

# **LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Thursday, March 19, 2026 8:00 AM Meeting Minutes**

Barron County Justice Center, Emergency Operations Center, 1420 State Hwy 25 North, Barron, WI 54812

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**Members Present:** Patti Anderson (Departed at 9:00AM), Jamie McCready, Craig Turcott and Stacey Wenzel.

**Members Appearing Virtually:** Pete Olson.

**Members Absent:** Pete Schneider.

**Staff Present:** County Administrator Jeff French, Sheriff Jodi Kummet, Chief Deputy Jason Hagen, Captain Darren Hodek, Captain Tim Evenson, Emergency Services Director Mike Judy and County Clerk Jessica Hodek.

**Staff Appearing Virtually:** None.

**Others Present:** None.

**Call to Order** by Vice Chairman Turcott at 8:15 a.m.

**Public Notification** – County Clerk Hodek stated the County’s compliance with open meeting laws.

**Public Comment** – None.

**Approve Agenda - Motion: (McCready/Wenzel)** to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

**Approve October 16, 2025, Meeting Minutes - Motion: (McCready/Wenzel)** to approve minutes as presented. Carried.

**Review Voucher Edit Lists** - Edit lists were reviewed.

**Discussion for Potential Leadership Restructure** - Captain Evenson discussed the need for a succession plan in the Jail. Discussion. Administrator French reviewed the County’s procedure for creating a new position. Chief Deputy Hagen noted this position would be budget neutral for the 2027 Sheriff Department’s budget. Captain Evenson will provide a job description. The committee is in favor of continuing the process of creating this position.

**2025 Sheriff’s Department Annual Report** - Discussion. No action.

**2025 Emergency Management Annual Report** - Discussion. No action.

**Jail Sally Port** - Waiting on door hardware but everything else is completed within the expected timelines. Discussion.

### **Updates**

1. **ERT** - No calls this year. Down several members.
2. **Patrol** - New bodycams and radios installed with positive feedback.
3. **Jail** - Bodycams in use with positive feedback. Three open positions. Sergeant position filled internally with promoting Sager.
4. **Dispatch** - Two resignations and one upcoming leave.
5. **Emergency Management** - Discussed earlier in the meeting.

### **Future Agenda Items**

1. Jail Organizational Restructuring Plan - Potential New Position
2. Request to Open County AA (Near Chetek) to ATV/UTV Traffic

**Next meeting date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026, 8:15 a.m.

Adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:01a.m.

*Meeting minutes posted in draft form. Reviewed and approved on 03/19/2026 by Craig Turcott. Minutes not official until approved at the next committee meeting.*