

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WebEx Remote/Virtual and County Board Room of the Services Center
November 12, 2025

Pursuant to notice duly given in the manner established by the Board of Supervisors and in compliance with Sub-Chapter V of Chapter 19 of the Wisconsin Statutes, a lawfully held public hearing and annual meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette, Wisconsin was called to order by Chairperson Borzick at 6:30 p.m. on November 12, 2025, at Montello, Wisconsin, at the time and place established by the Board of Supervisors or in accordance with law.

The Clerk electronically called the roll and the following members answered roll call:

District No. 1 Abby Swan (virtual at 7:25 p.m.)

District No. 2 Dennis Fenner

District No. 3 David Krentz

District No. 4 John Bennett

District No. 5 Kathy Jo Locke

District No. 6 David Benson

District No. 7 Ken Borzick

District No. 8 Mike Raddatz

District No. 9 Gary Sorensen

District No. 10 Mary P. Walters

District No. 11 Lance Achterberg

District No. 12 Chuck Bornhoeft

District No. 13 Kathleen McGwin

District No. 14 Jeff Frazer (absent)

District No. 15 Peggy Krause

District No. 16 Scott Kempley

District No. 17 Judi Nigbor

A quorum of the Board of Supervisors was declared present and open meetings law compliance was established.

Also present were Administrator Ron Barger, Corporation Counsel Ben Lentendre, and several Marquette County Department Heads.

A moment of silence was observed followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion/second by Bennett/Locke to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Board Chairperson Borzick opened and conducted the public hearing on the 2026 proposed Marquette County budget. Administrator Ron Barger presented a Marquette County Budget Proposal 2026 PowerPoint and opened the floor for questions and public comment. Citizens Allan Zurfluh, Phyllis Mobie, Marilyn Merrill, and Diane Lefebvre spoke in support of continued funding for meal site operations, and citizen Mark Emond addressed the committee in support of the Veterans Service Office Assistant position remaining full-time. *One other citizen signed in to speak in support of continued funding for meal site operations, however, the writing is illegible. *

Board Chairperson Borzick closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m. Motion/second by Benson/Raddatz to return to a regular business meeting. Motion carried. The regular business meeting began at 7:28 p.m.

Motion/second by Bennett/Sorensen to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2025 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

There were no introductions or employee recognitions.

The chairperson of the respective standing committees gave committee reports. Judicial & Public Safety Committee Chairperson Nigbor reported there have been 6 new hires for EMS and noted the jail/dispatch construction has begun. Planning & Zoning Chairperson Nigbor reported the Zoning Ordinance renumbering of Chapter 61-65 that passed at October's County Board meeting would be effective November 13, 2025.

Motion/second by Benson/Walters to approve Resolutions 57-2025 through 60-2025. Supervisor Krause requested Resolution 60-2025 be pulled from the consent agenda, noting she would like to have separate consideration of the resolution. Consensus was to pull Resolution 60-2025 from the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously to approve Resolutions 57-2025 through 59-2025.

Resolution No. 57-2025 ZONING AMENDMENT- TOWN OF MECAN

(Introduced by Dave Benson AND John Bennett)

Upon roll call Resolution No.57-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors has been petitioned to amend the Marquette County Zoning Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the petition has been referred to the Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee for public hearing, and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee on due notice conducted a public hearing on the proposed amendment and filed their recommendation to the Board.

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment and recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Committee have been given due consideration by the Board in open session.

NOW THEREFORE, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors do ordain as follows:

For zoning purposes, rezone a minimum of 4 acres in part of the S1/2 of the W1/2 of the W1/2 of the SE1/4 all in Section 8, T15N R11E, in the Town of Mecan, Marquette County, WI, from a General Agriculture (AG-2) to an Agriculture Residential (AG-3(4)) District.

Resolution No. 58-2025 ZONING AMENDMENT- TOWN OF MOUNDVILLE

(Introduced by Dave Benson AND Dave Krentz)

Upon roll call Resolution No.58-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors has been petitioned to amend the Marquette County Zoning Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the petition has been referred to the Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee for public hearing, and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee on due notice conducted a public hearing on the proposed amendment and filed their recommendation to the Board.

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment and recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Committee have been given due consideration by the Board in open session.

WHEREAS, the Board finds the following:

1. The land is better suited for the use not allowed in the Prime Agricultural District zoning classification.
2. The rezoning will not substantially impair or limit current or future use of adjacent lands.
3. The rezoning is consistent with the applicable town and County comprehensive plans, including the farmland preservation component of the County Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors do ordain as follows:

The Marquette County Code of Ordinances Chapter 70 – Zoning and the accompanying map are amended in the following respect:

Rezone ~4.05 acres to AG-3(4) and ~35.44 acres to FPO, being part of the NE1/4 of the NE1/4, less part of Lot 1 CSM No. 2305 together with a permanent easement for the utility, access, and travel purposes being 33 feet in width, totaling 39.49 acres, all in Section 29, T14N R9E, Town of Moundville, Marquette County, WI.

Resolution No. 59-2025 RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO KRISTOPHER BERGH

(Introduced by Ken Borzick AND Judi Nigbor)

Upon roll call Resolution No.59-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors would like to thank Kristopher (Kris) Bergh for his 10 plus years of service beginning October 12, 2015 as a Resource Specialist in Human Services, later in August of 2016 moving to the role of Marquette County Veterans Service Officer, on behalf of the people of Marquette County, with his effective retirement date of December 27, 2025, and

WHEREAS, his professional dedication, loyalty, and outstanding service to the people and veterans of Marquette County deserves special recognition,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Supervisors expresses its heartfelt appreciation to Kris for his dedicated public service to the citizens and veterans of Marquette County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is permanently entered into the Record of the Proceedings of the Marquette County Board of Supervisors and that the County Clerk transmit a certified copy of this resolution to Kris Bergh as an expression of the Board's gratitude and best wishes.

Separate Consideration of Resolutions 60-2025 through 64-2025.

Motion/second by Krause/Raddatz to amend Resolution 60-2025 to change '2025' to the word annual/annually. Motion carried by voice vote.

***Amended* Resolution No. 60-2025 OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS 2025 ANNUAL PROCLAMATION**

(Introduced by Dave Benson AND Mary Walters)

Upon roll call *Amended* Resolution No.60-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, the residents of Marquette County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of those who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Marquette County seeks to honor individuals who have made countless sacrifices for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veterans Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, active military service members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Marquette County appreciates the sacrifices of our United States military personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, Marquette County hereby declares November 4-11, 2025, annually, as a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifices of those transitioning from active service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in observance of Operation Green Light, Marquette County will illuminate the exterior of the Courthouse and War Memorial with Green Lights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Marquette County encourages its citizens in patriotic tradition to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying green lights in a window of their place of business or residence from November 4-11, 2025 annually.

Resolution No. 61-2025 AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 99- FEES- OF THE MARQUETTE COUNTY ORDINANCES

(Introduced by Ken Borzick AND Judi Nigbor)

Upon roll call Resolution No.61-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 30-2022 for the purpose of establishing Chapter 99, a new central location for county regulated fees, and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 57-2022, adopting Exhibit A setting forth the new Marquette County Fee Schedule and rescinding all previously adopted fee schedules, and

WHEREAS, several departments have identified user fee increases that have been recommended to the County Board of Supervisors through their Standing Committees and the Executive & Finance Committee, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the changes are to go into effect two weeks after publication in the Marquette County Tribune and that Chapter 99 be updated with the following user fees:

Land Information Office

CSM Review- \$50

Register of Deeds

Laredo Subscription Pricing

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Minutes/Month</u>	<u>Fee</u>
A	0-120	\$50/Month
B	121-250	\$125/Month
C	251-500	\$175/Month
D	501-1,000	\$275/Month
E	Unlimited	\$525/Month
*Additional User (Max 2) \$160/Month		

Sheriff's Office

Paper Service- \$30.00 per attempt + .50/mile roundtrip
Records Requests- Motorola Link \$10.00
Records Requests- 911 Calls/Radio Transmissions Zip File \$5.00
Misc. Copies- .25/page
Special Event Fee- Officer's OT Rate + Benefits
Officer Standby Fee- Officer's OT Rate + Benefits
Fingerprinting w/ Cards \$10.00
Fingerprinting w/out Cards \$20.00

EMS

AHA Card Costs

Class	Price Per Card
BLS (Healthcare Provider)	\$ 7.00
ACLS	\$ 15.00
Heartsaver K-12 Schools	\$ 5.00
Heartsaver (Civilian/Babysitter)	\$ 25.00
First Aid	\$ 25.00
Heartsaver and First Aid	\$ 25.00

AHA Class Fee Schedule		
Class	Duration	Price Per Student
BLS (Health Provider)	4 Hrs.	\$ 80.00
BLS (Health Provider) Online and Skills Test	Skills Test 1 Hr.	\$ 90.00
Heartsaver (Civilian/Babysitter)	3.5 Hrs.	\$ 70.00
Heartsaver (Civilian/Babysitter) Online and Skills Test	Skills Test 1 Hr.	\$ 90.00
First Aid	2.5 Hrs.	\$ 65.00
Heartsaver and First Aid Online and Skills Test	1.5 Hrs.	\$ 90.00
Heartsaver and First Aid	6 Hrs.	\$ 90.00
Bloodborne Pathogens	2 Hrs.	\$ 35.00
ACLS (Recognition)	15 Hrs.	\$ 210.00
ACLS (Renewal)	8 Hrs.	\$ 175.00
ACLS Online and Skills Test	Skills Test 1 Hr.	\$ 275.00
Group Rate Discounts May Apply		

AHA Class Fee Schedule (Interdepartment Rates)		
Class	Duration	Price Per Student
BLS (Health Provider)	4 Hrs.	\$ 30.00
BLS (Health Provider) Online and Skills Test	Skills Test 1 Hr.	\$ 50.00
Heartsaver (Civilian/Babysitter)	3.5 Hrs.	\$ 50.00
Heartsaver (Civilian/Babysitter) Online and Skills Test	Skills Test 1 Hr.	\$ 70.00
First Aid	2.5 Hrs.	\$ 50.00
Heartsaver and First Aid	6 Hrs.	\$ 85.00
Bloodborne Pathogens	2 Hrs.	\$ 25.00

Resolution No. 62-2025 CITIZEN RESOLUTION TO UPDATE COMPENSATION FOR COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS AND APPOINTED CITIZEN MEMBERS OF BOARDS
 (Introduced by a Third-Party Citizen- Kathleen McReath and 6 County Board Supervisors- Judi Nigbor, Gary Sorensen, Lance Achterberg, Chuck Bornhoeft, Dennis Fenner, and Scott Kempley)
 Upon roll call Resolution No.62-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 11; Noes 5; Absent 1
 (Noes: Benson, Borzick, McGwin, Raddatz, and Walters)

WHEREAS, the compensation of the County Board of Supervisors and other committee and board representatives has been reviewed by the Ad Hoc Committee on County Board Rules, and

WHEREAS, the analysis of the reviewed data from our surrounding counties suggests a decrease to be appropriate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that effective with the term beginning on the third Tuesday of April 2026, the County Board members attending in person or virtually shall continue to be paid \$75.00 per meeting. Members of Committees, Boards and Commissions shall be paid \$50.00 per meeting. The policy of one additional meeting payment shall continue to be allowed if a meeting exceeds four hours in length as per the applicable rate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the annual salary of the County Board Chairperson shall be \$4,000.00 and the annual salary of the County Board Vice Chairperson shall be \$1,000.00, to be paid in monthly installments, effective with the term beginning on the third Tuesday of April 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for County Board Supervisors and appointed citizen members of boards resolution shall be reviewed and acted upon prior to October 1st of odd number years.

Document is signed by Kathleen McReath and dated November 3, 2025. Submitted to the Marquette County Clerk by Kathleen McReath on November 5, 2025

County Board Supervisors signed: Judi Nigbor, Gary Sorensen, Lance Achterberg, Chuck Bornhoeft, Dennis Fenner, and Scott Kempley

Chairperson Borzick called for a 5-minute recess at 8:21 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 8:26 p.m.

After discussion with the board and Corporation Counsel, it was determined that Resolution 63-2025 would best be handled by getting a consensus for each item in Exhibit A, with the complete package then voted upon. Exhibit A was taken each item at a time, with changes made as necessary.

Resolution No. 63-2025 RESOLUTION TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, RULES OF THE COUNTY BOARD

(Introduced by Dave Benson AND Dennis Fenner)

Upon roll call Resolution No.63-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 16; Noes 0; Absent 1

WHEREAS, Marquette County has enacted a Code of Ordinances and desires to make certain additions and amendments to Chapter 2, Rules of the County Board, and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has provided a summary of changes being proposed by the Ad Hoc County Board Rules Committee which is attached as Exhibit A;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Supervisors does ordain that Chapter 2 shall be amended as set forth in the updated edition of Chapter 2 dated November 12, 2025.

Exhibit A

Summary of Charges

1. 2.02(1) Addition of 'Each agenda shall have an agenda item of 'Future Agenda Items'. The County Board/Committee/Commission will then vote on the proposed agenda item being added to the next agenda. Consensus Agree
2. 2.03(1) Added WCA language defining what constitutes a "session". Consensus Agree
3. 2.04(3) Virtual attendance during closed session will be allowed at the discretion of the chairperson and the committee/board. Consensus Agree
4. 2.06(A)(1) Added WCA language regarding Chairperson/Vice Chairperson candidate answer forms, along with additional informational questions, and the distribution of completed forms to all members prior to the Organizational Meeting. Consensus Agree
5. 2.06(B)(6) Remove line 'The Board Vice Chairperson shall be the Chairperson of the Judicial & Public Safety Committee and Planning & Zoning Committee'. Additionally, delete the same notation under 2.09(G)(1) and 2.09(H)(1). Consensus Agree
6. 2.06(C) Change In-Service Training to Training. Addition of 'There will also be a minimum of two (2) training sessions held annually during County Board meetings to benefit and educate supervisors. The County Board meetings will begin earlier than the traditional start time of 7 p.m. when a training is provided. This will include, but is not limited to IT training, WCA training, and other statutory/legislative updates.' Consensus Agree
7. 2.06(E)(1) Remove election process for Highway Committee and Ag & Extension Education Committee. Those committees will now be assigned. This elimination also prompts 2.06(E)(4) to be removed. Moved by Dennis Fenner and seconded by Peggy Krause to leave items 7 and 8 as is. Motion carried.
8. 2.06(E)(2) Add 'An Ad Hoc Committee consisting of three (3) supervisors and the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, in consultation with the Administrator, shall appoint all other Committees unless otherwise provided by the Board or state statute. Such appointments shall be made and announced within seven (7) days following the Organizational Meeting where the Ad Hoc Committee is formed. The process by which the Ad Hoc Committee is formed is by randomly drawn names. If a supervisor declines appointment, another name will be drawn until three (3) supervisors have been chosen.' Moved by Dennis Fenner and seconded by Peggy Krause to leave items 7 and 8 as is. Motion carried.
9. 2.07(F)(3) Change three calendar days to five calendar days for resolution submission. Consensus Agree
10. 2.07(F)(6) Add 'Resolutions will contain a fiscal note on statement of appropriation provided by the Administration and 2/3 approval for any resolution when positions are involved.' Consensus Agree
11. 2.08(A)(5) Change 30 minutes to 60 minutes and add occurring prior to or after the County Board meeting and remove requirement of agenda item to determine compensation. Consensus Agree
12. 2.09 Update with new combined committee language of Land & Water and UW Extension Committee and ~~Highway and Facilities Committee~~. Consensus Agree, but strike Highway and Facilities Committee updated language per item #15.
13. 2.09 Add suggested practice of rotation to take place when a supervisor has completed three consecutive two-year terms on any given committee. Moved by Kathleen McGwin and seconded by Mary Walters to remove item #13 from summary. Motion carried by raised hands. 10:6 Item 13 will be struck from final rules.
14. 2.09(A) Update and combine language for Land & Water and UW Extension Committee per Corp Counsel. Consensus Agree
15. 2.09(B) Update and combine language for Highway and Facilities Committee per Corp Counsel. Moved by Lance Achterberg and seconded by Mary Walters to strike item #15. Motion carried by raised hands 13:3 Item 15 will be struck from final rules.
16. 2.09(C) Update with new combined committee language of Land & Water and UW Extension Committee and ~~Highway and Facilities Committee~~. Add Judicial and Public Safety and Planning & Zoning Committee due to 2.06(B)(6) removal. ~~Remove Property Committee~~. Consensus Agree, but strike Highway and Facilities Committee updated language per item #15 and leave Property Committee intact.
17. ~~2.09(C)(10)(9) Add Tax Deed process oversight to Executive & Finance Committee with Property Committee dissolving.~~ Item struck due to Property Committee remaining intact.
18. 2.09(C)(10) Add Tourism and Social Media Coordinator to oversight of Executive & Finance Committee. Consensus Agree
19. 2.09(E) Decrease Parks and Rural Planning Committee to two County Board Supervisors and two citizens. Corp Counsel to draft a resolution rescinding Resolution 12-2009 which listed committee membership numbers and requirements. Moved by Kathleen McGwin and seconded by Mike Raddatz to

strike 19 updates and leave Parks & Rural Planning. Roll call vote was requested. 8:8 Tie vote- Motion defeated.

20. ~~2.09(F) Remove Property Committee, which changes assigned letters for the proceeding committees.~~
21. 2.09(G) Add Land Information Office to oversight of Planning & Zoning Committee. Consensus Agree
22. 2.09(K)(1) Add updated WCA language recommendation regarding personal device use. This then calls for the removal of line 2.10(B)(4) due to redundancy. Consensus Agree
23. 2.09(K)(5)(A) Remove 'the member may be compensated at the current meeting rate' due to redundancy. Consensus Agree
24. 2.10(B)(4) Add 'The Board of Supervisors is responsible for performing an annual review and outline objectives for County Administrator in the first quarter.' Consensus Agree
25. Update Appendix D Disclosure Form with current Administration Staff. Consensus Agree
26. Minor punctuation changes throughout. Consensus Agree
27. Renumbering and alphabetizing as needed. Consensus Agree
28. Change "shall" to 'may' in 2.09(G)(4). Consensus Agree

Resolution 64-2025 was introduced. Motion/second by Benson/Walters to approve Resolution 64-2025. Motion/second by Krause/Walters to amend the Hope House line-item allocation from \$10,000 to \$2,000 and to increase the Transportation Trust line-item allocation from \$5,000 to \$13,000. Motion carried by voice vote 10:4. Very lengthy discussion regarding general fund use and budget forecasting. Human Services Director Mandy Stanley reported the out-of-home placements are budgeted for 2026 at \$1.39 million, and requested the board leave the current amount as is to have an accurate recommendation in place. A roll call vote was requested to vote on Amended Resolution 64-2025. Amended Resolution 64-2025 died on a tied roll call vote 8:8 Noes: Achterberg, Bornhoeft, Kempley, Krause, Locke, Nigbor, Raddatz, Swan.

Motion/second by Krause/Locke to amend Resolution 64-2025 with the Veterans Services Assistant position at 50%, decrease Planning & Zoning Specialist to 50%, and remove the 2 EMS positions that had been added to the 2026 budget. Discussion followed with a motion by Supervisor Bornhoeft to add to the amendment that there should be no new positions in the 2026 budget, which would include the Sheriff's Office deputies that had been approved by Resolution in March. He also noted he would like there to be a 4% COLA upon removing all new positions for 2026. Administrator Barger reported the jail/dispatch construction had begun and that the 4 positions were added due to the jail/dispatch separation project, noting project grant funding requirements. Supervisor Bornhoeft's suggestion did not receive a second and died on the floor. A roll call vote was requested for the original amendment. The amendment failed on a roll call vote 5:11 Noes: Bennett, Benson, Borzick, Fenner, Krentz, Locke, McGwin, Nigbor, Sorensen, Swan, and Walters.

Motion/second by Nigbor/Bornhoeft to amend Resolution 64-2025 with the Veterans Services Assistant position at 50%, remove the 25% UW Extension Crops Educator, remove the 50% Administration Payroll Specialist, remove the Community Support Specialist, remove the Therapist position, remove the 2 EMS positions that had been added to the 2026 budget, and remove the 4 Sheriff's Office deputy positions that had been added to the 2026 budget. HS Director Mandy Stanley reported the Community Support Specialist was already removed from the budget and that the Therapist position affects revenue. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was requested for the amendment. The amendment failed on a roll call vote 6:10 Noes: Achterberg, Bennett, Benson, Borzick, Fenner, Krause, Krentz, McGwin, Sorensen, and Walters.

Motion/second by Benson/Fenner to adopt Resolution 64-2025 as originally presented. A roll call vote was requested. Resolution 64-2025 died on a tied roll call vote 8:8 Noes: Achterberg, Bornhoeft, Kempley, Krause, Locke, Nigbor, Raddatz, and Swan.

Supervisor Achterberg requested a 5-minute recess. Chairperson Borzick called for a short recess at 10:36 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 10:44 p.m.

Motion/second by Bornhoeft/Kempley to amend Resolution 64-2025 by authorizing Administrator Barger to reduce the budget by \$1,000,000. Discussion followed. The amendment failed on an electronic roll call vote 7:9 Noes: Achterberg, Bennett, Benson, Borzick, Fenner, Krause, McGwin, Sorensen, and Walters.

Supervisor Fenner suggested things he would like to see on a whiteboard for a discussion- His suggestions included to eliminate UW Extension Crops Educator, reduce mileage rate by 10%, reduce EMS by 1 position, reduce Sheriff's Office by 1 position. Corporation Counsel suggested a motion be made to have areas written they would like to see cut. Motion/second by Fenner/Raddatz to have areas written they would like to see cut. Motion carried by voice vote.

A whiteboard was brought forward. Supervisor Bornhoeft volunteered to scribe. Additional suggestions were made such as closing 2 EMS stations (Krentz) and County Board to be paid a salary versus a per diem (Bornhoeft).

Chairperson Borzick requested Supervisors that voted against the budget to report what it would take to see them pass a budget.

Nigbor- No new positions, Krentz- Close 2 EMS stations, Raddatz- Reduce \$800,000, Locke- No mid-cycle budget additions, Achterberg- Reduce \$400,000, Bornhoeft- Reduce \$750,000, Kempley- Reduce \$500,000, Krause- Reduce \$500,000, Swan- Reduce \$500,000 and noted EMS and Sheriff's Office reductions within the two departments.

Supervisor Benson reported he voted to approve Administrator Barger's budget but suggested temp lines could be reduced throughout departmental budgets. Supervisor Walters reported she voted to approve Administrator Barger's budget, but said the out of home placements could be reduced by the increase HS Director Mandy Stanley made, but noted she was against reducing it due to the likelihood of the line being overbudget at the closing of the year which would result in a draw at the end rather than proper budgeting.

Motion/second by Krause/Swan to adopt Resolution 64-2025 with a reduction of \$500,000 by Administrator Barger. Administrator Barger reported he did not want any blowback on the decisions he would need to make due to cuts likely to affect services. Motion carried on an electronic roll call vote 9:7 Noes: Bennett, Benson, Borzick, Fenner, McGwin, Sorensen, and Walters.

***Amended* Resolution No. 64-2025 RESOLUTION TO SET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 AND TAX LEVY FOR 2025**

(Introduced by Ken Borzick AND Mary Walters)

Upon roll call Amended Resolution No.64-2025 was adopted as follows: Ayes 9; Noes 7; Absent 1 (Noes: Bennett, Benson, Borzick, Fenner, McGwin, Sorensen, and Walters)

WHEREAS, the appropriations for the various functions of Marquette County Government for fiscal Year 2026 amount to ~~\$32,678,028~~ \$32,149,544. The anticipated revenues to the County, which offset appropriations, are projected to be ~~\$15,258,202~~ \$15,075,624. Anticipated revenue of \$1,596,081 from the County Sales Tax is included within the overall projected revenue figure. An additional ~~\$1,520,423~~ \$1,174,518 is being applied from Fund Balance to further reduce the levy and balance the budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the remaining sum of \$15,899,403 is levied upon taxable properties within Marquette County in the manner prescribed by State Statutes, as equalized for 2025, for the purpose of appropriating to each department or program of the County the amounts specified in the budget detail document.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget detail document titled "2026 Annual Budget" be adopted as per any recorded amendments with the understanding that accounts designated therein as "non-lapsing" shall be considered continuing appropriations.

Supervisor McGwin apologized to Administrator Barger

The fiscal and personnel reports, grant updates, and correspondence were reviewed as presented by Administrator Barger. Administrator Barger reported the law enforcement contract with the City of Montello has been revised. He noted he would be on vacation mid-December until early January.

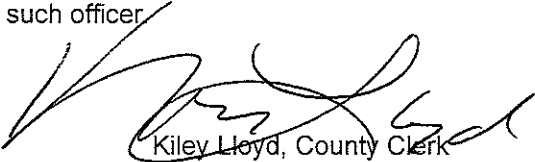
Corporation Counsel Atty. Ben Letendre shared Corporation Counsel's monthly report noting they are working on approximately two dozen items for Marquette County.

Calendar planning was reviewed for the December 2025 meetings. The meeting was declared adjourned subject to the call of the Chairperson. The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
County of Marquette)

I, Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk in and for Marquette County, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors of said County at their meeting held in-person and remotely by using WebEx by me as such officer.


Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

Public Hearing

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

NAME:	ADDRESS:	TOPIC TO Done COMMENT ON:
Allan Zurfluh	W2738 Whitetail Lane Montello WI	H.S. Meals
Phyllis Marie Rout Paglione	210 Townhall Rd #110 Montello WI W2350 W103 Acq. Noddu	ADRC meals ADRC meal site
Marilyn Merrill Diane Lefebvre-Senior	5 Main St. Upper Montello 68 Church St. Montello -	Nutrition out ADRC - Meals out backs
Mar K Emond	N4842 Brewster Ave Montello	Veteran Service office