

Barron County Health & Human Services Board Meeting
Government Center Auditorium Veterans Memorial Auditorium
Monday, July 27, 2026 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Karolyn Bartlett – Chair, Nancy Keeler, Bob Heil, Toniann Knutson, Stacey Wenzel, Patti Anderson, Diane Vaughn, Mary Matthys, Betty Borgen, Mark Eby, Scott Bachowski.

ABSENT: Lynn Kolpack, Dr. Lindsey Ruppel

OTHERS ATTENDING: Bob Zientara – Barron News-Shield

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff French, County Administrator; Karla Potts-Shufelt, DHHS Director, John Muench, Director, Child Support; Rachel Sauve, Financial Analyst; DHHS Program Managers – Karla Broten, Ann Hay, Mary Olsen, Patricia Wickman, Bonnie Roemhild; Samantha Nelson, DHHS Administrative Assistant.

STAFF ABSENT: Lynette Metcalf, Michelle Drury

Call to Order: by Chair Karolyn Bartlett at 9:30 a.m.

Public Meeting Notification: Read by Bartlett.

Motion: (Bachowski / Keeler) to approve agenda for July 27, 2026 DHHS Board meeting. Carried.

Motion: (Eby / Bachowski) to approve minutes from the June 29, 2026 Health and Human Services Board meeting. Carried.

Comments from the Public: None present.

Child Welfare Presentation: Broten provided a presentation.

Tick Updates: Wickman gave a brief summary on ticks and tick-borne illnesses.

Virtual Meeting Demo: Potts-Shufelt provided short instruction of how to attend virtually.

Department Updates:

DHHS: Potts-Shufelt gave update that DHHS is now fully staffed and the new EHR system remains in progress.

Child Support: Muench informed that child support is also fully staffed again.

Set next meeting date: August 24, 2026, at 9:30 am

Future Agenda Items: Budget.

Adjourn – Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Samantha Nelson, Administrative Assistant
(Minutes are not official until approved by the DHHS Board.)