

MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MANITOWOC COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

5:00 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 21st day of April 2026, for the purpose of transacting business as a Board of Supervisors.

County Clerk Backus called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

County Clerk Backus read the Certification of Election for the County Board for a two-year term starting April 21, 2026, and expiring April 17, 2028. The clerk then administered the oath of office.

Roll call: 22 members present: Lilibridge-1, Metzger-3, Heilman-4, Pope-5, McDonell-6, Schiesl-7, Sitkiewitz-9, Zimmer-10, Dallas-11, Behnke-12, Bonde-14, Hammel-15, Busse-16, Maresh-17, Riederer-18, Sortwell-19, Schwerma-20, M. Phipps-21, Grambow-22, Klein-23, and Weiss-24. Supervisor Neils-13 was excused. Supervisor Hacker-8 was absent. District 2 was vacant.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

County Clerk Backus announced nominations were open for Chair. Supervisor Schiesl nominated Supervisor Phipps. Supervisor Bonde nominated Supervisor Neils. Nominations were closed. Ballots were cast and the results read aloud. Supervisor Phipps received 15 votes. Supervisor Neils received 7 votes. Supervisor Phipps was elected as Chair for a two-year term.

Chairman Phipps announced that nominations were open for the position of First Vice-Chair. Supervisor Maresh nominated Supervisor Behnke. There were no other nominations. Supervisor Sortwell moved to close nominations and pass by unanimous vote, seconded by Supervisor Hammel. Upon vote, Supervisor Behnke was elected as First Vice-Chair for a two-year term by unanimous vote.

Chairman Phipps announced that nominations were open for Second Vice-Chair. Supervisor Hammel nominated Supervisor Schiesl. There were no other nominations. Supervisor Sortwell moved to close nominations and pass by unanimous vote, seconded by Supervisor Bonde. Upon vote, Supervisor Schiesl was elected as Second Vice-Chair for a two-year term by unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES

Supervisor Sitkiewitz moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmer to adopt Resolution 2026/2028-1 Adopting County Board Rules. Upon discussion and vote, the motion carried with 22 ayes and 1 abstain. Supervisor Schiesl abstained.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Zimmer moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Grambow, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Manitowoc County Clerk