

January 6, 2026

The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors met in session at 9:00 A.M. January 6, 2026 adjourned from January 2, 2026.

Present: Supervisors Jensvold, Durby, and Smith

Absent:

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the minutes for the January 2, 2026 Board Meetings and approve the amended Agenda to add discussion with possible action regarding Public Health Building Generator for January 6, 2026. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to go into closed session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of Winnebago County in such litigation. On a roll call vote, Jensvold – Aye, Durby – Aye, and Smith – Aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Jensvold and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to return to open session. All voted aye. Motion carried. There was no action taken.

Mary Lou Kleveland, Veterans Affairs discussed the quarterly report and annual report. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the reports. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the following Resolution. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #01-06-2026-01-01**

**CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

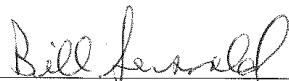
**WHEREAS**, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

**WHEREAS**, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

**WHEREAS**, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2026 and January 31, 2027 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

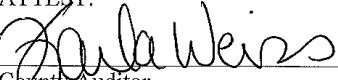
**WHEREAS**, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY** that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

  
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Chair, Board of Supervisors

Date: 1-6-26

ATTEST:

  
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County Auditor

Date: 1-6-26

Karla Weiss, Auditor discussed drainage matters.

Scott Meinders, Engineer discussed Secondary Road matters including the job opening in Buffalo Center. Roads were treated yesterday due to the misty conditions at the request of the Sheriff's Department. There will be discussions regarding the decision-making process for putting salt down on secondary roads. The County does not treat frost.

Meinders discussed road projects for the 26-27 budget including the 5-year plan, projects for this summer, and the outline of the strategy of the pavement maintenance.

On a motion by Smith and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to approve the Auditor's Quarterly report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Smith and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to approve the Recorder's Quarterly report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the following Resolution. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #01-06-2026-01-01**  
**PERTAINING TO WINNEBAGO COUNTY INTEREST**

WHEREAS, Winnebago County Auditor's Office does have a separately maintained bank accounts dedicated to employee health insurance, Flex Spending Accounts, and unemployment.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Iowa Code §331.301, the accounts are allowed to earn interest.

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors desire to accrue interest on the accounts dedicated to employee health insurance, Flex Spending Accounts, and unemployment and intend to maintain the interest separately from the general fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors hereby authorize the Winnebago County Treasurer to establish an interest-bearing checking account with a local bank for the purposes mentioned above.

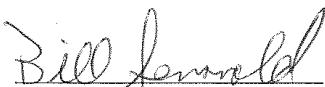
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Winnebago County Auditor and the Winnebago County Treasurer to be the authorized signers on the account.

HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Winnebago County on this 6th day of January, 2026 with the vote thereon:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT/ABSTAIN:

  
Bill Jensvold, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Katha Weiss, Auditor and Clerk to Board

On a motion by Smith and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to approve the bid for a new generator for the Public Health Building from Groe Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$16,325.38. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The session was adjourned until 9:00 A.M. January 13, 2026.

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Bill Jensvold, Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Karla Weiss, County Auditor