

Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, June 4, 2025 – 8:00 a.m.

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

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Meeting Notification
- 3. Special Matters and Announcements (Non-Action Items)
 - a. Recreation Plan & Survey
- 4. Approve Agenda
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Approve Minutes of May 7, 2025
- 7. Update on Waste to Energy Acid Gas Removal System Project
- 8. Tax Deed Parcels Request to Not Sell on Public Auction
- 9. Resolution Establishing 2026 Barron County Budget Preparation Guidelines & Timeline
- 10. Staff Reports & Updates
 - a. Senate Bill 181 Levy Exemption for Regional Medical Services
 - b. UWECBC Office Usage by County Staff
- 11. Review Voucher Edit Lists
- 12. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items
- 13. Set Date for Next Meeting
- 14. Adjournment

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Outdoor Recreation Survey

Barron County parks and recreational facilities are important to the quality of life of our residents and tourism economy. We are now updating the County's Outdoor Recreation Plan to identify potential future improvements and as a requirement for related grant funding. Your responses to a short survey will help us understand how you use our recreational facilities along with potential projects and opportunities over the next several years.

The survey will close on **June 27**, **2025**, so we encourage you to complete the 15-20 minute survey at your earliest convenience.

Please use the QR Code or weblink below to access the survey online. All responses will remain anonymous, and your participation will directly contribute to creating a more vibrant, accessible and enjoyable outdoor experience for everyone.

Survey Link Address:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/barronrec2025

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please reach out to:

Steve Olson

Maintenance Director Tel: (715) 537-6365

E-mail: steve.olson@co.barron.wi.us





Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, May 7, 2025 – 8:00 a.m.

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333 East Wolfie Avenue – Barron, Wisconsin 34012

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON: Karolyn Bartlett, Randy Cook Sr, Audrey Kusilek, Gary Nelson (Alternate), Louie Okey, Pete Olson, Bob Rogers, Marv Thompson and Stacey Wenzel.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS APPEARING VIRTUALLY: None at this time.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Bun Hanson.

STAFF PRESENT IN PERSON: Sheriff Fitzgerald, Administrator French, Chief Deputy Hagen, Captain Hodek, County Clerk Hodek, Corporation Counsel Muench, IT Director Peterson, HR Director Richie and Treasurer Sommerfeld.

OTHER COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Diane Vaughn.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ruth Erickson (Chronotype), Bob Kazmierski (Housing Authority) and Tim Deaton (Horton Group).

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Okey called the meeting to order at 8:00AM.

PUBLIC MEETING NOTIFICATION: Administrator French read the Public Meeting Notification.

SPECIAL MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (NON-ACTION ITEMS): Chair Okey noted the article written in the Wisconsin Counties Association magazine highlighting Barron County Men's Shed program.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion: (Olson/Cook) to approve. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sheriff Fitzgerald thanked the Board for their support while serving as the Sheriff and noted that he feels Chief Deputy Hagen is the best choice for a smooth transition for the Sheriff's Department. He also mentioned the Sheriff makes significantly less than the Chief Deputy but has been working with HR Director Richie and County Administrator French to determine if there are options to review and/or adjust this midterm through the term ending in 2026. Chair Okey thanked Sheriff Fitzgerald for everything he has done personally and professionally while serving as our Sheriff.

APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2025: Motion: (Thompson/Bartlett) to approve. Carried.

UPDATE ON BARRON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECT: Housing Authority Director Bob Kazmierski gave an update on the various housing projects and answered questions from the Committee.

HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN UPDATE – TIM DEATON, THE HORTON GROUP: Deaton gave a presentation with health insurance plan updates in preparation for the upcoming yearly renewal and answered questions from the Committee.

RESOLUTION – IN SUPPORT FOR INCREASING BASE FUNDING FOR COUNTY CONSERVATION STAFFING TO \$20.2 MILLION: Motion: (Cook/Rogers) to approve. Supervisor Kusilek asked that the signature for the resolution be changed to the LCC Chair rather than the Zoning Chair. Administrator French will make the correction to the resolution. Discussion. Carried.

DISCUSS/APPROVE OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 181 LEVY EXEMPTION FOR REGIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES: Administrator French noted that he does not support this Senate Bill 181 Levy Exemption. Discussion. Administrator French will complete additional research and will bring it back to the committee for discussion next month.



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MINUTES

STAFF REPORTS & UPDATES: None at this time.

REVIEW VOUCHER EDIT LISTS: Included in the packet.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Update on Acid Gas Removal System
- 2. Discuss/Approve Opposition to Senate bill 181 Levy Exemption for Regional Medical Services

SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 8:00AM in the Auditorium of the Government Center.

CLOSED SESSION - 2026 HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL & PLAN DESIGN CHANGES:

Motion: (Bartlett/Olson) to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating purchase of public properties, investing public funds, other specific business, or whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session to include the members of the Executive Committee, Administrator French, Corporation Counsel Muench, HR Director Richie, Supervisor Vaughn and Tim Deaton.

Administrator French took minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

Motion to return to Open Session: Olson/Cook, Carried.

No action taken.

Adjourn: Declared adjourned by unanimous consent by Chair Okey, 9.30am

Respectfully Submitted, Jessica Hodek, Barron County Clerk MAY 2025

Waste to Energy & Recycling

Brent Bohn, Plant Director

Spring Cleaning is here! Spring is one of my favorite times of the year because things are turning green and people are tidying up. Local clean-up events are happening throughout the county, so be sure to check community websites, social media groups, or government websites to find a clean-up event near you. If you're unable to find one, you can simply bring your junk to us. We are open seven days a week from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Prices range from \$5.00 per car load to \$20.00 per pickup load. Larger loads, such as construction and demolition waste or items like mattresses, electronics, and appliances, are charged by the ton or by the individual piece. Current prices can be found on the Barron County website.

In June, we will again be hosting the Wisconsin DNR Incinerator Operator Training Course. The 32-hour course covers topics such as the history of solid waste management, principles of combustion, controlling pollutants derived from waste combustion, and many more. The Wisconsin DNR proctors the four-hour exam at the end of the course, and a passing score earns you an incinerator operator license.

Soil & Water Conservation - A Division of Land Services

Farmland Preservation Plan/Program

Barron County has participated in the Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) for more than 40 years. The county's commitment to preserving agricultural land began with the adoption of the Farmland Preservation Plan in 1979. In 2015, the Farmland Preservation Plan was revised and it is now time for the 10-year update. On June 16, 2025, we will be holding a public informational meeting to get feedback from Barron County citizens on proposed Plan updates, with the timeline for final approval by the Ext/LCC and Zoning committees in August and submission of the plan to DATCP in September.

In December of 2023, the FPP State Income tax credit was increased from \$7.50 per acre to \$10 per acre, increasing the interest in participation. The Farmland Preservation Program is available to those in areas zoned Exclusive Ag (A-1) in zoned towns or those in an Ag Enterprise Area in unzoned towns, as long as participants meet the state criteria. Barron County currently has 188 certified participants in the Farmland Preservation Program with compliance being met on over 67,500 acres, Of this acreage, credit is being claimed on 50,140 acres for annual landowner tax credits of \$501,407. Since 2016, there has been a county-wide net increase of 4173 acres in the A-1 district within the 17 towns which have adopted the county Land Use Ordinance. The Town of Clinton became certified in 2017 and now has over 3736 acres of A-1 area, largely due to the ability for these landowners to participate in the Farmland Preservation Program.

March 2025



Department Updates

March 2025

Finance

Jodi Busch, Finance Director

Spring time is audit time in the Finance Department. In addition to daily duties, staff have been very busy reconciling accounts and closing out 2024. The Highway audit fieldwork by our external auditors, CliftonLarsonAllen, will be conducted the week of March 17th. The county-wide audit will commence April 28th.

We continue to work to finish the Highway Facility. All contractor accounts have been officially closed out. The remaining IT projects include additional digital signage, door controls and camera installation. The purchase of a few pieces of budgeted equipment is in the works. The last remaining project is the DDC control upgrade, which is expected to be completed this summer. With these final projects, we are still within the funding parameters set by the County Board.

In late 2024, Micki Anderson, our Fiscal Specialist who was going to handle the Birth to Three billing moved on from Barron County. We are very happy to share that April Holten from DHHS will be joining Finance to fill that position. April has a strong knowledge of DHHS programs which will be an asset for the Finance Department. We are all excited for April to join our team!

Waste to Energy

Brent Bohn, Plant Director

Recycling:

In 2024, the Barron County Recycling Center processed 541.53 tons of recyclables, of which 500.42 tons were sent to end markets for reuse or further recycling, and 41.11 tons were non-recyclable (contamination). This equates to a 7.6% contamination rate which is pretty good compared to the national average of 17%. All contamination from the recycling process is brought to the Waste to Energy side for energy recovery. Contamination is still a concern, and we will continue to increase public awareness by using the media, the Barron County School System, signage, and other means to ensure the public is aware of what is and isn't recyclable. Links to this information can be found on the Barron County website. The Recycling Center also processed 38.05 tons of e-waste, 47.28 tons of appliances, and 5.25 tons of batteries in 2024.

Waste to Energy:

The Waste to Energy Facility processed 40,811.32 tons of waste in 2024, of which 34,832 tons were incinerated for energy recovery. The remaining 5,979.32 tons consisted of 340.19 tons of ferrous metal for recycling, 2.75 tons of aluminum for recycling, and 5,636.38 tons of undesirable waste which was unfortunately sent to the landfill. Overall, the numbers show that only 14.7% of the waste delivered to the facility was not used for recycling or energy recovery, which is good and will certainly get better as we perfect the incorporation of the Shredder.

The energy recovered from the incineration process was converted to 8.292 Gigawatts of electricity and 102,360 tons of steam, which was sent to Saputo to make Wisconsin's finest cheese.

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Waste to Energy & Recycling

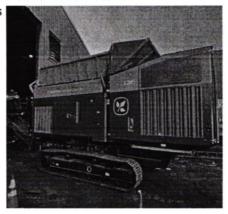
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We're shredding it at Waste to Energy!

We've purchased and implemented a shredder to shred large, bulky, undesirable waste such as tires, mattresses, paper rolls, construction, and demolition. The shredder, made by Komptech, is powered by a C18 (18-liter) Caterpillar engine rated at 600 horsepower. Its operating weight is about 60,000 pounds, and depending on the

waste, it will shred about 110 tons per hour. The shredder allows us to process wastes that would have been diverted to the landfill in the past. We project to prevent at least 6,500 tons of trash from entering the landfill annually. It is truly an impressive machine, and we are excited to discover how this will

transform our process and throughput. The shredder is mobile and can be transported to other locations, so keep this in mind if your department has a use for it, like shredding homes or buildings.





County Clerk

Jessica Hodek, County Clerk

Barron County had a huge voter turnout at the General Election with a total of 26,967 votes cast. That equates to 73% of eligible voters and 94% of registered voters. This is a higher turnout than our last Presidential election in 2020. There were 1,498 more ballots cast in this Presidential election than in the 2020 Presidential election but that was also during the Covid pandemic so not the perfect comparison. Barron County also had a record number of absentee ballot requests this election. The number of absentee ballots issued in our county were 8,937 which includes both mailed and in person absentees. This number means that 32% of registered voters had their ballots prior to Election Day. The increase in participation in yesterday's election reflects a deep recognition of the importance of every vote. People came out in record numbers to make their voices heard. Barron County results were certified to the State on November 12th. The State also randomly audits different municipalities within the State and 6 municipalities in Barron County were chosen for this election. This simply means that the municipality will complete an audit and hand count all of their ballots to ensure what they hand count matches what their tabulating machines counted on election day. It's just one more step in the process to ensure Wisconsin has every vote accounted for.

On behalf of my office, and the Barron County voters, I want to thank all of our municipal clerks and poll workers. Municipal clerks and poll workers are your friends, family and neighbors. It's their tireless efforts that ensure the voting process runs smoothly, accurately and fairly. Please take a minute to thank them for their public service.

July 2024

Waste to Energy

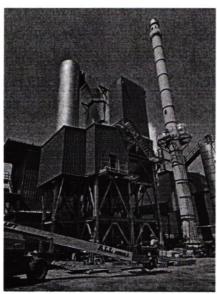
Brent Bohn, Plant Director

It's mainly business as usual in the Waste to Energy Department. We continue to focus our attention on the new pollution control system project. Despite the project's numerous delays, mainly with shipping, we remain committed to its successful completion. The outage date for the new equipment installation has been rescheduled to August 5th. Fortunately, our day-to-day operations are not affected by the construction, and we are operating at full capacity. We will continue to accept waste from customers and contractors during the outage, with some limitations. All waste received during the outage will be transferred to the landfill, except for customers' waste who have contracted with us to be landfill-free. Those wastes will be stockpiled until we come back online, which is currently scheduled for August 19th. We are all very eager to see what the new state-of-the-art pollution control system will do for our process and to finally be able to process up to 150 tons per day! The structure is currently nine stories high. One more story to go.









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Waste to Energy & Recycling

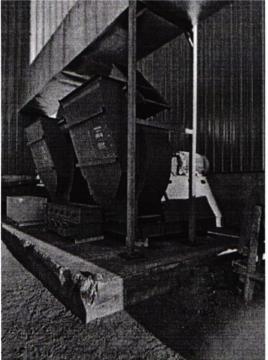
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Recycling:

The recycling department has been humming along as usual so far this year. The new baler is proving to be a good investment as it reduces the size of the recycling bales, allowing for more storage capacity and, ultimately, heavier shipping weights. In December of 2023, we decided to abandon the idea of staffed recycling sites and open the sites 24/7-365. This is proving to be a good decision for several rea-

sons, the most prominent being the amount of recyclables received at the facility. 149.1 tons have been collected this year, up 19 tons from the previous year. Contamination is still a concern and something we continue to monitor. We're convinced that a cost-effective approach to reducing contamination is better informing the public of what is recyclable. We decided that step one was to re-label the recycling boxes, which look great! The new boxes will start to replace the old boxes throughout this summer, so be on the watch for them in your neck of the woods.





Waste to Energy:

The waste-to-energy side of things is also humming right along. We are running at 100% capacity and are focusing our attention on the new pollution control system project. The first of 8 semi loads of steel beams and supports has arrived. Menomonie-based Red Cedar Steel will be here this week to start putting the structure together. We also received and placed the new Induced Draft Fans (I.D. Fans) in their approximate operating locations. The I.D. fans, which are basically the lungs of the facility, are almost twice as big as what we're currently operating. The fan blades are 52" in diameter, and each one moves 35,000 cubic feet of air per minute. We've made a strategic decision to place the fans on an existing concrete slab, which is a substantial 36" thick. This thickness is sufficient to withstand and counteract the immense rotational forces the fans could produce if they become unbalanced, ensuring the safety and stability of our operations and ultimately saving a little bit on the bottom line.



BARRON COUNTY

Samantha J Sommerfeld, Treasurer Carol Rockow, Chief Deputy Chasta Udelhofen, Real Property Lister 335 E Monroe Ave Rm 2412 Barron WI 54812-1478

Phone: 715.537.6280 Fax: 715.537.6277

To: Barron County Executive Committee

From: Samantha Sommerfeld, Treasurer

Re: Tax Deed Parcels – Request to not sell on Public Auction

Date: June 4, 2025

Note: Executive Committee approval is needed when parcels acquired through the In-Rem tax foreclosure process are not offered for sale to the general public.

1) Road right-of-way parcels – Town and City of Rice Lake: 038-3200-01-000 & 276-8004-05-000

Request to convey to municipalities for cost of deed recording fee

These sections of road right of way parcels exist because in the past a surveyor did a Certified Survey Map and did not survey to the center of the road (surveying to the center is common practice today). This left sections of road right of way with a different/old owner.

In an effort to clear this up, these parcels were added to the tax roll in 2021. Now that they are part of the In-Rem Tax Foreclosure process, I, as Barron County Treasurer, would like to offer these to the municipality in which they are located, at no cost. They will solely be responsible for the deed recording fee. Both municipalities have agreed to take ownership of these parcels upon Executive Committee approval.

Location: Rice Lake - West of Tech College & West of Red Cedar River, W South St turns into 19th Ave.

2) Underwater Parcel – City of Cumberland Request for County to retain ownership

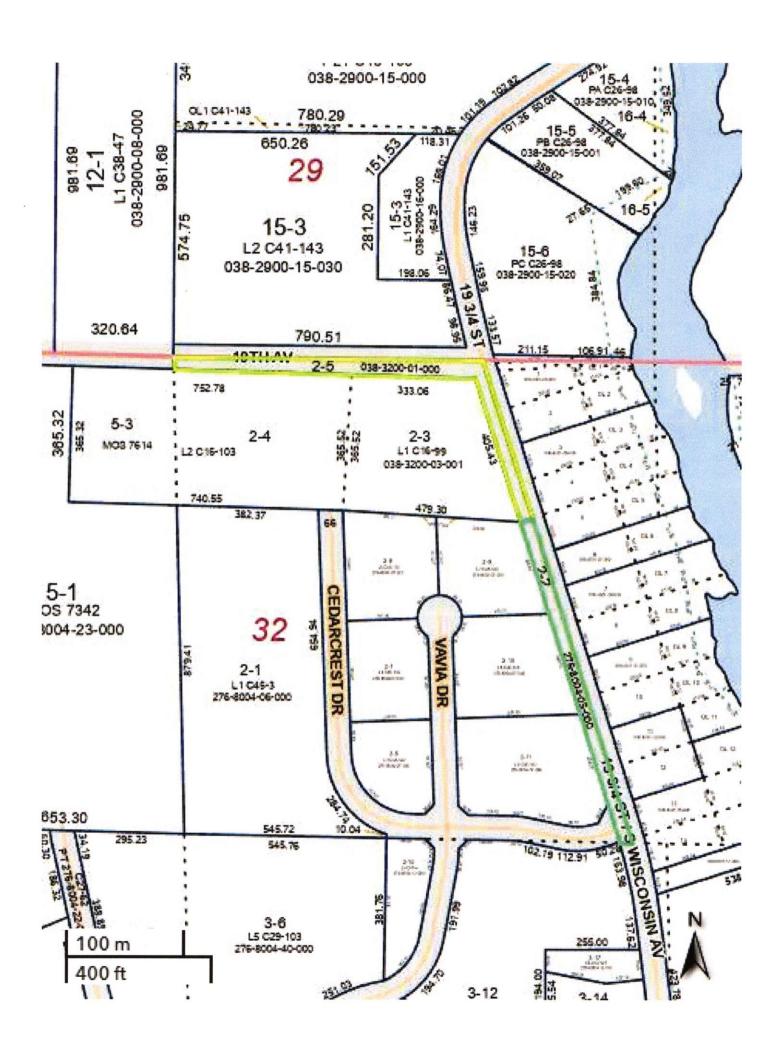
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In 1985 Barron County took ownership of this via Tax Deed but then later sold it to an individual in 1998. Now the County has taken ownership again. Two underwater parcels adjacent to the West are already owned by the County. A parcel that is partially underwater to the South is owned by the City of Cumberland.

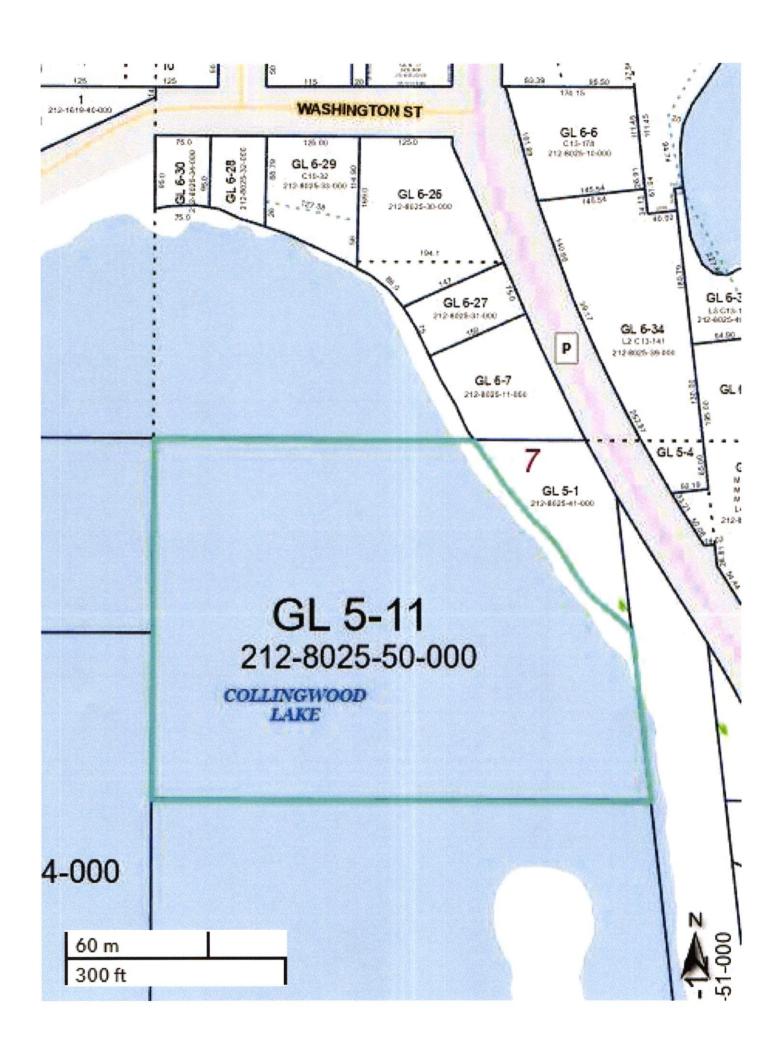
Paying former owner equity -

The roadway parcels will have no equity/proceeds payable to the former owner - the amounts owed are greater than the fair market value of the parcels.

The underwater parcel will have approximately \$650 due to the former owner. Amount may change slightly depending on allowable deductions in proceeds per Wisconsin Statute 75.36(3)







BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 -

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING 2026 BARRON COUNTY BUDGET PREPARATION GUIDELINES

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §59.18(5), it is the responsibility of the County Administrator to prepare an annual budget for County Board review and final consideration; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent for the County Administrator and Departmental Directors to have certain guidelines and policies to follow in order to plan, compile, and present a proposed annual budget; and

WHEREAS, it is the objective of the Barron County Board of Supervisors to remain under the state imposed levy cap for operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, expected revenue reductions from the State of Wisconsin and Federal Government make it prudent to identify all County programs, services and funding sources in order to prioritize the needs and expenditures of the County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Barron County Board of Supervisors that the following guidelines and policies shall be used for the preparation of the County's 2026 Annual Budget:

SERVICES: New County services shall be considered only if:

- A. State or federal law specifically mandates such services: or
- B. The County Board approves a new service or an increase in the level of existing services based on the recommendation of a department, its standing committee, board or commission, County Administrator, and the Executive Committee; or
- C. An existing program or activity is replaced with a new program or activity which has been approved by the appropriate standing committee, board or commission, County Administrator, and the new program or activity has no adverse impact on the tax levy; or
- D. The County Board has, by resolution, made a commitment or other contractual arrangement for the support of a new program or activity.

REVENUES: General Guidelines and Policies:

A. Property Tax (Real Estate Tax Revenue):

1. The 2026 County Budget shall comply with the rules set forth by the Wisconsin Legislature for property tax rate limits, including Wis. Stat. §§ 59.605, 67.03 and 67.045.

- 2. The tax rate for debt service shall be determined by the County Board if new debt service is incurred.
- 3. The special tax rates for the Library Tax Levy and the Highway Special Bridge Aids shall be set as required by contract, petition, or statute.

B. Intergovernmental Revenues:

- 1. Intergovernmental grants-in-aid will be budgeted using a calendar year accounting basis, but the actual grant award may be allocated according to the grantor agency fiscal period.
- 2. Continuing grants will be budgeted based upon the unexpended or prorated term of the fiscal grant, provided that the County's contribution toward the project does not exceed the total amount authorized.
- 3. New grant application amounts will only be incorporated in the budget if they have been previously approved by the appropriate standing committee, board or commission, and County Administrator.
- 4. Intergovernmental charge for service fees will be adjusted to reflect any proportionate increase in costs associated with providing services or as directed by statute, administrative rule, or by action of any authorized board, committee or commission.

C. User Fees and Charges:

Every effort will be made to establish appropriate user fees or charges and to re-evaluate existing charges.

D. Use of County Sales Tax:

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 77.70 it is the desire of the County Board to utilize the county sales tax for the purpose of reducing the property tax levy. However, if the revenues collected from the sales tax exceed the budget amount any amount determined by the County Board will be used to reduce the operating tax levy.

III. EXPENDITURES: General Guidelines and Policies: (The classification of expenditures/expenses shall follow the Uniform Chart of Accounts for Wisconsin Counties)

A. Personnel

- Staffing Levels The County Administrator and Executive Committee shall recommend to the County Board staffing levels and all new positions or position changes in compliance with the Position Justification Process.
- 2. All departments shall make a diligent effort to minimize budgeted overtime and compensatory time and must justify any overtime or compensatory time.

- 3. Employee Compensation Personnel services (salaries, wages and fringe benefits) will be budgeted utilizing the Salaries and Fringe Benefit worksheet. Sufficient funds shall be budgeted to cover the wages and benefits contained within the established WPPA collective bargaining agreement. The County Administrator and Executive Committee shall recommend increases to be budgeted for non-represented employees.
- B. Contracted Services Contracted services will be identified on the Contracted Services Worksheet using a zero-based budgeting approach.
- C. Operation and Maintenance The following specific line items contained with the operation and maintenance category shall be detailed on the Operation and Maintenance Worksheet using a zero-based budgeting approach: #314 Small Equipment Under \$500 per item; # 322 Subscriptions, Newspapers & Periodicals; #320 Publications; #329 Manuals/Books & Pamphlets; #324 Membership Dues: # 325 Conference/Training Registration Fees; # 335 Meals & Lodging; #'s 330,332,337,338,339 relating to Travel; and #'s 310, 312, 319, 349 relating to Office, Operating Supplies & Expenses.
- D. Fixed Charges Fixed charges shall be budgeted by each department as necessary.
- E. Capital Improvement Capital Outlay Plan Each department will update the five-year Capital Improvement Request Plan. New major capital projects, which require the issuance of debt, shall be accounted for in a Capital Projects Fund.
- F. Contingency Fund There shall be a Contingency Line Item Appropriation in the 2026 Budget for costs that cannot be identified at the time the budget is prepared and are not ordinary expenses. Pursuant to Wis. Stats 65.90 § 4(b) the Executive Committee is authorized to transfer funds between budgeted items of an individual county office or department, if such budgeted items have been separately appropriated, and to supplement the appropriations for a particular office, department or activity by transfers from the contingent fund. Such committee transfers shall not exceed the amount set up in the contingency fund as adopted in the annual budget, nor aggregate in the case of an individual office, department or activity in excess of 10 per cent of the funds originally provided for such office, department or activity in such annual budget.
- G. An expenditure is defined as those which are ordinary, reasonable and necessary for the purposes for which that department and its' statutory functions were created and /or in accordance with the governing rules of a grant agreement.
- H. Revenue shall be defined per the basis of accounting of the fund in which the revenue is to be recognized in accordance with the Government

Accounting Auditing and Financial Reporting Guide as prepared by the Government Finance Officers Association.

I. Any ambiguity as to the appropriateness of an expenditure of the recognition of revenue shall be referred to the County Administrator.

IV. FUND BALANCES:

Fund Balances shall be maintained in accordance with Barron County Rules and Procedures.

V. COMPLIANCE WITH BUDGET PROCEDURES:

- A. All county departments shall submit a listing of programs, services and funding sources including services provided to other units of government and county overmatches of state and federal funds in a format as determined by the County Administrator.
- B. All county departments shall prepare and submit their 2026 budget request in accordance with the budget calendar attached hereto, which may be updated or amended by the County Administrator and Executive Committee.
- C. Failure to provide timely information on the required form or in the required format may result in a department's 2026 budget being set at an amount as determined by the County Administrator.
- D. The County Administrator shall first review each department's budget prior to review by each appropriate standing committee, board or commission.
- E. No department shall transfer funds between the individual line items without permission of the Executive Committee.
- F. No department shall expend funds other than for the purpose for which the original appropriation was authorized by the final County Board approved budget.

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 16th day of June, 2025.

Number of readings required: One (X) Two () Vote required for passage: Majority (X)	
2/3 Entire Board (20) ()	Louis Okov Evagutive Committee Chair
Source of funding: Budgeted (X) General Fund (Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair
Grant () Contingency () Other () Details	(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)
Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ Budgeted - Future years total amount \$ Budgeted - Effect on tax levy – current year \$ Budgeted - Effect on tax levy – future years \$ Budgeted	Board Action: Adopted () Failed () Tabled ()
Fiscal impact reviewed by:	
Jodi Busch, Finance Director	
Approved as to form by:	
Jeffrey French, County Administrator	Motion:
John Muench, Corporation Counsel	

Barron County 2026 Budget Process Timeline

Event	Da	ite	Responsible Party
1 Adopt Budget Guidelines	Jun	ne 16	County Board
2 Deliver Budget Worksheets to Departme	nts July	y 11	Finance Director
3 Administrator Meets with Department He	ads July	y 14 - Aug 8	Administrator/Dept Heads/Finance Director
4 Committee Budget Approvals	July	5	Administrator/Dept Heads/Finance Director Committees
5 Budget Request Deadline	Aug	g 8	Department Heads/Finance Director
6 Preliminary Budget Presentation to Exec	utive Committee Sep	pt 3	Administrator/Executive
7 Preliminary Budget Presentation to Cour	ty Board Sep	pt 15	Administrator/County Board
8 Executive Committee Recommendation	to County Board Oct	t 1	Administrator/Executive
9 Publish Budget Publication Per Statute 6	5.90 Oct	t 6	Finance Director
10 County Board Meeting	Oct	t 20	Administrator/County Board
11 Public Hearing***	Nov	v 3 - 6:00 pm	County Board
12 Adoption of 2026 Budget	Nov	v 11 - 9:00 am	County Board

^{***}The County Board may adopt the 2026 Budget after the close of the Public Hearing during the November 3rd County Board meeting.