

MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Held Wednesday, June 10, 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: M. Phipps

Staff Attending: L. Kalista, C. Breit, A. Yindra, T. Martell

Called to Order The meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm by Committee Chairman Sitkiewitz.

Minutes Minutes were reviewed from the May 13, 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 There were three donations for the Expo from fair sponsors. The motion was made by Klein, seconded by Zimmer to approve the Expo donations. Motion carried unanimously.

Ethics Code Reports None

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

MEETING START TIME CHANGE

There was a motion to change the Public Works Committee start time to 4:00 pm from this date forward. Motion was made by Zimmer, seconded by Klein to approve the meeting time change. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Recycling and Solid Waste Programs

Public Works Director Craig Breit reported on recycling markets, specifically how commodity prices continue to trend low. He also talked about the large amount of materials showing up at compost sites.

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

2026 Capital Projects

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

Focus on Energy Rebate – HSD Hamilton VFD

Breit reported on a rebate check received from FOE.

Pay Request(s) for Capital Projects

No report

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

Report on Activities

Breit reported on the calendar of events for June.

Report on 2026 Manitowoc County Fair

Breit reported on the increased outdoor vendor space. He also mentioned they're fine-tuning procedures for taking credit cards starting at this year's fair.

2026 Capital Projects Update

Breit reported on the 2026 Capital Projects included in the committee packet. The restroom partition stall project kicked off on Monday June 8.

Finance Director's Expo Special Revenue Fund Report

Breit reported on the Expo Special Revenue Fund provided in the committee packet.

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

Operations/ 2026 Capital Projects – Update

IT Director Luke Kalista reported on 2026 Capital Projects which included the Axon project. He also gave an update on core switches for the Heritage Center.

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

Report on Activities and 2026 Capital projects

Kalista reported that the new WIPSN platform will be receiving its first update. Communications staff is currently installing new sound systems at the Expo Grounds in various locations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Zimmer, seconded by Klein to adjourn the meeting at 4:48 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Breit

Signed by Sitkiewitz