

**Chippewa County
County Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2026
Chippewa County Courthouse, Room 302
5:00 PM**

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 05:00 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 - arrived late
County Board Supervisor - District 4 Peter Gehring
County Board Supervisor - District 5 Dennis Bachman
County Board Supervisor - District 6 Les Danielson
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 17 George Rohmeyer, Jr. - arrived late
County Board Supervisor - District 18 Daniel Hardy
County Board Supervisor - District 20 Nina Eisold
County Board Supervisor - District 21 Kari Ives

Members Absent:

County Board Supervisor - District 16 Rocky Kempe
County Board Supervisor - District 19 Chuck Hull

Others Present:

Andy Albarado, Leah Simington, Jessica McDonald, Andy Bauer, Lynda Schweikert, Matt Hansen, Bobbie Jaeger, Doug Clary, Pauls, Traci Bremness and Jaclyn Sadler

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (17 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Second:	Charles Bomar
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nays:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge and George Rohmeyer

5. Members of the Public Wishing to Be Heard

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

Kevin Hite, Town of Eagle Point, spoke on ordinance 10-26.
Danny Akenson, City of Chippewa Falls, spoke on ordinance 10-26.
Michael Swoboda, Town of Lafayette, spoke on ordinance 10-26.

6. Consent Agenda

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

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (17 - 0)
Mover:	James Flater
Second:	Pam Guthman
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nays:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer

1. Approve the Minutes - July 14, 2026
2. Schedule Next Meeting Date - September 8, 2026
3. AZO 05-26: Katz Rezone - Town of Wheaton
4. AZO 06-26: Pine Meadows HTP LLC Rezone - Town of Wheaton

7. Reports

1. County Administrator Review and Update
2. Department Reports
 - A. Monthly Statements of Claim Filed - Jaclyn SadlerCounty Clerk, Jaclyn Sadler, reported two new claims to the board.
3. General Reports

8. Business Items

1. Res. 25-26: Resolution Establishing Parameters for the Sale of Not To Exceed \$7,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes - Andy Albarado/Brad Viegut

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (17 - 0)
Mover:	Pam Guthman
Second:	James Flater
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nays:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer

2. Res. 26-26: Resolution to Approve Tax Levy for Salary Adjustments in 2027 - Andy Albarado

Motion:	Approved as Amended
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Result:	Passed (14 - 3)
Mover:	Charles Bomar
Seconder:	Karen Lotts
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts, Lee Hennick
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer

Motion to Amend:	Motion to amend the resolution as forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee to include a 1% increase on July 1, 2027 to the control point of Grade 1 of the Salary Schedule as originally proposed by the County Administrator
Result:	Passed (14 - 3)
Mover:	Kari Ives
Seconder:	Pam Guthman
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, Daniel Hardy, Kari Ives
Nayes:	Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts, Nina Eisold
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer

3. Res. 27-26: Resolution to Establish Health Insurance Plan Funding for 2027 - Andy Albarado

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (16 - 2)
Mover:	David Kelly
Seconder:	James Flater
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Kari Ives
Nayes:	Joel Seidlitz, Nina Eisold
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge

4. Res. 28-26: Resolution to Convert One LTE Environmental Health Specialist to One Part-Time Environmental Health Specialist Position in the Department of Public Health as Part of the 2027 Budget - Andy Albarado/Brittney Fortuna

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (18 - 0)
Mover:	Joel Seidlitz
Seconder:	Kari Ives
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge

5. Res. 29-26: Resolution to Create One Part-Time Social Worker Position in the Department of Human Services, Mental Wellness & Recovery Division as Part of the 2027 Budget - Andy Albarado/Bobbie Jaeger

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (18 - 0)
Mover:	Karen Lotts
Seconder:	Kari Ives

Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge

6. Res. 30 -26: Resolution to Authorize the Acquisition of Land for Addition to the County Forest and Use of Non-Lapsing Fund Balance and State Grants to Complete the Acquisition - Matt Hansen

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (18 - 0)
Mover:	James Flater
Second:	Lee Hennick
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge

7. Ord. 10-26: Ordinance to Amend Chapter 70 of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances to Adopt a Temporary Moratorium on Data Center Development - First Reading - Doug Clary

Motion:	Approved as Amended
Result:	Passed (18 - 0)
Mover:	David Kelly
Second:	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, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull

Motion to Amend:	Motion to waive Second Reading
Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Second:	Joel Seidlitz
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull

Motion to Amend:	Motion to add language "conduct an open and transparent process to" in the 12th whereas statement, change the 20,000 square feet to 10,000 square feet under definitions and add hydrogeology after geology in (g) <i>Subjects for Consideration</i>
Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	Pam Guthman
Second:	Duane Shoebridge
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nayes:	None

Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull
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Motion to Amend:	Motion to change ten month to twelve month in section (e) <i>Duration of Moratorium</i>
Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	Kari Ives
Second:	Karen Lotts
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Nays:	None
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull

9. County Board Chair Appointments

10. County Administrator Appointments

11. Agenda Items for Future Consideration

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 06:35 PM

Result:	Passed (19 - 0)
Mover:	James Ericksen
Second:	Karen Lotts
Ayes:	Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz, James Flater, Pam Guthman, Duane Shoebridge, Peter Gehring, Dennis Bachman, Les Danielson, James Ericksen, Matthew Peterson, Karen Lotts, Charles Bomar, Joseph Roshell, David Kelly, Lee Hennick, George Rohmeyer, Jr., Daniel Hardy, Nina Eisold, Kari Ives
Absent:	Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull