

**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**

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (17 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | Karen Lotts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Second:</b> | Charles Bomar                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nays:</b>   | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Absent:</b> | 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.)

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (17 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | James Flater                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Second:</b> | Pam Guthman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nays:</b>   | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Absent:</b> | 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 Sadler

County 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

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (17 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | Pam Guthman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Second:</b> | James Flater                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nays:</b>   | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Absent:</b> | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved as Amended |
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| <b>Result:</b>   | <b>Passed (14 - 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Mover:</b>    | Charles Bomar                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Seconder:</b> | Karen Lotts                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Ayes:</b>     | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>    | Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts, Lee Hennick                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Absent:</b>   | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer                                                                                                                                                  |

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| <b>Motion to Amend:</b> | 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 |
| <b>Result:</b>          | <b>Passed (14 - 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Mover:</b>           | Kari Ives                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Seconder:</b>        | Pam Guthman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Ayes:</b>            | 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                                   |
| <b>Nayes:</b>           | Joel Seidlitz, Karen Lotts, Nina Eisold                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Absent:</b>          | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull, Duane Shoebridge, George Rohmeyer                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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

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| <b>Motion:</b>   | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Result:</b>   | <b>Passed (16 - 2)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Mover:</b>    | David Kelly                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Seconder:</b> | James Flater                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Ayes:</b>     | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>    | Joel Seidlitz, Nina Eisold                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Absent:</b>   | 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

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| <b>Motion:</b>   | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Result:</b>   | <b>Passed (18 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Mover:</b>    | Joel Seidlitz                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Seconder:</b> | Kari Ives                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Ayes:</b>     | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>    | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Absent:</b>   | 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

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| <b>Motion:</b>   | Approved               |
| <b>Result:</b>   | <b>Passed (18 - 0)</b> |
| <b>Mover:</b>    | Karen Lotts            |
| <b>Seconder:</b> | Kari Ives              |

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| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>  | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Absent:</b> | 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

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (18 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | James Flater                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Second:</b> | Lee Hennick                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>  | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Absent:</b> | 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

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| <b>Motion:</b> | Approved as Amended                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (18 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | David Kelly                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Second:</b> | Daniel Hardy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>  | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Absent:</b> | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| <b>Motion to Amend:</b> | Motion to waive Second Reading                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Result:</b>          | <b>Passed (19 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Mover:</b>           | George Rohmeyer, Jr.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Second:</b>          | Joel Seidlitz                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Ayes:</b>            | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Absent:</b>          | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| <b>Motion to Amend:</b> | 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 hydrology after geology in (g) <i>Subjects for Consideration</i>                                            |
| <b>Result:</b>          | <b>Passed (19 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Mover:</b>           | Pam Guthman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Second:</b>          | Duane Shoebridge                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Ayes:</b>            | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| <b>Absent:</b> | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull |
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| <b>Motion to Amend:</b> | Motion to change ten month to twelve month in section (e) <i>Duration of Moratorium</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Result:</b>          | <b>Passed (19 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Mover:</b>           | Kari Ives                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Second:</b>          | Karen Lotts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Ayes:</b>            | 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 |
| <b>Nayes:</b>           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Absent:</b>          | 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

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| <b>Result:</b> | <b>Passed (19 - 0)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Mover:</b>  | James Ericksen                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Second:</b> | Karen Lotts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Ayes:</b>   | 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 |
| <b>Absent:</b> | Rocky Kempe, Chuck Hull                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |