

**Chippewa County
County Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
May 12, 2026
Chippewa County Courthouse, Room 302
6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 06:00 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

3. Roll Call

Members Present:

County Board Supervisor - District 7 Jason Bergeron
County Board Supervisor - District 9 Joel Seidlitz
County Board Supervisor - District 1 James Flater
County Board Supervisor - District 2 Pam Guthman
County Board Supervisor - District 3 Duane Shoebridge
County Board Supervisor - District 4 Peter Gehring
County Board Supervisor - District 5 Dennis Bachman
County Board Supervisor - District 8 James Ericksen
County Board Supervisor - District 10 Matthew Peterson
County Board Supervisor - District 11 Karen Lotts
County Board Supervisor - District 12 Charles Bomar
County Board Supervisor - District 13 Joseph Roshell
County Board Supervisor - District 14 David Kelly
County Board Supervisor - District 15 Lee Hennick
County Board Supervisor - District 16 Rocky Kempe
County Board Supervisor - District 17 George Rohmeyer, Jr.
County Board Supervisor - District 18 Daniel Hardy
County Board Supervisor - District 19 Chuck Hull
County Board Supervisor - District 20 Nina Eisold
County Board Supervisor - District 21 Kari Ives

Members Absent:

County Board Supervisor - District 6 Timothy Goettl

Others Present:

Andy Albarado, Leah Simington, Chris Elstran, Andy Bauer, Todd Pauls, Sheriff Travis Hakes, Traci Bremness and Jaclyn Sadler

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (20 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Second:	David Kelly
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nays:	None
Absent:	Timothy Goettl

5. Members of the Public Wishing to Be Heard

(Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per speaker.)

Darrin Senn, spoke in favor of the Board approving business item #1, Chippewa Valley Music Festivals 2024-2028 Agreement.

Wade Asher, spoke in favor of the Board approving business item #1, Chippewa Valley Music Festivals 2024-2028 Agreement.

Jackie Holub, spoke in favor of the Board approving business item #1, Chippewa Valley Music Festivals 2024-2028 Agreement.

Charlie Parkhurst, Town of Eagle Point, spoke in favor of the board approving Ord. 05-26.

6. Consent Agenda

(Unless separation of an item is requested, all items will be adopted under one motion.)

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (20 - 0)
Mover:	Charles Bomar
Seconder:	Karen Lotts
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Timothy Goettl

1. Approve the Minutes

- April 21, 2026
- April 23, 2026

2. Schedule Next Meeting Date

- Special Meeting - May 19, 2026
- Regular Meeting - June 9, 2026

7. Reports

1. County Administrator Review and Update

2. Department Reports

A. Monthly Statements of Claim Filed - Jaclyn Sadler

County Clerk, Jaclyn Sadler, spoke on the monthly claims.

B. Financial Update - 2025 Pre-Audited and 1st Quarter 2026 - Leah Simington

Finance Director, Leah Simington, presented the 2025 pre-audited finances and the 1st Quarter of 2026.

C. 2027 Budget Process Review - Leah Simington

Finance Director, Leah Simington, explained the 2027 Budget Process and timeline to the County Board.

3. General Reports

8. Business Items

1. Chippewa Valley Music Festivals 2024-2028 Agreement - Andy Albarado

Motion:	Approved as Amended
Result:	Passed (18 - 2)
Mover:	Rocky Kempe
Second:	Duane Shoebridge
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts
Absent:	Timothy Goettl

Motion to Amend:	Motion to amend agreement to strike out the language in 4a that was approved by the Executive Committee "with overtime rate of pay calculated at time and one-half" and to leave in the original language "taking into account overtime rates of pay and collective bargaining agreements"
Result:	(14 - 6)
Mover:	David Kelly
Second:	Chuck Hull
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matt Peterson, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts, Duane Shoebridge, Charles Bomar, Rocky Kempe, Daniel Hardy
Absent:	Tim Goettl

Supervisor Hennick made a motion to amend the agreement for a trial basis to end on December 31, 2026. Supervisor Kelly made the second. Corporation Counsel, Todd Pauls, stated this would violate the current agreement as the opt-out date was in March. Supervisors Hennick and Kelly withdrew their motion and second.

Supervisor Hennick made a motion to amend the agreement for a trial basis to end in March of 2027. There was no second.

2. 2026 Budget Amendment for the Amended and Restated 2024-2028 Chippewa Valley Music Festivals, Inc. Law Enforcement Services Agreement - Andy Albarado

This business item wasn't needed due to the approval of the amended agreement in the first business item.

3. Ord. 05-26: Ordinance to Amend Section 58-39(c) of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances Designating All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicle Routes — Chris Elstran - Second Reading

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Second:	David Kelly
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David

	Kelly, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Timothy Goettl Lee Hennick - had stepped away and missed the vote

4. Ord. 06-26: Ordinance to Amend Section 58-31 of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances Regarding Speed Zones — Chris Elstran - Second Reading

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	James Flater
Seconder:	Pam Guthman
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Timothy Goettl Lee Hennick - stepped away and missed the vote

5. Purchasing Policy Revisions - Leah Simington - First Reading

This was the first reading and the second will be on June 9, 2026.

9. County Board Chair Appointments

10. County Administrator Appointments

1. County Administrator Appointment - ADRC Board (Kathy Schmiedeskamp) - Andy Albarado

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (20 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Seconder:	Daniel Hardy
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Timothy Goettl

11. Agenda Items for Future Consideration

County Administrator, Andy Albarado, informed the board there will be a special County Board meeting on May 19, 2026 for the Chippewa Valley Health Cooperative to present and update the board.

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 7:34 pm

Result:	Passed (20 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Seconder:	James Ericksen
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Rocky Kempe, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Chuck Hull, Nina

	Eisold, Kari Ives
Absent:	Timothy Goettl