

MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Held Wednesday, May 13th, 2026

Location: Manitowoc County Public Health Building, 1028 South 9th St, Manitowoc

Present: Supervisors D. Weiss, D. Zimmer, D. Klein, K. Sitkiewitz, B. Busse

Absent & Excused:

Other County Board Members Present: Matt Phipps

Staff Attending: L. Kalista, C. Breit, Tyler Martell, Peter Conrad

Called to Order The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Committee Chairman Sitkiewitz

Minutes Minutes were reviewed from the April 8th, 2026 Committee meeting after which a motion was made by Weiss, seconded by Zimmer to approve the Public Works Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Donation Tracker None

Ethics Code Reports None

Election of Vice-Chair and Second Vice-Chair

Supervisor Zimmer nominated Supervisor Weiss for Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. A motion was made by Zimmer, seconded by Klein, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Weiss for the position of Vice-Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Weiss nominated Supervisor Zimmer for Second Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. A motion was made by Weiss, seconded by Klein, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Zimmer for the position of Second Vice-Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment The Committee Chairman called for public comment three times. No public comment was made.

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING DIVISION – Discussion and possible action on the following items:

Recycling and Solid Waste Programs

Director Breit reported on the recycling markets and handouts included in the committee packet. The PET plastic prices continue to stay low, which hasn't gained any interest to move the material.

Spring Drug Collection

Director Breit reported on the collection results from the April 25th drive thru event and how it was so well attended again this year.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIVISION – Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Items:

2026 Capital Projects

Director Breit reported on the 2026 Capital Projects included in the Committee packet. Discussion.

Courthouse Windows Replacement and HVAC Systems Upgrade Project/Change Orders

Breit reported on the status of the windows. The remaining windows will receive the new seals May 16th & 17th.

Pay Request(s) for Capital Projects

No report

MPSD Memorandum of Understanding Approval

Corporation Counsel Conrad reported on the content of the MOU between MPSD, County, and UWGB.

Motion by Zimmer seconded by Klein to approve the agreement with Manitowoc Public School District, UW Green Bay and the County to forward the item to the Manitowoc County Board for final consideration and approval.

Motion carried unanimously.

EXPO / ICE CENTER DIVISION – Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Items:

Report on Activities

Breit reported on the calendar of events for May.

2026 Capital Projects Update

Breit reported on the 2026 Capital Projects included in the committee packet. Several project quotes have been signed and are awaiting installation.

Focus on Energy Rebate

Breit reported on the rebate received from FOE.

Report on 2026 Manitowoc County Fair

Breit reported on Economic Impact Report received to show how much of a financial impact the fair has on the community.

Rubber Floor Replacement

Ice Center ice user groups plan to fund and replace the rubber floor in the Ice Center around the rink area. Motion was made by Klein and seconded by Busse to approve the replacement of the rubber flooring around the ice rink area. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Director's Expo Special Revenue Fund Report

Breit reported on the Expo Special Revenue Fund provided in the committee packet, noting the four separate accounts of interest.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT– Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Items:

Operations/Projects – Update

Director Luke Kalista reported on the Information Technology Capital Projects.

Countywide password 20-character policy is fully active. The final portion of the Axion camera installation is the squads, which will take place next week.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION – Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Items:

Report on Activities and 2026 Capital projects

IT Director Luke Kalista reported on the status of WISPN Project as it's nearing completion.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Zimmer, seconded by Klein to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Breit

Signed by Sitkiewitz