

**Lincoln County Board of Supervisor
Meeting Minutes: March 18, 2025**

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI in session assembled pursuant to law.

1. Chair Boyd called the meeting to order at **6:00 pm**.

2. **Pledge of allegiance** followed.

3. **Roll** was called by Clerk Marlowe with the following in attendance: (In-Person) Anderson-Malm, McCrank, Zelinski, Ashbeck, Dunphy, Thiel, Vorpapel, Boyd, Detert, DePasse, Lyskawa, Lemke, Miller, Meunier, Wickham, Dorava, Cummings, Simon, and Hartwig **(19)** (On-Line) Woellner. **(1)** (Excused) Bialecki and Bishop **(2)**

4. Announcements

a. **2025 Economic Summit:** Economic Empowerment for Rural Communities, Tuesday April 8, 2025. 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at Inshalla Country Club, N11060 Clear Lake Rd, Tomahawk WI 54487. For more information please use this link: lincolncountyedc.org

5. Appointments:

- a. Appointment of Mary Ann Gretenhardt to the Board of Adjustment (First Alternate Position) Term Expiring 6/30/2025. **M/S** McCrank/DePasse to approve the appointment. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- b. Appointment of Kimberly Brixius to the Board of Adjustment (Second Alternate Position) Term Expiring 6/30/2027. **M/S** Hartwig/Cummings to approve the appointment. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- c. Appointment of the following supervisors to the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee: Terms ending 4/15/2025 (~~Ken Wickham~~, Marty Lemke, Greg Hartwig, Gene Simon, Bill Bialecki, and Norbert Ashbeck) Chair Boyd announced that Supervisor Wickham had declined due to his current committee load and that Supervisor Lemke has accepted the assignment to the committee. Motion to approve was not needed and there were no objections.

6. **Awards:** None

7. Recognitions:

- a. 10 Years: Tracy Heyden - District Attorney's Office
- b. 20 Years: Sarah Brandner - Social Services Department
- c. 30 Years: David Pankow, Highway Department

8. Approval of the Minutes

a. **February 17, 2025 Minutes** –**M/S** Cummings/Lyskawa to approve the 2/17/2025 minutes. **M/S** DePasse/Hartwig to correct the February meeting attendance to reflect Supervisor Depasse's excused absence. Motion carried by voice. Original motion to approve also carried on a voice vote.

9. Letters and Memorials.

10. Reports of Standing & Special Committees:

- a. **Administrative & Legislative Committee:** Economic Development Corporation Update (Sara Guild - EDC Director)
- b. **Administrative & Legislative Committee:** North Central Health Care Annual Program/Budget Presentation (Gary NCHC Executive Director)
- c. **Finance & Insurance Committee:** 2025 Year to Date Budget (Heather Marheine - Finance Director)
- d. **Administrative & Legislative Committee:** Lincoln County Board 2025 Project Timeline (Jesse Boyd - Board Chair/District 10 Supervisor)

11. **Public Comment** – Eileen Guthrie, Pine River, offered her support of Resolution 2025-03-06. There were no other public comments.

12. Resolutions

- a. **Res 2025-03-06** Resolution To Authorize Commencement of Legal Action Against Merrill Campus, LLC and Senior Management, Inc., for the Release of the Earnest Money from the Terminated Pine Crest Sale Agreement.
M/S Cummings/McCrank to approve resolution 2025-03-06. Supervisor Dunphy abstained from the discussion and vote due to his pending litigation. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.
- b. **Res 2025-03-07** Accept Enhanced Detection Expansion Supplement Grant.
M/S Vorpapel/McCrank to approve resolution 2025-03-07. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.
- c. **Res 2025-03-08** Resolution urging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin Legislature to ban Geoengineering and the spraying of chemicals into our skies over Wisconsin.

M/S DePasse/Detert to approve resolution 2025-03-08. **M/S Dunphy/McCrank** to postpone Resolution 2025-03-08 to next month for the Board of Health to offer more details and to identify the specific chemicals. Motion to postpone was defeated on a voice vote. **M/S Lyskawa/Miller** to amend the title of Resolution 2025-03-08 as follows: Resolution urging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin Legislature to ban Geoengineering and the spraying of chemicals into our skies Specifically Targeting Cloud Seeding, Stratospheric Aerosol Injection (SAI), and Solar Radiation Management (SRA) unto Our Atmosphere over Wisconsin. Motion to amend carried on a voice vote. Motion to approve Resolution 2025-03-08 carried on a voice vote. Resolution was approved as amended.

d. Res 2025-03-09 Resolution accepting \$400.00 from American Legion Riders Association of Wisconsin, District 11 **M/S Cummings/Zelinski** to approve resolution 2025-03-09. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.

e. Res 2025-03-10 Approve the Addition of a Conservation Specialist to the Lincoln County Land Services Department

M/S Dunphy/Hartwig to approve resolution 2025-03-10. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.

f. Res 2025-03-11 Reinstating the Payroll Technician to Full Time and Restructuring the Forestry, Land & Parks by eliminating the Forestry Account Technician position and creating a Recreation Forester Position

M/S DePasse/Simon to approve resolution 2025-03-11. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.

g. Res 2025-03-12 Resolution Congratulating and Commending the Tomahawk High School Hockey Team for Winning the WIAA Division 2 State Championship

M/S Anderson-Malm/Thiel to approve resolution 2025-03-12. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.

h. Res 2025-03-13 Resolution to Request and Accept Funding from Aspirus Foundation for Protective Factor and Capacity Awareness Related Expenses.

M/S Zelinski/Cummings to approve resolution 2025-03-13. Motion to approve carried on a voice vote.

13. Ordinances: None

14. Report of Claims: None

15. M/S Miller/Dorava to approve mileage and per diem for 21 Supervisors for the February 18, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote.

16. Next County Board Meeting: Tuesday April 15, 2025, 6:00 P.M. Meeting Location: Lincoln County Service Center, 801 North Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452.

17. Chair Boyd adjourned the meeting at 8:01 PM.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I, Christopher Marlowe, County Clerk in and for Lincoln County, Wisconsin do hereby certify the within and foregoing is true and accurate recital of all proceedings by and before the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting, (March 18, 2025)
Approved April 15, 2025

Christopher Marlowe, County Clerk