BUFFALO COUNTY, WI

Notice of Public Meeting

2027 FINANCIAL BUDGET HEARING & COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

Committee:	County Board of Supervisors
Date:	Tuesday, November 10, 2026
Time:	7:00 P.M.
Location:	3rd Floor County Board Room, 407 S. 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
Remote Access:	https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/256872072971854?p=IKxbNfGMINc46xDpCy

This meeting is open to the public, but portions of the meeting may be closed if this notice indicates that the committee may convene in closed session. The following matters may be reviewed, discussed and acted upon by the County Board of Supervisors at this meeting. Please note that deviations from the order shown may occur.

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING	
1.	Call to Order
2.	Roll Call of County Board of Supervisors
3.	Public Comments Regarding the 2027 Financial Budget and Property Tax Levy
4.	Adjournment

BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD MEETING	
1.	Call to Order
2.	Roll Call of County Board of Supervisors
3.	Pledge of Allegiance
4.	County Clerk Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance
5.	Approve Agenda
6.	Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
7.	Tax Deed Property Sale Approval – City of Mondovi Vacant Lot
8.	Resolution #26-11-01 A Resolution for County Aid for Town Bridges and Culverts
9.	Resolution #26-11-02 A Resolution Authorizing the Borrowing of Up to $2,400,000 and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of a General Obligation Promissory Note Therefore
10.	Resolution #26-11-03 A Resolution to Approve the 2027 Tax Levy and Budget
11.	Committee Chair Reports
12.	County Board Chair Report
13.	County Administrator Report
14.	Correspondence
15.	Future Agenda Items
16.	Next Meeting Date and Time: December 14, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.
17.	Adjournment

Date: November 6, 2026

Dennis Bork, Chair

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By: Lisa Schmitt, County Clerk

Board Members: If unable to attend, please contact the Chair. If the Chair is unavailable, please contact the County Clerk's Office at 608-685-6209. If the Chair and the County Clerk are not available, please call the Administrative Coordinator at 608-685-6234.

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BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OCTOBER SESSION
Monday, October 26, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

The Board met. Mr. Bork in the Chair.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call of Buffalo County Board of Supervisors: Roll call was taken and all members were present, except Mr. Dwight Ruff and Mr. Robert Sendelbach who were excused.

Others present in person at the meeting: Mr. Lee Engfer, Ms. Lisa Schmitt, and Mr. Garrett Martin. Joining online was Ms. Tina Anibas and others.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

County Clerk Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Ms. Schmitt verified that proper notice of the meeting was given in compliance with Wisconsin Open Meetings Law at least 24 hours prior to this meeting.

Approve Agenda: Mr. Weiss made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Mr. Bruegger made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Mr. Weiss. Carried.

Public Comment: Mr. Garret Martin commented on on-call compensation pay and health insurance.

Resolution #26-10-01 A Resolution Supporting Sustainable State Funding for Local Public Health Departments: This resolution is being requested by the Wisconsin Counties Association to show our county's support for legislature to increase funding for local health departments. It was approved by the Finance-Human Resources Committee. Motion made by Mr. Michaels to approve the resolution supporting funding for local health departments, seconded by Mr. Bruegger. Carried.

Resolution #26-10-02 A Resolution Approving Health Insurance Benefit Plans for 2027: There will be about a 2 ½% increase for employees, and a 4% increase for the county in 2027. Questions were answered by Mr. Engfer. Mr. Michaels made a motion to approve the 2027 health insurance plans as presented, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Committee Chair Reports: Mr. Steve Nelson said that there was a joint DHHS meeting with Pepin County which he attended today. He also attended a gathering at the Gilmanton meal site where State Senator Rob Stafsholt was present. Senator Stafsholt is interested in meeting with the board to discuss any issues or questions. Mr. Stanton reported that UW-Extension will have a new employee starting soon. Mr. Nathan Nelson mentioned that Economic Development held workshops on tourism and housing needs. There is a third one scheduled for November 17th which will be on business creation and expansion.

County Board Chair Report: None.

County Administrator Report: None.

Correspondence: None.

Future Agenda Items: ATV/UTV Trail Riders

Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Mr. Schultz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Schmitt
County Clerk

Buffalo County Resolution

Drafted By:
Danielle Radsek

County Department:
Highway

Presented Month/Year:
November 2026

Involved Committees:
Highway, Finance

RESOLUTION # _____

A RESOLUTION FOR COUNTY AID FOR TOWN BRIDGES AND CULVERTS – SECTION 82.08 OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES

Whereas, under section 82.08 of the WI Statutes, the Towns hereinafter named, have filed the following petitions with the Buffalo County Highway Commissioner pursuant to this Statute.

TOWN	PROJECT	TOWN SHARE	COUNTY SHARE	TOTAL COST
Cross	Baertsch Valley Rd-Culvert	$ 2,884.90	$ 2,884.90	$ 5,769.80
Maxville	Spring Creek Rd-Bridge	$ 22,443.98	$ 22,443.98	$ 44,887.96
Waumandee	Hogan Rd-Culvert 1	$ 2,700.00	$ 2,700.00	$ 5,400.00
Waumandee	Hogan Rd-Culvert 2	$ 5,800.00	$ 5,800.00	$ 11,600.00
Waumandee	Hogan Rd-Culvert 3	$ 2,600.00	$ 2,600.00	$ 5,200.00
Alma	Anderson Rd-Deck and Culvert	$ 2,139.53	$ 2,139.53	$ 4,279.06
Buffalo	Chicken Valley-Culvert	$ 1,802.60	$ 1,802.60	$ 3,605.20
Buffalo	Chicken Valley-Approach	$ 2,250.00	$ 2,250.00	$ 4,500.00
Buffalo	Brandhorst Rd-Culvert	$ 22,516.17	$ 22,516.17	$ 45,032.34
Glencoe	Konkel Valley Rd-Culvert	$ 10,500.00	$ 10,500.00	$ 21,000.00
Modena	Bob Rd-Culvert	$ 4,000.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 8,000.00
Modena	Serum Rd-Culvert	$ 3,500.00	$ 3,500.00	$ 7,000.00
Totals		$ 83,137.18	$ 83,137.18	$ 166,274.36

Whereas, under section 82.08(2), the Buffalo County Board shall levy a tax for the County's share of this appropriation, and

Whereas, under 82.08(7), these petitions shall not authorize the levy of a tax upon the property in any city or village required to maintain its own bridges.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors does hereby levy this special tax to meet said appropriations.

Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 10th day of November 2026.

Buffalo County Resolution

County Clerk

ATTEST:

County Chair

Highway Committee

Chris Lindstrom, Chair

Max Weiss, Vice Chair

Brian Michaels

Dwight Ruff

Robert Sendelbach

Finance-Human Resources Committee

Dennis Bork, Chair

Max Weiss, Vice Chair

William Bruegger, Sr.

Brian Michaels

Carol McDonough

Buffalo County Resolution

Drafted By:
Lisa Schmitt

County Department:
County Clerk

Presented Month/Year:
November 2026

Involved Committees:
Finance – Human Resources

Fiscal Impact: YES / NO

RESOLUTION # 26-11-02
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING OF UP TO $2,400,000 AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTE THEREFORE

WHEREAS, it is necessary that funds be raised by the County of Buffalo, Wisconsin (the "County") for the purpose of paying the costs of highway projects (the "Project") and there are insufficient funds on hand to pay said costs;

WHEREAS, the County Board hereby finds and determines that the Project is within the County's power to undertake and serves a "public purpose" as that term is defined in Section 67.04(1)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized by the provisions of Section 67.12(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes to borrow the money and to issue general obligation promissory notes for such public purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors for Buffalo County, Wisconsin, that:

Section 1. Authorization of the Notes. For the purpose of paying the cost of the Project, there shall be borrowed pursuant to Section 67.12(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the principal sum of up to Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,400,000) from a purchaser to be determined by subsequent resolution of this County Board of Supervisors (the "Purchaser").

Section 2. Sale of the Notes. The County Administrator and Chairperson (in consultation with the County's financial advisor, PMA Securities, LLC) shall cause an official Notice of Sale to be prepared and distributed and shall prepare or cause to be prepared an Official Statement pursuant to SEC Rule 15c2-12 and take other actions as necessary for the sale of the County's general obligation promissory notes (the "Notes"). PMA Securities, LLC is hereby appointed as the County's agent for the purposes of receiving and tabulating the bids received on the Notes at its offices.

Section 3. Award of the Notes. Following receipt of bids for the Notes, the County Board shall consider taking further action to provide the details of the Notes including the final principal amount of the Notes, the interest rate or rates to be borne by the Notes; and to levy a direct annual irrepealable tax to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes as required by law.

Section 4. Prior Resolutions; Severability; Effective Date. All prior resolutions, rules or other actions of the County or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions hereof shall be, and the same are, hereby rescinded insofar as the same may so conflict. In the event that any one or more provisions hereof shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions hereof. The foregoing shall take effect immediately upon adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

Adopted by the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors this 10th day of November, 2026.

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Dennis Bork, County Board Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Lisa Schmitt, County Clerk

Finance – Human Resources Committee:

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Dennis Bork	Max Weiss
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William Bruegger	Carol McDonough
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Brian Michaels	

Buffalo County Resolution

Drafted By:
Lisa Schmitt

County Department:
County Clerk

Presented Month/Year:
November 2026

Involved Committees:
Finance – Human Resources

Fiscal Impact: YES / NO

RESOLUTION # 26-11-03
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2027 TAX LEVY AND BUDGET

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors to adopt a budget for the operations and fiscal management of the County for the year beginning January 1, 2027; and,

WHEREAS the Finance-Human Resources Committee did offer a budget for review by the County Board at its meeting of November 10, 2026; and,

WHEREAS that budget was published for public review and a public hearing has been conducted as required by the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there be a tax levied upon all taxable property in Buffalo County for operation and maintenance for the 2027 budget in the amount of: County Operating Levy $6,615,416.00, Debt Service $1,199,795.00, County Library $152,815.90, and County Aid Bridges $83,137.18 for a total of $8,051,164.08.

Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 10th day of November, 2026.

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County Clerk

ATTEST:

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County Board Chair

Buffalo County Resolution

Finance – Human Resources Committee:

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Dennis Bork	Max Weiss
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William Bruegger	Carol McDonough
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Brian Michaels	

Buffalo County
Tax Apportionment--Calculations
Apportionment 2026 (Budget Year 2027)

MUNICIPALITY	EQUALIZED VALUATION	RATIO OF EACH COUNTY TAX	LIBRARY SYSTEM	HIGHWAY BRIDGES	BOND	Real Estate Charge Back	ALL OTHER COUNTY TAX (levy)	2026 TOTAL Levy +lib.+hwy+bond)
TOWNS								
Alma	$ 83,642,200.00	0.036051787	$ 6,543.37	4,342.20	43,254.75	0.000	$ 238,497.57	$292,637.89
Belvidere	$ 122,425,300.00	0.052768229	$ 9,577.39	6,355.59	63,311.06	0.000	$ 349,083.79	$428,327.83
Buffalo	$ 135,152,300.00	0.058253870	$ 10,573.03	7,016.30	69,892.70	0.000	$ 385,373.59	$472,855.62
Canton	$ 61,482,800.00	0.026500556	$ 4,809.83	3,191.82	31,795.24	0.000	$ 175,312.20	$215,109.09
Cross	$ 96,904,000.00	0.041767939	$ 7,580.85	5,030.68	50,112.97	0.000	$ 276,312.29	$339,036.79
Dover	$ 76,348,300.00	0.032907941	$ 5,972.77	3,963.55	39,482.78	0.000	$ 217,699.72	$267,118.82
Gilmanton	$ 79,333,600.00	0.034194677	$ 6,206.31	4,118.53	41,026.60	0.000	$ 226,212.01	$277,563.45
Glencoe	$ 93,780,600.00	0.040421679	$ 7,336.51	4,868.53	48,497.73	0.000	$ 267,406.22	$328,108.99
Lincoln	$ 64,073,700.00	0.027617296	$ 5,012.52	3,326.33	33,135.09	0.000	$ 182,699.90	$224,173.84
Maxville	$ 79,848,200.00	0.034416482	$ 6,246.57	4,145.24	41,292.72	0.000	$ 227,679.35	$279,363.88
Milton	$ 101,828,800.00	0.043890646	$ 7,966.12	5,286.34	52,659.78	0.000	$ 290,354.88	$356,267.12
Modena	$ 74,160,000.00	0.031964732	$ 5,801.58	3,849.95	38,351.13	0.000	$ 211,460.00	$259,462.66
Mondovi	$ 80,774,900.00	0.034815912	$ 6,319.06	4,193.35	41,771.96	0.000	$ 230,321.74	$282,606.11
Montana	$ 86,034,000.00	0.037082710	$ 6,730.48	4,466.37	44,491.65	0.000	$ 245,317.55	$301,006.05
Naples	$ 119,767,500.00	0.051622654	$ 9,369.47	6,217.61	61,936.60	0.000	$ 341,505.33	$419,029.01
Nelson	$ 135,576,500.00	0.058436711	$ 10,606.22	7,038.32	70,112.07	0.000	$ 386,583.15	$474,339.76
Waumandee	$ 110,306,800.00	0.047544866	$ 8,629.36	5,726.47	57,044.09	0.000	$ 314,529.07	$385,928.99
$ 1,601,439,500.00	$ -		$ -					
VILLAGES								
Cochrane	$ 45,105,300.00	0.019441462	$ 3,528.61		23,325.77	0.000	$ 128,613.36	$155,467.74
Nelson	$ 28,965,000.00	0.012484607	$ 2,265.95		14,978.97	0.000	$ 82,590.87	$99,835.79
$ 74,070,300.00			$ -					
CITIES								
Alma	$ 100,849,500.00	0.043468544			52,153.34	0.000	$ 287,562.50	$339,715.84
Buffalo City	$ 178,855,500.00	0.077090994	$ 13,991.96		92,493.39	0.000	$ 509,989.00	$616,474.35
Fountain City	$ 99,039,900.00	0.042688563	$ 7,747.94		51,217.53	0.000	$ 282,402.60	$341,368.07
Mondovi	$ 265,802,300.00	0.114567142	$ -		137,457.08	0.000	$ 757,909.31	$895,366.39
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TOTAL	$ 2,320,057,000.00	1.00000	$152,815.90	$83,137.18	$1,199,795.000	$0.000	$ 6,615,416.00	$8,051,164.08
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