

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board:

Buffalo County Highway Committee

Date of the Meeting:

Thursday, June 11, 2026

Chairman Mr. Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 8:03 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 two people from public present and one person online.

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

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Posted in three spots. In compliance.

Approve Agenda: Mr. Ruff made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Michaels 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, May 12, 2026. Carried.

Vouchers: Monthly Vouchers #31889 through #31925 totaling \$135,111.32 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Michaels, seconded by Mr. Weiss, to approve the monthly vouchers as presented. Carried.

Public Comment: Nothing to report.

Contract Approvals:

- a. Bridge Inspections contract. There are 128 bridges due. There were two bids. Cedar Corp and Corre were the two engineering companies. Corre was the low bidder. Mr. Ruff made a motion to accept Corre as low bidder. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried.
- b. Milling of Asphalt contract. There were two bids. A-1 Excavating and Dan Lepke Trucking & Excavating LLC. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to accept Lepke as low bidder. Mr. Weiss seconded. Carried.
- c. Asphalt contract had only one bid. Mr. Ruff made a motion to accept Monarch's bid. Mr. Weiss seconded. Carried.
- d. Chip contract. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to accept Milestone bid. Mr. Weiss seconded. Carried.
- e. CRS2 contract. There were two bids, Farhner/Flint Hills and Meigs. Mr. Weiss made a motion to accept Meigs as low bid. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried.

Staffing: There was a resignation on June 8, 2026. Position will be posted internally for one week starting on June 15, 2026 and ending on June 22, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

Equipment:

- a. Bomag RS 500- No interest yet.
- b. Case Dozer #106- No interest yet.
- c. Pickup #25- Issue has been resolved.
- d. Skidsteer Spreader Bucket- Continue getting information. Possibly demo one.
- e. Broce Brooms- Get pricing for a truck mounted broom and a Broce broom.
- f. GPS- Getting a final list of vehicles to be outfitted to Samsara. Everything except dump trucks will be done July/August. Dump Trucks will be done during winter harness time.

Roads & Bridges:

- a. Townships- Estimates are all done and delivered to the Townships. We have nine signed contracts back so far. Five of the projects are complete.
- b. LSSIP- No updates yet.
- c. Buffalo City Speed Limit- Signs have been installed.

- d. County Road Projects- County Rd I (Cty Rd D to Center Creek Rd) .71 miles, County Rd AA (Cty Rd K to Swan Ln) .74 miles. Total reconstruction of 1.45 miles. County Rd I (Cty I/II to Mike Varenick Rd) will be an asphalt overlay of 1.4 miles.
- e. State Projects Update- Two DMA's and three LFA's completed. One DMA left. Routine maintenance sheets and regular maintenance work to continue.
- f. Bridge Inspection Bids- Done in contract approvals.
- g. Asphalt Pricing- Done in contract approvals.
- h. Chip Bids- Done in contract approvals.
- i. CRS2 Bids- Done in contract approvals.
- j. CTH O concerns- Issues with washout areas on County Road O. Repairs to be done in spring or fall by property owner's request.
- k. Approval of \$500,00 bond for Highway Road Construction- Approved.

Buildings & Grounds:

- a. Fuel Contracting- \$3.90/gallon off the truck. \$3.73/gallon off the rack. Continue to monitor.
- b. Fluid Systems- Fluid Secure has been removed.

Financial Update: Billing is completed through May. Account Clerk is just waiting on upgrading her access on CHEMS to finish signing journals for WisDot. Zero months have been officially closed for 2026.

Safety/Risk Management Update: Mowing signs need to be in place when mowing on the County side. WDF was submitted, waiting for updates. Continued weather issues. Flyway Trail downed trees to be cleaned up. County is moving from Nixel to Regroup for advance warnings alerts.

Commissioner's Report- Ride a-longs are going well. Participated in WCHA Commissioners Training in Wisconsin Dells. Met with a couple Townships.

Committee Chair Report – Town of Maxville is dealing with road issues and damages.

County Administrator Report- Hi-Viz hats, t-shirts and sweatshirts have arrived. Positive feedback from multiple townships on how town road tours and work estimates have been handled this year. Positivity in the Highway Department seems to be better.

Correspondence: Brad Mikelson, Town of Nelson chairman, was notified of a ditching issue on County Road KK near the intersection of KK/D. Erinn Meier reached out with questions about the County Road B project and with concerns about the amount of parsnip on the county roads.

Future Agenda Items: Start getting a list of 2027 budget items. Total of PBM fund balance.

Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting will be Tuesday July 14, 2026, at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Mr. Ruff made a motion to adjourn meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Acting Secretary
Kelly Johnston