution Final Budget Adjustments 2024 Budget Year:

Jodi has prepared the annual reconciliation which details those accounts in an overdraft situation. (\$40,492.00/\$22,902,502), represents a .18% budget variance. Generally speaking for a governmental fund a variance of 1% to 3% is considered acceptable. Meaning we are well within the acceptable limits. A $\frac{3}{4}$ 'rds vote is required for passage.

#10. Appropriation \$64,650.78 Deputy County Clerk:

This request is to appropriate the money so the Clerk may employ an 1 Fte. This is not a new position. We have been fortunate that Deputy C.Clerk Cook has been working part-time and due to her vast knowledge and experience we have not had to employ a full time position with benefits for the past several years. The amount listed on the Agenda is "full-package", estimate, i.e. family health insurance, Wis. retirement, S.S., W.C., etc.

There are three aspects of this decision that must be expressed.

#1. The County Board controls the check book.

- #2. The Clerk must complete her Constitutional duties
- #3. The County Administrator plans/prepares and implements the annual budget.
The three must work in harmony.

Agenda items #12., and #13., are self-explanatory based upon the County Board action(s) of March 17th.

#14. Work Zone Awareness Resolution:

This is an annual Resolution recognizing Work Zone Safety for Hwy Personnel. This Resolution has the support of the Hwy Committee and Executive Committee's respectively.

#15. Resolution - Supporting Direct Primary Care Access:

The purpose of this advisory Resolution is to enhance the payment options for those individuals using a Health Savings Account. Specifically, allowing an HSA Account holder to pay for Direct Primary Care Access, DPCA, from their HSA account. Currently the IRS has ruled that an HSA expenditure may not be used for DPCA. The purpose of this proposed Federal Legislation would change that ruling and allow DPCA from an HSA account. My research indicates this legislation has been approved from the appropriate House Committee beginning in 2015 and was approved for passage by the House Ways and Means Committee.

#16. Ordinance Amending P&R Ordinance to Allow ATV's and UTV's:

This Resolution allows ATV's and UTV's to lawfully operate in County Parks and this Resolution has the support of the Property Committee.

#17. Ordinance Changes - Taxation Section 50 of B/C Code or Ordinances

These changes are necessary to keep us in compliance with Wisconsin law changes and to incorporate all of the changes over the past several years into one package.

Mr. Muench can answer any questions.

#18. ARPA Expenditures:

Included in the packet and Jodi Busch can answer any questions Board may have.

#13. Report from County Administrator:

A. Final Strategic Planning Work Group Documents:

These documents are included in the packet for your review.

#20. Appointments:

None at this time.

#21. Claims, Petitions, Correspondence:

Mr. Muench or Clerk Hodek will address this matter.

#22. Future Agenda Items:

Closed Session for possible, changes to Self-Funded Health Insurance Plan for 2026,
Tim Deaton from Horton Group to be present and discuss details with the County Board.

**#23. Petition for Judicial Review - Public Service Commission Decision Regarding
Maple Grove Solar:**

Based on the information I have received as of April 8th, a Closed Session is necessary.
Mr. Muech can address specific questions with the Board on April 15th.

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MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025 – 9:00 AM

BARRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – AUDITORIUM
335 EAST MONROE AVENUE - BARRON, WISCONSIN 54812

MINUTES

PRESENT IN PERSON: Bob Anderson, Patti Anderson, John Banks, Karolyn Bartlett, Randy Cook Sr, Bill Effertz, Pam Fall, Craig Fowler, Jim Gores, Bun Hanson, Dana Heller, Dennis Jenkins, Amanda Kohnen (Departed at 11:00AM), Kathy Krug, Audrey Kusilek, Fran Langman, Jamie McCready (Departed at 11:00AM), Carol Moen, Roberta Mosentine, Gary Nelson, Bob Rogers, Pete Schneider, Marv Thompson, Craig Turcott and Diane Vaughn.

ATTENDING VIRTUALLY: Louie Okey (Departed at 11:00AM), Pete Olson and Stacey Wenzel.

ABSENT: Bill Schradle.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Bartlett called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

ROLL CALL – PUBLIC NOTIFICATION: County Clerk Hodek took attendance and County Administrator French stated the County's compliance with open meeting laws.

INVOCATION: Led by Pastor Paul Poppe from the Faith Baptist Church located in Chetek.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

SPECIAL MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (NON-ACTION ITEMS): None at this time.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion: (Cook/Kusilek) to approve. Carried with 28 Yes and 1 Absent (Schradle).

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2025: Motion: (Heller/Thompson) to approve. Carried with 28 Yes and 1 Absent (Schradle).

PUBLIC COMMENT: Paul Poppe - 1146 Dallas Street in Chetek, spoke regarding the recent 980 Sex Offender Placement, funding of future County projects and the City of Chetek Police Department. Dennis Roshell – 1228 18th Street in Barron, spoke regarding the recent 980 Sex Offender Placement and the potential Secure Sally Port Expansion Project. Supervisor P. Anderson spoke regarding the two year anniversary of Lona's Senior Dining Café in Haugen.

2025-7 RESOLUTION – INITIAL RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,300,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2025A: Motion: (Moen/Hanson) to approve. Discussion. **Motion: (Cook/Vaughn)** to amend the main motion to read “not to exceed \$4,950,000.00.” Discussion. Carried with 16 Yes, 11 No (P. Anderson, Banks, Bartlett, Gores, Hanson, Heller, Moen, Okey, Olson, Thompson & Turcott) and 1 Abstain (McCready). Discussion. Main Motion carried as amended with 26 Yes, 2 No (Hanson & Thompson) and 1 Absent (Schradle).

2025-8 RESOLUTION – URGING GOVERNOR EVERS AND THE WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT COUNTY COURTS: Motion: (Heller/Langman) to approve. Supervisor Kohnen requested the typo from line 24 of the resolution be changed from “not” to “now.” Discussion. Carried with 28 Yes and 1 Absent (Schradle).

WISCONSIN COUNTY ASSOCIATION (WCA) PRESENTATION – MARK O'CONNELL, PRESIDENT & CEO: President O'Connell spoke on various topics including the Legislative Agenda, mental health issues, FOIA requests in regards to video in the Sheriff's Department, the State's budget and also answered questions from the Board.

2025-9 RESOLUTION – TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH RICE LAKE AREA SCHOOLS FOR BUILDINGS LOCATED AT UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN EAU CLAIRE – BARRON COUNTY:

Administrator French requested Item 3F struck from the lease. **Motion: (Rogers/Gores)** to approve with removing Item 3F. Discussion. **Motion: (Vaughn/Kohnen)** to amend by striking the last sentence from item 5D from the contract. Discussion. Corporation Counsel Muench and Rice Lake Area Schools Superintendent Drost provided opinions and answered questions from the Board. Amendment carried with 19 Yes, 9 No (P. Anderson, Banks, Gores, Moen, Mosentine, Rogers, Schneider, Thompson & Wenzel) and 1 Absent (Schradle). Discussion. Rice Lake Area Schools Superintendent Drost also answered further questions from the Board. **Motion: (Cook/Langman)** to add a 180 day exit clause that the County can enact, for any reason, to the lease. Discussion. Failed with 17 No, 11 Yes (Cook, Effertz, Kohnen, Krug, Kusilek, Langman, McCready, Mosentine, Nelson, Vaughn & Wenzel) and 1 Absent (Schradle). Discussion. Main motion carried with 25 Yes, 2 No (Kohnen & Krug), 1 Abstain (Cook) and 1 Absent (Schradle).

Supervisor Kohnen, Supervisor McCready and Chair Okey left the meeting at 11:00AM.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) EXPENDITURES: Information was included in the packet.

REPORT FROM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

- A. SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL 3029:** This bill allows direct care payments from an individual's HSA and Administrator French plans to draft a resolution of support for April's County Board meeting.
- B. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR BROTEN PROPERTY:** BCEDC Director Armstrong supports cleaning up the property to allow it back on the tax roll.
- C. SIGNAGE FOR BIKE & PEDESTRIAN ROUTE:** At the request of Supervisor Turcott, the remaining dollars from the planning process will be used for the signage.
- D. WCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE – BREAKOUT SESSION REQUEST:** Administrator French submitted two requests which include the importance of Fund Balance and for State Statute 980 in regards to the Civil Placements for violent sex offenders being placed in the County of record.
- E. 2024 COUNTY BOARD PER DIEM REPORT:** Information was included in the packet.
- F. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4 DAY – 10 HOUR WORK WEEK:** The Executive Committee approved this new schedule as a permanent change for all seasons for all Highway employees.
- G. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UTILITY COST ANALYSIS:** Information was included in the packet.

APPOINTMENTS:

- A. SECURE SALLY PORT FINANCE & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: Motion: (Heller/Rogers)** to appoint P. Anderson, Okey, Olson, Schneider & Turcott. Carried with 24 Yes, 4 Absent (Kohnen, McCready, Okey & Schradle) and 1 No (Kusilek).

CLAIMS, PETITIONS & CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Approval of Borrowings for Secure Sally Port Expansion and New Roofs at UW Eau Claire-Barron County
- 2. Ordinance Changes to ATV/UTV Trails in County Parks
- 3. Resolution – Supporting House Bill 3029

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 9:00AM at the Government Center located in Barron.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 11:04AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Hodek, County Clerk

MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD AT THE NEXT MEETING.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE SALE OF \$4,950,000
GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS,
SERIES 2025A

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2025, the County Board of Supervisors of Barron County, Wisconsin (the "County") adopted initial resolutions by a vote of three-fourths of the members-elect (collectively, the "Initial Resolutions") authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in the following amount for the following purposes: (1) \$2,315,000 for public purposes, including paying the cost of the Sally Port Project at the County Justice Center (the "Project") and (2) \$2,635,000 for paying the cost of refunding the General Obligation Promissory Note, dated October 22, 2024 (the "Refunded Obligations") (the "Refunding");

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that the Project is within the County's power to undertake and therefore serves a "public purpose" as that term is defined in Section 67.04(1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors deems it to be necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to refund the Refunded Obligations for the purpose of providing permanent financing for the projects financed by the Refunded Obligations;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that the general obligation bond issues authorized by the Initial Resolutions be combined, issued and sold as a single issue of bonds issued pursuant to Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, (the "Bonds") for the purpose of paying the cost of the Project and the Refunding;

WHEREAS, none of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used to fund the operating expenses of the general fund of the County or to fund the operating expenses of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes;

WHEREAS, the County has directed Ehlers & Associates, Inc. ("Ehlers") to take the steps necessary to sell the Bonds to pay the cost of the Project and the Refunding;

WHEREAS, Ehlers, in consultation with the officials of the County, prepared a Notice of Sale (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference) setting forth the details of and the bid requirements for the Bonds and indicating that the Bonds would be offered for public sale on April 14, 2025 with the award of the Bonds to occur on April 15, 2025;

WHEREAS, the County Clerk (in consultation with Ehlers) caused a form of notice of the sale to be published and/or announced and caused the Notice of Sale to be distributed to potential bidders offering the Bonds for public sale on April 14, 2025;

WHEREAS, the County has duly received bids for the Bonds as described on the Bid Tabulation attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Bid Tabulation");

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the bid proposal (the "Proposal") submitted by the financial institution listed first on the Bid Tabulation fully complies with the bid requirements set forth in the Notice of Sale and is deemed to be the most advantageous to the County. Ehlers has recommended that the County accept the Proposal. A copy of said Proposal submitted by such institution (the "Purchaser") is attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors now deems it necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County that the Bonds be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$ _____ for the following purposes and in the following amounts: \$ _____ for the Project and \$ _____ for the Refunding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors of the County that:

Section 1. Ratification of the Notice of Sale and Offering Materials. The County Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies and approves the details of the Bonds set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto as and for the details of the Bonds. The Notice of Sale and any other offering materials prepared and circulated by Ehlers are hereby ratified and approved in all respects. All actions taken by officers of the County and Ehlers in connection with the preparation and distribution of the Notice of Sale, and any other offering materials are hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

Section 1A. Authorization and Award of the Bonds. For the purpose of paying the cost of the Project and the Refunding, there shall be borrowed pursuant to Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, the principal sum of FOUR MILLION NINE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,950,000) from the Purchaser in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Proposal. The Proposal of the Purchaser offering to purchase the Bonds for the sum set forth on the Proposal, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery, resulting in a true interest cost as set forth on the Proposal, is hereby accepted. The Chairperson and County Clerk or other appropriate officers of the County are authorized and directed to execute an acceptance of the Proposal on behalf of the County. The good faith deposit of the Purchaser shall be applied in accordance with the Notice of Sale, and any good faith deposits submitted by unsuccessful bidders shall be promptly returned. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rates set forth on the Proposal.

Section 2. Terms of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be designated "General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2025A"; shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,950,000; shall be dated May 6, 2025; shall be in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; shall be numbered R-1 and upward; and shall bear interest at the rates per annum and mature on the dates and in the principal amounts as set forth on the Pricing Summary attached hereto as Exhibit D-1 and incorporated herein by this reference. Interest shall be payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1 of each year commencing on April 1, 2026.

Interest shall be computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The schedule of principal and interest payments due on the Bonds is set forth on the Debt Service Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit D-2 and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Schedule").

Section 2A. Designation of Maturities. For purposes of State law, the Bonds of the earliest maturities are designated as being issued for the Refunding, so that the Bonds of the earliest maturities are considered to be issued to discharge the debts which were incurred first. The balance of the Bonds are designated as being issued to finance the Project.

Section 3. Redemption Provisions. The Bonds maturing on October 1, 2034 and thereafter shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on October 1, 2033 or on any date thereafter. Said Bonds shall be redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County, and within each maturity by lot, at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

[The Proposal specifies that [some of] the Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption. The terms of such mandatory redemption are set forth on an attachment hereto as Exhibit MRP and incorporated herein by this reference. Upon the optional redemption of any of the Bonds subject to mandatory redemption, the principal amount of such Bonds so redeemed shall be credited against the mandatory redemption payments established in Exhibit MRP for such Bonds in such manner as the County shall direct.]

Section 4. Form of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued in registered form and shall be executed and delivered in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit E and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 5. Tax Provisions

(A) Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged, and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property of the County a direct annual irrepealable tax in the years 2025 through 2044 for the payments due in the years 2026 through 2045 in the amounts set forth on the Schedule.

(B) Tax Collection. So long as any part of the principal of or interest on the Bonds remains unpaid, the County shall be and continue without power to repeal such levy or obstruct the collection of said tax until all such payments have been made or provided for. After the issuance of the Bonds, said tax shall be, from year to year, carried onto the tax roll of the County and collected in addition to all other taxes and in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the County for said years are collected, except that the amount of tax carried onto the tax roll may be reduced in any year by the amount of any surplus money in the Debt Service Fund Account created below.

(C) Additional Funds. If at any time there shall be on hand insufficient funds from the aforesaid tax levy to meet principal and/or interest payments on said Bonds when due, the requisite amounts shall be paid from other funds of the County then available, which sums shall be replaced upon the collection of the taxes herein levied.

Section 6. Segregated Debt Service Fund Account.

(A) Creation and Deposits. There shall be and there hereby is established in the treasury of the County, if one has not already been created, a debt service fund, separate and distinct from every other fund, which shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Debt service or sinking funds established for obligations previously issued by the County may be considered as separate and distinct accounts within the debt service fund.

Within the debt service fund, there hereby is established a separate and distinct account designated as the "Debt Service Fund Account for General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2025A" (the "Debt Service Fund Account") and such account shall be maintained until the indebtedness evidenced by the Bonds is fully paid or otherwise extinguished. There shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund Account (i) all accrued interest received by the County at the time of delivery of and payment for the Bonds; (ii) any premium not used for the Refunding which may be received by the County above the par value of the Bonds and accrued interest thereon; (iii) all money raised by the taxes herein levied and any amounts appropriated for the specific purpose of meeting principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (iv) such other sums as may be necessary at any time to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (v) surplus monies in the Borrowed Money Fund as specified below; and (vi) such further deposits as may be required by Section 67.11, Wisconsin Statutes.

(B) Use and Investment. No money shall be withdrawn from the Debt Service Fund Account and appropriated for any purpose other than the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds until all such principal and interest has been paid in full and the Bonds canceled; provided (i) the funds to provide for each payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds prior to the scheduled receipt of taxes from the next succeeding tax collection may be invested in direct obligations of the United States of America maturing in time to make such payments when they are due or in other investments permitted by law; and (ii) any funds over and above the amount of such principal and interest payments on the Bonds may be used to reduce the next succeeding tax levy, or may, at the option of the County, be invested by purchasing the Bonds as permitted by and subject to Section 67.11(2)(a), Wisconsin Statutes, or in permitted municipal investments under the pertinent provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes ("Permitted Investments"), which investments shall continue to be a part of the Debt Service Fund Account. Any investment of the Debt Service Fund Account shall at all times conform with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and any applicable Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations").

(C) Remaining Monies. When all of the Bonds have been paid in full and canceled, and all Permitted Investments disposed of, any money remaining in the Debt Service Fund Account shall be transferred and deposited in the general fund of the County, unless the County Board of Supervisors directs otherwise.

Section 7. Proceeds of the Bonds; Segregated Borrowed Money Fund. The proceeds of the Bonds (the "Bond Proceeds") (other than any premium not used for the Refunding and accrued interest which must be paid at the time of the delivery of the Bonds into the Debt Service Fund Account created above) shall be deposited into a special fund (the "Borrowed Money Fund") separate and distinct from all other funds of the County and disbursed solely for the purpose or purposes for which borrowed. In no event shall monies in the Borrowed Money Fund be used to fund operating expenses of the general fund of the County or of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes. Monies in the Borrowed Money Fund may be temporarily invested in Permitted Investments. Any monies, including any income from Permitted Investments, remaining in the Borrowed Money Fund after the purpose or purposes for which the Bonds have been issued have been accomplished, and, at any time, any monies as are not needed and which obviously thereafter cannot be needed for such purpose(s) shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund Account.

Section 8. No Arbitrage. All investments made pursuant to this Resolution shall be Permitted Investments, but no such investment shall be made in such a manner as would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code or the Regulations and an officer of the County, charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall certify as to facts, estimates, circumstances and reasonable expectations in existence on the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser which will permit the conclusion that the Bonds are not "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Code or Regulations.

Section 9. Compliance with Federal Tax Laws. (a) The County represents and covenants that the projects financed by the Bonds and by the Refunded Obligations and the ownership, management and use of the projects will not cause the Bonds or the Refunded Obligations to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code. The County further covenants that it shall comply with the provisions of the Code to the extent necessary to maintain the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds including, if applicable, the rebate requirements of Section 148(f) of the Code. The County further covenants that it will not take any action, omit to take any action or permit the taking or omission of any action within its control (including, without limitation, making or permitting any use of the proceeds of the Bonds) if taking, permitting or omitting to take such action would cause any of the Bonds to be an arbitrage bond or a private activity bond within the meaning of the Code or would otherwise cause interest on the Bonds to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes. The County Clerk or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility of issuing the Bonds shall provide an appropriate certificate of the County certifying that the County can and covenanting that it will comply with the provisions of the Code and Regulations.

(b) The County also covenants to use its best efforts to meet the requirements and restrictions of any different or additional federal legislation which may be made applicable to the Bonds provided that in meeting such requirements the County will do so only to the extent consistent with the proceedings authorizing the Bonds and the laws of the State of Wisconsin and to the extent that there is a reasonable period of time in which to comply.

Section 10. Designation as Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. The Bonds are hereby designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265 of the Code, relating to the ability of financial institutions to deduct from income for federal income tax purposes, interest expense that is allocable to carrying and acquiring tax-exempt obligations.

Section 11. Execution of the Bonds; Closing; Professional Services. The Bonds shall be issued in printed form, executed on behalf of the County by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Chairperson and County Clerk, authenticated, if required, by the Fiscal Agent (defined below), sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, or a facsimile thereof, and delivered to the Purchaser upon payment to the County of the purchase price thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery (the "Closing"). The facsimile signature of either of the officers executing the Bonds may be imprinted on the Bonds in lieu of the manual signature of the officer but, unless the County has contracted with a fiscal agent to authenticate the Bonds, at least one of the signatures appearing on each Bond shall be a manual signature. In the event that either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officers before the Closing, such signatures shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if they had remained in office until the Closing. The aforesaid officers are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and execute and deliver the Bonds and all such documents, certificates and acknowledgements as may be necessary and convenient to effectuate the Closing. The County hereby authorizes the officers and agents of the County to enter into, on its behalf, agreements and contracts in conjunction with the Bonds, including but not limited to agreements and contracts for legal, trust, fiscal agency, disclosure and continuing disclosure, and rebate calculation services. Any such contract heretofore entered into in conjunction with the issuance of the Bonds is hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

Section 12. Payment of the Bonds; Fiscal Agent. The principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be paid by Bond Trust Services Corporation, Roseville, Minnesota, which is hereby appointed as the County's registrar and fiscal agent pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.10(2), Wisconsin Statutes (the "Fiscal Agent"). The County hereby authorizes the Chairperson and County Clerk or other appropriate officers of the County to enter into a Fiscal Agency Agreement between the County and the Fiscal Agent. Such contract may provide, among other things, for the performance by the Fiscal Agent of the functions listed in Wis. Stats. Sec. 67.10(2)(a) to (j), where applicable, with respect to the Bonds.

Section 13. Persons Treated as Owners; Transfer of Bonds. The County shall cause books for the registration and for the transfer of the Bonds to be kept by the Fiscal Agent. The person in whose name any Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes and payment of either principal or interest on any Bond shall be made only to the registered owner thereof. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Any Bond may be transferred by the registered owner thereof by surrender of the Bond at the office of the Fiscal Agent, duly endorsed for the transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Upon such transfer, the Chairperson and County Clerk shall execute and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Bond or Bonds of a like aggregate principal amount, series and maturity and the Fiscal Agent shall record the name of each transferee in the registration book. No registration shall be made to bearer. The Fiscal Agent shall cancel any Bond surrendered for transfer.

The County shall cooperate in any such transfer, and the Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to execute any new Bond or Bonds necessary to effect any such transfer.

Section 14. Record Date. The 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date shall be the record date for the Bonds (the "Record Date"). Payment of interest on the Bonds on any interest payment date shall be made to the registered owners of the Bonds as they appear on the registration book of the County at the close of business on the Record Date.

Section 15. Utilization of The Depository Trust Company Book-Entry-Only System. In order to make the Bonds eligible for the services provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the County agrees to the applicable provisions set forth in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations, which the County Clerk or other authorized representative of the County is authorized and directed to execute and deliver to DTC on behalf of the County to the extent an effective Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations is not presently on file in the County Clerk's office.

Section 16. Payment of Issuance Expenses. The County authorizes the Purchaser to forward the amount of the proceeds of the Bonds allocable to the payment of issuance expenses to a financial institution selected by Ehlers at Closing for further distribution as directed by Ehlers.

Section 17. Official Statement. The County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds and deems the Preliminary Official Statement as "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"). All actions taken by officers of the County in connection with the preparation of such Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda to it or final Official Statement are hereby ratified and approved. In connection with the Closing, the appropriate County official shall certify the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or final Official Statement. The County Clerk shall cause copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or final Official Statement to be distributed to the Purchaser.

Section 18. Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure. The County hereby covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds, to enter into a written undertaking (the "Undertaking") if required by the Rule to provide continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data and timely notices of the occurrence of certain events in accordance with the Rule. The Undertaking shall be enforceable by the owners of the

Bonds or by the Purchaser on behalf of such owners (provided that the rights of the owners and the Purchaser to enforce the Undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the obligations thereunder and any failure by the County to comply with the provisions of the Undertaking shall not be an event of default with respect to the Bonds).

To the extent required under the Rule, the Chairperson and County Clerk, or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall provide a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the details and terms of the County's Undertaking.

Section 19. Redemption of the Refunded Obligations. The Refunded Obligations are hereby called for prior payment and redemption on May 9, 2025 or as soon as administratively possible thereafter at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The County hereby directs the County Clerk to take all actions necessary for the redemption of the Refunded Obligations on their redemption date. Any and all actions heretofore taken by the officers and agents of the County to effectuate such redemption are hereby ratified and approved.

Section 20. Record Book. The County Clerk shall provide and keep the transcript of proceedings as a separate record book (the "Record Book") and shall record a full and correct statement of every step or proceeding had or taken in the course of authorizing and issuing the Bonds in the Record Book.

Section 21. Bond Insurance. If the Purchaser determines to obtain municipal bond insurance with respect to the Bonds, the officers of the County are authorized to take all actions necessary to obtain such municipal bond insurance. The Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to agree to such additional provisions as the bond insurer may reasonably request and which are acceptable to the Chairperson and County Clerk including provisions regarding restrictions on investment of Bond proceeds, the payment procedure under the municipal bond insurance policy, the rights of the bond insurer in the event of default and payment of the Bonds by the bond insurer and notices to be given to the bond insurer. In addition, any reference required by the bond insurer to the municipal bond insurance policy shall be made in the form of Bond provided herein.

Section 22. Conflicting Resolutions; Severability; Effective Date. All prior resolutions, rules or other actions of the County Board of Supervisors or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions hereof shall be, and the same are, hereby rescinded insofar as the same may so conflict. In the event that any one or more provisions hereof shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions hereof. The foregoing shall take effect immediately upon adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

Adopted, approved and recorded April 15, 2025.

Louie Okey
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Jessica Hodek
County Clerk

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

Notice of Sale

To be provided by Ehlers & Associates, Inc. and incorporated into the Resolution.

(See Attached)

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EXHIBIT B

Bid Tabulation

To be provided by Ehlers & Associates, Inc. and incorporated into the Resolution.

(See Attached)

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EXHIBIT C

Proposal

To be provided by Ehlers & Associates, Inc. and incorporated into the Resolution.

(See Attached)

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EXHIBIT D-1

Pricing Summary

To be provided by Ehlers & Associates, Inc. and incorporated into the Resolution.

(See Attached)

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EXHIBIT D-2

Debt Service Schedule and Irrepealable Tax Levies

To be provided by Ehlers & Associates, Inc. and incorporated into the Resolution.

(See Attached)

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[EXHIBIT MRP

Mandatory Redemption Provision

The Bonds due on _____ 1, _____, _____ and _____ (the "Term Bonds") are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity by lot (as selected by the Depository) at a redemption price equal to One Hundred Percent (100%) of the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, from debt service fund deposits which are required to be made in amounts sufficient to redeem on the dates specified below, the respective amount of Term Bonds specified below:

For the Term Bonds Maturing on [] 1, _____

Redemption
Date

Amount

\$ _____

_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on [] 1, _____

Redemption
Date

Amount

\$ _____

_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on [] 1, _____

Redemption
Date

Amount

\$ _____

_____ (maturity)

For the Term Bonds Maturing on [] 1, _____

Redemption
Date

Amount

\$ _____

_____ (maturity)]

EXHIBIT E

(Form of Bond)

REGISTERED
NO. R- _____ UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF WISCONSIN
BARRON COUNTY DOLLARS
\$ _____
GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BOND, SERIES 2025A

MATURITY DATE: ORIGINAL DATE OF ISSUE: INTEREST RATE: CUSIP:
_____, _____ May 6, 2025 _____ % _____

DEPOSITORY OR ITS NOMINEE NAME: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: _____ THOUSAND DOLLARS
(\$ _____)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Barron County, Wisconsin (the "County"), hereby acknowledges itself to owe and promises to pay to the Depository or its Nominee Name (the "Depository") identified above (or to registered assigns), on the maturity date identified above, the principal amount identified above, and to pay interest thereon at the rate of interest per annum identified above, all subject to the provisions set forth herein regarding redemption prior to maturity. Interest shall be payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1 of each year commencing on April 1, 2026 until the aforesaid principal amount is paid in full. Both the principal of and interest on this Bond are payable to the registered owner in lawful money of the United States. Interest payable on any interest payment date shall be paid by wire transfer to the Depository in whose name this Bond is registered on the Bond Register maintained by Bond Trust Services Corporation, Roseville, Minnesota (the "Fiscal Agent") or any successor thereto at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"). This Bond is payable as to principal upon presentation and surrender hereof at the office of the Fiscal Agent.

For the prompt payment of this Bond together with interest hereon as aforesaid and for the levy of taxes sufficient for that purpose, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged.

This Bond is one of an issue of Bonds aggregating the principal amount of \$ _____, all of which are of like tenor, except as to denomination, interest rate, maturity date and redemption provision, issued by the County pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, for the following public purposes in the following amounts: the Sally Port Project at the County Justice Center (\$ _____) and current refunding the General Obligation Promissory Note, dated October 22, 2024 (\$ _____), as authorized by resolutions adopted on

March 17, 2025 and April 15, 2025 (collectively, the "Resolutions"). Said Resolutions are recorded in the official minutes of the County Board of Supervisors for said dates.

The Bonds maturing on October 1, 2034 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on October 1, 2033 or on any date thereafter. Said Bonds are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County, and within each maturity by lot (as selected by the Depository), at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

[The Bonds maturing in the years _____ are subject to mandatory redemption by lot as provided in the Resolutions referred to above, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption and without premium.]

In the event the Bonds are redeemed prior to maturity, as long as the Bonds are in book-entry-only form, official notice of the redemption will be given by mailing a notice by registered or certified mail, overnight express delivery, facsimile transmission, electronic transmission or in any other manner required by the Depository, to the Depository not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date. If less than all of the Bonds of a maturity are to be called for redemption, the Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed will be selected by lot. Such notice will include but not be limited to the following: the designation, date and maturities of the Bonds called for redemption, CUSIP numbers, and the date of redemption. Any notice provided as described herein shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the registered owner receives the notice. The Bonds shall cease to bear interest on the specified redemption date provided that federal or other immediately available funds sufficient for such redemption are on deposit at the office of the Depository at that time. Upon such deposit of funds for redemption the Bonds shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, things and acts required by law to exist or to be done prior to and in connection with the issuance of this Bond have been done, have existed and have been performed in due form and time; that the aggregate indebtedness of the County, including this Bond and others issued simultaneously herewith, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law or the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin; and that a direct annual irrepealable tax has been levied sufficient to pay this Bond, together with the interest thereon, when and as payable.

This Bond has been designated by the County Board of Supervisors as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to the provisions of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

This Bond is transferable only upon the books of the County kept for that purpose at the office of the Fiscal Agent, only in the event that the Depository does not continue to act as depository for the Bonds, and the County appoints another depository, upon surrender of the Bond to the Fiscal Agent, by the registered owner in person or his duly authorized attorney,

together with a written instrument of transfer (which may be endorsed hereon) satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney. Thereupon a new fully registered Bond in the same aggregate principal amount shall be issued to the new depository in exchange therefor and upon the payment of a charge sufficient to reimburse the County for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such registration. The Fiscal Agent shall not be obliged to make any transfer of the Bonds (i) after the Record Date, (ii) during the fifteen (15) calendar days preceding the date of any publication of notice of any proposed redemption of the Bonds, or (iii) with respect to any particular Bond, after such Bond has been called for redemption. The Fiscal Agent and County may treat and consider the Depository in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal or redemption price hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Bonds are issuable solely as negotiable, fully-registered Bonds without coupons in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

This Bond shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Fiscal Agent.

No delay or omission on the part of the owner hereof to exercise any right hereunder shall impair such right or be considered as a waiver thereof or as a waiver of or acquiescence in any default hereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Barron County, Wisconsin, by its governing body, has caused this Bond to be executed for it and in its name by the manual or facsimile signatures of its duly qualified Chairperson and County Clerk; and to be sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, all as of the original date of issue specified above.

BARRON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

By: _____
Louie Okey
Chairperson

(SEAL)

By: _____
Jessica Hodek
County Clerk

DRAFT

Date of Authentication: _____, _____

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds of the issue authorized by the within-mentioned Resolutions of Barron County, Wisconsin.

BOND TRUST SERVICES
CORPORATION,
ROSEVILLE, MINNESOTA

By _____

Authorized Signatory

DRAFT

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

(Name and Address of Assignee)

(Social Security or other Identifying Number of Assignee)

the within Bond and all rights thereunder and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____, Legal Representative, to transfer said Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

Signature Guaranteed:

(e.g. Bank, Trust Company
or Securities Firm)

(Depository or Nominee Name)

NOTICE: This signature must correspond with the name of the Depository or Nominee Name as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

(Authorized Officer)

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Authorizing Contract with Market and Johnson for the Barron County
Secure Sally Port and Professional Visitation Addition to the Barron County Justice
Center, Hwy 25 North, Barron Wisconsin, \$ 1,767,898.00**

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 **WHEREAS**, on April 15th, 2025 the Barron County Board of Supervisor accepted
2 the lowest bond offering solicitation from Market and Johnson for the purpose of a Secure
3 Sally Port and Professional Visitation Expansion at the Barron County Justice Center Hwy
4 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, and repayment of the 2024 Sterling Bank Note; and

5 **WHEREAS**, this resolution was presented directly to the Barron County Board of
6 Supervisor upon recommendation of Law Enforcement Committee Chair, Peter Olson,
7 Supervisory District #12 and Law Enforcement Committee Vice Chair, Craig Turcott,
8 Supervisory District #28, because the approval of the solicitation of bid acceptance for the
9 2025A General Obligation Debt, did not take place until the County Board meeting on
10 April 15th, 2025.
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12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution
13 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby award the construction contract for
14 the construction of the Secure Sally Port and Professional Visitation Expansion to the
15 Barron County Justice Center, Hwy 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, to Market and Johnson,
16 Inc., 2350 Galloway Street, Eau Claire, WI., as low bid contractor, \$ 1,767,898.00; and
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18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that with passage of this Resolution the Barron
19 County Board of Supervisors does hereby amend the 2025 County Budget to properly
20 reflect this expenditures; and
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22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that publication of this resolution may occur
23 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Authorizing Contract with Market and Johnson for the Barron County
Secure Sally Port and Professional Visitation Addition to the Barron County Justice
Center, Hwy 25 North, Barron Wisconsin, \$ 1,767,898.00**

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April 2025

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority () 2/3 Entire Board (20) (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (X) General Obligation Debt.</p> <p>Fiscal impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current year total amount: \$ 1,767,898.00- Future years total amount: \$ 453,646.00 (est)- Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ Debt Serv.- Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ Debt Serv. <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Peter Olson Law Enforcement Chair Supervisory District #12</p> <p>_____ Craig Turcott Law Enforcement Vice Chair Supervisory District #28</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p>
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BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 -

Final Budget Adjustment(s) to Close 2024 Accounts

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, expenditures in four departmental accounts have been higher than anticipated when funds were appropriated for these accounts in November of 2023; and

WHEREAS, Section 65.90(5)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that adjustments be made to bring said accounts into alignment in order that same are not closed out in excess of funds appropriated; and

WHEREAS, these adjustments are considered the final amended budget for the fiscal year ending 12/31/2024; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was approved by the Executive Committee on April 4, 2025, on a vote of 9 - 0 with Bartlett, Cook, Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey, Thompson, Olson and Nelson (alternate) voting in favor and no members voting against. Rogers was absent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Finance Director be authorized to transfer \$40,492 from the General Fund – Unassigned Fund Balance to prevent overdrafts in the following accounts on 12/31/24:

Uncollectible Taxes	\$ 4,924
Accounting & Auditing – GASB 96 Implementation	\$ 9,622
Ann Street Utility Costs	\$ 3,195
Barron Co Housing Authority Committee Expense	\$ 988
UWEC-BC Campus – Building Maintenance Costs	<u>\$ 21,763</u>
Total	\$ 40,492

RECAP (Unaudited)

Actual General Fund Revenues:	\$25,260,731
Actual General Fund Expenditures:	\$25,338,034
Undesignated Fund Balance 12/31/24	\$ 9,851,126

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that publication of this resolution may occur through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 -

Final Budget Adjustment(s) to Close 2024 Accounts

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April, 2025.

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority () 2/3 Entire Board (20) (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Grant () Contingency () Other (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Details: <u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u></p> <p>Fiscal impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current year total amount: \$ 40,492- Future years total amount: \$ - 0 -- Effect on tax levy – current year: \$ - 0 -- Effect on tax levy – future years: \$ - 0 - <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by:</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p> <p>Motion:</p>
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Barron County, Barron Wisconsin
 Analysis of Over Drafted Accounts
 For Year ending 12-31-2024

OPD 3/21/2008
 Date 3/27/25
 Preparer JBB

\\bcfile1\Finance\2024 BUDGET-AUDIT\2024 AUDIT\Trial Balance\[2024 Over-Under Runs.xls]Resolution Backup

Internal Management Memorandum
Unaudited Draft for Discussion Purposes Only

Overdraft Resolution Amount	Department	Overdraft Description
\$ 4,924.00	General	Uncollectible Taxes
\$ 9,622.00	County Board	Audit Fees - GASB 96 Implementation
\$ 3,195.00	Maintenance	Ann Street Utility Costs
\$ 988.00	Housing Authority	Committee Per Diems & Mileage
\$ 21,763.00	UWEC-BC Campus	Building Operational Costs
<u>\$ 40,492.00</u>		

Above variance compared to actual general fund expenditures (\$40,492/\$25,338,034 = .16%)

20 Yr Historical Analysis - Overdraft Resolution

Overdraft Amount	Year
\$ 280,246.75	2005
\$ 1,251.73	2006
\$ 9,610.11	2007
\$ 13,547.25	2008
\$ 18,452.16	2009
\$ 31,513.26	2010
\$ 50,929.74	2011
\$ 615.02	2012
\$ 3,154.00	2013
\$ 551.32	2014
\$ 16,586.98	2015
\$ -	2016
\$ 44,067.00	2017
\$ 61,519.00	2018
\$ -	2019
\$ 11,938.00	2020
\$ 19,835.00	2021
\$ 37,357.00	2022
\$ 71,797.00	2023
\$ 40,492.00	2024

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of \$ 64,650.78 from the 2025 Barron County
Contingency Fund, Deputy County Clerk Position**

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 **WHEREAS**, the current Deputy County Clerk is formally retiring in May of 2025;
2 and

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4 **WHEREAS**, the current Deputy County Clerk is a part-time position; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, County Clerk Hodek, by letter, has requested an appropriation to fund
7 an FTE, (**F**ull **T**ime **E**quivalent) position; and

8
9 **WHEREAS**, in the originally approved 2025 Budget there was a contingent line
10 item of \$ 100,000.00; and

11 **WHEREAS**, this resolution was recommended for approval by the Executive
12 Committee on Friday, April 4th, with all members present voting yes.

13
14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution
15 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize a transfer of \$ 64,650.78
16 from the 2025 Contingency Fund to the County Clerk's appropriate line item(s); and

17
18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that with passage of this Resolution the Finance
19 Director/County Auditor is allowed to amend the 2025 Budget as appropriate; and

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21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that publication of this resolution may occur
22 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of \$ 64,650.78 from the 2025 Barron County
Contingency Fund, Deputy County Clerk Position**

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April 2025

<p>Number of readings required: One (X) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority () 2/3 Entire Board (20) (X)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency (X) Other ()</p> <p>Fiscal impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current year total amount: \$ 64,650.78- Future years total amount: \$ 64,650.78- Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ -0-- Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ 64,650.78 <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey, Chair Executive Committee</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p>
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JESSICA HODEK

County Clerk

335 East Monroe Avenue

Barron, Wisconsin 54812

Phone: 715.537.6200

Fax: 715.537.6820

jessica.hodek@co.barron.wi.us

March 31, 2025

Administrator French,

I am formally composing a letter for the April Executive Committee agenda to reinstate my full time deputy position in the County Clerk's Office as you have requested. When I was appointed to my position in the summer of 2022 I agreed to post my Deputy County Clerk position as a part time position for a trial basis as a cost savings to the County. Since this was only a trial basis to move from a full time deputy position to a part time deputy position, Administrator French and HR Director Richie assured me that I would have the ability to revert back to a full time deputy if a part time deputy did not fulfill the needs of my office.

After very few applicants, and two interviews, none of the applicants were the correct fit for my office. I was extremely fortunate to have the former County Clerk, DeeAnn Cook, offer to work as a part time deputy to fill the position. This was an ideal situation since DeeAnn would not need any training, knew all aspects of operating the office and thus had the ability to complete the daily functions of the County Clerk's Office if I was out of the office. We agreed to hire DeeAnn on a part time trial basis with the anticipation that after the 2024 Presidential Election she would fully retire. This arrangement was ideal and I could not have asked for a better situation for myself as a new County Clerk. The 2024 Presidential Election reconciliation has now passed and DeeAnn has informed me that she would like to resign in May or June, depending on the needs of the office.

After meeting with Administrator French and HR Director Richie I was informed that my 2025 budget did not include the salary of a full time deputy. I am asking the Executive Committee to adjust the County's 2025 budget to reallocate the salary of a full time Deputy County Clerk. I strongly feel the County Clerk's Office would need a full time deputy to continue to operate efficiently. This position would also be cross trained in certain aspects of the Administration office due to colocation with the Administration and Corporation Counsel office.

Please reach out to me if you have any questions regarding the Deputy County Clerk position. I would be happy to discuss any aspects of my office and staffing with you.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jessica Hodek, Barron County Clerk

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

**Resolution Authorizing Roof Replacement at University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
Barron County Campus Student Center and Gymnasium, with use of American
Rescue Plan, ARPA Funds**

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, the buildings at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Barron County Campus, 1800 College Drive, Rice Lake, Wisconsin are owned by Barron County; and

WHEREAS, Maintenance Director Steve Olson informed County Administrator Jeff French on Wednesday February 5th, 2025, that he had received an estimate from Paul's Sheet Metal, Rice Lake, Wisconsin, to replace both roofs at UWECBC, Student Center and Gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure is estimated to cost \$300,000.00; and

WHEREAS, currently the County and Rice Lake School District are in negotiations for RLASD to take over both of these buildings for child development/childcare/school purposes; and

WHEREAS, as part of these on-going negotiations the County will replace both of these roofs; and

WHEREAS, the "Fixed Asset by Location" report from the County's Financial System indicates the following as it pertains to these two buildings:

#13771	Gym Roof	09/26/2005	\$ 44,273.00
#13778	New Roof Student Center	10/16/2006	\$ 44,628.30

WHEREAS, Maintenance Director Steve Olson has also informed County Administrator French these roofs are leaking and need to be replaced, regardless, and furthermore costs for this project are slated to increase on March 1st 2025; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, February 17th, 2025, Sean Lentz from Ehlers, Inc., presented to the Barron County Board of Supervisors a financing plan that includes a borrowing to finance this expenditure; and

WHEREAS, on Monday February 17th, 2025, the Barron County Board of Supervisors authorized Resolution 2025-5 which authorized Maintenance Director Steve Olson to proceed with signing contracts for these roof repairs; and

WHEREAS, the intent of Resolution 2025-5 was to pay for this expenditure from the future borrowings as outlined by Mr. Lentz on this same day; and

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

**Resolution Authorizing Roof Replacement at University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
Barron County Campus Student Center and Gymnasium, with use of American
Rescue Plan, ARPA Funds**

41 **WHEREAS**, on March 17th, 2025, the Barron County Board of Supervisors met in
42 Open Session to authorize Resolution 2025-7, *Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance*
43 *of Not to Exceed \$5,300,000.00 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series*
44 *2025A*; and

45
46 **WHEREAS**, the above resolution was duly amended to an amount not to exceed,
47 \$4,950,000.00; and

48
49 **WHEREAS**, the difference, \$350,000.00, was directed to be spent from remaining
50 American Rescue Plan, ARPA funds, not borrowed funds; and

51
52 **WHEREAS**, the drafting of this resolution was approved by the Barron County
53 Executive Committee on Friday, April 4th, 2025, on a vote of 9 – 0 with Bartlett, Cook,
54 Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey, Thompson, Olson and Nelson (alternate). Rogers was
55 absent.

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57 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution,
58 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize this expenditure from
59 American Rescue Plan, ARPA dollars.

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61 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Barron County Finance Director is
62 allowed to amend the 2025 County Budget as necessary to reflect this new expenditure.

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64 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that publication of this resolution may occur
65 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
66

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

**Resolution Authorizing Roof Replacement at University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
Barron County Campus Student Center and Gymnasium, with use of American
Rescue Plan, ARPA Funds**

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April, 2025.

<p>Number of readings required: One (X) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority () 2/3 Entire Board (20) (X)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (X) Future General Obligation Borrow _____</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$300,000.00 - Future years total amount: \$0 - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$0 - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ Unknown at this time.</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p>
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BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

Resolution Authorizing \$50,000.00 of Technology Improvements to the Proposed New Secure Sally Port Expansion and the Barron County Justice Center, Hwy 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin with use of American Rescue Plan, ARPA Funds

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1
2 **WHEREAS**, the Barron County Law Enforcement Committee met on February
3 27th, 2025 and recommended the expansion of the Secure Sally Port at the Barron County
4 Justice Center, with Market and Johnson of Eau Claire, WI, being the low bidder; and
5

6 **WHEREAS**, the required technology improvements for this project were not
7 included in the Market and Johnson bid; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, the Law Enforcement Committee voted to amend their original
10 motion to approve the expansion of the Secure Sally Port bid with an additional expenditure
11 of \$50,000.00 for technology improvements to be completed/overseen by the Barron
12 County Technology Center, Lance Peterson, IT Director; and
13

14 **WHEREAS**, on Monday, February 17th, 2025, Sean Lentz from Ehlers, Inc.,
15 presented to the Barron County Board of Supervisors a financing plan that includes a
16 borrowing to finance this expenditure; and
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18 **WHEREAS**, On March 17th, 2025, the Barron County Board of Supervisors met
19 in Open Session to authorize Resolution 2025-7, *Initial Resolution Authorizing the*
20 *Issuance of Not to Exceed \$5,300,000.00 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds,*
21 *Series 2025A*; and
22

23 **WHEREAS**, the above resolution was duly amended to an amount not to exceed
24 \$4,950,000.00; and
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26 **WHEREAS**, the difference, \$350,000.00 was directed to be spent from remaining
27 American Rescue Plan, ARPA, funds, \$300,000.00 for roofs at UWECBC and \$50,000.00
28 for this expenditure and borrowed from borrowed funds; and
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30 **WHEREAS**, the drafting of this resolution was approved by the Barron Country
31 Executive Committee on Friday April 4th, 2025, on a vote of 9 – 0 with Bartlett, Cook,
32 Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey, Thompson, Olson and Nelson (alternate) voting in favor
33 and no members voting against. Rogers was absent.
34

35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution,
36 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize this expenditure from
37 American Rescue Plan, ARPA dollars.
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39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Barron County Finance Director is
40 allowed to amend the 2025 County Budget as necessary to reflect this new expenditure.

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

**Resolution Authorizing \$50,000.00 of Technology Improvements to the Proposed
New Secure Sally Port Expansion and the Barron County Justice Center, Hwy 25
North, Barron, Wisconsin with use of American Rescue Plan, ARPA Funds**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that publication of this resolution may occur
through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April, 2025.

<p>Number of readings required: One (X) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority () 2/3 Entire Board (20) (X)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (X) Future General Obligation Borrow</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$50,000.00 - Future years total amount: \$0 - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$0 - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$0</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p>
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BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 –

2025 Work Zone Awareness Week in Barron County

1 **WHEREAS**, in 1999, the Federal Highway Administration partnered with the American
2 Association of State Highway Officials and more recently the American Traffic Safety Services
3 Association to create the National Work Zone Safety Awareness campaign which is held
4 annually in April prior to the construction season in much of the nation and;

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6 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin County Highway Association is asking all seventy-two
7 counties in the state to unite and kick-off “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” with a
8 resolution and campaign to raise awareness for its workers, the travelling public, public safety
9 workers, and those of various highway contractors performing work for the counties; and

10
11 **WHEREAS**, construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways
12 periodically require that work zones be established; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, there has been over 2,000 work zone crashes in Wisconsin in each of the
15 last three years; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, in 2022, there were 891 fatalities in 774 work zone crashes in the United
18 States; and

19
20 **WHEREAS**, in 2023, Wisconsin suffered from nearly 2,100 crashes in road construction
21 and maintenance zones, resulting in over 700 injuries and nine fatalities; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, between 2019 and 2023, there were 66 fatalities recorded as a result of
24 10,600 crashes in Wisconsin work zones; and

25
26 **WHEREAS**, between 2020 and 2024, Barron County recorded 7 Work Zone accidents
27 resulting in 9 injuries and 1 fatality; and

28
29 **WHEREAS**, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Barron
30 County Sheriff’s Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and Barron County Highway Department are
31 committed to working together in 2025 to make Work Zone Awareness Week a success; and

32
33 **WHEREAS**, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 21 through April
34 25, 2025 as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week. The theme for 2025’s event is
35 “Protect the Zone, So We All Get Home”;

36
37 **WHEREAS**, this resolution was approved by the Highway Committee on April 3, 2025
38 on a vote of 5 - 0 with Jenkins, Effertz, Mosentine, Olson and Thompson voting in favor and no
39 members voting against; and

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41 **WHEREAS**, this resolution was approved by the Executive Committee on April 4, 2025
42 on a vote of 9 – 0 with Bartlett, Cook, Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey, Thompson, Olson and
43 Nelson (Alternate) voting in favor and no members voting against. Rogers was absent.
44

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 –

2025 Work Zone Awareness Week in Barron County

45 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Barron County Board of
46 Supervisors that the week of April 21 through April 25, 2025 be designated as Work Zone Safety
47 Awareness Week in Barron County

OFFERED THIS 15th Day of April, 2025

<p>Number of readings required: One (X) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (X) 2/3 Entire Board (20) ()</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (X) Details: N/A</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ - 0 - - Future years total amount: \$ - 0 - - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ - 0 - - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ - 0 -</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Marv Thompson, Highway Committee Chair</p> <p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p> <p>Motion:</p>
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BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Supporting Federal Bipartisan Legislation Expanding
Direct Primary Care Access**

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1
2 **WHEREAS**, a bipartisan group of Representatives led by Congressman Lloyd
3 Smucker (R-PA-11) has announced the reintroduction of the Primary Care Enhancement
4 Act; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, this legislation is designed to expand access to Direct Primary Care;
7 and

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9 **WHEREAS**, this legislation has bi-partisan support from members of the
10 Committee on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, and Education and Workforce;
11 and

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13 **WHEREAS**, this legislation, if passed, would clarify provisions of the Internal
14 Revenue Code to remove barriers for individuals with Health Savings Accounts, (HSA's),
15 from using those funds to access Direct Primary Care, DPC, a health care delivery model
16 which provides high-quality care at lower costs for individuals of all ages and incomes
17 across America; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, this proposed legislation has support from the following
20 organizations:

21 Americans for Prosperity
22 Council for Affordable Health Coverage
23 Purchasers Business Group on Health; and

24
25 **WHEREAS**, this legislation has twice been favorably reported out of the Ways and
26 Means Committee with bipartisan support in prior Congresses; and

27
28 **WHEREAS**, this Resolution was presented to the Executive Committee on Friday
29 April 4th for their review and approval and Bartlett, Cook, Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey,
30 Thompson, Olson and Nelson (alternate) voted in favor and no members voted against.

31
32 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution
33 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the Primary Care
34 Enhancement Act and requests that our Federal Congressman Tiffany support and also
35 Federal Senator's Johnson and Baldwin.

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37 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution be forwarded to Congressman
38 Tiffany, Senator's Baldwin and Johnson, WCA, State Representative Armstrong and State
39 Senator Quinn and Governor Evers.
40

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- _____

**Resolution Supporting Federal Bipartisan Legislation Expanding
Direct Primary Care Access**

41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that publication of this resolution may occur
42 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April 2025

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) 2/3 Entire Board (20) (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted (<input type="checkbox"/>) General Fund (<input type="checkbox"/>) Grant (<input type="checkbox"/>) Contingency (<input type="checkbox"/>) Other (<input type="checkbox"/>) Details Not Applicable</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ NA - Future years total amount: \$ NA - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ NA - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ NA</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by County Administrator:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>Approved as to form by Corporation Counsel:</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted (<input type="checkbox"/>) Failed (<input type="checkbox"/>) Tabled (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p>
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BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - _____

**Ordinance to Amend Parks & Recreation Ordinance
To Allow ATV/UTV Usage**

The Barron County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows

WHEREAS, the Property Committee has engaged in discussions concerning
ATV/UTV usage in County Campgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Property Committee that the Barron
County Parks & Recreation Ordinance be amended to include the following language
pertaining to use of ATV/UTV's in county parks:

SUBCHAPTER IV: COUNTY PARKS

42.40 CAMPING

3. ATV/UTV Permitted.

- a. ATV/UTV may only operate on designated travel ways, roads, or parking areas (limited only to where licensed highway vehicles can legally operate.)
- b. ATV/UTV must abide by all posted speed limit signs (10 mph in the parks).
- c. Operation of an ATV/UTV is not permitted on any pedestrian walking path/trail.
- d. Operation of an ATV/UTV is not allowed during campground quiet hours (10:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m.)
- e. Operators must follow all state and local laws pertaining to ATV/UTV operation.
- f. ATV/UTV must be registered by the State of Wisconsin.
- g. Operation of all other motor vehicles and other power driven vehicles that cannot be officially licensed or registered by the State of Wisconsin as a legal highway or recreational vehicle is prohibited.

WHEREAS, this ordinance was approved by the Property Committee on March 3,
2025 on a vote of 7-0, with Heller, Bartlett, Effertz, Rogers, Schradle, Moen, and Okey
(for Fowler) voting in favor and no members against.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Barron County Parks &
Recreation Ordinance be amended to add the following language concerning ATV/UTV
usage in county parks:

SUBCHAPTER IV: COUNTY PARKS

42.40 CAMPING

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To Allow ATV/UTV Usage**

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- d. Operation of an ATV/UTV is not allowed during campground quiet hours (10:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m.)
- e. Operators must follow all state and local laws pertaining to ATV/UTV operation.
- f. ATV/UTV must be registered by the State of Wisconsin.
- g. Operation of all other motor vehicles and other power driven vehicles that cannot be officially licensed or registered by the State of Wisconsin as a legal highway or recreational vehicle is prohibited.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication and that publication of this ordinance may occur through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - _____

**Ordinance to Amend Parks & Recreation Ordinance
To Allow ATV/UTV Usage**

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April, 2025.

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) 2/3 Entire Board (20) ()</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Details: N/A</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ 0 - Future years total amount: \$ 0 - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ 0 - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ 0</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Dana Heller, Property Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()</p>
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BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - _____

**Ordinance Repealing and Recreating Section 50
Of the Barron County Code of Ordinances Regarding Taxation**

The Barron County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee and County Treasurer have engaged in revision of portions of Chapter 50 of the Barron County Code of Ordinances regarding Taxation; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee is recommending repealing and recreating Chapter 50 of the Barron County Code of Ordinances regarding Taxation, as outlined on the attached document.

WHEREAS, this ordinance was approved by the Executive Committee on April 4, 2025, on a vote of 9 - 0, with Bartlett, Cook, Hanson, Kusilek, Wenzel, Okey, Thompson, Olson and Nelson (alternate) voting in favor and no members voting against. Rogers was absent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby repeal and recreate Chapter 50 of the Barron County Code of Ordinances as outlined on the attached document.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication and that publication of this ordinance may occur through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

OFFERED THIS 15th day of April, 2025.

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) 2/3 Entire Board (20) (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted (<input type="checkbox"/>) General Fund (<input type="checkbox"/>) Grant (<input type="checkbox"/>) Contingency (<input type="checkbox"/>) Other (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Details: N / A</p> <p>Fiscal impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current year total amount: \$- Future years total amount: \$- Effect on tax levy – current year - \$- Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted (<input type="checkbox"/>) Failed (<input type="checkbox"/>) Tabled (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p>
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BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - _____

**Ordinance Repealing and Recreating Section 50
Of the Barron County Code of Ordinances Regarding Taxation**

TAXATION

Article I. – In General

Sec. 50-1 Enforcement of tax liens.

The county adopts the provisions of Wis. Stats. § 75.521 for the purpose of enforcing tax liens in the county in the cases where the procedure provided by such section is applicable. (Ord. No. 99-36, 9-20-1999).

Sec. 50-2 Agreements with taxation districts for county tax collection services.

- (a) The county board of supervisors authorizes the county clerk and county treasurer to enter into agreements, pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 66.0301(2) and 74.10, with any municipality in the county desiring county services for the collection of property taxes for which the municipality has sent bills, provided that any such agreement shall be first authorized by the governing body of the municipality.
- (b) The County Treasurer shall ensure that specific and adequate administrative arrangements are entered into to ensure that the additional costs to the county generated by providing collection services under the agreement shall be reimbursed by the municipality in accordance with a set schedule. The county treasurer shall advise the municipalities in the county of the deadline by which they must opt for this service. (Ord. No. 2003-12, 3-24-2003)

Sec. 50-3 Acquisition, management and sale of tax deeded lands.

- (a) *Acquisition.* The county shall acquire tax delinquent properties by tax deed pursuant to Wis. Stats. ch. 75.521.
- (b) *Management.* The tax deed lands which have been acquired by the county shall be managed by the County Treasurer and Executive Committee as it shall deem in best interests of the county. This management may include the power to lease tax deeded lands.
- (c) *Sale.*
 - (1) The Executive Committee shall determine or may utilize a certified appraiser to determine the value of tax delinquent real estate.
 - (2) All sales of tax deeded lands acquired by the county shall be in conformance with Wis. Stats. §75.69.
 - (3) Proceeds of any tax deed sale shall be distributed pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 75.36.

(Code 1990, § 3.03)

Sec. 50-4 Preference to former owners to repurchase tax deeded lands.

- (a) The former owner who lost title through the delinquent tax collection enforcement procedure shall be given preference to repurchase tax deed land acquired by the county. This option shall be granted to the former owner only. If the former owner is deceased, the option shall be given to their Heirs/Beneficiaries. Repurchase will include the following:
- (1) All delinquent taxes, special assessments and special charges, plus all accumulated interest/penalty charges to the date of repurchase.
 - (2) All costs incurred by the county in the delinquent tax collection enforcement procedure.
 - (3) A repurchase fee of three percent of the property tax (principal amount of tax on the tax certificate) or \$100.00, whichever is larger.
 - (4) If a former owner of tax-deeded land, or such former owner's heir or beneficiary, notifies the Treasurer of an intent to repurchase the tax-deeded land within 30 days of the date the county acquired the tax-deeded land, the County Treasurer shall order a title report from a title insurance company showing all liens of record against the tax-deeded land in existence on the day prior to the judgment of foreclosure in favor of the County, the cost of which shall be paid in advance by the person notifying the Treasurer of the intent to repurchase the tax-deeded land.
 - (5) If the former owner, or such former owner's heir or beneficiary, provides proof of satisfaction of all liens of record as established in the title report within 30 days of the date the County acquired the tax-deeded land, the County Treasurer shall convey the tax-deeded land to the former owner by quit-claim deed provided the former owner, or such former owner's heir or beneficiary, has provided the County with funds necessary to satisfy all costs and expenses due the County as provided in Wis. Stat. § 75.35(3).
- (b) This repurchase option shall be available for a maximum of 30 days after the court renders final judgment ordering that the county holds the tax deed on the property. After termination of the option period, the former owner can purchase the tax deeded property only through the competitive public auction. (Ord. No. 2001-8, 3-19-2001)

Sec. 50-5 Penalty on delinquent real estate taxes and special assessments.

- (a) Pursuant to the authority of Wis. Stats. § 74.47(2), there is hereby imposed a penalty of 0.5 percent per month or fraction of a month, in addition to the interest provided for in Wis. Stats. § 74.47(1), on all real estate taxes and special assessments that are overdue or delinquent on or after the effective date of the ordinance from which this section is derived.
- (b) The penalty on 2003 and subsequent years' real estate taxes and special assessments which are overdue or delinquent shall be imposed February 1 of the year such tax is payable.
- (c) The county treasurer shall exclude the additional revenue generated by this penalty from the distributions required by Wis. Stats. § 74.47(3).

Sec. 50-6 Sale of tax deeded land to municipalities.

- (a) In the event a parcel of tax deeded lands is not redeemed by the former owner, or heirs/beneficiaries, the treasurer may offer it to the municipality within which the parcel is located before offering the same to the general public.
- (b) The sale price of a parcel of tax deeded lands on sale to a municipality shall be in an amount at least equal to the greater of the following:
 - (1) The estimated fair market value as listed on the most recent tax bill, or other appraised value as determined by the committee pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 75.69(1);
 - (2) The sum of all real estate taxes, including county special assessments and county special charges, interest and penalties then due and owing together with the county's actual costs in preparing the parcel for sale; or
 - (3) One hundred dollars (\$100).
- (c) Sale of tax deeded lands to a municipality under this section shall be approved by the committee before a quit claim deed is issued by the county clerk.

(Ord. 2024-4)

Sec. 50-7 Authorize County Treasurer to enter property to determine nature and extent of environmental pollution.

- (a) Section 75.377, Wis. Stats., dealing with inspection of property subject to tax certificate provides that a County may enter any real property which a tax certificate has been issued under sec. 74.57, Wis. Stats.
- (b) Section 75.377, Wis. Stats., further provides that the County may authorize another person to enter the real property to determine the nature and extent of environmental pollution.
- (c) Section 66.0119(1)(a), Wis. Stats., allows for obtaining special inspection warrants for inspection purposes which includes such purposes as building, housing, electrical, plumbing, heating, gas, fire, health, safety, environmental pollution, water quality, waterways, use of water, food, zoning, property assessment, meter, and obtaining data required to be submitted in an initial site report or feasibility report under subch. III of ch. 289 or s. 291.23, 291.25, 291.29 or 291.31 or an environmental impact statement related to one of those reports.
- (d) "Peace officer" for the purpose of sec. 66.0119(1)(b), Wis. Stats., means a state, county, city, village, town . . . officer, agent or employee charged under statute or municipal ordinance with powers or duties involving inspection of real or personal property, including buildings, building premises and building contents.
- (e) Section 66.0119(2), Wis. Stats., provides that "A peace officer may apply for, obtain and execute a special inspection warrant . . ."

- (f) The County Treasurer is authorized to enter real property to determine the nature and extent of environmental pollution pursuant to sec. 75.377, Wis. Stats.
- (g) The County Treasurer shall be authorized by this ordinance to apply for, obtain and execute a special inspection warrant issued under sec. 66.0119, Wis. Stats., and that the County Treasurer be deemed a “peace officer” for the purpose pursuant to the authorization granted by this ordinance as allowed by sec. 75.377, Wis. Stats.
- (h) The County Treasurer, in discharging these duties and responsibilities may utilize, retain or contract with persons or entities with expertise in conducting such inspections and that such persons or entities can be authorized by the County Treasurer to enter such properties as necessary for the discharge of these duties.

(Ord. 2024-17)

Sec. 50-8 County Treasurer shall create county policy managing tax collection, foreclosure and sale

Sec. 50-9-50.30 Reserved

Article II. – Sales and Use Tax

Sec. 50-31. Tax imposed

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 77.70, there is hereby imposed upon all retailers a sales and use tax at the rate of 0.5 percent of the gross receipts from the sale, lease or rental of personal property, as set forth in Wis. Stats. § 77.71. Such sales and use taxes shall be imposed in their entirety according to the requirements of Wis. Stats. ch. 77, subch. V (Wis. Stats. § 77.70 et seq.).
(Code 1990, § 3.02)

Barron County, Barron Wisconsin
Monthly Reconciliation of American Rescue Plan Act Projects
Revenues & Expenditures as of 3/31/25

Date 4/2/2025
Preparer JBB

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Internal Management Memorandum

Unaudited Draft for Discussion Purposes Only

REVENUES/OTHER FINANCING:	ACTUAL REVENUES	ACTUAL REVENUES
ARPA Proceeds	8,788,117.00	8,788,117.00
LGIP Interest - 2021	1,425.65	1,425.65
LGIP Interest - 2022	128,123.58	128,123.58
LGIP Interest - 2023	363,065.85	363,065.85
LGIP Interest - 2024	248,480.05	248,480.05
LGIP Interest - 2025	5,861.63	10,529.77
	9,535,073.76	9,539,741.90

EXPENDITURES:	RESOLUTION	ORIGINAL ENCUMBRANCE	ADJUSTED ENCUMBRANCE	ACTUAL EXPENSE
Attorney Fees	212-000	4,752.50	4,752.50	4,752.50
Financial Advisor Fees	212-000	2,565.00	2,565.00	2,565.00
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	342-000	23,096.00	23,096.00	23,096.00
IT Equipment	813-161 2021-38/2022-35	215,240.00	205,163.39	205,163.39
Future Payroll Costs - f/k/a Ann St Upgrades	2023-50	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00
BCEDC Website Upgrades prev Hwy Maps	313-000 2023-3	6,723.00	6,723.00	6,723.00
ATV/Snow Trail Maps	313-000 2021-42	8,500.00	8,143.00	8,143.00
Hwy T Vermillion Creek Bridge	840-165 2021-46	293,926.45	293,926.45	293,926.45
Highway Speed Signs	313-000 2021-50	10,750.00	9,999.90	9,999.90
Well Water Testing	218-000 2022-11	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
BCHA Rehabilitation	842-163 2022-20	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	291,423.32
Snow/ATV Bridge Rehab	840-160 2022-18	289,878.00	289,878.00	286,405.86
Snow/ATV Groomer Equipment	813-160 2022-18	198,434.00	198,434.00	192,441.64
Veteran's Memorial Auditorium Seating	830-164 2022-21	100,000.00	47,163.81	47,163.81
Broadcast Equipment - RL Comm Media	813-161 2022-37	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Owen Anderson Rifle Range Improvements	830-166 2022-41	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Fiber to Communication Towers	830-162 2022-54/2023-2	672,000.00	672,000.00	560,897.12
JC Stanley Security Upgrades	830-167 2022-55	80,975.00	80,975.00	80,975.00
Straw Pit Rifle Range Improvements	830-170	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Aging / ADRC Kitchen Construction	842-168 2023-10 / 2023-25	2,347,500.00	2,145,337.61	2,145,337.61
UWEC-BC Water Line Design	830-000 2023-34	91,000.00	91,000.00	86,600.00
Government Center Boilers	2024-18	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00
DHHS Software	830-171 2025-1	1,000,896.44	1,000,896.44	207,143.68
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		9,364,236.39	9,098,054.10	4,945,757.28
	Project Savings	266,182.29		
BALANCES			437,019.66	4,593,984.62

**2024 Strategic Planning Work Group
Barron County Strategic Plan Update
For Years 2021 – 2025
Adopted January 11, 2021**

Accomplishments or in-process projects corresponding to the current Strategic Plan

Directional Statement #1: Expand affordable housing programs for aging population, rental and entry level buyers

Actions:

- 2021 CDBG-Covid 19 grant application for transitional housing (CTH TT)
- Veterans housing in Rice Lake
- ARPA Funds for Barron County Housing Authority

Directional Statement #2: Expand broadband coverage and enhance technology advancement in Barron County

Actions:

- EDC and County Board action to support \$7M grant application by Mosaic Technologies for fiber expansion in Barron and Washburn Counties
- December 2021 – County support for Mosaic USDA Reconnect Grant
- Continued use of Zoom for Court hearings
- 2023 Roll Call Voting system for County Board meetings
- 2024/2025 Mosaic Fiber Grants to rural areas
- 2025 Brightspeed Rural Broadband Expansion

Directional Statement #3: Maintain and improve all County owned facilities

Actions:

- New Highway Facility
- Auditorium upgrades
- Waste to Energy Z-wall, acid gas removal system, duct sizing, substantial repairs to boilers, air pollution control construct & operation permit renewal
- 2021-2025 acid gas removal system (in-process)
- 2022 budget for Sheriff radio system
- Ann Street School
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill and Reservation of Fund Balance for these projects
- Improvements to Chetek Dam
- New Aging Kitchen
- Improvements to Arland Rifle Range, possible improvements to Maple Plain Rifle Range
- Squad car maintenance by Hwy Department
- New Sally Port – 2024/2025
- Ann Street School – Sale – Improvement Mental Health Services
- Preparedness/safety at buildings and table-tops trainings for Dept. Heads
- 2025 New Boilers at Government Center

Directional Statement #4: Improve mental health and decrease substance abuse

Actions:

- NW Hope Consortium – addressing opioid and alcohol abuse in Barron, Chippewa, Rusk and Washburn Counties (Public Health / Sheriff / ADRC)
- Recovery Corps Grant
- Ann Street School for Community Support Program
- Transitional Housing (CTH TT)
- October 2021 - Family Drug Treatment Court testimonials from graduates
- Co-Responder pilot program (HHS / Sheriff)
- Investment of opioid settlement funds – Community Health Workers (continuation)
- Decrease drug abuse – 2023/2022 \$150K TAD Grant from WI Dept. of Justice
- Ann Street School Sale – Mental health services expansion

Directional Statement #5: Remain fiscally responsible

Actions:

- 2021 group purchase of new voting equipment
- Continued strong bond rating – Highway Facilities
- WCA article on unfunded mandates by French, Frolik and Syvinski
- 2021 approved budget – reduced mill rate, used 1/3 of sales tax collections
- TID meetings with cities and oversight of distressed TIDS
- Preserved Fund Balance and Strategic Borrowing for Capital Projects
- Increase medical assistance private insurance billing

Directional Statement #6: Attract and retain new skilled workforce

Actions:

- Proposed change to how sick and vacation are paid out to employees
- Allow employees up to 3 hours paid time for blood donation
- Allow remote work / telework for employees
- 2021 Pay plan step movement for employees with more than ten (10) years of service
- Work from home – 2 days per week
- 2023 Brent & Lance recommendation, attend NACo Leadership Academy
- Increased paid leaves, life insurance contribution, allow sale of vacation and sick leave to deferred comp plan, matching of deferred comp for management/confidential staff
- Telework and flexible schedule options available
- Implemented Laser fiche on-boarding process for new hires
- County Administrator meets, calls or emails new hires
- Raises for Jail and Dispatch (retention)
- Allow out of County patrol car usage

Other Actions:

Barron County as a great place to live and work

- Administrator interviews of CASTA and BANTA supporting Barron County as a great place to live, work and play
- County support of Discover Wisconsin winter segment
- 2021-2022 working with Gary Peterson, Red Cedar River canoe paddling and possible canoe/kayak docks – City of Rice Lake
- 2021 Special Administrator reports – Judge Babler & Bell Press Pod Cast
- Continued improvements to Cedar Side Trail - Buckthorn
- 2022-2023 More special Administrator reports & BANTA special program
- February 2023 – special program at Waste to Energy plant
- Demonstration Plan – Cameron, cooperation with local farmer
- 2022 special TV interview of Mark O'Connell, WCA
- Street and Infrastructure Improvements City of Rice Lake
- Bike and Pedestrian Plan

Safety

- HISP and ICE study and improvements to Decker Drive – Rice Lake
- 2022 Sheriff's radio system – upgrade
- ARPA dollars for high-speed fiber lines to towers
- Signage on Red Cedar River bridge crossings, etc.
- Patrol deputies at lakes and recreation areas, Saturdays and Sundays
- School Resource officers
- 2025 January Emergency Preparedness Exercise
- 2025 Officer Security at Justice Center

Protect Environment

- Successful reclamation of NIS site
- Ten (10) Year Land and Water Plan
- Air Pollution Control Construction and Operation Permit renewal – Waste to Energy
- Fifteen (15) Year Forestry Plan
- New air emissions analytical equipment
- Recycling site and infrastructure improvements (new boxes and recycling truck)
- (In Process), WTE Plant more and diverse specialty waste loads from out of state
- Portable grinder for WTE Plant
- Grant application(s) with WCWRP for schematic design, new Recycling Center
- Ground Water Study
- 2025 Shredder and Material Handler at WTE Plant

Cooperation

- Manned recycling sites – cooperation with local municipalities
- Red Cross Blood Drives – 90% of appointments filled
- Highway Commissioner – NACo trip to Washington, DC

- 2021 purchase of new election equipment with municipal clerks
- Barron County Housing Authority – Apartment complex rebuild
- Sterling Bank help with opioid settlement dollars incorrectly remitted
- Special TV Show Rice Lake Cable Commission – WTE Plant
- Multi-County Bike and Pedestrian Plan (Polk-Barron)
- Family House – open at HWY TT Location, Cooperation with Salvation Army
- RLASD – UWECBC Student Center and Gymnasium Repurpose (in process)
- UWECBC Ballfields repairs and improvements by local non-profit

Use of Technology – Response to Citizens

- Online applications for zoning permits
- New website design and layout
- Availability of information on new website
- Open Meeting software by C/B members
- Dryden Wire interviews
- Homeland Security Audit – voting, Clerk’s Office
- Technology Improvements at Register of Deeds office
- 2025 New Health and Human Services Software

Delivery of Services to Citizens

- Meals on Wheels adapting to Covid and offering drive-by / drive-up delivery system
- Virtual attendance and expanding virtual assistance
- 2020 & 2021 Court System Full Operational during Covid
- September 2020 UW Lecture Series – “What is a County?”
- Snowbound Bison – Tyler’s work / report to LCC Extension working cooperatively to help local citizen
- Congregate meals at Lona’s Café
- Potential expansion of Lona’s Café model
- HSHS/Prevea Closing – inter-county collaboration
- Ground Water Study

Forward thinking changing demographics

- Number of and conversion of lake homes to permanent residences
- Tourist rooming houses
- Tourist rooming houses & work with DOR – sales tax
- Farmland Preservation and balance with the small rural business
- Seasonal park-model mobile homes at farmsteads
- Future Department Head retirements
- Agreement with WI DOR – sales tax & reporting to DOR short term rentals
- Moving UW Extension to UWECBC

Tourism

- Ice Age Trail & working on Memorandum of Agreement between IAT and County – Completed 2021
- ATV/UTV Trail System expansion
- **ATV/UTV & Snowmobile Trail System – bridge rebuild**
- 2024 Approval Property Committee IAT Improvements
- Wild Rivers Trail Signage (possible)
- New Tourism Magazine
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Other in-process considerations

- Monitor opportunities to identify vacated space in Government Center due to increased telework, cost savings due to vacated spaces (City of Barron)
- Discuss long-term plan for Government Center due to age of building, increased telework, etc
- Consider pursuing outdoor wellness grant
- 2021 WCA Magazine article on County Finances – Frolik, Syvinsk, French
- 2021-2022 Continued work on Highway Facility (lots of staff time)
- **ARPA expenditures**
- **Automated payroll system**
- Consider County-wide snowmobile & ATV/UTV alliance
- Implement an international trade symposium or etc.
- Continued annual Centenarian celebration
- Working cooperatively – coat giveaway drop location
- Concern express moving Aquafest to Lumbering Hall of Fame
- Snowbound Bison – Tyler's work & report to LCC/Extension Committee
- Seasonal – Permanent Park model Rv's @ Farm Locations (Bayfield Cnty)
- Refuge Letter
- 2024 Affordable Connectivity Program Discontinued

Recommended Action Items:

2025 Budget Aging/ADRC to include a supplement reference, replicating
Lona's Café in another location

Color Scheme

2021 Updates

2022 Updates

2023 Updates

2024 Updates

2025 Updates

Updated: 2021-2-1
2021-2-5
2021-3-25
2021-12-27
2022-1-26
2022-2-14
2023-2-6
2023-3-6 *** - information added 2023-2-6 to 2023-3-6 ***
2024-1-12
2024-3-13
2025-1-31

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2025 Draft Committee Document
Strategic Planning Work Group
January 29th, 2025

Supplement

Information from Department Heads: By Department or Function or Directional Statement:

Information Technology:

The finance system platform changed to hosted system

Setup Digital Courtroom signage

Will be soon finishing Government Center Conference Room upgrades

Jail Body Camera Upgrades

Campground/Parks Cameras and WIFI upgrades

Courtroom A/V Upgrades for virtual court

Redundant connections via wireless from Hwy-JC

Upgraded about 26 network switches, which were 15+ years old in some cases.

Assisted with Radio Tower upgrade

Several Laserfiche processes - IT Helpdesk, CCS Provider Portal, Sheriff Onboarding,
Child Support Paperless, WIC Electronic Storage

Jail Security System upgrade was original to the building.

New Health and Human Services Software Purchase

Human Resources:

Allowing eight (8) hours of floating Holiday 7-5-2024 (employee retention)

Periodic pay reviews and adjustments (employee retention)

Building Security:

Door Security at Justice Center

WTE Plant:

Shredder and Material Handler – Improve municipal solid waste handling and removal

Cooperation Businesses and other Governmental Units:

County Board continued support for grants; Broadband expansion
Begin process to repurpose UWECBC Student Center and Gymnasium working cooperatively with RLSD

Directional Statement #1. – Affordable Housing, Aging Population, Rental and Entry Level Buyers

December 2024 Family House opens at Hwy TT location
December 2024 Mobile Family Homes are moved by Salvation Army to Hwy TT location
1.0 FTE Addition – I&A Specialist Aging/Disability Resource Center, Feb., 2024

Directional Statement #3. – Maintain and Improve County Owned Buildings:

Begin process for Secure Sally Port Expansion at J/C
New Boilers at Government Center (this also improves the new Aging/ADRC kitchen)
AGRS at WTE – Plant, Update to Adopted Plan Document

Directional Statement #4. – Improve Mental Health and Decrease Substance Abuse:

Resolution 2024-39, 10-21-2024 Advocating for an Inpatient Behavioral Health Facility for Northern Wisconsin
Resolution 2024-3, Requesting Hshs and Previa work cooperatively for continuation of care at Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire Hospital locations, (closings)

Directional Statement #5. – Remaining Fiscally Responsible:

Sale of 410 East LaSalle Ave., Building

Future Agenda Item/Decision:

CA French recommend a brief meeting in August to meet with a lead person for work on the next five year plan in 2026

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Community Connections

2024 IMPACT REPORT



We are a local coalition working to create an understanding of how poverty impacts our community. Our mission is to empower every one of our neighbors in Barron County with skills, resources, and personal connections so that we may all enjoy lives free of poverty.

Tiny Homes

Tiny homes are built for unsheltered individuals and families who are in need of temporary housing.

Our two tiny homes were finally placed in 2024! Through a partnership with the Salvation Army of Barron County, they are now able to start housing people in need.



Centerpoint Events- All the Help You Need in One Place

Top 3 Needs Identified



Food



Clothing



Housing



412

people served



1,200 +

lbs of food distributed



38

agencies involved



83%

attendees below poverty

This quarterly event (held 3 in 2024) efficiently delivers services to our neighbors by bringing together 20+ service providers in a single location and providing on-site assistance in a "one-stop-shop" style.

Loads of Love- (Started in September 2024)



1 lead organization
(Bethany Lutheran)



28 free loads of laundry



7 volunteer hosts
(spots filled through spring 2025)



\$950 raised to support the program

Loads of Love provides quarters, soap, and dryer sheets so people in need can do their laundry for free. Bethany Lutheran Church of Rice Lake is the first lead organization to launch a Loads of Love program in Barron County. More organizations are needed to expand the program. If your organization would like to get involved, please reach out to ccpbarroncounty@gmail.com.



Upcoming Events

2/06/25 - Centerpoint Event
4/10/25 - New 90 day Project Summit
5/8/25 - Centerpoint Event
8/7/25 - Centerpoint Event
9/10/25 - New 90 day Project Summit
11/6/25 - Centerpoint Event



Feed the Future Fundraiser

May 16 - 18, 2025

*Supports school weekend food programs in Barron County



Get Involved

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