

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board:

Buffalo County Highway Committee

Date of the Meeting:

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Chairman Mr. Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. in the conference room of the Buffalo County Highway Department, Alma, Wisconsin.

Board Members Present: Mr. Michaels, Mr. Lindstrom, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ruff, and Mr. Sendelbach

Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting: Gil Adams, Kelly Johnston, Lee Engfer, Bennett Olson, Nick Bremer, Steve Wall and Derek Olson

Roll Call of Members: Mr. Weiss yes, Mr. Ruff on way, Mr. Sendelbach yes, Mr. Lindstrom yes, Mr. Michaels yes.

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Advertised at the Alma Post Office and the Alma Courthouse.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Mr. Sendelbach nominated Mr. Lindstrom for Chairperson. No other nominations. Mr. Michaels seconded. Carried. Mr. Sendelbach nominated Mr. Weiss for Vice Chairperson. No other nominations. Mr. Michaels seconded. Carried.

Approve Agenda: Mr. Weiss made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Ruff seconded. Carried.

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Weiss, seconded by Mr. Sendelbach to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, April 14, 2026. Carried.

Vouchers: Monthly Vouchers #31809 through #31888 totaling \$156,650.00 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Weiss, seconded by Mr. Ruff, to approve the monthly vouchers as presented. Carried.

Public Comment: A homeowner from CTH OO presented concerns and stated that there is a collective group of 30 plus people who want the project footprint left as it is.

Safety/Risk Management Update: Submitted \$78,719.79 to WDF. Should find out in June if there will be funds available. Switching the alert system from Nixle to a new company which will happen around July.

Financial Update:

- a. Admin Fees Update-Mr. Engfer will work on creating a new condensed form of invoicing.

Contract Approvals: Two townships have signed the Construction and Maintenance Services Policy agreement with anticipation of more being signed.

Staffing:

- a. HEO Update- Mike Uter and Brent Everson will be moving into the two vacant Equipment Operator positions, this will take effect May 17,2026.

Equipment:

- a. Bomag RS 500- Did not sell on online auction. Hard sell number of \$125,000.00.
- b. Fuel Truck #13- Sold for \$20,000.00 on online auction.
- c. Pickup #29- Sold for \$8,100.00 on online auction.
- d. Case Dozer #106- Did not sell on online auction. Hard sell number of \$80,000.00
- e. Pickup #25- Emissions issues. Resolve the issue.
- f. Pickup #30 (new)- Truck is back at Sugarloaf Ford getting the window fixed and the piece of weather stripping missing.
- g. GPS- Meeting later this week.
- h. Brine Maker- Post season maintenance has been completed.

Roads & Bridges:

- a. Township Road Tours (estimates/work)- Completed the last Township Road Tour on May 11, 2026. Most estimates have been completed and submitted to the Townships. Waiting on material pricing to complete the rest.
- b. Town of Maxville Project-ARIP program. County cost share of \$20,000.00. Town of Maxville needs to fill out Joint Project Petition ASAP and Buffalo County will budget for 2027.
- c. LSSIP- These have been submitted. Just waiting to see if we are accepted.
- d. Buffalo City Speed Limit-Signs have been ordered.
- e. County Road Projects- Working to finalize quantities to submit for material bids.
- f. LTE's- No other LTE's for mowing.

Buildings & Grounds:

- a. Fuel Contracting- No contracting yet.
- b. Fluid Secure- Recalibrating pumps. Tanks need to be cleaned, sanded, painted, and decaled.

Resolutions: Nothing to report.

Ordinances and Ordinance Amendments: Nothing to report.

Footwear Policy: Must be employed for three months before eligible for the reimbursement. A receipt must be submitted and there is a \$150 maximum reimbursement. Mr. Michaels made a motion to approve this. Mr. Ruff seconded. Carried.

Commissioner's Report- Participated in the District Commissioner monthly meeting. Met with the Town of Naples. Learning the staff and routes.

Committee Chair Report – Nothing to report

County Administrator Report- Positive changes happening in the Highway Department, safety equipment, lights, etc.

Correspondence: Nothing to report.

Future Agenda Items: Skid steer spreader bucket for small projects, Broce Broom replacements, Emergency Trailers.

Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting will be Thursday June 11, 2026, at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Acting Secretary
Kelly Johnston