

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Agenda for January 21, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Virtual by use of WebEx and in-person

County Board Room – Services Center – 480 Underwood Avenue, Montello, Wisconsin

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Phone: 1-408-418-9388

Note: A citizen wishing to address the Committee/Board and attending the in-person meeting shall place his or her name on a sign-in sheet before the meeting is called to order and indicate in which town, city, or village the citizen resides or owns property prior to making a citizen comment. Those citizens attending remotely will ask to be recognized under the citizen comment portion of the meeting and will adhere to the same reporting process as those attending on-site. Civil discourse will be observed at all times.

Note: All agenda items below involve the potential for discussion and action unless stated otherwise. Reports will have no action taken unless noted.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Review and Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from the December 17, 2024 County Board Meeting
5. Citizen Inquiries and Concerns, Introductions, Employee Recognition
6. Standing Committee Reports and Other Informational Reports:
 - A. Agriculture & Extension Education Committee
 - B. Land & Water Conservation Committee
 - C. Highway Committee
 - D. Executive & Finance Committee
 - E. Parks & Rural Planning Committee
 - F. Property Committee
 - G. Judicial & Public Safety Committee
 - H. Planning & Zoning Committee
 - I. Human Services Board
 - J. Board of Health
 - K. Other Reports by Members of the Board
7. Approve DNR 2025 Emergency Fire Warden List
8. Consent Agenda- Consideration of Resolutions 1-2025 through 3-2025
9. Separate Consideration of Resolutions 4-2025 through 6-2025
10. Fiscal and Personnel Reports, Correspondence, Grant Updates
11. Corporation Counsel Report
12. Announcements & Calendar Planning for February 2025
13. Adjournment Subject to the Call of the Chairperson

Anyone who requires special accommodation because of disability please contact the County Clerk's office, (608) 297-3016, at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting time so appropriate arrangements can be made.

Agenda item # 8- Consent Agenda

The motion, provided no member chooses to pull individual matters described off the Consent Agenda, would be:

Move to approve Resolutions 1-2025 through 3-2025.

Resolution 1-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors approves amending the County comprehensive plan which requires adoption of the Town of Buffalo Planned Land Use and Farmland Preservation Plan Map by the County Board. The adoption adds the Buffalo map to the other Town planned land use maps used by the Zoning Department to administer Chapter 70 – Zoning ordinance standards.

Resolution 2-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors approves the addition of the Conservation Protection District to be added to the county zoning ordinance to encompass the lots or parcels in the Town of Buffalo that currently are assigned this zoning district classification. Agricultural-Residential District AG-3(5) must be added in the county zoning ordinance to encompass the lots or parcels in the Town of Buffalo that currently are assigned this zoning district classification. AG-3(5) district language added to denote minimum acreage requirement after a land division of 5 acres and lot line setback of 25 feet. Permitted and conditional uses do not change with AG-3(5) inclusion in existing AG-3 language. Abbreviations additions for the AG-3(5) and CP districts must be added to the ordinance section for a complete list of zoning districts.

Resolution 3-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors approves that the Town of Buffalo must petition the County Board to enact the Chapter 70 Zoning Ordinance and a Buffalo zoning district map. The County Board must adopt the Town of Buffalo zoning map for the town. With adoption, the Town of Buffalo must approve a resolution and present said resolution to the County Clerk for an effective adoption of county zoning.

Agenda item # 9- Consideration of Separate Resolution

Resolution 4-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors endorses Marquette Adams Cooperative Inc.'s application for BEAD grant funding for broadband project units in Exhibits A, B and C, and authorizes the County Board Chairperson to sign their endorsement letter in support of broadband infrastructure buildout projects in Marquette County.

Resolution 5-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors endorses Bertram Communications LLC's application for BEAD grant funding for all eligible broadband serviceable locations in Marquette County and authorizes the County Board Chairperson to sign their endorsement letter in support of broadband infrastructure buildout projects in Marquette County, conditioned upon a written agreement to complete various project enhancements as discussed in their presentation to the Executive & Finance Committee on 1/13/2025.

Resolution 6-2025: If adopted, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors approves the signing of the 2024-2026 collective bargaining agreement with the County EMS Association –International Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO Local 5476 with salary schedule modifications of 2% effective 1/1/2024, 7/1/2024, 1/1/2025, 7/1/2025, 2.5% effective 1/1/2026, 7/1/2026, effective Jan. 2025 provide a lump sum one-time bonus of \$2,500 to up to the top 12 most senior full-time employees, effective Jan. 2025 eliminate the prior progressive steps and move those employees currently within it, not eligible for the one-time bonus, to the 100% rate, adopt new step schedule as detailed in resolution, and straight time vacation, sick, and bereavement payouts.

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MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

January 21, 2025, Session Resolution 1-2025

ROLL CALL

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MARQUETTE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

SUPERVISORS

	YES	NO
Achterberg	☐	☐
Bennett	☐	☐
Benson	☐	☐
Borzick	☐	☐
Bornhoeft	☐	☐
Fenner	☐	☐
Frazer	☐	☐
Kempley	☐	☐
Krause	☐	☐
Krentz	☐	☐
Locke	☐	☐
McGwin	☐	☐
Nigbor	☐	☐
Raddatz	☐	☐
Sorensen	☐	☐
Swan	☐	☐
Walters	☐	☐

ADOPTED ☐
DEFEATED ☐

VOTE TALLY

YES _____
NO _____
ABSENT _____
ABSTAIN _____

INTRODUCED BY:

Committee Recommendation:
Planning & Zoning Committee

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
County of Marquette)

I, Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk of Marquette County,
Wisconsin do hereby certify that the above is a
true and correct copy of the resolution passed by
the Marquette County Board of Supervisors on this
date.

Date > Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

The Marquette County Board of Supervisors, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to section 59.69(3)(a) of Wisconsin Statutes, Marquette County is authorized to amend the County comprehensive plan as defined in section 66.1001(1)(a) and 66.1001(2) of Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 2. The Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee, by a majority vote of the Committee recorded in its official minutes, has approved adoption of the Planned Land Use Map for the Town of Buffalo.

Section 3. The Planning and Zoning Committee has held at least one public hearing on this ordinance, in compliance with the requirements of Section 66.1001(4)(d) of the Wisconsin Statutes and provided opportunities for public involvement per its adopted participation strategy and procedures.

Section 4. The Marquette County Board of Supervisors, does, by enactment of this ordinance, formally adopt the attached Planned Land Use Map and Farmland Preservation Plan Map for the Town of Buffalo pursuant to section 66.1001(4)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the Marquette County Board of Supervisors and publication/posting as required by law.

Planned Land Use &
Farmland Preservation
Plan Map for the
Town of Buffalo

-  Farmland Preservation Area
-  Rural Lands
-  Public Open Space
-  Single Family Residential - Rural
-  Single Family Residential - Served
-  Two Family Residential
-  Planned Neighborhood
-  Mixed Residential
-  Commercial Recreation
-  Neighborhood Business
-  General Business
-  Downtown
-  General Industrial
-  Institutional
-  Extraction
-  Well Setback Area from Landfill
-  Potential Recreation Expansion Area
-  Lakes
-  Rivers and Streams
-  Roads
-  Parcel Boundaries
-  Section Lines

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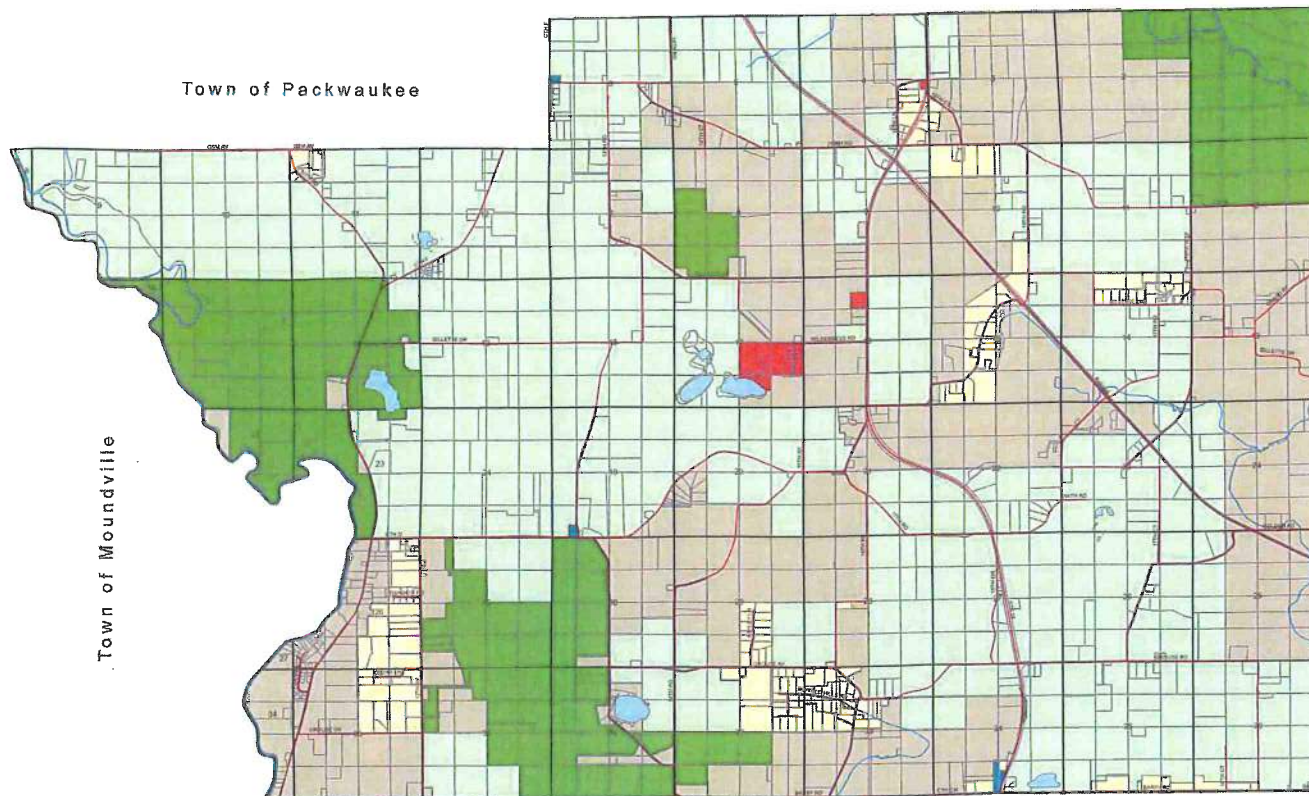
Green Lake County

Town of Montello

Town of Packwaukee

Town of Moundville

Columbia County



**MARQUETTE COUNTY
PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENT OF
THE MARQUETTE COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Marquette County Planning and Zoning Committee will conduct a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on January 9, 2024. The hearing will be conducted in person in the County Board Room in the Marquette County Services Center, 480 Underwood Avenue, Montello, WI 53949 or can be joined virtually using the following link:

Join from the meeting link

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The proposed amendment of the Marquette County Comprehensive Plan is available at: <https://www.co.marquette.wi.us/departments/zoning> or by visiting the Marquette County Planning & Zoning Department office, Room 104 of the Courthouse in the City of Montello. If you have questions, please contact Jean Potter, Administrator, at 608-297-3036 or jpotter@co.marquette.wi.us. Written comments should be submitted before the public hearing date. All written comments will be forwarded to the Committee.

Dated this 25th day of November 2024.

Publish: 12/5/24 **WNAXLP**

MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

ROLL CALL

SUPERVISORS

ADOPTED ☐
DEFEATED ☐

YES _____

NO _____

ABSENT _____

ABSTAIN _____

Date _____ Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

D. The following uses shall be permitted in the Conservation Protection District:

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1. Single family dwelling.
2. The harvest of any wild crop such as marsh hay, ferns, moss, wild rice, berries, tree fruits and tree seeds.
3. Forestry.
4. Agricultural use consistent with the operating agency's management plan.
5. Preservation of scenic, historic and scientific areas, wildlife preserves.
6. Accessory buildings consistent with the operating agency's management plan.
7. Hiking, biking, nature, horse or other non-motorized trails.
8. Public parks or refuges.
9. Governmental uses.

Definition added and Sections renumbered in the following:

Article II General Zoning – Section 70.35 Definitions.

Article III Floodplain – Section 70.46 Definitions.

Article IV Shoreland – Section 70.69 Definitions.

OPERATING AGENCY.

A government or non-profit entity that has established regulations or guidelines for acceptable and specific uses consistent with their management plan. Examples of these entities with management plans in a Conservation Protection District would be United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservations Services (USDA-NRCS), United States Forest Service, United States Department of Interior, United States National Park Service, United States Fish & Wildlife Service, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Wisconsin Historical Society, Marquette County Land and Water Conservation Department, Ice Age Trail Alliance, etc.

Section 70.25 is amended to read:

Agricultural-Residential Districts [AG-3(2), AG-3(4) and AG-3(5)]

- A. The Agricultural-Residential Districts are designed to provide for and encourage agricultural uses, agricultural related uses, and certain residential uses in a rural and semi-rural environment. There are three (3) Agricultural-Residential Districts: AG-3(2), AG-3(4), and AG-3(5) districts, which differ only in minimum lot size. The primary intent of having multiple AG-3 districts is to best implement the residential density policy in planned Farmland Preservation Areas, as mapped and described in the County Comprehensive Plan. Where the zoning map indicates "AG-3" zoning, with no further qualifiers, those areas shall be presumed to be zoned AG-3(2).
- B. Newly created lots and lots or parcels remaining after a land division shall provide a lot area of not less than two (2) acres in the AG-3(2) district; four (4) acres in the AG-3(4) district and five (5) acres in the AG-3(5) district. The minimum lot width for all districts shall be two hundred (200) feet at the building line.
- C. In addition to the setbacks required in Section 70.17, all buildings shall have a minimum setback of twenty (20) feet from all lot lines in the AG-3(2) and AG-3(4) districts, and twenty-five (25) feet in AG-3(5) district.

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Section 70.18 is amended to read:

B. In order to carry out the purpose and provisions of this Chapter, the following zoning districts and zones are hereby established, and may be known by the accompanying abbreviations:

RP Resource Protection District

CP Conservation Protection District

CM-B Commercial District – Business

CM-I Commercial District – Industrial

R-1 Single Family Residential District

R-2 Multi Family Residential District

REC Recreational District

AG-3(2) Agricultural Residential District (2 acre minimum)

AG-3(4) Agricultural Residential District (4 acre minimum)

AG-3(5) Agricultural Residential District (5 acre minimum)

AG-2 General Agricultural District

AO Agriculture and Open Space District

AG-1 Prime Agricultural District

FPO Farmland Preservation Overlay District

GP General Purpose District

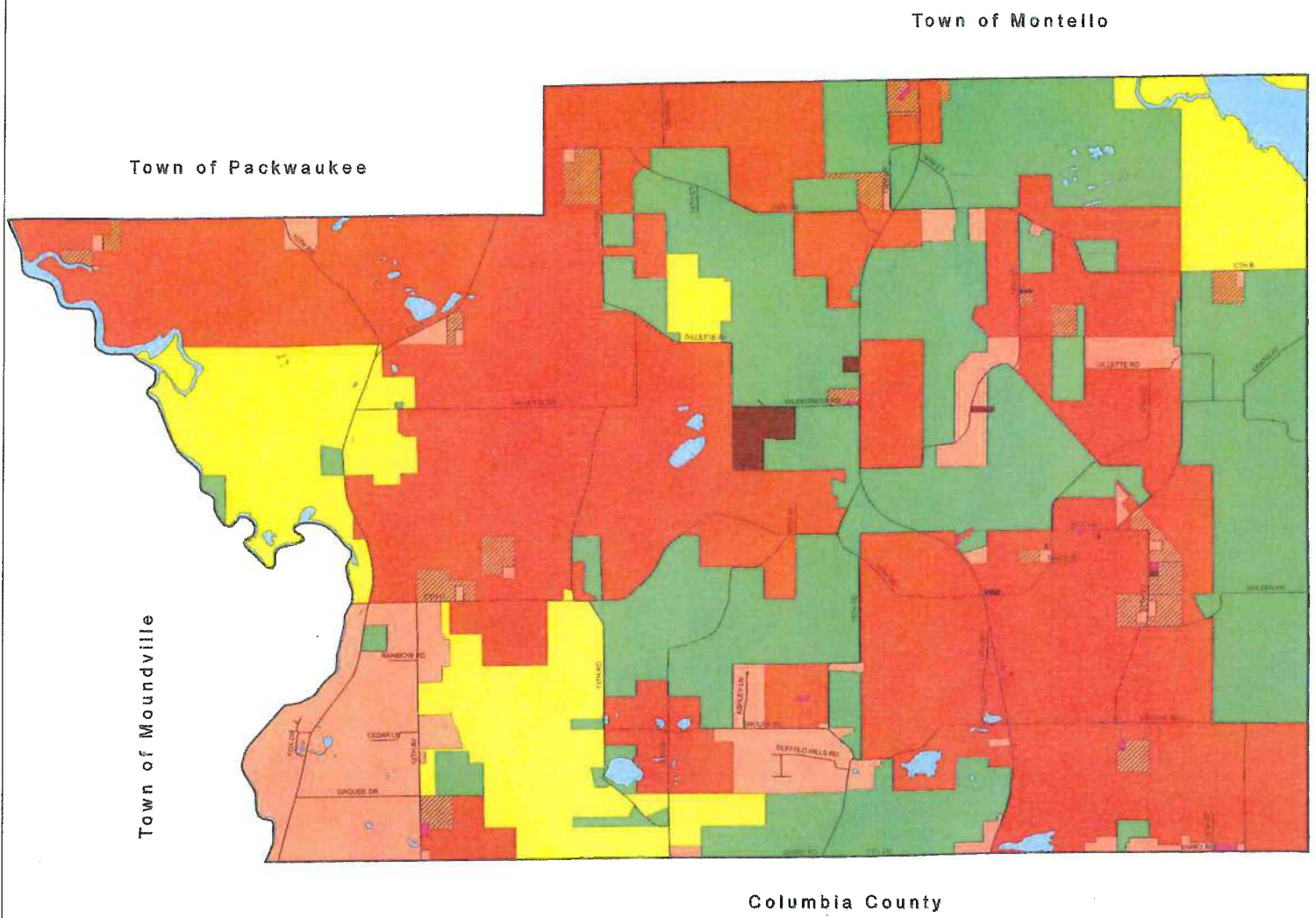
PD Planned Development District

RC Rural Center District

CD Cluster Development Overlay District

Marquette County Comprehensive Plan

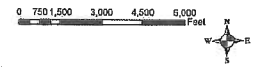
Town of Buffalo



Existing Zoning

- Farmland Preservation Overlay (FPO)
- Agriculture Residential District (AG-3(X))
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- Agriculture Residential District (AG-3(X))
- Agriculture and Open Space District (AOS)
- Commercial District - Business (CM-B)
- Farmland Preservation District (FPD)
- Resource Protection District (RP)
- General Agriculture District (AG-2)
- General Agriculture District (AG-2)
- General Agriculture District (AG-3(X))
- Commercial District - Industrial (CM-I)
- Conservation Protection District (CP)
- Lakes
- Roads
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Green Lake County



**PUBLIC HEARING ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE
MARQUETTE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES
CHAPTER 70**

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MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT- TOWN OF BUFFALO ADOPTION OF COUNTY ZONING

SUPERVISORS

Achterberg	☐	☐
Bennett	☐	☐
Benson	☐	☐
Borzick	☐	☐
Bornhoeft	☐	☐
Fenner	☐	☐
Frazer	☐	☐
Kempley	☐	☐
Krause	☐	☐
Krentz	☐	☐
Locke	☐	☐
McGwin	☐	☐
Nigbor	☐	☐
Raddatz	☐	☐
Sorensen	☐	☐
Swan	☐	☐
Walters	☐	☐

Marquette County Code of Ordinances Chapter 70 – Zoning and the accompanying zoning map is hereby adopted and shall hereafter become effective in the Town of Buffalo upon approval of this resolution by the Buffalo Town Board. This resolution shall take effect upon the filing of the Buffalo Town Board's resolution of approval with the County Clerk and the publication of the resolution in the proceedings of the Marquette County Board of Supervisors.

VOTE TALLY

YES _____

NO _____

ABSENT _____

ABSTAIN _____

Date _____ > _____
Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWN OF BUFFALO ADOPTION OF COUNTY ZONING

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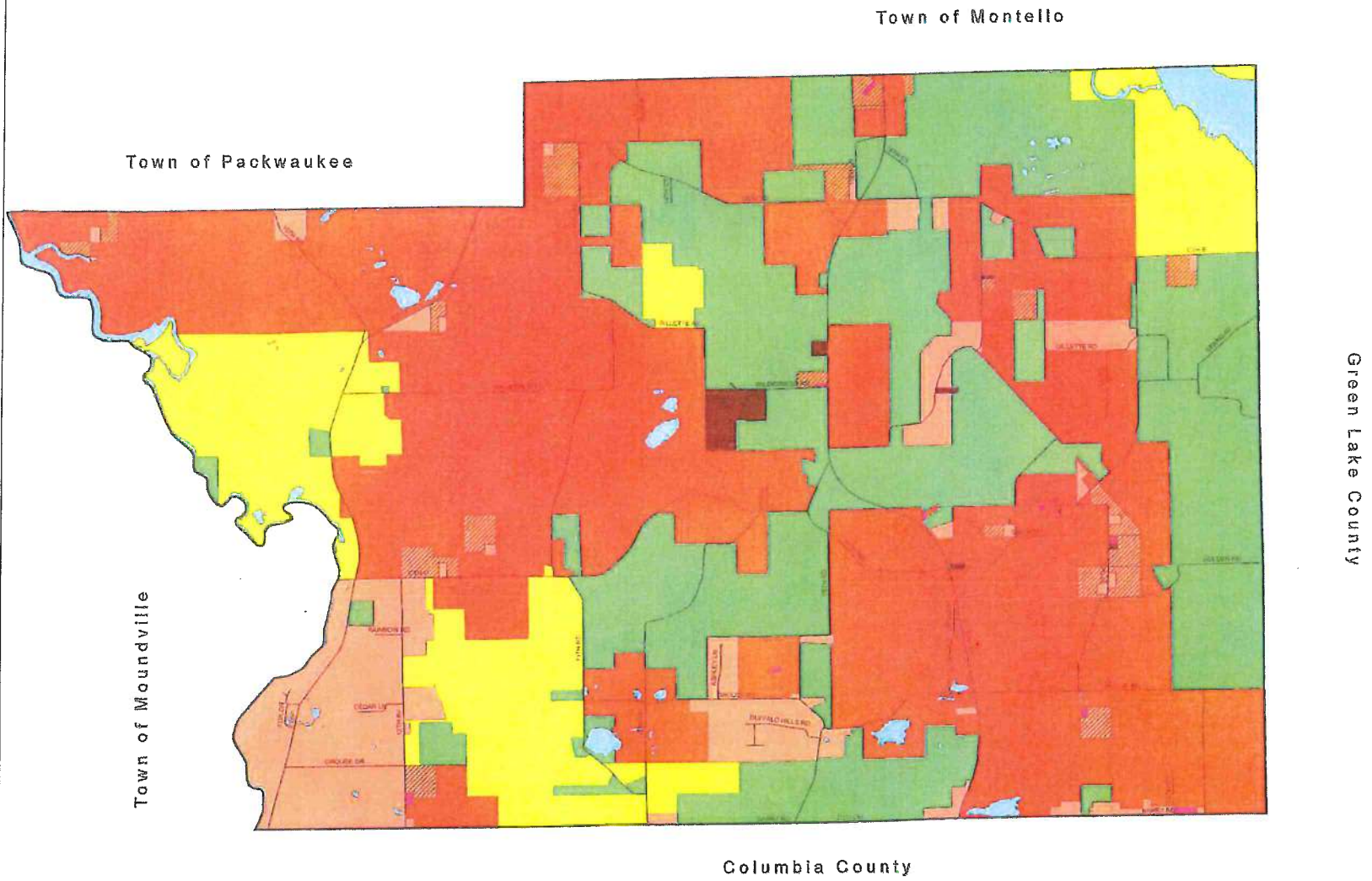
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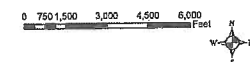
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Town of Buffalo



Existing Zoning

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- Agriculture Residential District (AG-3)(4)
- Agriculture Residential District (AG-3)(8)
- Agriculture and Open Space District (AO)
- Commercial District - Business (CM-B)
- Farmland Preservation District (FP)
- Resource Protection District (RP)
- General Agriculture District (AG-2)
- General Agriculture District (AG-3)(2)
- General Agriculture District (AG-3)(2)
- Commercial District - Industrial (CI-M)
- Conservation Protection District (CP)
- Lakes
- Roads
- Buffalo



ROLL CALL - COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

January 21, 2025, Session Resolution 4-2025

ROLL CALL

ENDORSEMENT FOR MARQUETTE-ADAMS COOPERATIVE INC. BEAD FUNDING APPLICATION

SUPERVISORS

	YES	NO
Achterberg	☐	☐
Bennett	☐	☐
Benson	☐	☐
Borzick	☐	☐
Bornhoeft	☐	☐
Fenner	☐	☐
Frazer	☐	☐
Kempley	☐	☐
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Raddatz	☐	☐
Sorensen	☐	☐
Swan	☐	☐
Walters	☐	☐

ADOPTED ☐
DEFEATED ☐

VOTE TALLY

YES _____
NO _____
ABSENT _____
ABSTAIN _____

INTRODUCED BY:

Committee Recommendation:
Executive and Finance Committee

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS

County of Marquette)
I, Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk of Marquette County,
Wisconsin do hereby certify that the above is a
true and correct copy of the resolution passed by
the Marquette County Board of Supervisors on this
date.

Date Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

WHEREAS, Broadband, Equity, Access and
Deployment program (BEAD) funding is available for
unserved and underserved households and businesses,
within Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the availability of BEAD funding is
crucial for supporting infrastructure projects that will
enhance connectivity for underserved and unserved
households and businesses in Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of BEAD funding includes
promoting economic growth, improving educational
opportunities, and enhancing healthcare services through
betting internet access; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Public Service
Commission (WPSC) Broadband Office has identified 1,853
unserved or underserved BEAD grant-eligible addresses in
Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of
Supervisors recognizes that broadband connectivity and
reliability is critical infrastructure for health, safety and
quality of life for all community residents to participate in the
full benefits of our society and economy, including access to
telemedicine, educational and economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Supervisors
established an Ad Hoc Committee in 2021 with a primary
focus on broadband; and

WHEREAS, a countywide survey of broadband
needs was conducted in 2020, 2023, and 2024,
demonstrating the need for reliable internet and adequate
speeds for permanent and part-time residents; and

WHEREAS, we have interviewed four providers for
partnership opportunities to meet our identified broadband
infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS, the broadband committee has defined
its goal as reliable, high speed broadband internet,
preferably via fiberoptic cable infrastructure, available to
100% of County households, farms, businesses, and public
institutions; and

WHEREAS, Marquette County is interested in
addressing the priorities identified by our broadband
committee; and

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WHEREAS, Marquette County has supported broadband expansion efforts of unserved and underserved County locations by conducting interviews with four ISPs, attending multiple trainings and conferences, participating in New North Broadband Expansion Access Plan and Study, participating in New North regional planning team meetings, directing Economic Development staff in the planning and coordination of broadband needs, and maintaining an open working relationship with State Broadband Office personnel; and

WHEREAS, Marquette-Adams Cooperative Inc. is interested in addressing unserved and underserved rural addresses in Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, Marquette-Adams Cooperative Inc. has existing internet service infrastructure located within Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the plans of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Supervisors endorses Marquette-Adams Cooperative Inc.'s application for BEAD funding for Exhibit A, Exhibit B, and Exhibit C, using fiberoptic technology. We also hereby authorize the Marquette County Board Chairperson or his/her designee, to execute an endorsement letter in support of Marquette-Adams Cooperative Inc.'s application for BEAD funding for broadband infrastructure buildout projects in Marquette County and to provide the letter and the minutes from this meeting to Marquette-Adams Cooperative Inc. to be included in their application.

EXHIBIT A
"Westfield Area"

PROJECT UNIT	LOCATION
5507700002466	Village of Westfield, Town of Westfield, Town of Springfield, Town of Newton, and Town of Harris

EXHIBIT B
"Mecan Area"

PROJECT UNIT	LOCATION
5507700002454	Town of Mecan

EXHIBIT C
"Other Areas"

PROJECT UNIT	LOCATION
5507700002460	Town of Harris
5507700002462	Town of Douglas
5507700002464	Village of Oxford, Town of Oxford
5507700002468	Town of Harris
5507700002486	Town of Buffalo, Town of Packwaukee
5507700002451	Town of Packwaukee

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MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

January 21, 2025, Session Resolution 5-2025

ROLL CALL

SUPERVISORS	YES	NO
Achterberg	☐	☐
Bennett	☐	☐
Benson	☐	☐
Borzick	☐	☐
Bornhoeft	☐	☐
Fenner	☐	☐
Frazer	☐	☐
Kempley	☐	☐
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Locke	☐	☐
McGwin	☐	☐
Nigbor	☐	☐
Raddatz	☐	☐
Sorensen	☐	☐
Swan	☐	☐
Walters	☐	☐

ADOPTED ☐
DEFEATED ☐

VOTE TALLY

YES _____
NO _____
ABSENT _____
ABSTAIN _____

INTRODUCED BY:

Committee Recommendation:
Executive and Finance Committee

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the Marquette County Board of Supervisors on this
date.

Date Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk

ENDORSEMENT FOR BERTRAM COMMUNICATIONS LLC BEAD FUNDING APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Broadband, Equity, Access and
Deployment program (BEAD) funding is available for
unserved and underserved households and businesses,
within Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the availability of BEAD funding is
crucial for supporting infrastructure projects that will
enhance connectivity for underserved and unserved
households and businesses in Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of BEAD funding includes
promoting economic growth, improving educational
opportunities, and enhancing healthcare services through
betting internet access; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Public Service
Commission (WPSC) Broadband Office has identified 1,853
unserved or underserved BEAD grant-eligible addresses in
Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of
Supervisors recognizes that broadband connectivity and
reliability is critical infrastructure for health, safety and
quality of life for all community residents to participate in the
full benefits of our society and economy, including access to
telemedicine, educational and economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Supervisors
established an Ad Hoc Committee in 2021 with a primary
focus on broadband; and

WHEREAS, a countywide survey of broadband
needs was conducted in 2020, 2023, and 2024,
demonstrating the need for reliable internet and adequate
speeds for permanent and part-time residents; and

WHEREAS, we have interviewed four providers for
partnership opportunities to meet our identified broadband
infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS, the broadband committee has defined
its goal as reliable, high speed broadband internet,
preferably via fiberoptic cable infrastructure, available to
100% of County households, farms, businesses, and public
institutions; and

WHEREAS, Marquette County is interested in
addressing the priorities identified by our broadband
committee; and

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WHEREAS, Marquette County has supported broadband expansion efforts of unserved and underserved County locations by conducting interviews with four ISPs, attending multiple trainings and conferences, participating in New North Broadband Expansion Access Plan and Study, participating in New North regional planning team meetings, directing Economic Development staff in the planning and coordination of broadband needs, and maintaining an open working relationship with State Broadband Office personnel; and

WHEREAS, Bertram Communications LLC is interested in addressing unserved and underserved rural addresses in Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, Bertram Communications LLC has existing internet service infrastructure located within Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the plans of this project.

WHEREAS, Bertram Communications LLC is willing to enter into an agreement with Marquette County to complete various project enhancements discussed in their presentation to the Executive and Finance Committee on January 13, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Supervisors endorses Bertram Communications LLC'S application for BEAD funding for all eligible broadband serviceable locations in Marquette County, using fiberoptic technology. We also hereby authorize the Marquette County Board Chairperson or his/her designee, to execute an endorsement letter in support of Bertram Communications LLC'S application for BEAD funding for broadband infrastructure buildout projects in Marquette County and to provide the letter and the minutes from this meeting to Bertram Communications LLC to be included in their application. This endorsement is conditioned upon the agreement identified in the last WHEREAS clause above.

ROLL CALL - COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MARQUETTE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

January 21, 2025, Session Resolution 6-2025

ROLL CALL

SUPERVISORS	YES	NO
Achterberg	☐	☐
Bennett	☐	☐
Benson	☐	☐
Borzick	☐	☐
Bornhoeft	☐	☐
Fenner	☐	☐
Frazer	☐	☐
Kempley	☐	☐
Krause	☐	☐
Krentz	☐	☐
Locke	☐	☐
McGwin	☐	☐
Nigbor	☐	☐
Raddatz	☐	☐
Sorensen	☐	☐
Swan	☐	☐
Walters	☐	☐

ADOPTED ☐
DEFEATED ☐

VOTE TALLY

YES _____
NO _____
ABSENT _____
ABSTAIN _____

INTRODUCED BY:

Committee Recommendation:
Board Leadership and Administration

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
County of Marquette)

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RESOLUTION TO RATIFY LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARQUETTE COUNTY AND THE MARQUETTE COUNTY EMS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AFL-CIO LOCAL 5476

WHEREAS, Marquette County and the Marquette
County EMS Association, International Association of Fire
Fighters, AFL-CIO Local 5476, have negotiated a three-year
collective bargaining agreement for the duration of 2024-
2026, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following
contract modifications are agreed to:

- Modify the past salary schedule as follows.
- Effective January 1, 2024, increase hourly rates by 2%.
- Effective July 1, 2024, increase hourly rates by 2%
- Effective January 1, 2025, increase hourly rates by 2%.
- Effective January 25, 2025, provide a lump sum one-time bonus of \$2,500 to up to the top 12 most senior full-time employees.
- Effective January 25, 2025, eliminate the prior progressive steps and move those employees currently within it, not eligible for the one-time bonus, to the 100% rate.
- Effective July 1, 2025, increase hourly rates by 2%.
- Effective January 1, 2026, increase hourly rates by 2.5%.
- Add new steps after 1 year, after 3 years, after 5 years after 7 years, and after 9 years with a 1% difference between each step based on the prior 100% hourly rate. Place employees on the new schedule based upon the anniversary date of full-time service in the unit and with movement thereafter based on the anniversary date.
- Effective July 1, 2026, increase hourly rates by 2.5%
- Payouts for vacation, sick, and bereavement will be straight time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the
referenced contract for 2024-2026 is hereby
considered ratified and the County Board
Chairperson or County Administrator and the County
Clerk are authorized to sign the contract on behalf of
Marquette County.