

MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MANITOWOC COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

6:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 59.04, the County Board of Supervisors of Manitowoc County, Wisconsin convened in open session at the Heritage Center, in the City of Manitowoc, being the 8th day of October 2024, for the purpose of transacting business as a Board of Supervisors.

Chairperson Martell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Naidl gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by the entire assemblage.

Roll call: 22 members were present: Behnke, Brey, Bonde, Engelbrecht, Falkowski, Hacker, Hammel, Jadowski, Klein, Lillibridge, Maresh, Martell, Metzger, Muench, Naidl, Neils, M. Phipps, R. Phipps, Schiesl, Shimulunas, Sitkiewitz, and Weiss. Supervisors Grambow, Hansen, and Zimmer were excused.

REPORTS

County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer presented the proposed 2025 annual budget. He reported the County would be receiving an additional estimated revenue of \$7,500,000 from the local option county sales tax of .5%. The additional revenue source will help combat the growing inflation and human services costs. The 2025 priorities fall into three main categories of combating inflation with an investment in our employees by raising up 2% in all cells on the pay scale and proceeding with a 8% increase in the health insurance premiums; getting control of the expenses of the Human Services department to continue to make progress on mental health, child welfare, and the opioid crisis; and the final category of continuing with an aggressive highway maintenance program for 19 miles of road resurfacing and projects of more than \$6,300,000. He acknowledged this is a conservative budget that is holding the line on taxes, continues our low debt profile, has an aggressive highway maintenance plan, and has a robust capital spending program. He will spend the taxpayers' money as efficiently as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Martell announced the Annual County Board meeting and Public Hearing on the 2025 Budget will be Monday, October 28, 2024 at the Heritage Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Engelbrecht moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Muench, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Manitowoc County Clerk