

**MINUTES of EXPO-ICE CENTER BOARD MEETING  
OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Held Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Location: Expo Office – 4921 Expo Drive, Manitowoc

**Present:** M. Lentz, T. Loritz, K. Behnke, S. Binversie, T. Dvorak, M. Hoffman, K. Kohlmann, N. Newberg, S. Pinkerton, S. Schuette, P. Strouf, B. Ullman

**Absent & Excused:**  
**Absent:**

**Other Expo-Ice  
Center Board**

**Members Present:** J. Hawig, PJ Albert, R. Kohlbeck, R. Manzano, E. Mueller, M. Plate, C. Schleis, R. Voss, R. Zipperer

**Others Present:** J. Shelton, C. Breit

**Called to Order** Meeting called to order – 6:38pm.

**Minutes** Minutes were reviewed from the previous meeting. Motion was made Newberg, seconded by Schuette to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment** Committee chair called for public input three times. No public input given.

**Review, Discussion and Possible Action on the following items for the 2026 Fair:**

**A. Working Group Updates**

1. Exhibition Bldg – Dvorak reported on the meeting held on Monday, March 2.
2. Parking
  - a. Building Hours – Poultry and Rabbit request was reviewed and recommended for approval. Building Hours to remain the same as listed in the committee packet.
  - b. Release and Load-Unload Location – one update to the release schedule with Merchants Gate closing at 4pm.
  - c. Merchants Gate Pass – recommend printing same pass as 2025.
  - d. Shuttle Hours – recommend same shuttle hours as 2025 and having drivers use clickers to record number of passengers.
  - e. Signage – recommend purchasing signage for e-bikes, scooters not allowed.

Albert also reported on the Merchants Gate entrance and modifying and covering the current logos and working with Tri-Bolt security.

**Other Fair Projects and Issues Update – No Action**

No report.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Zipperer, seconded by Schuette to adjourn at 6:48pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennell Shelton, Manitowoc County Expo Facility Manager