



BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026 – 10:00 AM

BARRON COUNTY HIGHWAY FACILITY – CONFERENCE ROOM
260 NORTH 7TH STREET - BARRON, WISCONSIN 54812

MINUTES

PRESENT: Patti Anderson, Robert Anderson, Scott Bachowski, Randy Cook, Sr., Mark Eby, Shelley Effertz, Carsten Ellison, Craig Fowler, Jim Gores (Arrived at 10:18AM), Dennis Jenkins, Kathy Krug (Arrived at 10:12AM), Audrey Kusilek, Jeff Miller, Gary Nelson, Louie Okey, Pete Olson, Dennis Sandmann, Pete Schneider, Bill Schradle, Craig Turcott, Diane Vaughn, Lauren Wentz, Stacey Wenzel and Brad Wolf.

APPEARING VIRTUALLY: None at this time.

ABSENT: Karolyn Bartlett, Dana Heller, Fran Langman, Jamie McCready and Carol Moen.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Okey called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

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

INVOCATION: Led by Chair Okey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

SPECIAL MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (NON-ACTION ITEMS): Administrator French requested County Board Supervisors respond to the email from Emergency Management regarding the "I am responding" communication.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion: (Bachowski/Eby) to approve. Carried with 22 Yes and 7 Absent (Bartlett, Gores, Heller, Krug, Langman, McCready & Moen).

PUBLIC COMMENT: None at this time.

BARRON COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN – 2026 UPDATED: UW-Extension Local Government Education Program Manager Karl Green reviewed the Barron County Strategic Plan and highlighted the updates made to the plan in 2026 for the next five years. Administrator French reviewed the updates made to the Barron County Strategic Plan with emphasis on how the County plans to implement various action items in the next five years. UW-Extension Program Manager Green, Administrator French and Chair Okey answered questions from the Board. **Motion: (Olson/Eby)** to approve the Barron County Strategic Plan with the 2026 Updates. Carried with 24 Yes and 5 Absent (Bartlett, Heller, Langman, McCready & Moen).

Supervisor Krug arrived at 10:12AM and Supervisor Gores arrived at 10:18AM during discussion of the Barron County Strategic Plan.

REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARD RULES & PROCEDURES: Corporation Counsel Muench reviewed the Barron County Board of Supervisors Rules & Procedures that were recently combined with the template provided by the Wisconsin Counties Association. Corporation Counsel Muench, Administrator French and Chair Okey answered questions from the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: By Unanimous Consent at 11:42AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Hodek, County Clerk

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