



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Minutes - June 12, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: The Rock County Board of Supervisors met at 6:01 p.m. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin, pursuant to adjournment on May 22, 2025.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Leavy called the meeting to order. Supervisor Woodman gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL: At roll call, Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Fugelseth, Gorman, Homan, Knudson, Marshall, Mawhinney, Peer, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy were present. Supervisors Cullen and Schneider were absent. PRESENT – 27. ABSENT – 2.

CONSENT AGENDA: Supervisors Bostwick and Tillman moved the consent agenda. Chair Leavy asked for objections and questions about the items on the consent agenda. Consent agenda approved by acclamation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 22, 2025:

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION:

Appointments to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council:

New Appointment: Amanda Nelson (Alternate: Kevin Stilen), Dennis LeCaptain, Charles Westerberg, Josh Grube, and Jay Laufenberg (Alternate: Sara Leidholdt).
Effective Date: June 12, 2025

Appointment to the Housing Authority:

New Appointment: James Farrell
Effective Date: June 12, 2025

RECOGNITION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS:

Recognizing Bruce Holcomb:

Resolution No. R-2025-74

Recognizing Marc Donalson:

Resolution No. R-2025-71

OTHER:

Awarding the Contract for the Renovation of the Fairgrounds Grandstand:

Resolution No. R-2025-72

PUBLIC HEARING: None

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kelsey Hood-Christenson, Family Services; Heidi Deininger, Executive Director of the YWCA; Cindy Browning, Executive Director for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Rock County; and Brittany de la O; and Kathy Crowley Coon spoke in support of centralizing Community Initiatives funding under the County Administrator's section of the county budget.

Supervisor Bostwick thanked Supervisors Pennycook, Schulz, Schneider and Wilson for helping with the Gift Mens Shelter. Supervisor Mawhinney recognized Floyd Finney and Tom Presny for their service on the Rock County Parks Advisory Committee; and Eagles Scouts - Jacob Jorgensen and Jayden Uphum. Supervisor Stone recommended seeing the movie "American Miracle". Administrator Light gave information about vacancies.

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION: None

RECOGNITION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS:

Recognizing Brenda Alton for Service to Rock County:

Resolution No. R-2025-73

Supervisors Schwarz and Mawhinney moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE:

None

REPORTS:

Rock County Fair Presentation :

Report given by: Ryan George and Mary Check.

Presentation on County Facilities:

Report given by: Brent Sutherland

NEW BUSINESS:

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET CHANGES - ROLL CALL:

CONTRACTS – ROLL CALL:

Reforming Community Agency Initiatives Appropriations Policy:

Resolution No. R-2025-68

Supervisors Schwarz and Tillman moved the resolution. Supervisors Rashkin and Stevens moved to recommit the resolution back to the committee. Motion to recommit the resolution back to the committee (County Board Staff Committee). APPROVED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Brien, Fugelseth, Homan, Knudson, Marshall, Peer, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Wilson and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Boehlke, Bostwick, Gorman, Mawhinney, Schwarz, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge and Woodman voted against. Supervisors Cullen and Schneider were absent. AYES –17. NOES - 10. ABSENT – 2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e) to deliberate on the negotiation on the sale of public property, the Rock County Health Care Center, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.:

Supervisors Woodman and Mawhinney moved to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. APPROVED by the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Fugelseth, Gorman, Homan, Knudson, Marshall, Mawhinney, Peer, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Cullen and Schneider were absent. AYES– 27. NOES - 0. ABSENT – 2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Per Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. -- Conferring with Legal Counsel Concerning Strategy to be Adopted by the Board Regarding Litigation in which it is, or is Likely to Become Involved Concerning the Workers Compensation Claim of Sarah Vance.:

Supervisors Mawhinney and Knudson moved to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. APPROVED by the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Fugelseth, Gorman, Homan, Knudson, Marshall, Mawhinney, Peer, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Cullen and Schneider were absent. AYES– 27. NOES - 0. ABSENT – 2.

ADJOURNMENT:

Supervisors Tillman and Sutter moved to exit Executive Session and adjourn at 8:20 p.m. to Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. APPROVED by acclamation.

Prepared by Lisa Tollefson, County Clerk and Jaymee Stephens, Deputy County Clerk.