

LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 27, 2026 8:15 AM Meeting Minutes

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

Members Present: Pete Olson, Patti Anderson, Craig Turcott, Bob Anderson, Stacey Wenzel and Louie Okey.

Members Appearing Virtually:

Members Absent: Jamie McCready, Pete Schneider

Staff Present: County Administrator Jeff French, Human Resources Director Rachael Richie, Sheriff Jodi Kummert, Chief Deputy Jason Hagen, Captain Darren Hodek, Captain Tim Evenson, Emergency Services Director Mike Judy and Fiscal Manager Penny Pierce.

Staff Appearing Virtually: None.

Others Present: None.

Call to Order by Administrator French at 8:15 a.m.

Public Notification – Penny Pierce stated the County’s compliance with open meeting laws.

Election of Officers

Administrator French called for nominations for committee chair. Bob Anderson nominated Stacey Wenzel for committee chair, seconded by Patti Anderson. Pete Olson nominated Craig Turcott for committee chair, seconded by Patti Anderson. Stacey Wenzel declined the nomination.

Motion: (B. Anderson/P. Anderson) to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Craig Turcott as Committee Chairman. Motion carried.

Supervisor Turcott assumed the Chair position and ran the rest of the meeting.

Chairman Turcott called for nominations for committee vice-chair. Pete Olson nominated Patti Anderson for committee vice-chair, seconded by Stacey Wenzel.

Motion: (B. Anderson/Wenzel) to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Patti Anderson as Committee Vice-Chair. Motion carried.

Chairman Turcott called for nominations for the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management representative to the Executive Committee. Bob Anderson nominated Stacey Wenzel for the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee representative to the Executive Committee, seconded by Pete Olson.

Motion: (B. Anderson) to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Stacey Wenzel as the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee representative to the Executive Committee. Motion carried.

NOTE There was no second received to close nominations however, there was no opposition from any of the committee members to Chair Turcott announcing that Supervisor Wenzel is the Executive Committee representative from this Committee.

Public Comment – None.

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

Approve April 16, 2026, Meeting Minutes - Motion: (P. Anderson/Olson) to approve minutes as presented. Carried.

Review Voucher Edit Lists - Edit lists were reviewed.

Remote Attendance for future meetings -

Motion: (Olson/Wenzel) to allow remote attendance at future meetings of the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee. Motion carried.

Jail Sally Port - no action taken.

Updates

1. **ERT**
2. **Patrol**
3. **Jail**
4. **Dispatch**
5. **Emergency Management**

No action taken on any of these agenda items.

Future Agenda Items

1. Jail Tour

2. Annual Asset Tag Review

Next meeting date: Thursday, June 18, 2026, 8:15 a.m.

The committee adjourned at 8:38 a.m. No action was taken during the adjournment.

8:38 a.m. - French, Okey, Evenson, Judy & Pierce left the meeting

Patrol Officer Interviews

Motion: (P. Anderson/Olson) to go into closed session at 8:45 a.m. pursuant to sec 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility to include Human Resources Director Rachael Richie, Sheriff Kummert, Chief Deputy Hagen and Captain Hodek. Roll Call Vote: Turcott – Yes; B. Anderson – Yes; Wenzel – Yes; P. Anderson – Yes; Olson – Yes.

Motion: (Olson/B. Anderson) to return to open session for the remainder of the meeting at 10:18 a.m. Motion carried.

Motion: (Olson/B. Anderson) to recommend Trent Cooper and Patrick Heater to Sheriff Kummert for consideration of employment as patrol officer. Roll Call Vote: Turcott – Yes; B. Anderson – Yes; Wenzel – Yes; P. Anderson – Yes; Olson – Yes.

Adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Penny Pierce, Fiscal Manager

Minutes are not official until approved by the committee at the next meeting.