CHIPPEWA COUNTY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 3, 2025

CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302

4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hull called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Chuck Hull	Chippewa County	District 19, Chair	Present	
Peter Gehring	Chippewa County	District 4	Present	
Jason Bergeron	Chippewa County	District 7	Present	
Joel Seidlitz	Chippewa County	District 9	Present	

Others Present: Andy Albarado, Traci Bremness, Jennifer Steinmetz, Deb Blevins, Lynda Schweikert, Curt Dutton, Toni Hohlfelder

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

1. Approve the Agenda

2. Approve the Minutes

   Executive Committee - Regular Meeting - May 20, 2025 4:00 PM

3. Schedule Next Meeting Date - June 17, 2025

5. REPORTS

1. 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan - Andy Albarado
   Albarado reviewed the 2026-2030 capital improvement plan. He explained that the 2026 projects are the only projects that will be approved to be incorporated into the 2026 budget. The other years are just placeholders and may change.

RESULT:	**REVIEWED**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Resolution to Allow Claim of Robb Smiskey - Deb Blevins

   Blevins provided a review of the claim and explained it is the recommendation of WMMIC, our liability insurance carrier, that we allow the claim.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**	
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

2. Resolution to Authorize the Use of Sales Tax Funds to Pay Debt Service Liabilities as Part of the 2026 Chippewa County Budget– Andy Albarado

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

3. Resolution to Approve the Use of Sales Tax Funds for the Annual Contribution to the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport to be Used for Airport Capital Projects and/or Airport Debt Service as Part of The 2026 Chippewa County Budget– Andy Albarado

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

4. Resolution to Authorize the Use of Sales Tax Funds for Facilities & Parks Division Capital Improvement Projects as Part of the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan – Andy Albarado

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

5. Resolution to Authorize Funding of Highway Department Capital Improvement Projects as Part of the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan – Andy Albarado

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
SECONDER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

6. Resolution to Authorize Use of Sales Tax Funds for the IT Division For Computer Equipment Replacement as Part of the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan– Andy Albarado/ Andy Bauer

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

7. Resolution to Authorize the Use of Funding for Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management Capital Improvement Projects as Part of the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan – Andy Albarado/Lynda Schweikert

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
SECONDER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

8. Resolution to Authorize the Use of Sales Tax Funds for Sheriff's Office Capital Improvement Projects as Part of the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan – Andy Albarado/Curt Dutton

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

7. UPDATES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. County Board Chair Report

B. County Administrator Operation Report

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

9. ADJOURN

1. The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

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Jason Bergeron	Chippewa County	District 7	Present	
Joel Seidlitz	Chippewa County	District 9	Present	

Others Present: Andy Albarado, Traci Bremness, Lori Zwiefelhofer, Melanie McManus, Todd Pauls, Rose Baier, Allyson Wisniewski, Brad Hentschel, Andy Bauer, Mike Sanders, Bob Krause, Patty Darley, Mickey Judkins, Bill Oemichen, Karl Greene (via phone)

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

1. Approve the Agenda

2. Approve the Minutes

   Executive Committee - Regular Meeting - May 6, 2025 4:00 PM

3. Schedule Next Meeting Date - June 3, 2025

5. REPORTS

1. Register of Deeds Annual Report - Melanie McManus
   McManus reviewed the annual report for the Register of Deeds Department.

RESULT:	**DISCUSSED**

6. UPDATES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. County Board Chair Report

B. County Administrator Operation Report

7. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Criminal Justice Services Division 2026 Opioid Fund Request - Rose Baier

Baier reviewed the request to use opioid funds for the 2026 budget. This is the second year for this request for the re-entry program.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Peter Gehring, District 4
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

2. Resolution Confirming and Ratifying the Authority of Counsel for Chippewa County to add Additional Defendants to Opioid Litigation, Including in MDL 2804 – Todd Pauls

RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz	

3. Chippewa Valley Health Cooperative Update on Community Hospital – Andy Albarado/Mike Sanders

Albarado reminded the committee that the County Board provided funds for half of the feasibility study. The representatives gave a similar update to Eau Claire County. This report is strictly informational, and no action is being requested from the county at this meeting for financial commitment.

Bob Krause explained since the last time they presented to Chippewa County, they have been approved for a non-profit status. They are also under contract for 20 acres to build a new hospital. They hired River Valley Architects to build that facility. They also have a contract to purchase St. Joseph's hospital. The goal is to sign it in late June and hope to have some final announcements in late June. They secured some financing for some remodeling. About a month ago they started a quiet campaign. So far, they raised $10.3 million from some businesses and individuals. They are referring to St. Joseph's as a temporary hospital.

Mike Sanders is the Lead Advisor. He stated their goal is to raise $30-$40 million in equity capital. A hospital with 48 beds is financially feasible after one year of operation. The temporary hospital would allow them to open much sooner and start providing services again including cancer, delivery, etc. along with the use of the morgue. After about three years of operation, they anticipate having about 2,372 admissions, which is about half the amount of HSHS Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's. They have about 100 physicians ready to join to provide services. The total estimated cost is $158.4 million.

Karl Greene reviewed options that counties have for debt including BCPL state trust fund loans, which are used to fund economic development loans. With that option the CVHC would use the County as a pass-through. The full payment, including principal and interest, would be paid 100% by the CVHC. The money would be paid back in 10 years. There would be no out of pocket cost to Chippewa County. However, if the loan were to default, then the taxpayers would be on the hook to pay it back. If the County would agree to the $10 million loan request, that would add $33.21 to the median property impact.

Sanders stated with the St. Joseph's facility, they would like to start with some clinical services this fall (ER, OB, 6 bed ICU, surgical labs, imaging, cancer, morgue). The rest of the services would then be available in the fall of 2026. When the new hospital opens it will have over 300 positions. There are several doctors that lost their privileges when the old hospitals closed. They stayed in the area and want to provide services again at the new hospital.

Bergeron is not opposed to the concept, but he's concerned if the loan were to default it could impact our bond rating.

Albarado will put together a plan to assess the proposal and see what our options are and then bring that back to the committee and County Board for consideration.

RESULT:	**DISCUSSED**

4. The Executive Committee will convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e) – "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session," (Considering future industrial/business park development)
The committee convened to closed session at 5:01 p.m.

The closed session included the following individuals: All Executive Committee members, Andy Albarado, Traci Bremness, Todd Pauls, Lori Zwiefelhofer, any other County Board Supervisors, and Brad Hentschel

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Peter Gehring, District 4
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

The Executive Committee will reconvene to open session.

5. The committee reconvened to open session at 5:11 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

9. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
AYES:	Hull, Gehring, Bergeron, Seidlitz

2026 - 2030
5 Year Capital Improvement Plan

Submitted by: Andy Albarado, County Administrator

Presented to the County Board: June 10, 2025

Objective:

The goal is to effectively identify the short-term and long-term infrastructural capital needs of Chippewa County, strategically schedule those improvements, projects, and programs and provide a level stable debt service plan that provides Chippewa County and its citizens with a constant and stable tax rate.

Revised: 05/13/2025

2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan

Assumption: Sales Tax Revenues Will Grow at 3% annually.

Revised: 05/13/2025

Year	Department	Project	Total Expenditure	Date Committee Reviewed	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants/Other
2026 1 of 3	Facilities & Parks	Parking Lot "A" Replacement - Phase II Construction (50% of lot)	$500,000	01/22/25	$0	$500,000	$0	$0
2026 2 of 3	Facilities & Parks	Branch III Jury Box Remodel	$150,000	01/22/25	$0	$150,000	$0	$0
2026 3 of 3	Facilities & Parks	Sheriff's Department Remodel - Phase I - Plan Development	$50,000	01/22/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2026 1 of 4	Highway	Highways and Bridges	$11,373,952	01/22/25	$0	$2,800,000	$1,750,000	$6,823,952
2026 2 of 4	Highway	Machinery Purchases	$1,100,000	01/22/25	$1,100,000	$0	$0	$0
2026 3 of 4	Highway	Building Improvements	$100,000	01/22/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2026 4 of 4	Highway	Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet Replacement	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2026 1 of 1	Information Technology	Replacement End User Devices & Data Center Equipment	$245,000	01/21/25	$0	$245,000	$0	$0
2026 1 of 4	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Hickory Ridge Warming Shelter and Maintenance Shed	$500,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$500,000
2026 2 of 3	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$120,000
2026 3 of 3	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	02/26/25	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000
2026 4 of 3	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	02/26/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2026 1 of 3	Sheriff	Field Services Mobile Command Trailer	$195,000	01/27/25	$0	$195,000	$0	$0
2026 2 of 3	Sheriff	Taser Refresh Phase I - Upgrade all Axon Taser X26P to Taser 7	$135,000	01/27/25	$0	$135,000	$0	$0
2026 TOTAL	**All projects, equipment, etc.**		**$15,168,952**		**$1,450,000**	**$4,375,000**	**$1,750,000**	**$7,593,952**
2027	Facilities & Parks	Otter Lake Dam Inspection	$50,000	01/22/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	Park Master Plan Implementation	$150,000	01/22/25	$0	$150,000	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	Parking Lot B Replacement	$200,000	01/22/25	$0	$200,000	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Replacement (10 units)	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	Jail Fire System Replacement - Phase I - Design	$50,000	01/22/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	DHS & County Board Rm 302 - Phase I - Planning & Construction Drawings	$600,000	01/22/25	$600,000	$0	$0	$0
2027	Facilities & Parks	Sheriff's Department Remodel - Phase II - Construction	$500,000	01/22/25	$0	$500,000	$0	$0
2027	Highway	Highways and Bridges	$15,276,940	01/22/25	$0	$2,700,000	$3,800,000	$8,776,940
2027	Highway	Machinery Purchases	$1,100,000	01/22/25	$1,100,000	$0	$0	$0
2027	Highway	Building Improvements	$100,000	01/22/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2027	Highway	Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet Replacement	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2027	Information Technology	Replacement End User Devices & Data Center Equipment	$245,000	01/21/25	$0	$245,000	$0	$0
2027	Information Technology	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	01/21/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2027	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	02/26/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2027	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	02/26/25	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000
2027	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Dam Infrastructure Maintenance	$100,000	02/26/25	$50,000	$0	$0	$50,000
2027	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$120,000
2027	Sheriff	Duty Weapon (Glock) Refresh (50 weapons)	$75,000	01/27/25	$0	$75,000	$0	$0
2027	Sheriff	Taser Refresh Phase II - Upgrade all Axon Taser X26P to Taser 7	$144,000	01/27/25	$0	$144,000	$0	$0
2027 TOTAL	**All projects, equipment, etc.**		**$19,560,940**	**$868,049**	**$2,100,000**	**$4,564,000**	**$3,800,000**	**$9,096,940**
2028	Facilities & Parks	Otter Lake Dam - Phase II - Maintenance & Repairs	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2028	Facilities & Parks	Jail Fire System Replacement - Phase II - Construction	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2028	Facilities & Parks	Government Center - General Painting	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2028	Facilities & Parks	Park Master Plan Implementation	$150,000	01/22/25	$0	$150,000	$0	$0
2028	Highway	Highways and Bridges	$13,389,440	01/22/25	$0	$2,500,000	$3,700,000	$7,189,440
2028	Highway	Machinery Purchases	$1,100,000	01/22/25	$1,100,000	$0	$0	$0
2028	Highway	Building Improvements	$100,000	01/22/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2028	Highway	Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet Replacement	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2028	Information Technology	Replacement End User Devices & Data Center Equipment	$270,000	01/21/25	$0	$270,000	$0	$0
2028	Information Technology	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	01/21/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2028	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	02/26/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2028	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	02/26/25	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000
2028	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$120,000
2028	Sheriff	911 Phone System & Recorder Replacement	$375,000	01/27/25	$0	$375,000	$0	

Year	Department	Project	Total Expenditure	Date Committee Reviewed	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants/Other
2028	Sheriff	Replacement of All Body Cameras - Originally Donated by PESI	$50,000	01/27/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2028 TOTAL	**All projects, equipment, etc.**		**$16,804,440**		**$1,450,000**	**$4,195,000**	**$3,700,000**	**$7,834,440**
2029	Facilities & Parks	Update Old Direct Digital Controls on 30 VAV Boxes	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	Module Cooling Units (MCUs) Replacement in Data Center - 2 Units	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	Courthouse Directory Replacement & Cul-de-Sac Information Hub	$150,000	01/22/25	$0	$150,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	1953 Courthouse Prisoner Transport Elevator Refurbishment	$125,000	01/22/25	$0	$125,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	Chiller (AC) Replacement - Serving Courthouse & Sheriff's Department	$250,000	01/22/25	$0	$250,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	Roof Replacement - Jail (Roofs 13, 14, 15)	$175,000	01/22/25	$0	$175,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	Public Health Remodel - Phase I - Design & Construction Drawings	$50,000	01/22/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2029	Facilities & Parks	DHS & County Board Rm 302 - Phase II - Construction	$1,200,000	01/22/25	$0	$1,200,000	$0	$0
2029	Highway	Highways and Bridges	$6,728,740	01/22/25	$0	$1,700,000	$3,000,000	$2,028,740
2029	Highway	Machinery Purchases	$1,100,000	01/22/25	$1,100,000	$0	$0	$0
2029	Highway	Building Improvements	$100,000	01/22/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2029	Highway	Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet Replacement	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2029	Information Technology	Replacement End User Devices & Data Center Equipment	$270,000	01/21/25	$0	$270,000	$0	$0
2029	Information Technology	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	01/21/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2029	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	02/26/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2029	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	02/26/25	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000
2029	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$120,000
2029 TOTAL	**All projects, equipment, etc.**		**$11,218,740**		**$1,450,000**	**$4,470,000**	**$3,000,000**	**$2,298,740**
2030	Facilities & Parks	Courthouse Pressurization Project	$250,000	01/22/25	$0	$250,000	$0	$0
2030	Facilities & Parks	Conference Room Remodel for Courts (Room 218)	$100,000	01/22/25	$0	$100,000	$0	$0
2030	Facilities & Parks	Public Health Remodel - Phase II - Construction	$800,000	01/22/25	$0	$800,000	$0	$0
2030	Facilities & Parks	Housing Authority & Extension - Phase 1 - Design & Construction Drawings	$50,000	01/22/25	$0	$50,000	$0	$0
2030	Highway	Highways and Bridges	$6,728,740	01/22/25	$0	$1,700,000	$3,000,000	$2,028,740
2030	Highway	Machinery Purchases	$1,100,000	01/22/25	$1,100,000	$0	$0	$0
2030	Highway	Building Improvements	$100,000	01/22/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2030	Highway	Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet Replacement	$300,000	01/22/25	$0	$300,000	$0	$0
2030	Information Technology	Replacement End User Devices & Data Center Equipment	$265,000	01/21/25	$0	$265,000	$0	$0
2030	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	02/26/25	$100,000	$0	$0	$0
2030	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	County Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	02/26/25	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000
2030	Land Cons & Forest Mgmt	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	02/26/25	$0	$0	$0	$120,000
2030 TOTAL	**All projects, equipment, etc.**		**$10,213,740**		**$1,450,000**	**$3,465,000**	**$3,000,000**	**$2,298,740**
2026-2030 Grand Total - All Projects, equipment, etc.			**$72,966,812**		**$7,900,000**	**$21,069,000**	**$15,250,000**	**$29,122,812**

2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Forms

2026 Projects

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	DOA - Facilities & Parks Division	Parking Lot "A" Replacement - Phase II	$500,000	Necessary	$0	$500,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
1 of 3	1 of 3

Project Description and Justification

The 2nd phase of this project will provide the funding required to compete 100% of parking Lot "A" project. The parking lot is at / nearing "end-of-life", as part of the parking lot is ~ twenty-three (23) years old and the other part is ~ thirty-three (33) years old.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	DOA - Facilities & Parks Division	Branch III Jury Box Remodel	$150,000	Necessary	$0	$150,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
2 of 3	2 of 3

Project Description and Justification

This project will remodel the Jury Box in the Branch III Courtroom. It will attempt to meet all ADA requirements and change out the "end-of-life" chairs. New chairs have already been purchased in 2022 with grant funding. This project will also add a barrier between the witness stand and the judge (bench).

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	DOA - Facilities & Parks Division	Sheriff's Department Remodel - Phase I Plan Development	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
3 of 3	3 of 3

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for master planning for the Sheriff's Department.

Some examples of the needs of this facility include:
- Update flooring and wall finishes
- Adequate conference room space
- Improved emergency command center

The facility finishes are at/nearing "end-of-life", as it has not been refreshed in twenty (20+) years.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Highways and Bridges												
	County-Wide	Various Design	$50,000					$50,000				$50,000
	County-Wide	SS4A Safety Action Plan	$250,000		$200,000	SS4A		$50,000				$250,000
CTH MM	CTH X - STH 27	Design Plans	$100,000		$90,000	ARIP		$10,000				$100,000
CTH T	Corridor Expansion Project	Design & Construction	$500,000	Various					$500,000			$500,000
CTH M	Lake Holcombe Bridge B09003	Design & Replacement	$500,000	Spot					$500,000			$500,000
CTH CC	CTH Z - 239th Ave	Safety Improvement	$203,693	Safety	$183,324	HSIP		$20,369				$203,693
CTH Y	Chippewa River Bridge B09123	Bridge Rehabilitation	$3,930,800	Spot	$3,144,240	Local Bridge			$786,560			$3,930,800
CTH H	Ltl Otter Creek Bridge P09052	Bridge Replacement	$747,560	Spot	$597,648	Local Bridge		$50,472	$99,440			$747,560
CTH R	STH 64 - STH 178	Recondition	$1,410,000	2.5 Miles	$580,000	('24-'25) LRIP			$380,000	$450,000		$1,410,000
CTH J	STH 29 (South) - CTH X	Recondition	$295,000	0.6 Miles				$280,000		$15,000		$295,000
CTH SS	CTH Q - Barron County	Recondition	$205,000	0.8 Miles				$120,000		$85,000		$205,000
CTH O	CTH XX - STH 27	Recondition	$635,000	2.9 Miles				$30,000		$605,000		$635,000
CTH M	Front St. - CTH SS	Recondition	$20,000	0.1 Miles				$5,000		$15,000		$20,000
CTH OO	CTH P - 160th St.	Recondition	$505,000	2.0 Miles				$20,000		$485,000		$505,000
CTH K	CTH O North - CTH O South	Recondition	$125,000	0.5 Miles				$30,000		$95,000		$125,000
	Various	Pavement Preservation	$826,899		$60,000	GTA		$232,899	$534,000			$826,899
	Various Locations	Bridge Repairs	$180,000	Spot				$180,000				$180,000
	Various Locations	Maintenance - Drainage	$300,000					$300,000				$300,000
	Various Locations	Construction Supervision	$590,000					$590,000				$590,000
Highways and Bridges Total			$11,373,952	9.4 Miles	$4,855,212			$1,968,740	$2,800,000	$1,750,000		$11,373,952

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
1 of 4	1 of 4	Reviewed by the Highway Committee 01/22/2025

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to service our County Highway System at existing service levels using proper Engineering protocols to identify roadways and bridges that require maintenance and replacement.

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Machinery Purchases												
	Machinery Purchases	Various	$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000
Machinery Purchases Total			$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000

Highway machinery is replaced based on useful life, cost to maintain, and purchasing of new and/or updated equipment for the purpose of maintaining our County Highway System. The above will fund replacement of the existing Machinery within the Highway Department.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
2 of 4	2 of 4	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Building Improvements												
	Highway Department Facilities	Building Improvements - Buildings & Grounds Projects	$100,000								$100,000	$100,000
Building Improvements Total			$100,000								$100,000	$100,000

The above funding will ensure the continued safe and efficient use of Highway Department buildings and grounds. $100,000 will be used to improve current structures.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
3 of 4	3 of 4	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Non-Highway Fleet												
	Vehicle Purchases	Replacement cycle for Non-Highway Fleet	$300,000						$300,000			$300,000
Non-Highway Fleet Total			$300,000						$300,000			$300,000

The Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet includes 79 vehicles of various types. Vehicles are replaced based on expected life and cost to maintain. The $300,000 will fund replacement of existing vehicles as required and the cost of installing mounts for any Mobile Data Computers (MDC's) installed in Sheriff's Department assigned vehicles.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
4 of 4	4 of 4	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley

Date: March 1, 2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Information Technology	Replacement end user devices & data center equipment	$245,000	Necessary	$0	$245,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
1 of 1	1 of 1

Project Description and Justification

This funding will be used for:
- Equipment in the data center to replace VMWare servers, security cameras, switches, wireless access points and UPS units
- End user devices for employees consisting of personal computers, laptops, tablet, LCD panels, projectors and conference room equipment

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to sustain technology needed by refreshing equipment on a regular basis using industry replacement standards to insure that proper resources/tools are provided for the employees to accomplish their daily tasks. Replacing data center equipment provides secure, high availability and redundant countywide systems. Replacement is based on useful life of equipment.
$145,000 Data Center equipment consists of:
VMWare Server Cluster server
Security Cameras
Switches
Access Points
UPS units
$100,000 End User devices consist of:
Personal computers, laptops, tablets, projectors and conference room equipment - replaced on a 5 year plan
LCD panels & accessories replaced as needed

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Hickory Ridge Warming Shelter and Maintenance Shed	$500,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$500,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

The County is applying for a grant to construct a warming house and maintenance shed at the Hickory Ridge Trailhead. A previous Recreational Trails Program grant was utilized to expand the parking area, build an open air shelter and install electricity for a light pole to illuminate the parking lot. The updated Chippewa County Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan includes these buildings as priorities for infrastructure improvements and qualifies the County to apply for funding from a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant.

If approved, the project will be funded 50% by a state administered grant and 50% by a private donor (FOHRT)

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$120,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

Planned snowmobile bridge TBD.
Bridge grants are requested in March of each year at the request of CVSO, and are paid 100% by WIDNR Grant monies; bridges are identified as needing repair or replacement on an as-needed basis.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Country Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	Desired	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Comprehensive Forest Plan, as adopted by the County Board, establishes public policy to routinely evaluate and consider additions to the County Forest, that are cost effective and in the long term public interest.

Strategic additions to the County Forest and recreational land base, will allow for increased annual timber harvest and additional public recreational opportunities.

These capital additions will be of long term value and provide direct benefit to area residents, taxpayers, the forest products industry and the tourism industry.
The request meets the County strategic plan objective to "Manage and protect the County's natural resources for the future including water, forests, etc." and the Chippewa County Land & Water Resource Management Plan (July 2009) Land Management objectives.

The allocation of capital will likely generate matching funds. The State has recently created a special fund within the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund that is dedicated to providing matching grants for County Forest Acquisitions. This dedicated state fund will enhance the County's opportunity to acquire select parcels of high public value.

The amount of land within the County Forest Blocking Boundary offered for sale by private landowners consistently exceeds the amount of capital available to acquire the land. Offers are reviewed and evaluated by the Land Conservation & Forest Management as funds become available.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	Desired	$100,000	$0	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Board (through Resolution 76-98) created the Chippewa County Stewardship Fund in 1998 to provide a stable source of matching grant funds to assist landowners, municipalities, and non-profit organizations to meet local conservation objectives in Chippewa Co.

Section 3.1 of the "Chippewa County Stewardship Fund Policy & Procedures for Program Administration", (adopted through Resolution 89-99) states "The County Stewardship Fund will be established as a nonlapsing special revenue fund with partial proceeds available from the County Sales Tax and other funding sources, including public grants, private contributions, service or development fees, and other sources of revenue deemed appropriate by the County."

Since the inception of the program, 16 projects have been sponsored by the community resulting in the permanent protection of more than 2100 acres of land having high conservation and recreational value. The Stewardship Fund has been well received by the community and proves to be a cost effective way of meeting the County's long term land conservation and outdoor recreational needs. Since 1998, nearly $500,000 in sales tax match grants have been awarded. Using donations and principals of leveraging, every $1 of County sales tax funds have been matched by $6.00 in outside funding.

Under the program, all sites are protected by conservation easements and are required to have permanent public access for outdoor recreation. Unless added to the County Forest system, all sites are managed by other organizations or agencies resulting in no custodial costs to the Co. Given current development trends & associated pressures on land resources, there is an inherent need to maintain the County's resource conservation efforts. This accelerated need comes at a time when traditional revenue sources are being reduced or eliminated.

The request for continued sales tax financing supports the state goals & objectives of the Chippewa Co. Strategic Plan (2011) to "Coordinate and collaborate with government entities at all levels to ensure effective government services" and to "Provide a safe, healthy, and prosperous environment for Chippewa Co. employees, clientele, and citizens". The request also supports the stated Land Management Objective of the Chippewa Co. Land & Water Resource Mgt. Plan (2015), to "Protect areas of special environmental, natural resource, or open space significance, (Wisconsin Stats. 91.57)".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Source of Funding: Sales Tax	Source of Funding: Borrowing	Source of Funding: Grants
2026	Sheriff's Office	Field Services Mobile Command Trailer	$195,000	Necessary	$0	$195,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
1 of 2	1 of 2

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the purchase of an Incident Command Trailer to be utilized by the Sheriff's Office and Emergency Management. Our current trailer that was purchased in 2014 has become increasing obsolete over the years, mainly do to an increase in the technology we utilize.

Since the purchase of our last Command Trailer, we have added and rely heavily upon multi media to complete our missions. We have two 42" monitors on the table where the Command staff sits. This leaves little room for a work space with our computers. The table is pushed up against the wall of the trailer as there is not enough room to place the table in the middle and have everyone sit around it. We have run missions in this trailer where there is no room for all the Command Staff to sit and they are standing up behind the table holding their laptops. This is not an efficient or productive way to operate.

The new trailer we are proposing will have pop-out sides which will provide us the ability to place a large table in the center and have seating for the Command Staff all the way around the table so they can view the monitors which will be mounted on the wall. Our mobile Dispatch Center will be located within the trailer.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025

Submitted by: Travis Hakes Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	Sheriff's Office	Taser Refresh Phase I - Upgrade all Axon 26P to Taser 7	$135,000	Necessary	$0	$135,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
2 of 2	2 of 2

Project Description and Justification

Currently the Sheriff's Office Deputies carry the Axon Taser X26P conducted energy device. These devices are commonly used by deputies as an intermediate force option and have been very beneficial to reducing injuries to suspects and deputies alike all the while helping deputies perform their duties of gaining control of resistive, suspects.

Approximately half of the X26P inventory were purchased in 2017 and the other half were purchased in 2021. The Taser 60 program was introduced as a means to provide a financing option to refresh the inventory while minimizing spikes in the annual budget. While under the Taser 60 plan the taser is under warranty for five years. Under this model the throughts were that all tasers would only be out of warranty for one year, year six. If purchasing a taser outright Axon will warranty them for up to 5 years, depending on the warranty selected at the time of purchase. While under warranty if a taser has any type of issue and they are unable to repair it, Axon will replace it. Currently the inventory purchased in 2017 is out of warranty and the warranties for the remainder of the inventory will be expiring within a year.

Based on past experience when a Taser malfunctions and is sent out to Axon, they generally are unable to fix it. This results in a new replacement being sent if it is under warranty or a new one needing to be purchased if the warranty has expired. Also based on past experience provided by the Department Taser Instructor of 17 years the estimated dependable life of a Taser is approximately 7 years; although there are some that malfunction right at 5 years. With half the inventory being already 7 years old and the remaining coming up on 5 years old the entire inventory are all inline to be replaced.

With the most recent guidance providing the ability to submit through the CIP process for funding thoughts are that it would be beneficial to do an entire inventory refresh for a couple reasons. One reason being all tasers are at the their end of life. Second reason being the inventory can be refreshed at the same time so the same model is being carried by all Deputies. Refreshing the entire inventory at once will make training consistant throughout the entire department and allow the instructors to have one lesson plan at a time for range; especially when having to transition the tasers to a new model.

*** The 05/06/2025 quote to replace all 58 devices with Taser 7 including holsters, cartridges, cleaning kits and 5 year warranty is $278,956.80.**

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025
After the committee reviewed this request, the decision was made to convert this into a Phase I (2026) and Phase II (2027) project to ensure enough funding is available to replace all tasers and the necessary cartridges, holsters, etc.

Submitted by: Travis Hakes   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Otter Lake Dam Inspection	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for a thorough inspection of the Otter Lake Dam by an engineering firm. The inspection report will likely include some recommendations for maintenance and repairs of the dam that will need to be completed.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Park Master Plan Implementation	$150,000	Desired	$0	$150,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the further implementation of the Park Master Plan.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Parking Lot "B" Replacement	$200,000	Necessary	$0	$200,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will replace Parking Lot "B". The parking lot is at/nearing "end-of-life", it is ~ fifteen(15) years old.

This Parking Lot routinely experiences heavy semi-tractor use due to the dock at the Jail. The parking lot has also experienced multiple construction projects/cranes that have impacted the parking lot, to include Boiler Project, Chiller Project, Cooling Tower Project and a Tower Project.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Replacement (10 units)	$100,000	Necessary	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for upgrading ten (10) Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) that were installed in 2002 and are approximately twenty-five (25) years old and at "end-of-life".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2205

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks Division	Jail Fire System Replacement - Phase I - Design	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the design of an outdated Fire System serving the Jail and Sheriff's Department. The existing fire system is twenty-five (25) years old and at/near "end-of-life".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2026	DOA - Facilities & Parks Division	DHS Department & County Board Rm 302 Remodel - Phase I - Planning & Construction Drawings	$600,000	Necessary	$0	$600,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for master planning for the Department of Human Services and the County Boardroom.

This planning exercise is deemed necessary due to the additional staffing the department has acquired over the last few years, and also, due to the change in the way services are provided.

This master planning exercise will take a look at the current DHS operations and staffing levels. It will consider the physical space and provide some options on how the 3rd floor of the Courthouse could be reconfigured to efficiently accommodate the departments needs, while keeping in mind that the work space may require some flexibility for future growth. This planning exercise will also consider how the existing County Boardroom fits into the plan, if any changes are deemed necessary to this space at this time, as the DHS construction on the 3rd floor would make this a timely project

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/205

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Sheriff's Department Remodel - Phase II - Construction	$500,000	Necessary	$0	$500,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the construction that the master planning exercise produced.

Some examples of the needs of this facility include:
- Update flooring and wall finishes
- Adequate conference room space
- Improved emergency command center

The facility finishes are at/nearing "end-of-life", as it has not been refreshed in twenty (20+) years.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger   Date: 3/1/2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Highways and Bridges												
	County-Wide	Various Design	$50,000					$50,000				$50,000
CTH T	Corridor Expansion Project	Design & Construction	$250,000	Various		CDS/Others			$250,000			$250,000
CTH M	Lake Holcombe Bridge B09003	Design & Replacement	$1,250,000	Spot				$500,000	$750,000			$1,250,000
CTH K	Yellow River Bridge B09497	Bridge Replacement	$2,735,000	Spot	$2,188,000	Local Bridge			$547,000			$2,735,000
CTH S	Yellow River Bridge B09009	Bridge Replacement	$2,240,200	Spot	$2,240,200	Local Bridge						$2,240,200
CTH X	Elk Creek Bridge B09372	Bridge Replacement	$880,000	Spot	$880,000	Local Bridge						$880,000
CTH MM	CTH X - STH 27	Recondition	$1,600,000	2.0 Miles	$1,440,000	ARIP		$160,000				$1,600,000
	Various	Pavement Preservation	$5,201,740		$60,000	GTA		$188,740	$1,153,000	$3,800,000		$5,201,740
	Various Locations	Bridge Repairs	$180,000	Spot				$180,000				$180,000
	Various Locations	Maintenance - Drainage	$300,000					$300,000				$300,000
	Various Locations	Construction Supervision	$590,000					$590,000				$590,000
Highways and Bridges Total			$15,276,940		$6,808,200			$1,968,740	$2,700,000	$3,800,000		$15,276,940

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to service our County Highway System at existing service levels using proper Engineering protocols to identify roadways and bridges that require maintenance and replacement.

Submitted by: Brian Kelley   Date: March 1, 2025

Chippewa County Highway Department
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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Machinery Purchases												
	Machinery Purchases	Various	$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000
Machinery Purchases Total			$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000

Highway machinery is replaced based on useful life, cost to maintain, and purchasing of new and/or updated equipment for the purpose of maintaining our County Highway System. The above will fund replacement of the existing Machinery within the Highway Department.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/11/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Building Improvements												
	Highway Department Facilities	Building Improvements - Buildings & Grounds Projects	$100,000								$100,000	$100,000
Building Improvements Total			$100,000								$100,000	$100,000

The above funding will ensure the continued safe and efficient use of Highway Department buildings and grounds. $100,000 will be used to improve current structures.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley

Date: March 1, 2025

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2027

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Non-Highway Fleet												
	Vehicle Purchases	Replacement cycle for Non-Highway Fleet	$300,000						$300,000			$300,000
Non-Highway Fleet Total			$300,000						$300,000			$300,000

The Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet includes 79 vehicles of various types. Vehicles are replaced based on expected life and cost to maintain. The sales tax will fund replacement of existing vehicles as required and the cost of installing mounts for any Mobile Data Computers (MDC's) installed in Sheriff's Department assigned vehicles.

Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley

Date: March 1, 2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Information Technology	Replacement end user devices & data center equipment	$245,000	Necessary	$0	$245,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will be used for:
- Equipment in the data center to replace storage area networks (SAN), VMWare servers
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$145,000 Data Center equipment consists of:
Camera servers
Storage area networks
Switches

$100,000 End User devices consist of:
Personal computers, laptops, tables, projectors and conference room equipment– replaced on a 5 yr plan
LCD panels & accessories replaced as needed

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Information Technology	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	Desired	$100,000	$0	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Comprehensive Forest Plan, as adopted by the County Board, establishes public policy to routinely evaluate and consider additions to the County Forest, that are cost effective and in the long term public interest.

Strategic additions to the County Forest and recreational land base, will allow for increased annual timber harvest and additional public recreational opportunities.

These capital additions will be of long term value and provide direct benefit to area residents, taxpayers, the forest products industry and the tourism industry.

The request meets the County strategic plan objective to “Manage and protect the County’s natural resources for the future including water, forests, etc.” and the Chippewa County Land & Water Resource Management Plan (July 2009) Land Management objectives.

The allocation of capital will likely generate matching funds. The State has recently created a special fund within the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund that is dedicated to providing matching grants for County Forest Acquisitions. This dedicated state fund will enhance the County’s opportunity to acquire select parcels of high public value.

The amount of land within the County Forest Blocking Boundary offered for sale by private landowners consistently exceeds the amount of capital available to acquire the land. Offers are reviewed and evaluated by the Land Conservation & Forest Management as funds become available.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Forest Dam Infrastructure Maintenance	$50,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$50,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The LCFM maintains eighteen (18) wildlife flowages in the Chippewa County Forest, that have been created through the construction of impoundments.

Six (6) of these impoundments are classified as large-scale dams, subject to DNR license and inspection requirements. Scheduled inspections for licensed dams are conducted on a ten (10) year cycle and must be performed by a licensed engineer. The engineering inspection of the licensed dams was completed by LCFM staff engineers in 2023. The report for Willow #1 concluded that the structure needs to be replaced to maintain the impoundment.

In order to compete for a State Municipal Dam Grant a Dam Failure Analysis must be completed. LCFM staff engineers will work on completing the analysis in 2025 so that the County can apply for a grant in 2026.

The CIP project will be used to match funds to repair the failing structure impounding Willow #1.

This allocation will allow the County to meet goals and obligations defined in the Chippewa County Forest Comprehensive Land use Plan
(2021-2036).

This allocation will also allow the County to pursue an earlier Chippewa County Strategic Goal to provide a safe, healthy, and prosperous environment for Chippewa County residents by managing and protecting the County's natural resource base for the future.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$120,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Planned snowmobile bridge TBD.
Bridge grants are requested in March of each year at the request of CVSO, and are paid 100% by WIDNR Grant monies; bridges are identified as needing repair or replacement on an as-needed basis.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Sheriff's Office	Duty Weapon (Glock) Refresh (50 weapons)	$75,000	Necessary	$0	$75,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Sights on the duty weapons have an approximate life expectancy of 8 years. The existing Glock inventory was purchased in 2020 and they have iron night sights. During this refresh we would be looking to transition to the industry standard of optics versus iron night sights. With the transition to optics versus iron night sights all new holsters will need to be purchased. Currently Glock has a trade in program where they will give LE a $350 credit towards a new weapon for each weapon traded.

Glocks with optics and holsters - 50 x $1,521 = $76,050.00

Glock Gen 5 MOS = $550
Trijicon RMR Type 2 Sights = $779
Mounting Kit = $22
SLX Holster = $170
Total per weapon = $1,521

If Glock continues to offer their trade-in program for LE there would be a savings of $350/weapon. This would reduce the needed funding listed above to $58,550.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025

Submitted by: Travis Hakes   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2027	Sheriff's Office	Taser Refresh Phase II - Upgrade all Axon 26P to Taser 7	$144,000	Necessary	$0	$144,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
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Project Description and Justification

In 2026, the Sheriff's Office implemented Phase I of the Taser replacement program. The justification for Phase I was:

"Currently the Sheriff's Office Deputies carry the Axon Taser X26P conducted energy device. These devices are commonly used by deputies as an intermediate force option and have been very beneficial to reducing injuries to suspects and deputies alike all the while helping deputies perform their duties of gaining control of resistive, suspects.

Approximately half of the X26P inventory were purchased in 2017 and the other half were purchased in 2021. The Taser 60 program was introduced as a means to provide a financing option to refresh the inventory while minimizing spikes in the annual budget. While under the Taser 60 plan the taser is under warranty for five years. Under this model the thoughts were that all tasers would only be out of warranty for one year, year six. If purchasing a taser outright Axon will warranty them for up to 5 years, depending on the warranty selected at the time of purchase. While under warranty if a taser has any type of issue and they are unable to repair it, Axon will replace it. Currently the inventory purchased in 2017 is out of warranty and the warranties for the remainder of the inventory will be expiring within a year.

Based on past experience when a Taser malfunctions and is sent out to Axon, they generally are unable to fix it. This results in a new replacement being sent if it is under warranty or a new one needing to be purchased if the warranty has expired. Also based on past experience provided by the Department Taser Instructor of 17 years the estimated dependable life of a Taser is approximately 7 years; although there are some that malfunction right at 5 years. With half the inventory being already 7 years old and the remaining coming up on 5 years old the entire inventory are all in-line to be replaced."

This request is to complete Phase II of the replacement, by paying the remaining 5 year agreement with Axon. This will ensure our Taser program is fully supported by Axon until the end of December of 2030. If not approved we will have to return equipment and be unsupported by Axon.

*** The 05/06/2025 quote to replace all 58 devices with Taser 7 including holsters, cartridges, cleaning kits and 5 year warranty is $278,956.80.**

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025
After the committee reviewed this request, the decision was made to convert this into a Phase I (2026) and Phase II (2027) project to ensure enough funding is available to replace all tasers and the necessary cartridges, holsters, etc.

Submitted by: Travis Hakes   Date: 5/12/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Otter Lake Dam - Phase II - Maintenance & Repairs	$100,000	Necessary	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for corrective actions (maintenance and repairs) that were detailed in the recommendations of the Otter Lake Dam Inspection that was completed in 2027.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Jail Fire System Replacement - Phase II Construction	$300,000	Necessary	$0	$300,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the replacement of the Fire System serving the Jail and Sheriff's department. The existing fire system is ~twenty-six (26) years old and is at/near "end-of-life".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

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Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Government Center - General Painting	$100,000	Necessary	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the general painting of the Courthouse facility. Areas that will be addressed are / will be at "end-of-life".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
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2028	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Park Master Plan Implementation	$150,000	Necessary	$0	$150,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the further implementation of the Park Master Plan.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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2028 Hwy Bridges

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Highways and Bridges												
	County-Wide	Various Design	$50,000					$50,000				$50,000
CTH T	Corridor Expansion Project	Design & Construction	$250,000	Various				$250,000				$250,000
CTH M	Lake Holcombe Bridge B09003	Design & Replacement	$1,250,000	Spot					$900,000	$350,000		$1,250,000
CTH D	CTH O - CTH S West	Recondition	$3,514,000	5.0 Miles	$2,810,800	STP Rural			$703,200			$3,514,000
CTH O	Yellow River Bridge B09382	Bridge Rehabilitation	$2,000,000	Spot	$1,600,000	Local Bridge			$400,000			$2,000,000
CTH MM	Hay Creek Bridge P09068	Bridge Replacement	$749,900	Spot	$749,900	Local Bridge						$749,900
	Various	Pavement Preservation	$4,505,540		$60,000	GTA		$598,740	$496,800	$3,350,000		$4,505,540
	Various Locations	Bridge Repairs	$180,000	Spot				$180,000				$180,000
	Various Locations	Maintenance - Drainage	$300,000					$300,000				$300,000
	Various Locations	Construction Supervision	$590,000					$590,000				$590,000
Highways and Bridges Total			$13,389,440		$5,220,700			$1,968,740	$2,500,000	$3,700,000		$13,389,440

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to service our County Highway System at existing service levels using proper Engineering protocols to identify roadways and bridges that require maintenance and replacement.

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Machinery Purchases												
	Machinery Purchases	Various	$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000
Machinery Purchases Total			$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000

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Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley   Date: March 1, 2025

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Date: March 1, 2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Information Technology	Replacement end user devices & data center equipment	$270,000	Necessary	$0	$270,000	$0	$0

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n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

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$270,000 Data Center equipment consists of:
VMWare Server Cluster server
Wireless Network Controller
Phone system controller
Backup servers
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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer   Date: 3/1/2025

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Year #2

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	Desired	$100,000	$0	$0	$0

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Country Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	Desired	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$120,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Planned snowmobile bridge TBD.
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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

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Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Sheriff's Office	911 Phone System & Recorder Replacement	$375,000	Necessary	$0	$375,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Replacement of the E911 telephone system, including NG911 capabilities within the 911 Communciations Center. This will include equipment and mapping for five fully-equipped consoles. Past practice has also been to include 5 years prepaid maintenance.

The 911 Center uses the E911 Communications system to receive calls from the community regarding emergency and public safety matters. System components have an approximate 5 year replacement cycle due to age and infrastructure enhancements. This system is the point of handoff between the community and public safety. This equipment receives and processes information on events related to emergency service calls including Law Enforecement, Fire and EMS disciplines.

Past statistics haven shown our system to receive and process between 80,000-90,000 calls per year.

An E911 telephone system is utilized 24/7/365 by personnel in the 911 Communications Center. The system must maintain continuous reiliability.

Also, when the E911 telephone system is upgraded it is best to upgrade the recorder to ensure reliability and the ability to work well with the new system.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025

Submitted by: Travis Hakes   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	Sheriff's Office	Replacement of All Body Cameras (Originally donated by PESI)	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

All the funding was provided by a donation from PESI for the initial implementation of body cameras for all LE agencies within Chippewa County. This funding was offered and provided through the donation to Chippewa County for Bloomer PD, Cornell PD, Cadott PD, Stanley PD, Boyd PD and Lake Hallie PD. This included the hardware and software for the first five years, which will end in 2028. The body camera, one battery and mount hardware is included in the per month service package price of $49/month per camera. Also included in the initial agreement was a 3rd year hardare refresh, which will be taking place in 2025. The assumption would be the next agreement would look the same, where as the body camera, one battery and mount would be included in the package.

The hardware not included in the per month package price in the initial agreement were the following items:

2nd battery for each camera
Vehicle trigger kits
USB docks
Pre configured V300 transfer station IIs w/power supply and cables

With the ever changing technology we are submitting the minimum CIP amount to have an equipment refresh in 2028 for the items not covered in the monthly service package. During 2025 the department will work with IT, the outside Agencies and Motorola to get a better idea of what the next refresh/agreement will look like for 2028.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Legal & Law Enforcement Committee on 01/27/2025

Submitted by: Travis Hakes　　Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Update Old Direct Digital Conrols on 30 VAV Boxes	$100,000	Necessary	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the conversion of old DDC controllers on ~ thirty (30) Variable Air Volume (VAV) boxes to new Direct Digital Controls (DDC). The old DDC controllers are ~ twenty-two (22) - twenty-seven (27) years old and are at/near "end-of-life".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Module Cooling Units (MCUs) Replacement in Data Center - 2 Units	$100,000	Necessary	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the replacement of two (2) Liebert Module Cooling Units (MCUs) that serve the Data Center The existing MCUs are ~ seventeen (17) years old and nearing "end-of-life". The reliability of these cooling units is essential to maintaining operations within the Data Center.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Courthouse Directory Replacement & Cul-de-Sac Information Hub	$150,000	Desired	$0	$150,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the replacement of the existing Directories throughout the Courthouse (there are approximately twenty (20). It will also allow for the installation of one (1) or two (2) electronic Directories at the main entrance(s) as well as some remodeling at the Cul-De-Sac.

The existing Directories are of a type that do not allow them to to be updated. When Departments move throughout the Courthouse, our only option is to tape over the Directories with updates, or reorder multiple Directories every time this happens. The new Directories would allow for the old department information to be removed and the new / updated department and location description to be slid into place. The project would also provide funding for electronic Directorie(s) that could provide some assistance with way-finding.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Courthouse Prisoner Transport Elevator Refurbishment	$125,000	Necessary	$0	$125,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the refurbishment of the existing elevator and the updating of the elevator controls.

The existing elevator and controls are ~ seventy-six (76) years old and are at/near "end-of-life". The reliability of this elevator is essential to maintaining a safe and secure route for the inmates from the Chippewa County Jail to the Courtrooms.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Chiller (AC) Replacement - Serving Courthouse & Sheriff's Department	$250,000	Necessary	$0	$250,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This project will allow for the replacement of the Chiller (air conditioning system) that serves the Courthouse and Sheriff's Department.

The existing Chiller is ~ twenty (20) years old and is at/near "end-of-life". The reliability of this Chiller is essential to maintaining comfortable environmental conditions at the Chippewa County Courthouse and Sheriff's Department.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Roof Replacement - Jail (Roofs 13, 14, 15)	$175,000	Necessary	$0	$175,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The existing roofs on the 2002 Jail are ~twenty-six (27) years old and are at "end-of-life". To address this issue, the roofs need to be replaced.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2028	DOA - Facilities & Parks	DHS and County Board Rm 302 - Phase II Construction	$1,200,000	Desired	$0	$1,200,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the remodeling/construction of DHS and potentially the County Boardroom.

This study/project was deemed necessary due to the additional staffing the department has acquired over the last few years, and also due to the change in the way services are provided.

This master planning exercise will have taken a look at the current DHS operations and staffing levels. It will have considered the physical space and will provide some options on how the 3rd floor of the Courthouse could be reconfigured to efficiently accommodate the departments needs, while keeping in mind that the work space may require some flexibility for future growth. This planning exercise will have also consider how the existing County Boardroom fits into the plan, if any changes are deemed necessary to this space at this time, as the DHS construction on the 3rd floor would make this a timely project.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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2029 Projects

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Highways and Bridges												
	County-Wide	Various Design	$50,000					$50,000				$50,000
CTH T	Corridor Expansion Project	Design & Construction	$150,000	Various						$150,000		$150,000
CTH M	Lake Holcombe Bridge B09003	Design & Replacement	$1,100,000	Spot				$550,000		$550,000		$1,100,000
	Various	Pavement Preservation	$4,358,740		$60,000	GTA		$298,740	$1,700,000	$2,300,000		$4,358,740
	Various Locations	Bridge Repairs	$180,000	Spot				$180,000				$180,000
	Various Locations	Maintenance - Drainage	$300,000					$300,000				$300,000
	Various Locations	Construction Supervision	$590,000					$590,000				$590,000
Highways and Bridges Total			$6,728,740		$60,000			$1,968,740	$1,700,000	$3,000,000		$6,728,740

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to service our County Highway System at existing service levels using proper Engineering protocols to identify roadways and bridges that require maintenance and replacement.

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Machinery Purchases												
	Machinery Purchases	Various	$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000
Machinery Purchases Total			$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000

Highway machinery is replaced based on useful life, cost to maintain, and purchasing of new and/or updated equipment for the purpose of maintaining our County Highway System. The above will fund replacement of the existing Machinery within the Highway Department.		
Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

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Building Improvements												
	Highway Department Facilities	Building Improvements - Buildings & Grounds Projects	$100,000								$100,000	$100,000
Building Improvements Total			$100,000								$100,000	$100,000

The above funding will ensure the continued safe and efficient use of Highway Department buildings and grounds. $100,000 will be used to improve current structures.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley

Date: March 1, 2025

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					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Non-Highway Fleet												
	Vehicle Purchases	Replacement cycle for Non-Highway Fleet	$300,000						$300,000			$300,000
Non-Highway Fleet Total			$300,000						$300,000			$300,000

The Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet includes 79 vehicles of various types. Vehicles are replaced based on expected life and cost to maintain. The sales tax will fund replacement of existing vehicles as required and the cost of installing mounts for any Mobile Data Computers (MDC's) installed in Sheriff's Department assigned vehicles.		
Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley

Date: March 1, 2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	Information Technology	Replacement end user devices & data center equipment	$270,000	Necessary	$0	$270,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will be used for:
- Equipment in the data center to replace storage area networks (SAN), VMWare servers and wireless APs
- End user devices for employees consisting of personal computers, laptops, tablet, LCD panels, projectors and conference room equipment

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to sustain technology needed by refreshing equipment on a regular basis using industry replacement standards to insure that proper resources/tools are provided for the employees to accomplish their daily tasks. Replacing data center equipment provides secure, high availability and redundant countywide systems. Replacement is based on useful life of equipment.

$170,000 Data Center equipment consists of:
Storage Area Networks (SAN)
Wireless APs
Switches

$100,000 End User devices consist of:
Personal computers, laptops, tables, projectors and conference room equipment – replaced on a 5 yr plan
LCD panels & accessories replaced as needed

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer   Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	Information Technology	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	Necessary	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Year #3

This funding will be used for replacing a security cameras that were purchased and installed in 2018. This replacement will be phased in over 2-3 years depending on cost for cameras at the time of replacement.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	Desired	$100,000	$0	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Board (through Resolution 76-98) created the Chippewa County Stewardship Fund in 1998 to provide a stable source of matching grant funds to assist landowners, municipalities, and non-profit organizations to meet local conservation objectives in Chippewa Co.

Section 3.1 of the "Chippewa County Stewardship Fund Policy & Procedures for Program Administration", (adopted through Resolution 89-99) states "The County Stewardship Fund will be established as a nonlapsing special revenue fund with partial proceeds available from the County Sales Tax and other funding sources, including public grants, private contributions, service or development fees, and other sources of revenue deemed appropriate by the County."

Since the inception of the program, 16 projects have been sponsored by the community resulting in the permanent protection of more than 2100 acres of land having high conservation and recreational value. The Stewardship Fund has been well received by the community and proves to be a cost effective way of meeting the County's long term land conservation and outdoor recreational needs. Since 1998, nearly $500,000 in sales tax match grants have been awarded. Using donations and principals of leveraging, every $1 of County sales tax funds have been matched by $6.00 in outside funding.

Under the program, all sites are protected by conservation easements and are required to have permanent public access for outdoor recreation. Unless added to the County Forest system, all sites are managed by other organizations or agencies resulting in no custodial costs to the Co. Given current development trends & associated pressures on land resources, there is an inherent need to maintain the County's resource conservation efforts. This accelerated need comes at a time when traditional revenue sources are being reduced or eliminated.

The request for continued sales tax financing supports the state goals & objectives of the Chippewa Co. Strategic Plan (2011) to "Coordinate and collaborate with government entities at all levels to ensure effective government services" and to "Provide a safe, healthy, and prosperous environment for Chippewa Co. employees, clientele, and citizens". The request also supports the stated Land Management Objective of the Chippewa Co. Land & Water Resource Mgt. Plan (2015), to "Protect areas of special environmental, natural resource, or open space significance, (Wisconsin Stats. 91.57)".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert　　Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Country Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	Desired	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2029	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$120,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Planned snowmobile bridge TBD.
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Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Source of Funding: Sales Tax	Source of Funding: Borrowing	Source of Funding: Grants
2030	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Courthouse Pressurization Project	$250,000	Desired	$0	$250,000	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The Courthouse has an over-pressurization issue due to inappropriately designed return/exhaust air ducting on many of the air handling units. This condition does not allow the exterior doors to properly close and lock at certain times of the year. The over-pressurization condition also leads to a facility that is not very energy efficient. The funding for this project would allow most of the air handling unit's ductwork to be reworked, which would resolve the majority of the issues noted.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding			
					Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Conference Room Remodel for the Courts (Room 218)	$100,000	Desired	$0	$100,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Over the last five (5) - ten (10) years, 2 Court Conference Rooms were remodeled for different uses (Security Office and Court Commissioner Room). This funding will allow for Room 218 to be remodeled and converted into a Conference Room for the Courts.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger

Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Public Health Remodel - Phase II - Construction	$800,000	Desired	$0	$800,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for the remodeling of the Public Health office suite. A previously completed space study will have developed a project scope that will resolve the issues / concerns noted in the area:

- Over the last few years P.H. has changed its staffing model, with some folks working from home. (need the correct mix of hard-walled offices and cubicles)
- Security issues have been brought forward that include the need for P.H. staff to bring clients back into their secured work space. (need to install adequate barriers and card access).
- The overall office / staffing arrangement in P.H. is not very efficient. A new office layout will improve overall efficiencies and space usage.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger Date: 3/1/2025

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Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	DOA - Facilities & Parks	Housing Authority & Extension - Phase I - Design & Construction Drawings	$50,000	Desired	$0	$50,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will allow for a space study that is deemed necessary due to a few different variables:

- Housing Authority has offices in two separate areas, and would really like to consolidate into one office suite - mostly to improve efficiencies.
- Housing Authority has grown over the years, and space is currently pretty tight.
- The Housing Authority and UW Extension offices have not been remodeled since 1992, the office finishes are at "end-of-life".
- Standard (up to date) security improvements will be considered as the study is completed.
- The overall office / staffing arrangement in the office suites may realize some improvement in efficiencies and space usage with a remodel.

This planning exercise will take a look at the current operations and staffing levels of the Housing Authority and UW Extension offices. It will consider the physical space, and will provide some options on how the office space could be reconfigured to efficiently accommodate the departments needs. This will be completed while keeping in mind the most current security standards and also that the work space may require some flexibility for future growth.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Facilities & Parks Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Larry Ritzinger   Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County Highway Department
2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

2030 Projects

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Highways and Bridges												
	County-Wide	Various Design	$50,000					$50,000				$50,000
CTH T	Corridor Expansion Project	Design & Construction	$1,250,000	Various				$750,000	$500,000			$1,250,000
	Various	Pavement Preservation	$4,358,740		$60,000	GTA		$98,740	$1,200,000	$3,000,000		$4,358,740
	Various Locations	Bridge Repairs	$180,000	Spot				$180,000				$180,000
	Various Locations	Maintenance - Drainage	$300,000					$300,000				$300,000
	Various Locations	Construction Supervision	$590,000					$590,000				$590,000
Highways and Bridges Total			$6,728,740		$60,000			$1,968,740	$1,700,000	$3,000,000		$6,728,740

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to service our County Highway System at existing service levels using proper Engineering protocols to identify roadways and bridges that require maintenance and replacement.

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: January 22, 2025

Attachment: CIP Plan 2026-2030 (8946 : 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan - Andy Albarado)

Chippewa County Highway Department
2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

2030

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Machinery Purchases												
	Machinery Purchases	Various	$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000
Machinery Purchases Total			$1,100,000								$1,100,000	$1,100,000

Highway machinery is replaced based on useful life, cost to maintain, and purchasing of new and/or updated equipment for the purpose of maintaining our County Highway System. The above will fund replacement of the existing Machinery within the Highway Department.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

Chippewa County Highway Department
2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

2030

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Building Improvements												
	Highway Department Facilities	Building Improvements - Buildings & Grounds Projects	$100,000								$100,000	$100,000
Building Improvements Total			$100,000								$100,000	$100,000

The above funding will ensure the continued safe and efficient use of Highway Department buildings and grounds. $100,000 will be used to improve current structures.

Department Head Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

Chippewa County Highway Department
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2030

County Highway	Project Limits	Project Type	Estimated Cost	Project Length	Miscellaneous Funding			County Funding				Project Available
					WisDOT / Federal	Description	Other	Levy	Sales Tax	Bonding	Machinery & Buildings	
Non-Highway Fleet												
	Vehicle Purchases	Replacement cycle for Non-Highway Fleet	$300,000						$300,000			$300,000
Non-Highway Fleet Total			$300,000						$300,000			$300,000

The Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet includes 79 vehicles of various types. Vehicles are replaced based on expected life and cost to maintain. The sales tax will fund replacement of existing vehicles as required and the cost of installing mounts for any Mobile Data Computers (MDC's) installed in Sheriff's Department assigned vehicles.

Ranking	Committee Ranking	Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee
n/a	n/a	Reviewed by the Highway Committee on 01/22/2025

Submitted by: Brian Kelley Date: March 1, 2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	Information Technology	Replacement end user devices & data center equipment	$265,000	Necessary	$0	$265,000	$0	$0

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

This funding will be used for:
- Equipment in the data center to replace storage area networks (SAN), VMWare servers and wireless APs
- End user devices for employees consisting of personal computers, laptops, tablet, LCD panels, projectors and conference room equipment

The above funding will ensure that Chippewa County continues to sustain technology needed by refreshing equipment on a regular basis using industry replacement standards to insure that proper resources/tools are provided for the employees to accomplish their daily tasks. Replacing data center equipment provides secure, high availability and redundant countywide systems. Replacement is based on useful life of equipment.

$165,000 Data Center equipment consists of:
VMWare servers
Wireless APs
Switches
Firewalls

$100,000 End User devices consist of:
Personal computers, laptops, tables, projectors and conference room equipment – replaced on a 5 yr plan
LCD panels & accessories replaced as needed

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Executive Committee on 01/21/2025

Submitted by: Andy Bauer   Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	Land Conservation & Forest Management	County Stewardship Fund	$100,000	Desired	$100,000	$0	$0	$0

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Board (through Resolution 76-98) created the Chippewa County Stewardship Fund in 1998 to provide a stable source of matching grant funds to assist landowners, municipalities, and non-profit organizations to meet local conservation objectives in Chippewa Co.

Section 3.1 of the "Chippewa County Stewardship Fund Policy & Procedures for Program Administration", (adopted through Resolution 89-99) states "The County Stewardship Fund will be established as a nonlapsing special revenue fund with partial proceeds available from the County Sales Tax and other funding sources, including public grants, private contributions, service or development fees, and other sources of revenue deemed appropriate by the County."

Since the inception of the program, 16 projects have been sponsored by the community resulting in the permanent protection of more than 2100 acres of land having high conservation and recreational value. The Stewardship Fund has been well received by the community and proves to be a cost effective way of meeting the County's long term land conservation and outdoor recreational needs. Since 1998, nearly $500,000 in sales tax match grants have been awarded. Using donations and principals of leveraging, every $1 of County sales tax funds have been matched by $6.00 in outside funding.

Under the program, all sites are protected by conservation easements and are required to have permanent public access for outdoor recreation. Unless added to the County Forest system, all sites are managed by other organizations or agencies resulting in no custodial costs to the Co. Given current development trends & associated pressures on land resources, there is an inherent need to maintain the County's resource conservation efforts. This accelerated need comes at a time when traditional revenue sources are being reduced or eliminated.

The request for continued sales tax financing supports the state goals & objectives of the Chippewa Co. Strategic Plan (2011) to "Coordinate and collaborate with government entities at all levels to ensure effective government services" and to "Provide a safe, healthy, and prosperous environment for Chippewa Co. employees, clientele, and citizens". The request also supports the stated Land Management Objective of the Chippewa Co. Land & Water Resource Mgt. Plan (2015), to "Protect areas of special environmental, natural resource, or open space significance, (Wisconsin Stats. 91.57)".

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert   Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Country Forest Land Acquisitions	$300,000	Desired	$150,000	$0	$0	$150,000

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Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

The Chippewa County Comprehensive Forest Plan, as adopted by the County Board, establishes public policy to routinely evaluate and consider additions to the County Forest, that are cost effective and in the long term public interest.

Strategic additions to the County Forest and recreational land base, will allow for increased annual timber harvest and additional public recreational opportunities.

These capital additions will be of long term value and provide direct benefit to area residents, taxpayers, the forest products industry and the tourism industry.

The request meets the County strategic plan objective to “Manage and protect the County’s natural resources for the future including water, forests, etc.” and the Chippewa County Land & Water Resource Management Plan (July 2009) Land Management objectives.

The allocation of capital will likely generate matching funds. The State has recently created a special fund within the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund that is dedicated to providing matching grants for County Forest Acquisitions. This dedicated state fund will enhance the County’s opportunity to acquire select parcels of high public value.

The amount of land within the County Forest Blocking Boundary offered for sale by private landowners consistently exceeds the amount of capital available to acquire the land. Offers are reviewed and evaluated by the Land Conservation & Forest Management as funds become available.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert Date: 3/1/2025

Chippewa County
2026 - 2030 Capital Improvement Plan
Justification Form

Budget Year	Department	Project Name	Total Expenditure	Priority	Source of Funding: Fund Balance	Sales Tax	Borrowing	Grants
2030	Land Conservation & Forest Management	Snowmobile Bridge - TBD	$120,000	Desired	$0	$0	$0	$120,000

Projects are only ranked for the next fiscal year only. Projects for years 2-5 are placeholders

Department Head Recommended Ranking	Committee Approved Ranking
n/a	n/a

Project Description and Justification

Planned snowmobile bridge TBD.
Bridge grants are requested in March of each year at the request of CVSO, and are paid 100% by WIDNR Grant monies; bridges are identified as needing repair or replacement on an as-needed basis.

Additional Action and/or Comments from Committee

Reviewed by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee on 02/26/2025

Submitted by: Lynda Schweikert   Date: 3/1/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No.

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIM OF ROBB SMISKEY

Robb Smiskey filed a formal notice of claim against the County pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 893.80 on February 18, 2025. Mr. Smiskey is claiming property damage to his 2017 Toyota Sienna that he claims occurred on February 11, 2025, while exiting from State Highway 29 to State Highway 53. Mr. Smiskey claims Chippewa County Highway Department plow trucks pushed snow from the overpass onto the roadway below and struck his vehicle with the snow, causing damage to the front hood and front driver side quarter panel, as well as the windshield and side mirror. The damage amount is $7,374.20.

Upon review of Mr. Smiskey's claim by the County's liability insurance company, Wisconsin Municipal Mutual Insurance Company (WMMIC), it is WMMIC's recommendation that the County formally allow and pay the claim in the amount of $7,374.20. Approval of this resolution will allow the claim pursuant to sec. 2-60(l)(3) of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances, which provides that the Executive Committee has the authority to settle claims that do not exceed $10,000.

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Resolution No.

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIM OF ROBB SMISKEY

WHEREAS, a Notice of Claim was filed by Robb Smiskey with the Chippewa County Clerk's Office on February 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Claim states that Mr. Smiskey is claiming property damage to his 2017 Toyota Sienna that he claims occurred on February 11, 2025, while he was exiting from State Highway 29 to State Highway 53. Mr. Smiskey claims Chippewa County Highway Department plow trucks pushed snow from the overpass onto the roadway below and struck his vehicle with the snow, causing damage to the front hood, front driver side quarter panel, windshield and driver side mirror; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the claim by the County's liability insurance Company, WMMIC, it is recommended that the claim be allowed;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chippewa County Executive Committee does hereby allow the claim of Robb Smiskey, 5666 189th Street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, in the amount of $7,374.20; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the claimant by certified mail, return receipt requested, as Notice of Allowance.

Recommended for approval by the Executive Committee

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Payment of the allowed claim in the amount of $7,374.20.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**
RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Joel Seidlitz, District 9
AYES:	Chuck Hull, Peter Gehring, Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz

Approved as to Form:

Todd A. Pauls

Todd A. Pauls, Corporation Counsel 5/21/2025

Lori Zwiefelhofer

Lori Zwiefelhofer, Finance Director 5/21/2025

Andy J. Albarado

Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/21/2025

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From: Marla Prissel mprissel@chippewacountywi.gov
Subject: Claims against the County Form
Date: Feb 11, 2025 at 12:41:43
To: ROBBSMISKEY@yahoo.com

Hi Robb, Attached please find the claims against the county form we discussed on our phone conversation.

Let me know if there is anything else I can help you with.

Thanks,

Marla Prissel
Chippewa County Highway Department
Administrative Assistant
801 E. Grand Ave.
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
Phone: (715) 726-7916

CHIPPEWA COUNTY
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RECEIVED
FEB 18 2024
BY:

NOTICE OF CLAIM AGAINST CHIPPEWA COUNTY

Name: Robb Smiskey

Address: 5666 189th St Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Date of Accident/Loss: 2/11/25 Time of Day: 11:19 a.m./p.m.

County Department Involved: Chippewa Vehicle #: 5TDDZ3DCXHS16893

Photos taken: X Yes ___ No Weather Conditions: 5° Sunny

Police called: ___ Yes X No Date: 2/11/25

Agency: ____________

Case No.: ____________

Type of Claim: X Vehicle ___ Property ___ Personal Injury

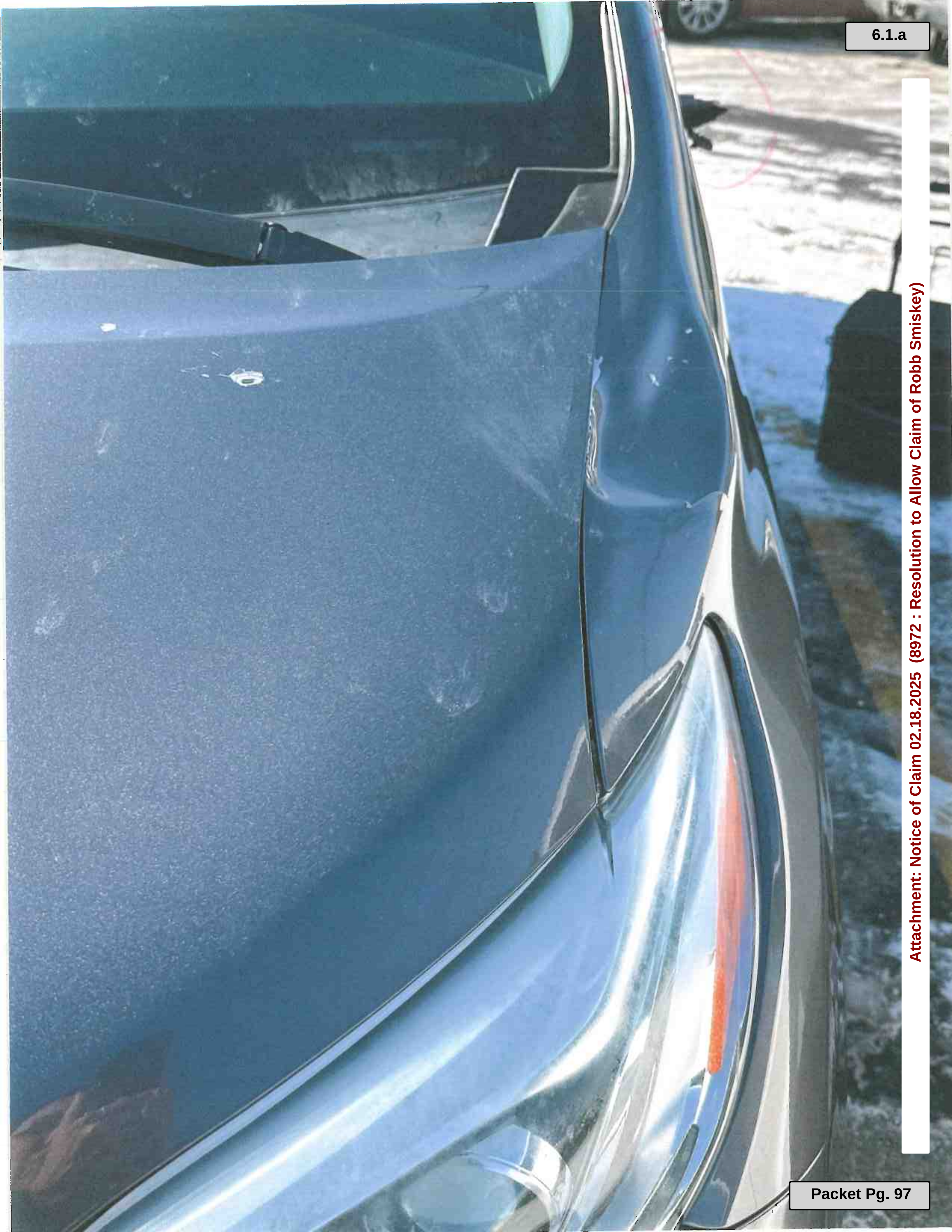
Dollar Amount of Damages Claimed: $ 7,374.20

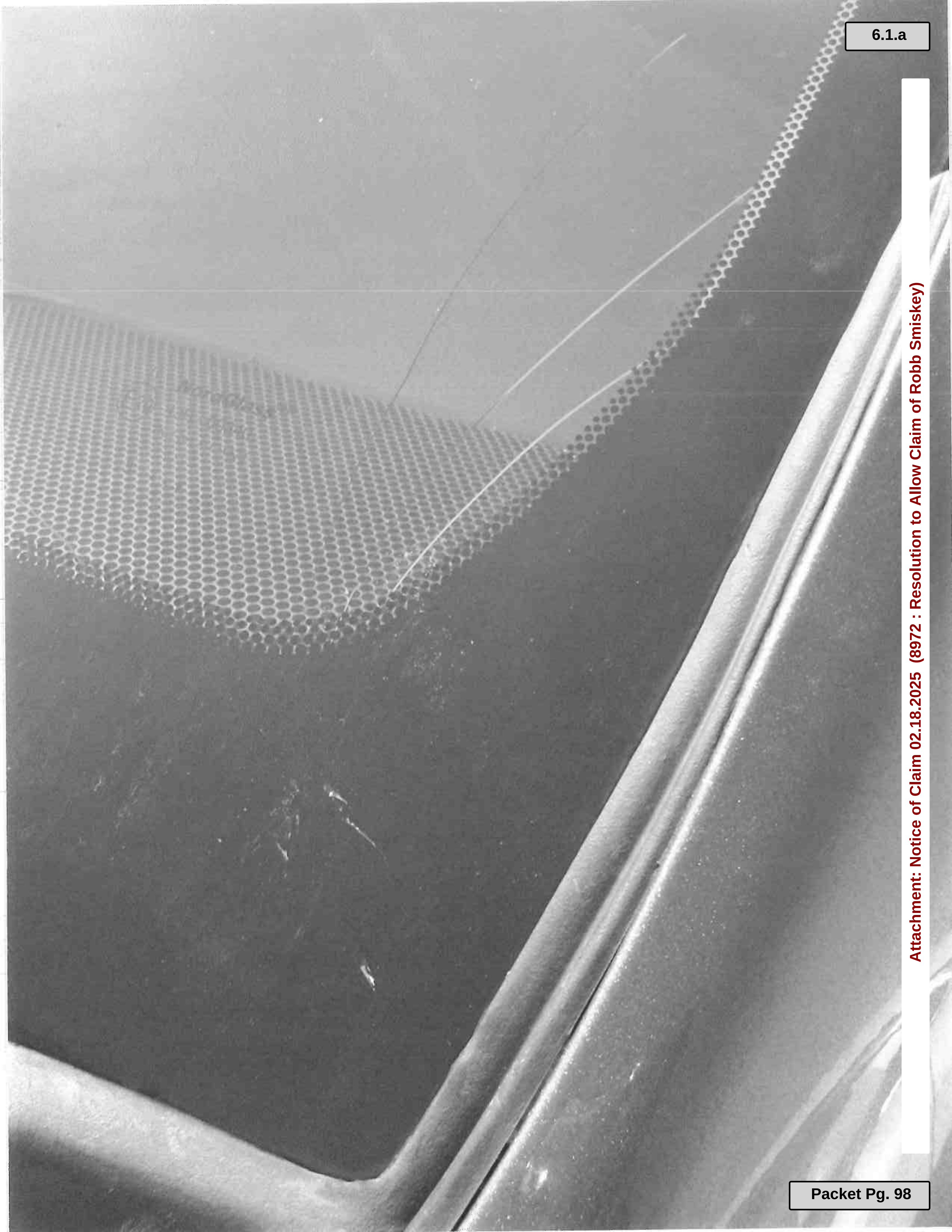
Briefly state the facts of the accident/loss (include additional pages, if necessary, along with any supporting documentation/information/photos; **do not staple**):

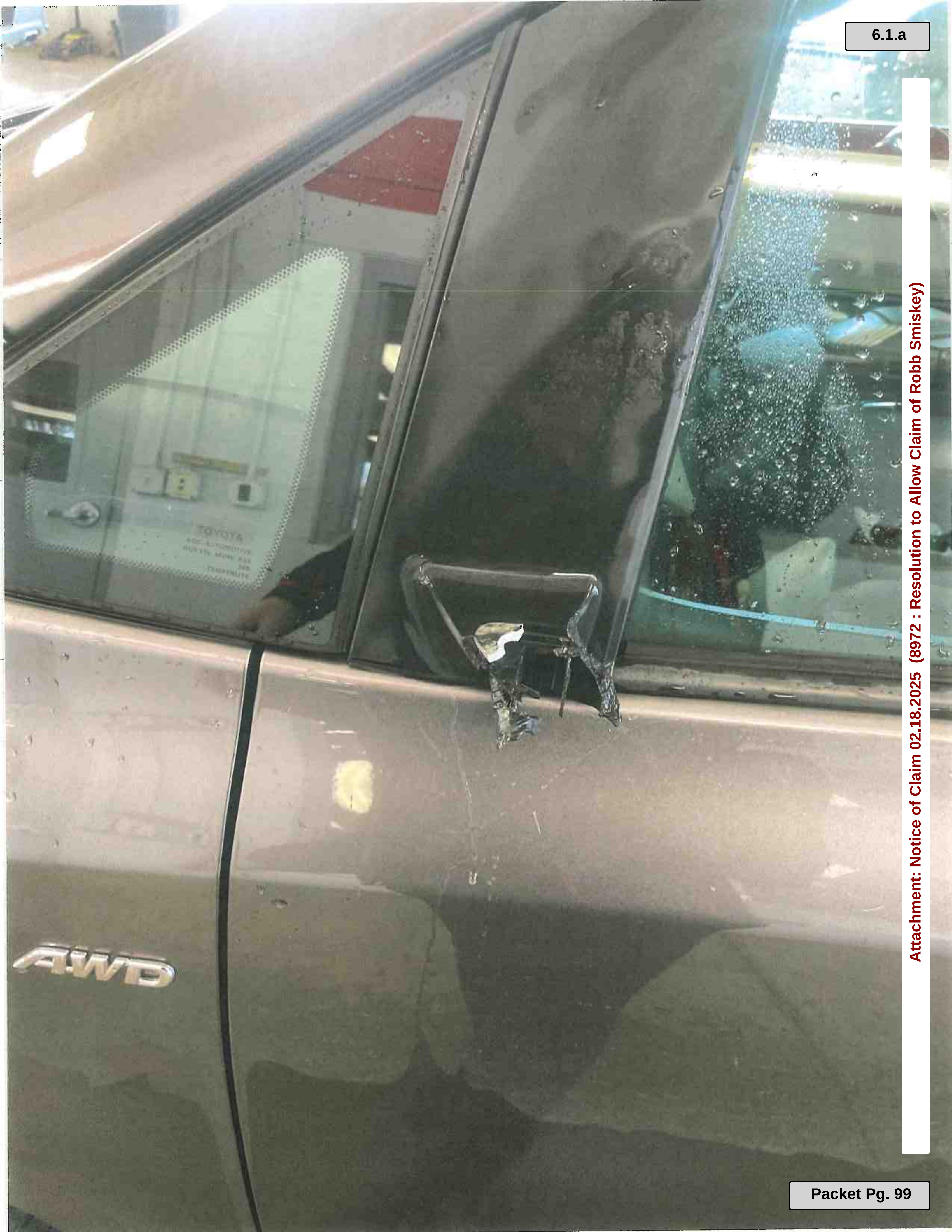
Driving From Lake Wissota to Eau Claire Exiting From Hwy 29 to Hwy 53 Line of Snow plows pushed snow from overpass onto my vehicle damaged windshield, driver side mirror and dented front driverside corner panel.

Signature: ______________________ Date: 2/12/25

Submit Claim to: Jaclyn J. Sadler, Chippewa County Clerk
Chippewa County Courthouse
711 N. Bridge Street, Room 109
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729



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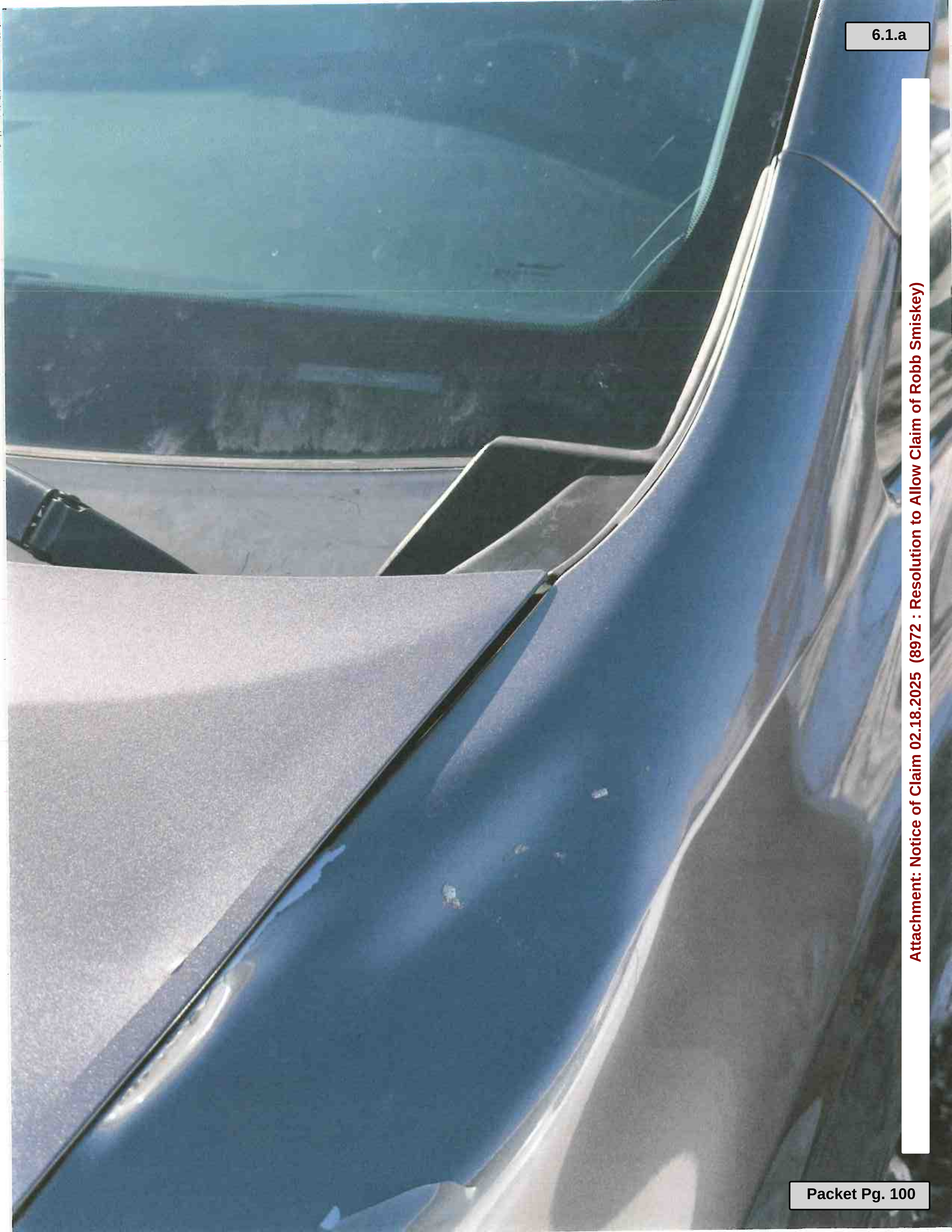

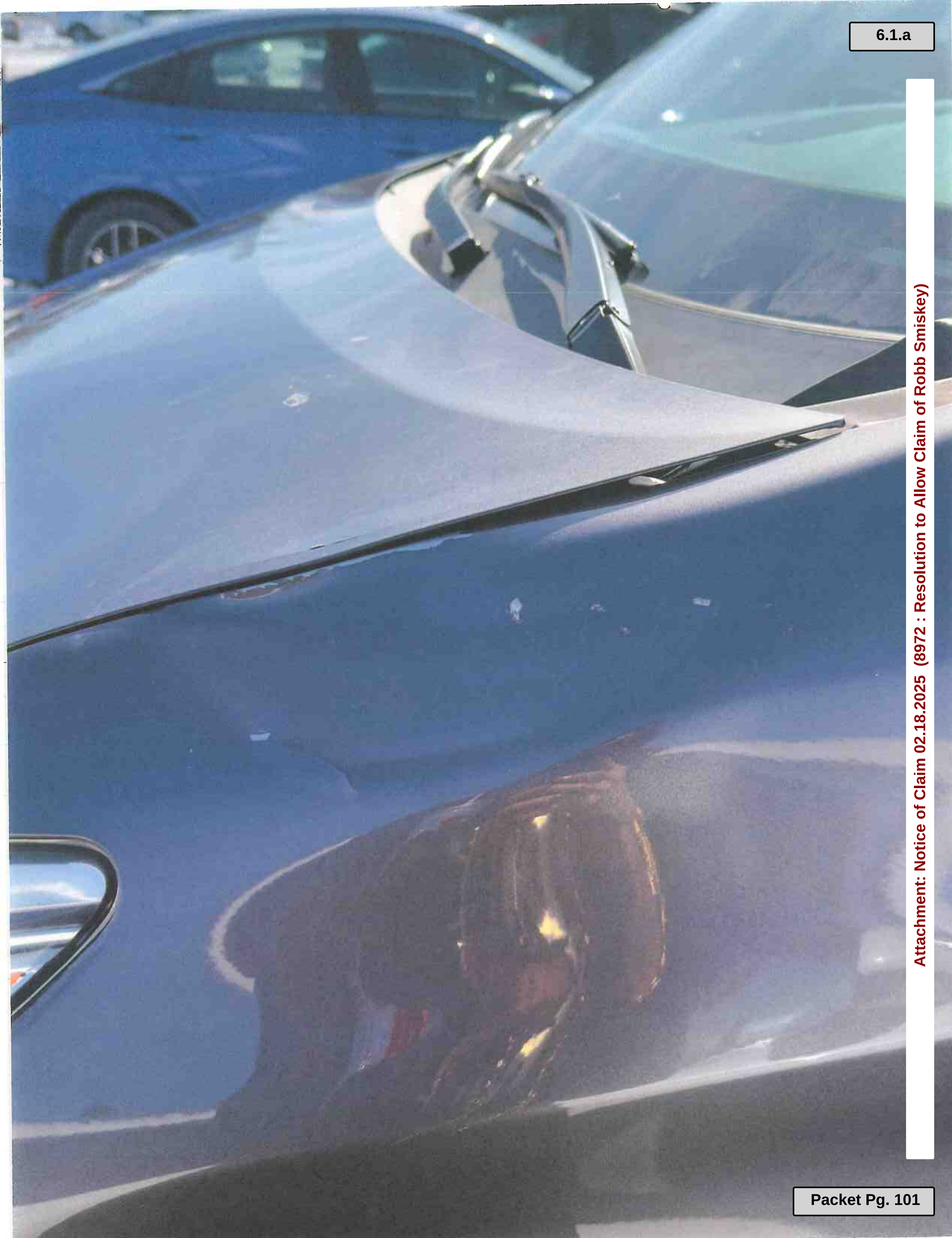

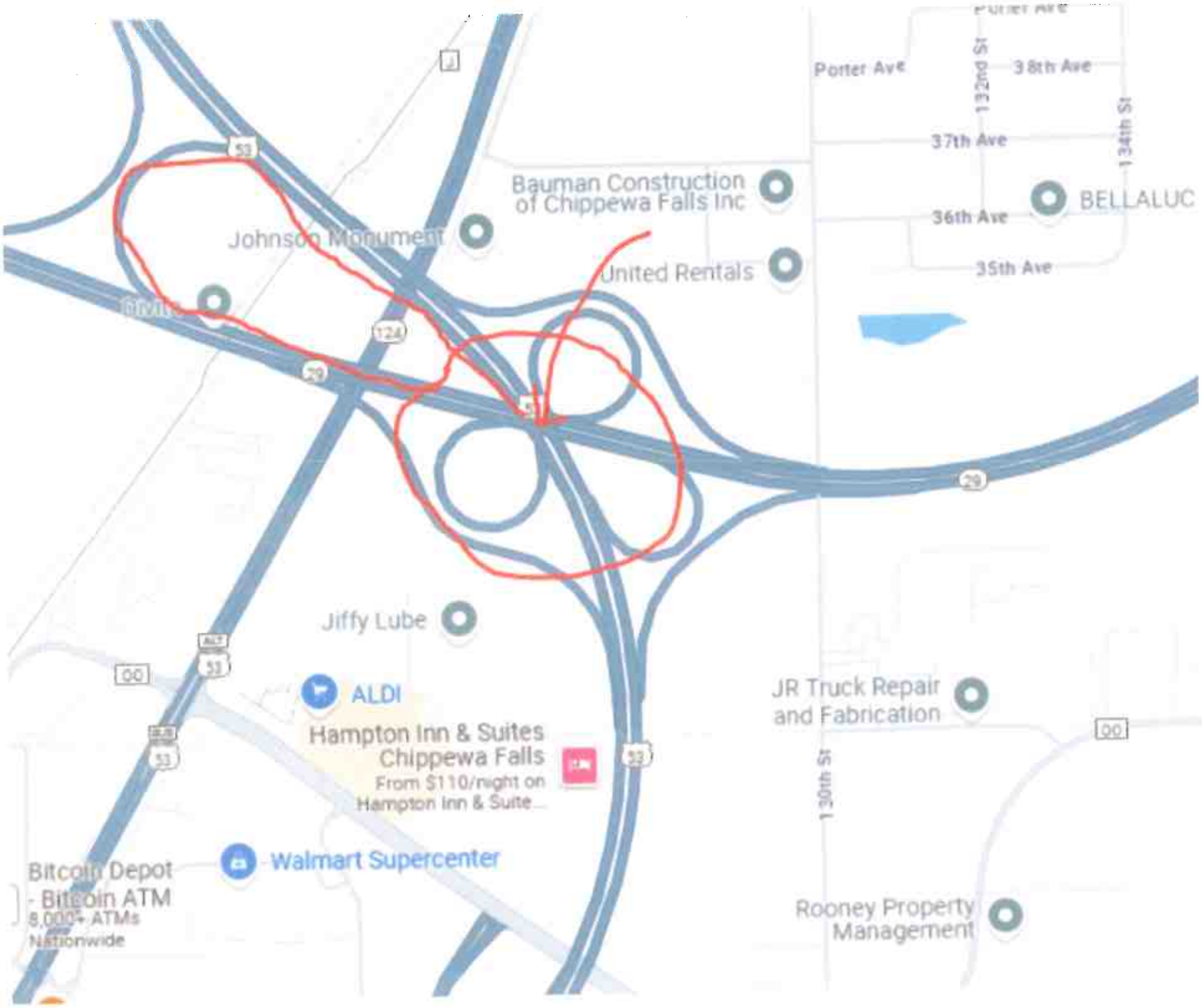

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132nd St
38th Ave
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Bauman Construction of Chippewa Falls Inc
BELLALUC
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Johnson Monument
United Rentals
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124
29
53
Jiffy Lube
OO
ALDI
Hampton Inn & Suites Chippewa Falls
From $110/night on Hampton Inn & Suite...
JR Truck Repair and Fabrication
130th St
Walmart Supercenter
Bitcoin Depot - Bitcoin ATM
8,000+ ATMs Nationwide
Rooney Property Management

Markquart MOTORS

MARKQUART AUTO BODY

2191 SOUTH PRAIRIE VIEW RD, CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729
Phone: (715) 833-0450
FAX: (715) 720-4174

Workfile ID: f272e1
PartsShare: 8pvy5m
Federal ID: 39-1391993
State EPA: WIR 000 164 459

Preliminary Estimate

Customer: SMISKEY, ROBB

Written By: Sarah Evans

Insured: SMISKEY, ROBB
Type of Loss:
Point of Impact: 10 Left Front Pillar (Left Side)

Policy #:
Date of Loss:

Claim #:
Days to Repair: 0

Owner:
SMISKEY, ROBB
5666 189TH ST
CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729
(785) 340-5541 Cell

Inspection Location:
MARKQUART AUTO BODY
2191 SOUTH PRAIRIE VIEW RD
CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729
Repair Facility
(715) 833-0450 Business

Insurance Company:
CHIPPEWA COUNTY

VEHICLE

2017 TOYO Sienna Limited AWD w/7-Passenger Seating 4D VAN 6-3.5L Gasoline Port/Direct Injection SILVER

VIN: 5TDDZ3DCXHS168931
License: ATR9633
State: WI

Interior Color: BLACK
Exterior Color: SILVER
Production Date: 3/2017

Mileage In: 117,515
Mileage Out:
Condition:

Vehicle Out:
Job #:

TRANSMISSION
Automatic Transmission
4 Wheel Drive
POWER
Power Steering
Power Brakes
Power Windows
Power Locks
Power Mirrors
Heated Mirrors
Power Driver Seat
Power Passenger Seat
Memory Package
DECOR
Dual Mirrors
Privacy Glass
Console/Storage
Overhead Console

Air Conditioning
Intermittent Wipers
Tilt Wheel
Cruise Control
Rear Defogger
Keyless Entry
Alarm
Steering Wheel Touch Controls
Rear Window Wiper
Telescopic Wheel
Heated Steering Wheel
Climate Control
Dual Air Condition
Navigation System
Backup Camera
Parking Sensors
Dual Power Sliding Doors
Home Link

FM Radio
Stereo
Search/Seek
CD Player
Auxiliary Audio Connection
Premium Radio
Satellite Radio
SAFETY
Drivers Side Air Bag
Passenger Air Bag
Anti-Lock Brakes (4)
4 Wheel Disc Brakes
Traction Control
Stability Control
Front Side Impact Air Bags
Head/Curtain Air Bags
Hands Free Device
Blind Spot Detection

SEATS
Leather Seats
Heated Seats
Power Third Seat
Retractable Seats
Captain Chairs (4)
WHEELS
Aluminum/Alloy Wheels
PAINT
Clear Coat Paint
OTHER
Fog Lamps
Rear Spoiler
Signal Integrated Mirrors
California Emissions
TRUCK
Rear Step Bumper
Power Trunk/Liftgate

Get live updates at www.carwise.com/e/4ZE6mF

Customer: SMISKEY, ROBB

2017 TOYO Sienna Limited AWD w/7-Passenger Seating 4D VAN 6-3.5L Gasoline Port/Direct Injection SILVER

Wood Interior Trim

CONVENIENCE

RADIO

AM Radio

ROOF

Dual Power Sunroofs

Preliminary Estimate

Customer: SMISKEY, ROBB

2017 TOYO Sienna Limited AWD w/7-Passenger Seating 4D VAN 6-3.5L Gasoline Port/Direct Injection SILVER

Line		Oper	Description	Part Number	Qty	Extended Price $	Labor	Paint
1	**FRONT BUMPER**							
2			O/H bumper assy				2.2	
3	*	Rpr	Bumper cover w/ft prk aid Note: PARTS: Component comes unprimed from OEM. Preparation is required. See ADD IF REQUIRED operation. LABOR: Time includes R&I/R&R grille, pad, hole covers, lower grille and energy absorber.				2.0	3.0
4			Add for Clear Coat					1.2
5	**FRONT LAMPS**							
6		R&I	LT Headlamp assy Limited				Incl.	
7	**FENDER**							
8	**	Repl	A/M CAPA LT Fender all (HSS)	5381208030	1	289.00	2.2	2.0
9			Add for Clear Coat					0.8
10			Add for Edging					0.5
11			Add for Clear Coat					0.1
12		R&I	RT Fender liner w/o SE				0.4	
13		R&I	LT Fender liner w/o SE				Incl.	
14		Repl	LT Nameplate "AWD"	75443AE010	1	30.43	0.2	
15		R&I	Mud guard front/rear kit w/o SE				0.5	
16	**WINDSHIELD**							
17		Repl	Windshield Toyota w/o rain sensor	5610108071	1	833.51	3.8	
18		R&I	RT Wiper arm				Incl.	
19		R&I	LT Wiper arm				Incl.	
20	**COWL**							
21		Repl	RT Seal to hood side seal Note: PARTS: Part cannot be reused/reinstalled.	5386608020	1	36.66	0.1	
22		Repl	LT Seal to hood side seal Note: PARTS: Part cannot be reused/reinstalled.	5386708020	1	36.66	0.1	
23	**PILLARS, ROCKER & FLOOR**							
24	*	Blnd	LT Windshield Pillar			s		1.2
25	**FRONT DOOR**							
26	*	Rpr	LT Outer panel				2.5	2.1
27			Overlap Major Adj. Panel					-0.4
28			Add for Clear Coat					0.3
29		Repl	LT Black out tape upper section	7595608010	1	34.82	0.2	
30		Repl	LT Belt molding Note: PARTS: Part cannot be reused/reinstalled.	6821008020	1	42.89	0.3	
31		Repl	LT Black out tape rear section	7595808010	1	47.03	0.2	
32	**	Repl	A/M LT Mirror assy w/heated, w/memory black	8794008122C1	1	784.00	0.3	0.5
33			Overlap Minor Panel					-0.2
34			Add for Clear Coat					0.1
35		R&I	LT Handle, outside painted, w/o Smart key gray				0.5	

Customer: SMISKEY, ROBB

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36		R&I	LT R&I trim panel				0.4		
37	#	Subl	Hazardous Waste Disposal	1	5.00	T			
38	#	Repl	Car Cover/ Mask for Overspray	1	10.00	T	0.2		
39	#	Repl	Flex Additive	1	15.00	T			
40	#	Repl	Urethane Kit	1	25.00	T			
41	#	Repl	Seam Sealer	1	20.00	T	0.5		
42	**VEHICLE DIAGNOSTICS**								
43	*		Pre-repair scan	1	129.00	m	1.0	M	
44	*		Post-repair scan	1	189.00	m	1.0	M	
45	*	Subl	Calibrate front radar sensor	1	375.00	m			
46	*	Subl	Calibrate front view camera	1	375.00	m			
			SUBTOTALS		**3,278.00**		**18.6**		**11.2**

ESTIMATE TOTALS

Category	Basis		Rate	Cost $
Parts				3,203.00
Body Labor	16.6 hrs	@	$ 109.00 /hr	1,809.40
Paint Labor	11.2 hrs	@	$ 109.00 /hr	1,220.80
Mechanical Labor	2.0 hrs	@	$ 169.00 /hr	338.00
Paint Supplies	11.2 hrs	@	$ 65.00 /hr	728.00
Miscellaneous				75.00
Subtotal				7,374.20
Grand Total				**7,374.20**

MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR PRACTICES ARE REGULATED BY CHAPTER ATCP 132, WIS. ADM. CODE, ADMINISTERED BY THE BUREAU OF CONSUMER PROTECTION, WISCONSIN DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION, P.O. BOX 8911, MADISON, WISCONSIN 53708-8911.

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Customer: SMISKEY, ROBB

2017 TOYO Sienna Limited AWD w/7-Passenger Seating 4D VAN 6-3.5L Gasoline Port/Direct Injection SILVER

Estimate based on MOTOR CRASH ESTIMATING GUIDE and potentially other third party sources of data. Unless otherwise noted, (a) all items are derived from the Guide ARM8531, CCC Data Date 02/10/2025, and potentially other third party sources of data; and (b) the parts presented are OEM-parts. OEM parts are manufactured by or for the vehicle's Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) according to OEM's specifications for U.S. distribution. OEM parts are available at OE/Vehicle dealerships or the specified supplier. OPT OEM (Optional OEM) or ALT OEM (Alternative OEM) parts are OEM parts that may be provided by or through alternate sources other than the OEM vehicle dealerships with discounted pricing. Asterisk (*) or Double Asterisk (**) indicates that the parts and/or labor data provided by third party sources of data may have been modified or may have come from an alternate data source. Tilde sign (~) items indicate MOTOR Not-Included Labor operations. The symbol (<>) indicates the refinish operation WILL NOT be performed as a separate procedure from the other panels in the estimate. Non-Original Equipment Manufacturer aftermarket parts are described as Non OEM, A/M or NAGS. Used parts are described as LKQ, RCY, or USED. Reconditioned parts are described as Recond. Recored parts are described as Recore. NAGS Part Numbers and Benchmark Prices are provided by National Auto Glass Specifications. Labor operation times listed on the line with the NAGS information are MOTOR suggested labor operation times. NAGS labor operation times are not included. Pound sign (#) items indicate manual entries.

Some 2024 vehicles contain minor changes from the previous year. For those vehicles, prior to receiving updated data from the vehicle manufacturer, labor and parts data from the previous year may be used. The CCC ONE estimator has a list of applicable vehicles. Parts numbers and prices should be confirmed with the local dealership.

The following is a list of additional abbreviations or symbols that may be used to describe work to be done or parts to be repaired or replaced:

SYMBOLS FOLLOWING PART PRICE:
m=MOTOR Mechanical component. s=MOTOR Structural component. T=Miscellaneous Taxed charge category. X=Miscellaneous Non-Taxed charge category.

SYMBOLS FOLLOWING LABOR:
D=Diagnostic labor category. E=Electrical labor category. F=Frame labor category. G=Glass labor category. M=Mechanical labor category. S=Structural labor category. (numbers) 1 through 4=User Defined Labor Categories.

OTHER SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS:
Adj.=Adjacent. Algn.=Align. ALU=Aluminum. A/M=Aftermarket part. Blnd=Blend. BOR=Boron steel. CAPA=Certified Automotive Parts Association. CFC=Carbon Fiber. D&R=Disconnect and Reconnect. HSS=High Strength Steel. HYD=Hydroformed Steel. Incl.=Included. LKQ=Like Kind and Quality. LT=Left. MAG=Magnesium. Non-Adj.=Non Adjacent. NSF=NSF International Certified Part. O/H=Overhaul. Qty=Quantity. Refn=Refinish. Repl=Replace. R&I=Remove and Install. R&R=Remove and Replace. Rpr=Repair. RT=Right. SAS=Sandwiched Steel. Sect=Section. STS=Stainless Steel. Subl=Sublet. UHS=Ultra High Strength Steel. N=Note(s) associated with the estimate line.

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The following is a list of abbreviations that may be used in CCC ONE Estimating that are not part of the MOTOR CRASH ESTIMATING GUIDE:
BAR=Bureau of Automotive Repair. EPA=Environmental Protection Agency. NHTSA= National Highway Transportation and Safety Administration. PDR=Paintless Dent Repair. VIN=Vehicle Identification Number.

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PARTS SUPPLIER LIST

Line	Supplier	Description	Price
8	Keystone, Inc 60 51ST WAY NE FRIDLEY MN 55421 (612) 789-1919	#TO1240234PP A/M CAPA LT Fender all (HSS) Quote: 2860615961 Expires: 03/30/25	$ 289.00
32	Keystone, Inc 60 51ST WAY NE FRIDLEY MN 55421 (612) 789-1919	#TO1320327 A/M LT Mirror assy w/heated, w/memory black Quote: 2860627266 Expires: 03/30/25	$ 784.00

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 16 - 25

RES. 16-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS TO PAY DEBT SERVICE LIABILITIES AS PART OF THE 2026 CHIPPEWA COUNTY BUDGET - ANDY ALBARADO

Passage of this resolution approves the use of $2,105,178 from the Sales Tax Fund and $86,722 of Fund Balance from bond premiums with the 2024 bond issuance. These sales tax funds in conjunction with the fund balance applied will be used to make the debt service payments of $2,191,900 in 2026 as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Budget. This resolution is being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)a., which requires the passage of a separate resolution by the County Board to approve the use of any sales tax funds to fund debt service liabilities.

Resolution No. 16 - 25

RES. 16-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS TO PAY DEBT SERVICE LIABILITIES AS PART OF THE 2026 CHIPPEWA COUNTY BUDGET - ANDY ALBARADO

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)a. authorizes using a portion of the 1/2% County Sales Tax funds collected to pay debt service liabilities; and

WHEREAS, § 2-361(a)(3)a. of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances requires that use of sales tax funds to pay debt service liabilities must be approved by separate County Board resolution; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County issued general obligation bonds on two occasions in 2018 for a capital improvement radio tower project, for transportation projects, and for refunding a previous bonding, and now that money borrowed is being paid back with two payments made each year on each borrowing; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County also issued general obligation bonds in 2020 to be used for transportation projects in 2021 and 2022, and now the money borrowed is being paid back with two payments made each year; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County also issued general obligation bonds in 2022 to be used for transportation projects in 2023, and now the money borrowed is being paid back with two payments made each year; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County also issued general obligation bonds in 2024 to be used for transportation projects in 2025 and 2026, and now that money borrowed is being paid back with two payments made each year; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Finance Director and the County Administrator that a total of $2,105,178 from the Sales Tax Fund and $86,722 of fund balance be applied to these debt service liabilities as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Budget as more particularly set out below;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of Nine Hundred Forty-four Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars ($944,700) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Tax Relief Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the 2018 Capital Improvement Project Bonds for payments on the principal and interest on the 2018 Capital Improvement Radio Tower project, Transportation Bonds and refunding the previous bonding, to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-five Dollars ($250,875) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Tax Relief Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the 2020 Capital Improvement Project Bonds for payments on the principal and interest on the Transportation Bonds, to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars ($422,700) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Tax Relief Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the 2022 Capital Improvement Project Bonds for payments on the principal and interest on the Transportation Bonds, to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of Four Hundred Eighty-six Thousand Nine Hundred Three Dollars ($486,903) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Tax Relief Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the 2024 Capital Improvement Project Bonds along with utilizing $86,722 of fund balance from bond premiums for payments on the principal and interest on the Transportation Bonds, to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Budget.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Sales Tax Fund will be reduced by $2,105,178 in 2026 by passage of this resolution.
The 2024 bond issuance (Fund 318) will be reduced by $86,722 in 2026 by passage of this resolution.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
AYES:	Chuck Hull, Peter Gehring, Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz	

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Andy J. Albarado

Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/5/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 17 - 25

RES. 17-25: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY REGIONAL AIRPORT TO BE USED FOR AIRPORT CAPITAL PROJECTS AND/OR AIRPORT DEBT SERVICE AS PART OF THE 2026 CHIPPEWA COUNTY BUDGET - ANDY ALBARADO

Passage of this resolution approves the use of $132,890.00 from the Sales Tax Fund to fund debt service liabilities and capital improvement projects at the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport. These sales tax funds will be used to make Chippewa County’s 2026 required contribution to the operation of the Airport, pursuant to the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport Ownership and Operation Agreement. This resolution is also being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §§ 2-361(a)(3)a. and b., which require the passage of a separate resolution, prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, to approve the use of sales tax funds for payment of debt service liabilities and capital improvement projects.

Resolution No. 17 - 25

RES. 17-25: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY REGIONAL AIRPORT TO BE USED FOR AIRPORT CAPITAL PROJECTS AND/OR AIRPORT DEBT SERVICE AS PART OF THE 2026 CHIPPEWA COUNTY BUDGET - ANDY ALBARADO

WHEREAS, Resolution 18-98 was adopted on March 10, 1998, by the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors authorizing a portion of the 1/2% County Sales Tax to be utilized for Long-term Capital Projects and Debt Service; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 14-23 was adopted on April 18, 2023, by the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors approving the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport Ownership and Operation Agreement (Airport Agreement) between Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 15 in the Airport Agreement entitled “County Funding Participation” sets the amount of the Chippewa County funding participation for years 2024 through 2028 and states that “[T]he Chippewa County contribution shall be applied toward debt service and capital projects”; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator is requesting approval to use $132,890.00 from the Sales Tax Fund to be applied toward the debt service and capital projects in the Airport Agreement, with such transfer placed into the 2026 Chippewa County proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §§ 2-361(a)(3)a. and b. require that annually and prior to the adoption of the County Budget, use of sales tax funds to pay for capital improvement projects and to pay off debt service liabilities must be approved by separate County Board resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Thirty-two Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Dollars ($132,890.00) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Tax Relief Fund to the Airport budget in the General Fund to pay Chippewa County’s 2026 Airport Agreement contribution to be used for capital projects and debt service, as enumerated in the (Airport) budget, all as part of the recommended 2026 Chippewa County Budget.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

<u>FINANCIAL IMPACT:</u>
2026 - $132,890 from sales tax funds.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
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Andy J. Albarado

Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/5/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 18 - 25

RES. 18-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR FACILITIES & PARKS DIVISION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO

This resolution is being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b., which requires the passage of a separate resolution prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget to approve the use of any sales tax funds to fund capital improvement projects. This resolution is being brought to authorize funding for various Facilities and Parks Division capital improvement projects, pursuant to Ordinance § 2-361(a)(3)b., as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and to be included in the 2026 County Budget.

Resolution No. 18 - 25

RES. 18-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR FACILITIES & PARKS DIVISION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b. authorizes using a portion of the ½% County sales tax funds collected for long term capital projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b., use of sales tax funds for capital improvement projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget; and

WHEREAS, a mission of the Facilities & Parks Division is *"maintaining a clean, safe, comfortable and aesthetically pleasing environment for employees and the public we serve and promote appropriate recreational opportunity within our county park system"*; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities and Parks Division of the Department of Administration wishes to complete certain capital improvement projects in 2026 through the use of sales tax funding to meet the above mission statement; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 planned capital improvement projects proposed to be completed by the Facilities and Parks Division are enumerated as follows:

1. **Parking Lot "A" Replacement - Phase II Construction (50% of Lot)** - This project will now be fully funded and allow for Parking Lot "A" to be replaced. The Parking Lot is at / nearing "end-of-life," as part of it is ~ (24) years old and the other part is ~ (34) years old. The Facilities and Parks Division is requesting to expend $500,000 in sales tax funds for this project in 2026.

2. **Branch III Jury Box Remodel - Uninterruptible Power Supply Replacement - 3 Units** - This project will remodel the jury box in the Branch III Courtroom. It will attempt to meet all current ADA requirements and change out the "end-of-life" chairs. New chairs have already been purchased in 2022 with grant funds. The Facilities and Parks Division is requesting to expend $150,000 in sales tax funds for this project in 2026.

3. **Sheriff's Department Remodel - Phase I - Plan Development -** This funding will allow for master planning for the Sheriff's Department facility. Some examples of the needs of this facility include updated flooring and wall finishes, adequate conference room space and an improved emergency command center. The Facilities and Parks Division is requesting to expend $50,000 of sales tax funds for this project in 2026.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Director of the Facilities and Parks Division and the Facilities and Parks Committee that the projects described above be completed in 2026 as part of the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to the Facilities and Parks Division as part of the 2026 budget to be used to complete the Parking Lot “A” replacement - Phase II; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000) be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to the Facilities and Parks Division as part of the 2026 budget to be used to remodel the Branch III jury box: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to the Facilities and Parks Division as part of the 2026 budget to be used on plan development for the Sheriff’s Department remodel - Phase I.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Sales Tax Fund will be reduced by $700,000 by passage of this resolution.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
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Andy J. Albarado
Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/5/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 19 - 25

RES. 19-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/CHRIS ELSTRAN

This resolution is brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §2-361(a)(3)b., which requires the passage of a separate resolution prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget to approve the use of any sales tax funds to fund capital improvement projects. In addition, Chippewa County Finance Division Policy 305, “Policy for Use of Fund Balance / Non-Lapsing Accounts”, requires that capital improvement projects funded with non-lapsing fund balance over $50,000 must be approved by the County Board. This resolution is being brought to authorize funding for various Highway Department projects, pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b., and Finance Division Policy 305, as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and to be included in the 2026 County Budget.

Passage of this resolution will authorize the use of $2,800,000 in sales tax funding and $1,750,000 of bonding to be included in the 2026 County Highway Department Budget for roadway and bridge CIP projects. These funds will be used to help capture state and federal matching funds. If all state, federal, and other funding sources are captured, which is approximately $6,823,952, the roadway and bridge CIP projects in 2026 will total approximately $11,373,952. The specific 2025 CIP Highway Department roadway and bridge projects are enumerated in the “Chippewa County 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan Justification Form” for 2026.

Passage of this resolution also authorizes the use of $1,100,000 of fund balance from the Highway Department’s machinery fund for the purchase of County Highway Department machinery in 2026. In addition, passage of this resolution will authorize the use of $100,000 of fund balance from the Highway Department’s machinery fund for the improvement of County Highway Department buildings in 2026. Finally, passage of this resolution authorizes the transfer of $300,000 in sales tax revenue funds to the Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet pool for the purchase of replacement vehicles as needed in 2026.

Resolution No. 19 - 25

RES. 19-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/CHRIS ELSTRAN

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §2-361(a)(3)b. authorizes using a portion of the 1/2% County Sales Tax funds collected for Long Term Capital Improvement Projects, but requires that prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, use of sales tax funds to fund those projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Finance Division Policy 305, “Policy for Use of Fund Balance / Non- Lapsing Accounts”, requires that capital improvement projects funded with non-lapsing fund balance over $50,000 must also be approved by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Highway Commissioner has identified certain Highway Department capital projects to be included in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and to be completed in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department is able to capture state and federal funding by using matching County funds; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Highway Commissioner, the Finance Director and the County Administrator that $2,800,000 of sales tax funds be combined with $1,750,000 of bonding to help leverage $6,823,952 of state and federal matching funds and other funding sources to fund the 2026 CIP roadway and bridge projects; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commissioner, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that $1,100,000 of fund balance be applied for the purchase of County Highway Department machinery in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commissioner, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that $100,000 of fund balance be used for the improvement of County Highway Department buildings in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commissioner, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that $300,000 of sales tax funds be utilized to fund vehicle replacements in the Non-Highway Vehicle Fleet pool in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Committee reviewed and prioritized these projects on January 22, 2025 and recommends that these projects be completed as part of the 2026 CIP;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 2-361(a)(3)b. of the Chippewa County

Code of Ordinances, that the sum of $2,800,000 be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to be used to fund Highway Department roadway and bridge projects in 2026 as part of the 2026 County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Chippewa County Policy 305 - Fund Balance or Non-Lapsing Account Expenditure Policy, the County Board does hereby authorize the Highway Department to utilize fund balance in the amount of $1,100,000 from the Highway Department Machinery fund to purchase Highway Department machinery in 2026 as part of the2026 County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Chippewa County Policy 305 - Fund Balance or Non-Lapsing Account Expenditure Policy, the County Board does hereby authorize the Highway Department to utilize fund balance in the amount of $100,000 from the Highway Department Machinery fund balance to be used for the improvement of County Highway buildings and grounds projects in 2026 as part of the 2026 County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pursuant to § 2-361(a)(3)b. of the Chippewa County Code of Ordinances, that the sum of $300,000 be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to be used to fund replacement of vehicles in the County's Non-Highway Fleet in 2026 as part of the 2026 County Budget.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Sales Tax Fund will be reduced by $3,100,000 in 2026.
Bonding funds will be utilized in the amount of $1,750,000 in 2026 for roadway and bridge construction.
Highway machinery fund balance will be applied in the amount of $1,200,000 in 2026.
Grants/Other will be utilized in the amount of $6,823,952 in 2026.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
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Andy J. Albarado

Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/5/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 20 - 25

RES. 20-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR THE IT DIVISION FOR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/ANDY BAUER

Without the proper information technology tools, employees are unable to be proficient in keeping their programs running without causing backlogs for the department. This technology equipment is used 8+ hours per day with some locations running 24/7/365. It is therefore extremely important that the county departments are provided with the appropriate resources to do their jobs.

This resolution is being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §2-361(a)(3)b., which requires that annually and prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, use of sales tax funds to fund capital improvement projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution. This resolution is also brought forward as part of the County's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to fund the replacement of technology equipment on a regular replacement schedule and to eliminate annual budget spikes due to equipment replacement. These funds will be used to continue the technology equipment replacement program which started in 2004 and consists of, among other things, replacing data center equipment, personal computers, projectors, laptops, tablets, printers/copiers and accessories. Passage of this resolution will authorize the use of $245,000.00 in sales tax funds to replace information technology equipment in 2026. These funds will be included as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Budget.

Resolution No. 20 - 25

RES. 20-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR THE IT DIVISION FOR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/ANDY BAUER

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §2-361(a)(3)b. authorizes using a portion of the 1/2% County Sales Tax funds collected for Long Term Capital Improvement Projects, but requires that annually and prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, use of sales tax funds to fund those projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has previously identified the need for an annual non-lapsing computer system equipment replacement fund to timely replace and upgrade computers, printers, and server related equipment on a regular annual schedule over varying time intervals; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Executive Committee has reviewed and does concur with this request to put the computer equipment on a regular replacement schedule to eliminate annual budget spikes due to computer equipment replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee reviewed and prioritized these projects on January 21, 2025, and recommends that these projects be completed as part of the 2026 CIP; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Director, the Finance Director and the County Administrator recommend that $245,000.00 in sales tax funds be transferred to the non-lapsing computer replacement fund to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Proposed Budget to be used for computer equipment and other IT equipment replacement;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of Two Hundred Forty-five Thousand Dollars ($245,000.00) be transferred from the Sales Tax Fund to the Computer Outlay account to be used for computer system equipment replacement in 2026, as part of the 2026 County Budget.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

2026 - $245,000.00 in sales tax funds will be used to purchase IT replacement equipment for Data Center equipment upgrades, end user device replacements (laptops, computers, tablets, projectors, monitors, printers, copiers and accessories).

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
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Andy J. Albarado

Andy J. Albarado, County Administrator 5/5/2025

STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 21 - 25

RES. 21-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FUNDING FOR DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/LYNDA SCHWEIKERT

This resolution is being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b., which requires the passage of a separate resolution, prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, to approve the use of any sales tax funds to fund capital improvement projects. In addition, Chippewa County Finance Division Policy 305, “Policy for Use of Fund Balance / Non- Lapsing Accounts”, requires that capital improvement projects funded with non-lapsing fund balance over $50,000 must be approved by the County Board. This resolution is being brought to authorize funding for various Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management projects, pursuant to Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b., and Finance Division Policy 305, as part of the 2025 Chippewa County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Budget.

The Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management is proposing four (4) capital improvement projects in 2026. The first project is for a total of $500,000, which includes $250,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding and $250,000 from donations to be used for the Hickory Ridge Warming Shelter and Maintenance Shed. The second project is for $120,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding for the construction of one or more snowmobile bridges, per the request of the Chippewa Valley Snowmobile Organization, with locations to be determined. The third project is for $150,000 of fund balance and $150,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding to be used for County Forest land acquisitions. The fourth project is for $100,000 of fund balance for the County Stewardship Fund.

Resolution No. 21 - 25

RES. 21-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FUNDING FOR DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/LYNDA SCHWEIKERT

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 2-361(a)(3)b. authorizes using a portion of the 1/2% County Sales Tax funds collected for Long Term Capital Improvement Projects, but requires that annually and prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, use of sales tax funds to fund those projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Finance Division Policy 305, "Policy for Use of Fund Balance / Non- Lapsing Accounts", requires that capital improvement projects funded with non-lapsing fund balance over $50,000 must also be approved by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has adopted the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Policy 304, and the County Administrator has issued instructions for preparation of the 2026-2030 CIP Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Hickory Ridge Trail has requested that the County pursue funding to construct a warming shelter and maintenance shed in 2026, and the Forest and Trails Division of the LCFM will include these projects in its 2026 work plan, not to exceed $500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the LCFM, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that the LCFM use up to $250,000 of anticipated State of Wisconsin grant funds and $250,000 of donations, for a total of $500,000, to be used for the construction of a warming shelter and maintenance shed at the Hickory Ridge Trail in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa Valley Snowmobile Organization has requested that the County pursue funding to install one or more snowmobile bridges in 2026, and the Forest and Trails Division of the LCFM will include these projects in its 2026 work plan, not to exceed $120,000; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the LCFM, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that the LCFM use up to $120,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funds to be used for the construction of one or more snowmobile bridges in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management (LCFM) and the LCFM Committee have followed the policy and process to develop the 2026 CIP plan recommendations for the LCFM; and

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances § 16-4(1) authorizes the County LCFM Committee to acquire lands within or adjacent to the County Forest blocking boundary to improve and enhance the County Forest; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the LCFM, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that $150,000 of fund balance and $150,000 of anticipated State of Wisconsin grant funds, for a total of $300,000, be used for County Forest land acquisitions in 2026; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 76-98 created the Chippewa County Stewardship Fund, in part, to provide a stable source of matching grant funds to assist local municipalities and non-profit organizations to meet LCFM objectives by purchasing conservation land or easements that conserve land with high environmental value and provide opportunities for public outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the LCFM, Finance Director, and County Administrator recommend that $100,000 of fund balance be used to permanently preserve select working lands and areas of high environmental, and public value in 2026, pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Stewardship Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000), consisting of approximately $250,000 from State of Wisconsin grants and $250,000 from donations, be included in the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan as part of the 2026 County budget, to be used to construct a warming shelter and maintenance shed at the Hickory Ridge Trail; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars ($120,000.00), be applied from the County Snowmobile-State Fund to be included in the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan as part of the 2026 County Budget, to be used for construction of snowmobile bridges, if grant funding is approved by the Department of Natural Resources; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000.00), consisting of approximately $150,000 from State of Wisconsin grants and $150,000 from the Forest & Trails Special Conservation Fund Balance, be included in the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan as part of the 2026 County Budget, to be used to acquire County Forest lands, subject to County Board approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00), consisting of approximately $100,000 from County Stewardship Fund Balance, be included in the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan as part of the 2026 County Budget, to be administered pursuant to the “Chippewa County Stewardship Fund Policy and Procedures for Program Administration”, as previously adopted through Resolution #89-99.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The following accounts will be affected in 2026 if this resolution is approved as follows:

1. The direct costs of the proposed warming shelter and maintenance shed will not exceed $500,000; $250,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding that is expected to be awarded to the County and $250,000 received through donations.

2. The direct costs of the proposed snowmobile projects will not exceed the $120,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding that is expected to be awarded to the County.

3. The Forest & Trails Special Conservation Projects Fund balance will be reduced by $150,000 and up to $150,000 of State of Wisconsin grant funding will be used to acquire County Forest lands.

4. The LCFM Fund balance will be reduced by $100,000 to be added to the Stewardship Fund.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7	
SECONDER:	Peter Gehring, District 4	
AYES:	Chuck Hull, Peter Gehring, Jason Bergeron, Joel Seidlitz	

Approved as to Form:

Todd A. Pauls

Todd A. Pauls, Corporation Counsel 5/5/2025

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STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION

Resolution No. 22 - 25

RES. 22-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/CURT DUTTON

This resolution is being brought pursuant to Chippewa County Ordinance §2-361(a)(3)b., which requires the passage of a separate resolution, prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, to approve the use of any sales tax funds to fund capital improvement projects. This resolution is being proposed to authorize sales tax funding for Sheriff's Office capital projects as part of the 2026 Chippewa County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and to be included in the 2026 County Budget.

Passage of this resolution will authorize the use of sales tax funding to be used to purchase a Field Services Mobile Command Trailer. The Sheriff's Office currently has a command trailer that was purchased in 2015 and has become increasingly obsolete over the years mainly due to the changes in technology and how the Sheriff's Office conducts business. The Sheriff's Office relies heavily on technology and multimedia and the current command trailer cannot accommodate those needs. If approved, the new command trailer will allow for the increased use of multimedia, the ability to have several workstations within the command trailer, will provide adequate seating for the command team to run an operation, and will house a fully-functioning Telecommunication Center.

Passage of this resolution will also authorize sales tax funding to be utilized to refresh all Tasers in a two-phased approach (2026 & 2027) within the Patrol Division and Jail Division. The Sheriff's Office currently utilizes the X26P Taser and has been informed that the model will soon no longer be supported for repairs. The Taser is a critical tool that the Sheriff's Office utilizes to control a violent or potentially violent subject, while minimizing the risk of serious injury to the subject and officer. The Sheriff's Office will refresh all Tasers by replacing the current X26P Tasers with the all new X7 Tasers.

If approved, $330,000.00 in sales tax funding will be included in the 2026 Sheriff's Office budget to complete these capital projects.

Resolution No. 22 - 25

RES. 22-25: RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF THE 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - ANDY ALBARADO/CURT DUTTON

WHEREAS, Chippewa County Code of Ordinances §2-361(a)(3)b. authorizes using a portion of the ½% County Sales Tax funds collected for Long Term Capital Improvement Projects, but requires that annually and prior to the adoption of the annual County Budget, use of sales tax funds to fund those projects must be approved by separate County Board resolution: and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Sheriff’s Office currently utilizes a command trailer that was purchased in 2015; and

WHEREAS, this command trailer has increasingly become obsolete mostly due to changes in technology and the way the Sheriff’s Office conducts business; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office relies heavily on technology and multimedia, and the current command trailer cannot accommodate those needs; and

WHEREAS, if approved, the new command trailer will allow for the use of multimedia, the ability to have several workstations within the command trailer, will provide adequate seating for the command team to run operations, and will house a fully-functioning Telecommunications Center; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office has been informed that the current X26P Taser will soon no longer be supported for repair; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office recognizes that the Taser is a critical tool utilized to control a violent or potentially violent subject, while minimizing the risk of serious injury to the subject and officer; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office will refresh all Tasers within the Patrol Division and Jail Division by replacing the current X26P Tasers with the all new X7 Tasers for an estimated total cost of $278,956.80 in a two-phased approach over two years (2026 & 2027); and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator, Sheriff, Chief Deputy and Finance Director recommend that $330,000.00 in sales tax funds be transferred to the Sheriff’s Office Equipment Fund to be included in the 2026 Chippewa County Proposed Budget as part of the CIP to fund various capital projects to address the issues noted above;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Ninety-five Thousand Dollars ($195,000) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Relief Fund to the Sheriff’s Office

Equipment Fund as part of the 2026 budget to be used to improve, update and enhance the Sheriff Office's Continuity of Operations Plan by purchasing a Field Services Mobile Command Trailer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars ($135,000) be transferred from the Sales Tax Property Relief Fund to the Sheriff's Office Equipment Fund as part of the 2026 budget to be used to improve, update and enhance the Office's Continuity of Operations Plan by purchasing all new Tasers in Phase I for the Patrol Division and Jail Division.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
$330,000.00 in sales tax funds to be used as part of the 2026 Sheriff's Office budget.

06/3/2025	**Executive Committee**	
RESULT:	**FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 6/10/2025 6:00 PM**
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