

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 29

Juror Per Diems

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

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2 **WHEREAS**, Sec. 756.25 (1) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires the County Board
3 to fix the daily fee to be paid to jurors; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the current rate for jurors in Barron County is \$50.00 per day and
6 \$25.00 per half day; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, this fee was set 19 years ago, specifically in 2006; and
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10 **WHEREAS**, jury duty is mandatory and many jurors do not receive pay or
11 compensation from employers for that service, and many also have to make arrangements
12 for daycare or individuals to fill in their job at their own expense; and
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14 **WHEREAS**, the current rate is unfair to these jurors based upon their personal and
15 financial sacrifice; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, the Circuit Judges and Clerk of Court have recommended that the fee
18 be raised to \$100.00 per full day and \$50.00 per half day; and
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20 **WHEREAS**, this resolution was approved by the Executive Committee on August
21 6, 2025, on a vote of 7 - 0, with Okey, Bartlett, Olson, Kusilek, Heller, Rogers and
22 Thompson voting in favor and no committee voting against. Wenzel was absent.
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24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective September 1, 2025, the
25 juror per diem in Barron County be set at \$100.00 per day for jurors who serve on the jury,
26 and \$50.00 per day for jurors who report for jury selection but are not chosen to serve on
27 the jury.
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29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that publication of this resolution may occur
30 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
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OFFERED THIS 18th day of August, 2025.

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| <p>Number of readings required: One (X) Two ()</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (X) 2/3 Entire Board (20) ()</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted (X) General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other () Details _____</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$40,000 - Future years total amount: \$63,000 - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p> | <p>_____ Louie Okey, Executive Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted (X) Failed () Tabled ()</p> <p>Motion: (Olson/Turcott) to approve. Carried with 27 Yes and 2 Absent (Langman & Rogers).</p> |
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