

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

August 19, 2025

Meeting was called to order by Chair Ray Reser at 5:00p.m.

Roll call taken by County Clerk Davis revealed:

(21) present:

(21) attending in person: Supervisors Jeanne Dodge, Chris Doubek, Steve Fritz, Bob Gifford, Joan Honl, Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, Donald Jankowski, Dave Ladick, David Medin, Vinnie Miresse, Suzanne Oehlke, Stan Potocki, Larry Raikowski, Chris Randazzo, Ray Reser, Andrew Rockman, Mike Splinter, Janell Wehr, Julie Morrow, and James Yetter.

(2) excused: Supervisors Shaun Przybylski and Amberle Schwartz

(2) absent: Supervisor Nancy Eggleston and Steve Cieslewicz

All present saluted the flag.

Note: Supervisors Amberle Schwartz and Steve Cieslewicz joined the meeting via Webex at 5:01p.m.

Correspondence

2025-2026 Wisconsin County Officials Directory

Upcoming County Board & Finance Committee Meeting Dates and Information related to the County Budget

Information of County Building Projects on the Portage County Website Memo

Presentations

Portage County Building Projects Update - Courthouse and Jail/Law Enforcement Center - Chris Schultz, Procurement Director

Note: Supervisor Nancy Eggleston joined the meeting via Webex at 5:05p.m.

Public Comment

none

Review/Approval

Motion by Supervisor Oehlke, second by Supervisor Ladick to approve the July 15, 2025 minutes.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The minutes were approved.

Confirmation of County Executive Appointments

Motion by Supervisor Rockman, second by Supervisor Splinter to confirm the appointment of Todd Knepfel as a Citizen Member to the Board of Adjustment for a three-year term expiring June 30, 2028.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Doubek, second by Supervisor Miresse to confirm the appointment of Ken Feltz as a Citizen Member to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Dodge, second by Supervisor Oehlke to confirm the appointment of Mike Pagel as a Citizen Member to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Raikowski to confirm the appointment of Tyler Bulgrin as a Citizen Member to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Executive/Operations Committee Appointments

Motion by Supervisor Oehlke, second by Supervisor Gifford to approve the appointment of Lynn Markham as a Citizen Member to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Doubek, second by Supervisor Dodge to approve the appointment of Christine Mechenich as a Citizen Member to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Rockman, second by Supervisor Yetter to approve the appointment of Amberle Schwartz to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Motion by Supervisor Gifford, second by Supervisor Honl to confirm the appointment of Janell Wehr to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee relating to the potential adoption of an ordinance regulating certain aspects of an industrial livestock operation for a term expiring April 20, 2026.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Resolutions/Ordinances

RESOLUTION NO. 129-2024-2026

RE: RESOLUTION TO ADVOCATE FOR THE RESTORATION OF FEDERAL SNAP ED FUNDING TO SUPPORT FOODWISE EDUCATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Portage County Board of Supervisors that Portage County does hereby urges the Wisconsin Counties Association to strongly advocate for the full restoration and continued investment of federal funding in SNAP-Ed and related nutrition education programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Wisconsin Counties Association and be shared with members of Wisconsin's Federal Delegation, all Wisconsin State Legislators, and the Governor.

Motion by Supervisor Honl, second by Supervisor Miresse for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes, and (1) abstention, Supervisor Wehr. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 130-2024-2026

RE: DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH OPIOID DEFENDANTS TO THE DESIGNATED PORTAGE COUNTY OFFICER OR OFFICERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the County Board of Supervisors hereby makes the following resolutions:

1. The County Board hereby delegates authority to the County Executive, the County Board Chair, and/or the Corporation Counsel to enter into a settlement agreement, including without limitation the execution of any and

all ancillary documents and agreements necessary to effectuate a settlement, with any Opioid Defendant provided (a) the PEC and the Law Firms shall have recommended the settlement; and (b) the Portage County share of proceeds from any such settlement is consistent with the shares established in Exhibit A to Addendum Two, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution and which is consistent with the allocations established in previous settlements with Opioid Defendants.

2. Prior to executing any settlement agreement, or any document related thereto, the County Executive, the County Board Chair, and/or the Corporation Counsel shall provide notice to the Executive, the County Board Chair, and/or the Corporation Counsel (or any combination thereof) of the proposed settlement and the terms related thereto.

3. The County Executive, the County Board Chair, and/or the Corporation Counsel is authorized and directed to take any and all such other and further action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: all proceeds from any settlement agreement not otherwise directed to the Attorney Fees Account shall be deposited in the County's Opioid Abatement Account. The Opioid Abatement Account shall be administered consistent with the terms of this Resolution, Wis. Stat. § 165.12(4), and the applicable settlement agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: the County hereby authorizes the establishment of an account separate and distinct from any account containing funds allocated or allocable to the County which shall be referred to by the County as the "Attorney Fees Account." An escrow agent shall deposit a sum equal to up to, but in no event exceeding, an amount equal to 20% of the County's proceeds from a settlement agreement into the Attorney Fees Account unless such other amount is established by the applicable settlement agreement. If the payments to the County are not enough to fully fund the Attorney Fees Account as provided herein because such payments are made over time, the Attorney Fees Account shall be funded by placing up to, but in no event exceeding, an amount equal to 20% of the proceeds from a settlement agreement attributable to Local Governments (as that term is defined in the MOU) into the Attorney Fees Account for each payment. Funds in the Attorney Fees Account shall be utilized to pay the fees, costs, and disbursements owed to the Law Firms pursuant to the engagement agreement between the County and the Law Firms provided, however, the Law Firms shall receive no more than that to which they are entitled under their fee contract when considering the amounts paid the Law Firms from any fee fund established in a settlement agreement and allocable to the County. The Law Firms may make application for payment from the Attorney Fees Account at any time and the County shall cooperate with the Law Firms in executing any documents necessary for the escrow agent to make payments out of the Attorney Fees Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that all actions heretofore taken by the Board of Supervisors and other appropriate public officers and agents of the County with respect to the matters contemplated under this Resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved.

Motion by Supervisor Honl, second by Supervisor Doubek for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 131-2024-2026

RE: ESTABLISHING NOVEMBER 3, 2025 AS THE OFFICIAL ANNUAL MEETING DATE OF THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR 2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby establishes November 3, 2025 as the official annual meeting date of the Portage County Board of Supervisors for 2025.

Motion by Supervisor Splinter, second by Supervisor Barry Jacowski for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 132-2024-2026

RE: AMENDING SUPERVISORY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES RESULTING FROM THE CITY OF STEVENS POINT'S ANNEXATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby approves amending the supervisory district enumerated above to include the above-described duly annexed property, now within the City of Stevens Point.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Portage County Clerk is hereby directed to file all notices of the amended plan required under Wis. Stat. Ch. 59 with the Secretary of State.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Oehlke for the adoption.
Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 133-2024-2026

RE: AMENDING SUPERVISORY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES RESULTING FROM THE VILLAGE OF PLOVER'S
ANNEXATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby approves amending the supervisory district enumerated above to include the above-described duly annexed property, now within the Village of Plover.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Portage County Clerk is hereby directed to file all notices of the amended plan required under Wis. Stat. Ch. 59 with the Secretary of State.

Motion by Supervisor Splinter, second by Supervisor Miresse for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 134-2024-2026

RE: RESOLUTION APPROVING, ADOPTING, AND ENACTING REVISIONS TO CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION
3.1.9, DESIGNATING THE EXECUTIVE / OPERATIONS COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER SUPERVISORY DISTRICT PLAN
AMENDMENTS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby approves, enacts, and ordains the attached revisions to Portage County Code of Ordinances Section 3.1.9.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revisions to the Portage County Code of Ordinances adopted in this resolution shall be posted to the County's website, along with written paper format to remain available in the County Clerk's office.

Motion by Supervisor Raikowski, second by Supervisor Rockman for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 135-2024-2026

RE: AUTHORIZATION UNDER PORTAGE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 3.11.5 (2), PROCEDURE -
LIMITED TERM EMPLOYEES, TO AUTHORIZE AN ADDITIONAL 1040 HOURS FOR THE HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE I POSITION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes an additional 1040 hours for the LTE Administrative Associate I position as set forth in this resolution.

Motion by Supervisor Oehlke, second by Supervisor Dodge for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 136-2024-2026

RE: AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE PORTAGE COUNTY 2026-2031 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Portage County 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion by Supervisor Ladick, second by Supervisor Rockman for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 137-2024-2026

RE: AUTHORIZING 2025 BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors authorizes the attached 2025 budget adjustments as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Motion by Supervisor Ladick, second by Supervisor Raikowski for the adoption.

Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The resolution was adopted.

Next Meeting Date

September 16, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Supervisor Randazzo, second by Supervisor Splinter to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned by the call of the chair at 6:05 p.m.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

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COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Maria Davis, County Clerk of said County do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the adjourned session of the Portage County Board of Supervisors for Portage County, Wisconsin.

MARIA N. DAVIS

County Clerk

Minutes are subject to amendment or change at subsequent meetings of the County Board and such changes will then be subsequently published.

The unofficial full text of the Portage County Code of Ordinances, including any changes approved in the above proceedings, once published, can be accessed on the Portage County website:

https://library.municode.com/wi/portage_county/codes/code_of_ordinances. For the official full text, please consult the Revised Code of Ordinances for Portage County, available in the Portage County Clerk's Office, 1516 Church St., Stevens Point, WI 54481.

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