



BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026 – 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, Dana Heller, Dennis Jenkins, Amanda Kohnen, Kathy Krug, Audrey Kusilek, Jamie McCready, Carol Moen, Gary Nelson, Louie Okey, Pete Olson, Tim Ploetz, Pete Schneider, Marv Thompson, Craig Turcott, Diane Vaughn and Stacey Wenzel.

ATTENDING VIRTUALLY: None at this time.

ABSENT: Jim Gores, Fran Langman, Roberta Mosentine, Bob Rogers and Bill Schradle.

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

ROLL CALL – PUBLIC NOTIFICATION: County Clerk Hodek took attendance and stated the County's compliance with Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws.

INVOCATION: Led by Chaplain Cody Kargus.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

IN MEMORIAM – JERRY MCROBERTS: A moment of silence was held for former Supervisor Jerry McRoberts.

SPECIAL MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (NON-ACTION ITEMS): Administrator French noted the next Law Enforcement Committee meeting will be held on February 12th and introduced Michelle Drury as the new Finance Director/County Auditor.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion: (Cook/Heller) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 3, 2025: Motion: (Banks/Thompson) to change the amount from \$1,000 to \$8,000 for the check provided to the Barron County Veterans Office from the Haugen Auxiliary and approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chaplain Cody Kargus: 619 Kruger Avenue in Cameron spoke regarding National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day on January 9th.

2026-1 RESOLUTION – INTENTION TO JOIN THE STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR BARRON COUNTY: Motion: (Cook/B. Anderson) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle). County Clerk Hodek asked for a break to allow her to print the resolutions, obtain the required signatures, and allow Emergency Director Mike Judy to take the approved resolutions for immediate submission to comply with the grant deadline.

2026-1 ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – REZONING – TOWN OF CUMBERLAND, VALERIE M. ANDERSON, STEVEN J. BERGMANN & THOMAS E. BERGMANN, OWNERS: Motion: (Kusilek/McCready) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-2 ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – REZONING – TOWN OF PRAIRIE LAKE, SHANNON DAHLE, OWNER: Motion: (Heller/Kusilek) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-3 ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – REZONING – TOWN OF STANLEY, CLIFFORD & JUDITH ROETTGER, OWNERS: Motion: (Jenkins/Cook) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-4 ORDINANCE – REVISED ORDINANCE DESIGNATING ADDITIONAL PORTIONS OF COUNTY HIGHWAYS AS ATV/UTV ROUTES: Motion: (Jenkins/P. Anderson) to approve. Chair Okey clarified the portions of the ordinance that were changed at the DNR’s request. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-2 RESOLUTION – MOTORIZED TRAIL AUTHORIZATION FOR YEARS 2026-2027: Motion: (Turcott/B. Anderson) to approve. Discussion. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-3 RESOLUTION – CLARIFYING FUNDING FOR THE WISCONSIN PROFESSIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION (WPPA) CONTRACT FOR THE PERIOD 1-1-2026 TO 12-31-2027: Motion: (Cook/P. Anderson) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-4 RESOLUTION – TO SUPPORT WISCONSIN IN ESTABLISHING A MEMBERSHIP WITH THE MULTI-STATE INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER (MS-ISAC) TO COVER THE COST OF MEMBERSHIP FOR ALL STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL AND TERRITORIAL (SLTT) ORGANIZATIONS: Motion: (Ploetz/Olson) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-5 RESOLUTION – APPROVING 2025-2026 ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR THE COUNTY FOREST: Motion: (Jenkins/Moen) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

2026-6 RESOLUTION – TO APPOINT FINANCE DIRECTOR/COUNTY AUDITOR: Motion: (Kusilek/Jenkins) to approve. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

REPORT FROM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. TREASURER’S REPORT OF RECIEPTS & DISBURSEMENTS: Information was included in the packet.

APPOINTMENTS

A. PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER – APPOINT PATRICIA WICKMAN: Motion: (P. Anderson/Moen) to approve all appointments as presented. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

B. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD – REAPPOINT KAROLYN BARTLETT, DIANE VAUGHN & MARY MATTHYS (3 YEAR TERM): Motion: (P. Anderson/Moen) to approve all appointments as presented. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

C. ADRC BOARD – APPOINT BERT SKINNER TO REPLACE RUDY WALZ (3 YEAR TERM): Motion: (P. Anderson/Moen) to approve all appointments as presented. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

D. INDIANHEAD FEDERATED LIBRARY SYSTEM (IFLS) – APPOINT DOUG EDWARDSON TO REPLACE MAY ALICE LARSON (3 YEAR TERM): Motion: (P. Anderson/Moen) to approve all appointments as presented. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Gores, Langman, Mosentine, Rogers & Schradle).

CLAIMS, PETITIONS & CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. ATV/UTV ROUTE REQUEST – CHETEK AREA**
- B. RESOLUTION – CONVERSION OF HISTORICAL FILES TO DIGITAL FILES IN COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE**
- C. MARCH 26, 2026 – RETIREMENT PARTY FOR COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS HOSTED BY SUPERVISOR MOSENTINE. PLEASE RSVP TO SUPERVISOR MOSENTINE BY THE FEBRUARY COUNTY BOARD MEETING.**
- D. MAY – UPDATE FROM TIM DEATON ON THE COUNTY’S SELF-FUNDED INSURANCE PLAN**

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, February 16, 2025 at 9:00AM at the Government Center located in Barron.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Okey adjourned the meeting at 9:29AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Hodek, County Clerk

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