

** MINUTES **
** OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD **

Office of the County Clerk, February 11, 2025.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Chairperson Gabrielson at 7:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, located at 320 South Walnut Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

ROLL CALL: 32 present, 4 absent. Members present: Thompson, Smith, Patience, Gabrielson, Kostelny, Hammen, Lawrence, Krueger, Lamers, Ferguson, McCabe, Hermes, MacDonald, Schroeder, Spears, Heiser, Mitchell, Cuff, Hagen, Klemp, Thiede, Janke, Weinberg, Culbertson, Winterfeldt, Nejedlo, Clegg, Thyssen, VanderHeiden, Rettler, Koury, and Lautenschlager.
Members absent: Supervisors Johnson, Wegand, Croatt, and Monfils.

The Board Chairperson requested the Board's confirmation to excuse Supervisors Johnson, Wegand, Croatt, and Monfils. No objections; so ordered.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Gabrielson.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 28, 2025 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Koury moved, seconded by Supervisor McCabe, to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2025 County Board meeting.

ROLL CALL: 29 yes, 3 abstain (Ferguson, Schroeder, Winterfeldt), 4 absent. MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 28, 2025 COUNTY BOARD MEETING ARE APPROVED.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – None.

ESTABLISH ORDER OF THE DAY–

Chairperson Gabrielson reported the request to have the appointment, ordinance, and all resolutions locked in at the meeting. No objections; so ordered.

Chairperson Gabrielson asked for unanimous consent to handle all reconsiderations and lock ins at the end of the meeting, unless a Supervisor wished to take a particular item separately. No objections; so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS –

Chairperson Gabrielson summarized the following communications:

- With the County Board Room technology upgrade, Chairperson Gabrielson reminded Supervisors of the importance of speaking into the microphone within six (6) inches of the microphone head for sound clarity.
- There are seven (7) Supervisors who still need to complete the most recent IT Security Training “Using AI Safely”. Legislative Services sent a reminder e-mail to those Supervisors on February 11, 2025.
- The Appleton Airport Terminal Expansion Project team will host an unveiling of its restaurant/Biergarten on Thursday, February 20, 2025. An e-mail invitation was sent out earlier this month, which included more details and how to RSVP for the event.

- The new Outagamie County 9-1-1 Communications Center is up and running. All of the necessary systems were brought over and installed on February 6, 2025 and is operational.
- Chairperson Gabrielson stated the next regularly-scheduled County Board meeting for February 25, 2025 will be cancelled. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 11, 2025.
- Chairperson Gabrielson recognized the following County Board Supervisor birthdays: Supervisor Wegand (2/15), Supervisor Weyenberg (2/21), Supervisor Kostelny (2/25), Supervisor Smith (3/1), and Supervisor Hagen (3/9).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS LIMITED TO ONLY MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA AND FOR A TOTAL OF FIFTEEN MINUTES WHICH MAY BE EXTENDED TO 30 MINUTES AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

Robert Kramer, W6461 Summer Wind Lane, Greenville, WI – spoke in opposition of Resolution No. 125—2024-25.

APPOINTMENTS –

County Executive Nelson nomination for appointment of Beth Roberts as the Director of Health and Human Services.

Supervisor Spears moved, seconded by Supervisor Schroeder, for confirmation of the above-listed appointment.

ROLL CALL: 30 yes, 2 no (Winterfeldt, Lautenschlager), 4 absent. BETH ROBERTS IS APPOINTED AS THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE – County Executive Thomas Nelson provided an Administrative Update.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. Z-10—2024-25 – Agriculture, Extension Education, Zoning, and Land Conservation Committee. Approve to adopt the petition of Carow Land Surveying Company, Inc., applicant on behalf of Dustin & Dylan Handschke, owners, to rezone a portion of tax parcel 070061500 from Exclusive Agricultural to General Agricultural in the Town of Deer Creek, as depicted on the attached review and map.

Supervisor VanderHeiden moved, seconded by Supervisor Rettler, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 32 yes, 4 absent. ORDINANCE NO. Z-10—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 125—2024-25 – Highway, Recycling and Solid Waste Committee. Authorize the Highway Commissioner to enter into a State/Municipal Financial Agreement for the Buchanan Road Overpass reconstruction project and associated Community Sensitive Design elements, as noted on the attached State/Municipal Financial Agreement for a State-Let Highway Project, and authorize funding for the county share of the project costs, estimated to be \$21,524.84, included in the budget, as noted on the attached fiscal note.

Supervisor Hagen moved, seconded by Supervisor Clegg, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 32 yes, 4 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 125—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 126—2024-25 – Property, Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee. Approve to endorse Cellcom’s application for Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) funding to bring fiber to 2,544 eligible Broadband Serviceable Locations in Outagamie County, and endorse the application of Cellcom for BEAD funding to support their broadband infrastructure project in Outagamie County.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor Kostelny, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 31 yes, 1 abstain (Heiser), 4 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 126—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 127—2024-25 – Property, Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee. Approve to endorse Brightspeed’s application for Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) funding to bring fiber to 2,544 eligible Broadband Serviceable Locations in Outagamie County, and endorse the application of Brightspeed for BEAD funding to support their broadband infrastructure project in Outagamie County.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor Klemp, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 31 yes, 1 abstain (Heiser), 4 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 127—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 128—2024-25 – Public Safety Committee. Approve the District Attorney’s Office to accept and expend a \$999 Wisconsin Victim Witness Professional Association Grant for comfort room items as noted on the attached WVWP Grant – Victim Comfort Room Items document, and increase the District Attorney line items of Intergovernmental Revenue by \$999 and Supplies by \$999, as noted on the attached fiscal note.

Supervisor Patience moved, seconded by Supervisor Lamers, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 32 yes, 4 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 128—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 129—2024-25 – Public Safety Committee. Authorize and approve the various budget transfers in the 2024 Sheriff’s Office budget as detailed on the attached fiscal note and Outagamie County Sheriff’s Office 2024 Budget Transfers Worksheet.

Supervisor Patience moved, seconded by Supervisor Smith, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 32 yes, 4 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 129—2024-25 IS ADOPTED.

RECONSIDERATION OF HHS DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT, ORDINANCE NO. Z-10—2024-25, AND RESOLUTION NOS. 125, 126, 127, 128 AND 129—2024-25.

Supervisor Patience moved, seconded by Supervisor Lautenschlager, to reconsider the above listed appointment, ordinance, and resolutions.

Vote for reconsideration. 28 yes, 4 no (Ferguson, MacDonald, Klemp, Thiede), 4 absent. HHS DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT, ORDINANCE NO. Z-10—2024-25, AND RESOLUTION NOS. 125, 126, 127, 128 AND 129—2024-25 ARE RECONSIDERED.

Vote for lock in. ROLL CALL: 31 yes, 1 abstain (Heiser), 4 absent. HHS DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT, ORDINANCE NO. Z-10—2024-25, AND RESOLUTION NOS. 125, 126, 127, 128 AND 129—2024-25 ARE ADOPTED & LOCKED IN.

REPORTS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Thyssen moved, seconded by Supervisor Krueger to adjourn until March 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
VOICE VOTE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly M. Gerrits". The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a thin black rectangular border.

Kelly Gerrits, County Clerk

ROLL CALL SUMMARY FEBRUARY 11, 2025 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

DIST./NAME	NO. OF ROLL CALLS TAKEN THIS MEETING	NO. VOTES CAST THIS MEETING	CUMULATIVE CALLS TAKEN THIS TERM	NO. VOTES CAST THIS TERM
1. Thompson	9	9	237	199
2. Johnson	9	0	237	193
3. Smith	9	9	237	151
4. Patience	9	9	237	237
5. Gabrielson	9	9	237	237
6. Kostelny	9	9	237	237
7. Hammen	9	9	237	226
8. Lawrence	9	9	237	228
9. Krueger	9	9	237	180
10. Lamers	9	9	237	221
11. Ferguson	9	8	237	200
12. McCabe	9	9	237	221
13. Wegand	9	0	237	152
14. Hermes	9	9	237	107
15. MacDonald	9	9	237	168
16. Schroeder	9	8	237	112
17. Croatt	9	0	237	158
18. Spears	9	9	237	237
19. Heiser	9	6	237	231
20. Mitchell	9	9	237	219
21. Cuff	9	9	237	219
22. Hagen	9	9	237	228
23. Klemp	9	9	237	232
24. Thiede	9	9	237	173
25. Janke	9	9	237	201
26. Weinberg	9	9	237	236
27. Culbertson	9	9	237	237
28. Monfils	9	0	237	172
29. Winterfeldt	9	8	237	143
30. Nejedlo	9	9	237	228
31. Clegg	9	9	237	231
32. Thyssen	9	9	237	126
33. VanderHeiden	9	9	237	215
34. Rettler	9	9	237	208
35. Koury	9	9	237	210
36. Lautenschlager	9	9	237	237

Member(s) absent: Croatt, Monfils, Johnson, and Wegand