

MINUTES

SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

JULY 16, 2026

WEST SQUARE BUILDING, 505 BROADWAY, ROOM 326, BARABOO, WI

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1. **Call to Order and Certify Compliance with Open Meeting Law:** Vice Chair Dietrich called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Administrator Wilson certified compliance with open meeting law.
2. **Roll Call.** PRESENT: (19) Pelton, Schroeder, Kinsman, Klitzke, Deitrich, Leuth, Hanson, Cross, Fordham, Pocernich, Sederstrom, McCumber, Greenwood, Ring, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, and Arnsten. VIRTUAL: (2) Dorner and Spencer. EXCUSED: (3) Clemens, Krueger, and Evert. ABSENT: (6) Clift, Waldon, Prosser, Nachreiner, Tatone, and Chrisler. VACANT: (1)

Staff Present: Lisa Wilson, County Administrator; Stephanie Beardsley, Finance Director; Patrick Gavinski, Highway Commissioner; Tim Kabat, LRE Director; and Dillion Soma, MIS – IT Support Analyst.

3. **Adopt Agenda** MOTION (Burchill/Sederstrom) to adopt the current agenda. Motion carried **unanimously**.
4. **Business.**
 - a. **Presentation and discussion to include an introduction to county budgeting, 2027 budget process, and upcoming departmental needs.**

Wilson provided an introduction.

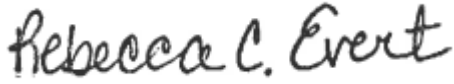
Wilson and Beardsley presented the following topics:

- Budget Statutory Authority
- Assessed Value, Equalized Value; and how we get to Net New Construction (with chair McCumber providing insight based on his experience training elected officials.)
- Background information relevant to our current 2026 Budget
- Levy History
- Sauk County Budget Book
- County Mandates versus Discretionary services/programs
- Types of Funds
- Budgetary Considerations Across Departments
- Hot Topics (Sheriff/Jail versus Nursing Home)
- 2027 Budget Timeline, Strategic Plan role, Strategic Issues, and Budget Policy Statements
- 2027 Budget Needs and Impacts (Department needs, personnel impacts on the levy, OMB revisions)
- Budget Guidance
- Beyond 2027

County Board Supervisors asked clarifying questions, in which further information or explanation was provided by Wilson and Beardsley.

5. **Adjournment.** MOTION (Klitzke/Schroeder) to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca C. Evert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rebecca C. Evert
Sauk County Clerk

Minutes Approved: August 18, 2026.

State of Wisconsin, County of Sauk: I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the January 13, 2026. Proceedings of the Sauk County Board of Supervisors.

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