

The following are actions of the County Board of Supervisors at their meeting on 01/20/25 and a full text is on file at the County Clerk's office, or on-line at [www.co.jackson.wi.us](http://www.co.jackson.wi.us)

REGULAR SESSION of the JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
January 20, 2025

The Regular Session of the Jackson County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 5:30 P.M., on Monday, January 20, 2025, at the Jackson County Courthouse in the County Board Room by Chairman Amo.

County Clerk, Cindy Altman, took roll call with 17 members present and 2 absent (Supervisor Cooper and Supervisor Schmidt).

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Amo asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the previous meeting. Supervisor Peloquin made a motion to approve the minutes. This was seconded by Supervisor Rolbiecki. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Chairman Amo stated that employees were recognized this morning at the All-County Training Day held at Castle Hill. Chairman Amo and County Clerk, Cindy Altman recognized County Board Members who have given 10 and 20 years of service to the County by presenting them with certificates and plaques.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-01-2025  
TO HONOR JAY BOREK FOR HIS SERVICE TO JACKSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors have come together on this 20th day of January in the year of our Lord 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors acknowledge and honor the nearly 40 years of distinguished service from Jay Borek, the last 7 years as the Jackson County Highway Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged by those who worked with Jay Borek, that he served the citizens of Jackson County with a consistent level of honor and distinction for the duration of his employment.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby extend its deepest thanks for the nearly 40 years of dedicated service that Jay Borek has given to the citizens of Jackson County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors does extend a collective hand of thanks to Jay Borek for the dedication and service he gave to Jackson County and wish him happiness and good health in his retirement years.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Chamberlain made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. County Board Chairman Amo and Highway Committee Chairman Chamberlain presented a plaque to Jay Borek. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Chairman Amo stated that the Airport presentation will be postponed. The presenters could not be here tonight.

Resolution 02-01-2025  
RE: Endorsement of the Application of Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services for BEAD Funding with Match Funding from ARPA

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors endorses the application of Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services for BEAD funding to support their broadband infrastructure projects in Jackson County in support of all unserved and underserved residents and hereby provides match funds of \$1 million of ARPA funds previously set aside;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Jackson County Board of Supervisors directs its clerk to draft and provide a letter to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and the applicant outlining this endorsement and verifying the applicant and geographic location affected, which shall include the minutes from this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Executive and Finance Committee:

Supervisor Carney made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION # 03-01-2025  
RESOLUTION TO REQUEST AMERICAN TRANSMISSION FUNDS  
FOR FACILITY STUDY

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Jail ad hoc committee and Law Enforcement committee work with Market & Johnson and Wold Architects & Engineers to create future jail solutions and that the cost of said planning shall not exceed \$50,000, and that said funds be paid from American Transmission funds.

Law Enforcement Committee Executive, Finance & Personnel Committee  
Property Committee

Supervisor Rolbiecki made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Hoff. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Resolution 04-01-2025  
Resolution to Approve Strategic Plan and Mission Statement

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the strategic plan as presented, as well as the updates to the Jackson County mission statement and addition of the vision statement.

Executive and Finance Committee:

Supervisor Hart made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Rolbiecki. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Chairman Amo stated that the City wanted an easement to access the Foundation Trail. Supervisor Hart made a motion to adopt the Easement Agreement with the City for the Foundation Trail. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Supervisor Peloquin made a motion to read the following zone petition change only one time. This was seconded by Supervisor Strandberg. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

PETITION #2024-42  
TOWN OF BEAR BLUFF  
REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

Petition #2024-42 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by Donald Cleaver on the 8th day of November, 2024 to change 4.5 Acres of the Official Zoning Map on the following described lands:

On property known as the SE1/4-NE1/4, Section 35, T20N, R01E, Town of Bear Bluff, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 4.5 acres of the A2 (Agriculture) District to the R6 (Residential-Rural Ag) District for the construction of a single-family home and the ability to have animals.

and having held public hearing thereon pursuant to Sec. 59.97(5)(e), Wis. Stats., notice thereof having been sent as provided by law, and being duly informed of the facts pertinent to the changes proposed, and duly advised of the wishes of the people in the area affected, hereby recommends as follows:

That the zone change be Approved with Land Conservation conditions.  
Dated this 6th day of January 2025.

JACKSON COUNTY ZONING COMMITTEE  
Supervisor Chamberlain made a motion to accept this zone change. This was seconded by Supervisor Carney. Voice Vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Zone Change Petition #2024-42 Cleaver – January 6, 2025

If the Zoning and Land Information Committee decides to approve the Cleaver Zone Change Petition application the Land Conservation Department requests that the following conditions and explanations be attached to the approval:

- No livestock and/or animals can be placed on the property until authorization and approval has been granted by the Land Conservation Department.
- If an agreement for the number and type of livestock and/or animals can't be reached by the property owner and the Land Conservation Department the Zoning and Land Information Committee will become involved in determining the proper numbers and types.
- A description of the manure management plan will be provided to the Land Conservation Department and included as part of the documentation if approved.
- Manure should be spread on cropland fields according to current Nutrient Management Plan guidelines. Composting may be an option depending on site conditions.
- All State and County environmental standards for preventing manure and soil runoff pollution must be met and maintained.
- All livestock and animal fencing installation and its maintenance for the R-6 parcel is the responsibility of the R-6 rezoned parcel property owner.
- All setbacks for livestock structures and/or feedlots from property lines (100 feet minimum), streams (300 feet minimum), and roads must be met.
- An order for livestock and/or animal removal may be a possibility if the R-6 zone change conditions for approval are not maintained

Chairman Amo notified the Board that the Treasurer and Register of Deeds annual reports were included in the packet.

Chairman Amo asked for committee reports. Chairpersons and/or Board Representatives of the various committees reported on the activities in their committees.

Supervisor Hart made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. All present voted Aye by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:08 P.M.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

),ss  
COUNTY OF JACKSON)

I, Cindy Altman, County Clerk of Jackson County, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the above is a true and accurate claim for per diem and mileage of the County Board members, and further certify that the above members were present and the record of their presence may be found in the roll call of the proceedings of the Regular Session of the County Board of Supervisors held on January 20, 2025.

Cindy Altman, County Clerk  
Jackson County, Wisconsin

Approved by:  
Committee on Approval of Journal

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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, December 16, 2024, in the District Office Board Room.

School Board President, Brad Dobbs, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Micaela Conlon-Bue, Casey Wyss, Jenette Simonson, Nick Helstad, Iftikhar Memon, Brad Dobbs.

Board members absent: None

Brad Dobbs verified the public notice with Marti Herzberg.

Three community members registered for and spoke during the public comment section of the meeting.

Brad Dobbs made a motion to move agenda item 9.2 Facility Update – Energy Efficiency to the beginning of the meeting. Micaela Conlon-Bue seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Kent Weinman shared information on the Focus on Energy report.

Dr. Severson shared that the district has received the following donations: Co-op Credit Union donated hats, mittens and coats for our students. JCI donated \$450.00 from their pizza sales towards the angel fund. Ashley Ahl donated \$1,000.00, and Compeer Financial matched her donation, which will be used to send high school students to visit UW campuses. Black River Falls Municipal Utilities donated \$1,000.00 towards the community education program.

The Board members will review the WASB convention resolutions and discuss them at the January meeting.

Brad Dobbs moved to appoint Micaela Conlon-Bue as the delegate assembly representative at the 2024-2025 WASB Education Convention. Casey Wyss seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Micaela Conlon-Bue moved to approve the easement of District property overlapping the Foundation Trail to the City of Black River Falls. Brad Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. This agreement is being formalized so the City of Black River Falls can apply for grants to help with the maintenance of the trail.

Jenette Simonson resigned from the Board Policy Committee. There were no volunteers to fill her position so it will remain unfilled.

Iftikhar Memon moved to add an agenda item to discuss Brad Dobbs' and Dr. Severson's commenting to a community member during public comment. Jenette Simonson seconded the motion. Motion failed 2-4. Iftikhar Memon and Jenette Simonson voted in favor of the motion. Casey Wyss, Brad Dobbs, Nick Helstad and Micaela Conlon-Bue voted against the motion.

President Brad Dobbs shared that Amy Blackdeer has resigned from her position as a School Board Member. Brad Dobbs moved to post

the vacancy to the District Electorate. Micaela Conlon-Bue seconded the motion. Therefore, a Board vacancy notice will be published in the Banner Journal and Shopper the weeks of January 8th and 15th and the posting will close on January 22nd at 4:00 p.m. A Special School Board Meeting will be held on January 27th at 5:30 p.m. to review submissions of interest in the opening and the Board members will vote on who will fill the position.

The Board reviewed the employment information

Dr. Sullivan shared the early literacy remediation plans and answered the Board members' questions.

Dr. Severson reviewed information from trimester 1 which included chronic absenteeism, grade-point averages, out-of-school suspensions and the grade reports that had been requested by Board members.

Dr. Severson reviewed the DPI State Report Card spreadsheet and Dr. Sullivan reviewed the district's report card.

Dr. Severson shared the letter that was received from DPI regarding the resolution of the special education complaint that had been filed. DPI found no violations in their review of the complaints.

Melanie Floyd shared information to help explain what an IEP is and what is involved in IEP meetings.

Micaela Conlon-Bue moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Nick Helstad seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Casey Wyss moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Micaela Conlon-Bue seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board members are welcome to attend the upcoming seasonal concerts.

During the January 27th Special School Board Meeting, the Board will vote on a new Board member to fill Amy Blackdeer's vacancy and reorganize to fill the vacated Board Clerk position and, if there is time, discuss the DPI report card data.

Casey Wyss thanked all who have been involved in planning the holiday concerts.

At 9:04 p.m. Brad Dobbs moved to adjourn. Iftikhar Memon seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Brad Dobbs, President Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary

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STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Duane A. Faas

**Amended Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)**

Case No. 2025-PR-4

A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

**THE COURT FINDS:**

The decedent, with date of birth 09-27-1955 and date of death 10-23-2024 was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 333 Chestnut Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

**THE COURT ORDERS:**

1. The petition be heard at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin, before Circuit Court Judge Daniel Diehn on 02-25-2025 at 1:30 p.m.

**You need not appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if no objection is made.**

2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 7, 2025.

3. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment.

5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.

The names or addresses of the following interested persons are not known or reasonably ascertainable: Andrew J. Faas

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-284-0213 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

/s/ Daniel S. Diehn  
Circuit Court Judge  
January 22, 2025

Attorney Dan Arndt  
101 W. Oak Street  
PO Box 349  
Sparta, WI 54656  
608-269-1200  
Bar No. 1008016

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**Notice**

The City of Black River Falls will be conducting a public test of electronic voting equipment as required by state statute at City Hall on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. The City will be using the ImageCast Evolution (ICE) tabulation equipment at the February 18, 2025 election. A test deck of ballots will be run through the machine and tabulated. Any interested persons are welcome to attend.

Alex B. Chown  
City Clerk  
City of Black River Falls

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STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Kathleen Leis

**Notice To Creditors (Informal Administration)**

Case No. 25PR02

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/02/1956, and date of death 10/21/2024, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 212 East Main Street, Alma Center, WI 54611.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 6, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth Storlie  
Jackson County  
Probate Registrar  
Jan. 21, 2025

Megan Stary  
W11348 Myhre Rd.  
Osseo, WI 54748  
715-797-9634

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, JACK-  
SON COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
Ethel May Forsting

**Notice To Creditors  
(Informal  
Administration)**

Case No. 25PR03  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth March 1, 1929, and date of death August 1, 2024, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 7, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth Storlie  
Jackson County  
Probate Registrar  
Jan. 22, 2025  
Donald C. Forsting  
N8880 N. Casper Rd.  
Alma Center, WI 54611  
715-896-4898  
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**STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, JACK-  
SON COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
Robert C. Uhrig, aka Bob  
Uhrig

**Notice To Creditors  
(Informal  
Administration)**

Case No. 25PR01  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth May 3, 1930, and date of death December 8, 2024, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1013 Fillmore St., Black River Falls, WI 54615.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 1, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth Storlie  
Probate Registrar  
Jan. 16, 2025  
Allison M. Baganz  
1077 Echo Ln.  
Green Bay, WI 54304  
920-737-7579  
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**STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, JACK-  
SON COUNTY**  
Summit Credit Union  
Plaintiff,

v.  
Estate of Emilie J. Springer  
Jackson County  
Trempealeau County  
Defendants.

Case No. 23CV108  
Code No. 30404  
**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**PLEASE TAKE NO-  
TICE,** that by virtue of and  
pursuant to a judgment en-  
tered in the above-entitled  
action on August 28,2024  
in the sum of \$61,869.13,

the Sheriff, or designees,  
will sell at public auction  
as follows:

DATE/TIME: February 11,  
2025 at 10:00 am  
PLACE: On the Courthouse  
Steps, Jackson County  
TERMS OF SALE: A down  
payment required at the  
time of Sheriffs Sale in  
the amount of ten percent  
(10%) of the winning bid;  
said payment being made  
in the form of cash, money  
order, cashier's check or  
certified check made pay-  
able to the Trempealeau  
County Clerk of Courts;  
balance of sale price is due  
in full within ten (10) days  
of confirmation of sale by  
the Court. Failure to post  
the remaining balance due  
shall result in the forfeiture  
of the down payment to  
the Plaintiff. Property to be  
sold as a whole "as is" and  
subject to all real estate  
taxes, accrued and accru-  
ing, special assessments, if  
any, penalties and interest,  
and any existing first in time  
mortgages or leasehold in-  
terests, and the right of the  
United States of America  
to redeem said property  
after sale within the period  
provided by 28 U.S.C. Sec-  
tion 2410. Purchaser to pay  
all transfer and recording  
fees and the cost of title  
evidence.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
155 Gebhardt Road, Black  
River Falls, WI 54615  
PIN: 010-0804.0000  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:  
Outlot Seven of the 1931  
Assessor's Plat of Outlots  
of the Town of Brockway,  
Section Twenty-three,  
Township One North,  
Range Four West, Jackson  
County, Wisconsin.

Dated this 23rd day of  
December, 2024.

/s/Duane M. Waldera  
Jackson County Sheriff  
Prepared by: Justin J.  
Bates, Esq.  
Bates Legal Group, LLC,  
State Bar No. 1066128  
PO Box 1473  
Wausau, WI 54402-1473  
715-843-5599

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT, LA  
CROSSE COUNTY**

Creative Finance, Inc.  
815 Business Park Road  
PO Box 454  
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
Heather Marie Youngth-  
under  
W8992 Pettibone Pass  
Black River Falls, WI 54615  
Defendant.

**Publication Summons  
and Notice  
(Small Claims)**

Case No. 24-SC-2037  
**Publication Summons  
and Notice of Filing  
TO THE PERSON(S)  
NAMED ABOVE AS  
DEFENDANT(S):**

You are being sued by  
the person(s) named above  
as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the  
claim has been sent to you  
at your address as stated  
in the caption above.

The lawsuit will be  
heard in the following Small  
Claims court:

La Crosse County  
Courthouse, Telephone  
Telephone Number of clerk  
of court: 608-785-9590, Ad-  
dress: 333 Vine Street, La  
Crosse, WI 54601 on the  
following date and time:

February 21, 2025 at  
9:00 a.m.

If you require reason-

able accommodations due  
to a disability to participate  
in the court process, please  
call 608-785-9590 at least  
10 working days prior to  
the scheduled court date.  
Please note that the court  
does not provide transpor-  
tation.

**If you do not attend  
the hearing, the court  
may enter a judgment  
against you in favor of the  
person(s) suing you.** A  
copy of the claim has been  
sent to you at your address  
as stated in the caption  
above. A judgment may  
be enforced as provided  
by law. A judgment award-  
ing money may become a  
lien against any real estate  
(property) you own now or  
in the future, and may also  
be enforced by garnish-  
ment or seizure of property.

You may have the option  
to Answer without appear-  
ing in court on the court  
date by filing a written An-  
swer with the clerk of court  
**before** the court date. You  
must send a copy of your  
Answer to the Plaintiff(s)  
named above at their ad-  
dress. You may contact  
the clerk of court at the  
telephone number above  
to determine if there are  
other methods to answer  
a Small Claims complaint  
in that county.

Electronically signed by  
Christopher M. Kern  
/s/ Jan. 29, 2025  
Creative Finance, Inc.  
813 Business Park Road  
PO Box 454  
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965  
608-254-6855  
State Bar No: 1093883  
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**Notice of Sale of County and Tax  
Delinquent Real-Estate  
Request for Bids**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section  
75.69 and 75.35 of the Wisconsin Statutes  
and Section 3.02 of the General Code of  
Ordinances of Jackson County, the County  
of Jackson through the Jackson County Clerk  
is requesting sealed bids on the following  
described property located in the:

**Town of Melrose** – Parcel #034-  
0201.0025 – Lot One of Jackson County  
Certified Survey Map No. 855 as recorded  
in Volume Four of Surveys, Page 126,  
Document No. 247733; being a part of the  
Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter  
of Section Twenty, Township Nineteen North,  
Range Five West, Town of Melrose, Jackson  
County, Wisconsin. Subject to rights-of-way  
and easements of record.  
Minimum bid: \$576.21

The property is being sold "AS IS" and  
may or may not be land locked. The County  
makes no warranties or representations,  
either express or implied, regarding the title  
to the property, fitness for any purpose or  
any condition of the Property. Payment due  
upon Jackson County Clerk preparing and  
delivering deed to the successful bidder.  
Any recording fees are the responsibility of  
the buyer.

To receive additional information contact  
Cindy Altman, Jackson County Clerk, 307  
Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615,  
phone: 715-284-0268. Website address: www.  
co.jackson.wi.us

Sealed bids must be on file with the  
County Clerk no later than 12:00 Noon on  
the 17th day of April 2025.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section  
75.69 no bids may be accepted for an amount  
equal to or less than the appraised value of  
the parcel. Jackson County reserves the  
right to accept or reject any and all bids and  
to accept the bid most advantageous to the  
County; said bid is for an amount equal to,  
or above, the appraised value.

Authorized by:  
Cindy Altman,  
Jackson County Clerk/  
Administrative Coordinator  
Dates of publication: February 5, 12 and 19,  
WNAXLP

Melrose-Mindoro  
Board of Education  
Regular Monthly  
Board Meeting  
December 16, 2024

**CONVENE**

Board President Rick  
Paisley called the regular  
monthly meeting of the  
Melrose-Mindoro School  
Board of Education to or-  
der 6:15 p.m. Administra-  
tors present: Superinten-  
dent Deanna Wiatt, 7-12  
Principal Rick Dobbs,  
ECH-6th Principal Corey  
Peterson, and Finance  
Administrator Casey Pfaff.  
Board Members pres-  
ent: Terry Blaken, Becky  
Whalen, Geoff Rozek,  
Shane Zeman, Kim Sa-  
cia and Emily Stanton. All  
who were present then  
stood for the Pledge of

Allegiance. Motion by Sa-  
cia, second by Stanton,  
to approve the agenda as  
presented. Motion carried  
6-0.

**CONNECTION WITH  
THE COMMUNITY:**

**1. Correspondence:**  
Thank you from Joie Stark  
& Tammy Johnson for the  
memorial gifts from the  
board and administra-  
tion. Their mother passed  
away.

**2. Public Com-  
ment:** Steve Libke state  
his concerns regarding  
closed sessions at the re-  
cent board meetings. WI  
State Statute 19.85 1(i)  
has been repealed and  
should not be used for  
closed sessions. He also  
questioned the number of  
times a community mem-  
ber is allowed to take the  
referendum survey. Were  
there restrictions in place?  
**DISTRICT ADMINISTRA-  
TOR REPORT**

• The music depart-  
ments in both the elemen-  
tary and secondary lev-  
els have been busy with  
their holiday concerts. It is  
great to see the communi-  
ty supporting our students  
at these events.

• New 'School En-  
trance' signs along with  
reduced speed limit signs  
were placed on Highway  
108 in front of the school  
in the hopes to remind  
drivers to slow down and  
be alert when coming into  
the school parking lots  
and along the highway in  
general.

• State report cards for  
the school districts were  
released to the public at  
the end of November.  
The state has once again  
changed the cut scores  
which makes it challeng-  
ing to compare results to  
previous years. More in-  
formation will be shared  
later in this meeting.

• We continue to work  
on the ACT 20 regula-  
tions and preparation for  
the state mandated winter  
screener, aimswebPlus.  
We are also finalizing the  
required Personal Read-  
ing Plans that will be sent  
home for all the students  
in grades K-3 who are un-  
der the 25th percentile on  
the district's reading as-  
sessment in January.

• The referendum com-  
munity survey closed De-  
cember 2. We appreciate  
everyone who took the  
time to fill out the survey  
and for those who filled  
out constructive com-  
ments. Mrs. Sue Peterson  
is here tonight to review  
our survey results and  
guide a discussion around  
the next steps in our refer-  
endum process.

• There is still time to  
sign up for the WASB  
convention which is Janu-  
ary 22-24. Please talk to  
me after tonight's meeting  
if you are interested in go-  
ing.

**CONSENT AGENDA  
ITEMS**

**1. Minutes from the  
previous month's Regu-  
lar Board Meeting:** Mo-  
tion by Blaken, second  
by Zeman to approve the  
minutes from the previous  
meeting. Motion carried  
6-0.

**2. Finance:** Review of  
the expenditures and re-  
ceipts through November.  
There were no budget  
changes. Motion by Wha-  
len, second by Sacia, to  
approve the check sum-  
mary & vouchers in the  
amount of \$1,728,011.95.  
Motion carried 6-0. Cash

flow and activity accounts  
were reviewed.

**3. Personnel Report:  
Resignations:** Motion  
by Zeman, second by  
Stanton, to accept the  
resignation of Jim Briggs  
as Education Coordina-  
tor at the end of the 24-  
25 school year. Tallie  
Kurlinkus-Young has re-  
signed from food service  
but will continue to sub-  
stitute as needed. Motion  
carried 6-0. **Hired Staff:**  
Motion by Blaken, second  
by Whalen, to approve  
hiring Amber Libke as  
paraprofessional. Cheryl  
Thompson will move from  
a substitute food service  
position to a permanent  
position and Tammy La-  
Bar will start in food ser-  
vice on January 2, 2025  
working three days a  
week. Motion carried 6-0.  
**Retirement:** None.  
**DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE  
ACTION**

**1. Hear from State  
FFA Officer Jazmin  
Wagner:** Melrose-Mind-  
oro alumni Jazmin Wag-  
ner was elected to be our  
Section 3 State Secretary  
for FFA. There are 11 sec-  
tions in Wisconsin. This  
is a wonderful honor and  
she is the first female from  
Mel-Min to achieve this  
position. She has trav-  
elled over 7500 miles and  
has been very busy visit-  
ing various schools pro-  
moting FFA activities dur-  
ing her tenure. She also  
invited Mr. Dobbs and  
Mrs. Wiatt to the State  
Convention June 9-10.

**2. Community Survey  
& Referendum Discus-  
sion:** Sue Peterson from  
ISG discussed the survey  
results. To answer Mr.  
Libke's comment he made  
during public comment,  
there are parameters in  
place that would alert her  
if an unusually large num-  
ber of surveys were taken  
from the same IP address.  
These would be reviewed  
and eliminated from the  
results. She stated that  
she did not see this type  
of activity in our survey  
results. There was a 29%  
response rate (717 re-  
sponses). The responses  
showed the most support  
for a recurring referen-  
dum for \$1.2 million over  
the other options (zero/  
no change, \$1.5 or \$1.8  
million) The \$1.2 million  
referendum option trans-  
lates into approximately  
\$162 per \$100,000 value  
in property.

**3. Resolution Autho-  
rizing the School Dis-  
trict Budget to Exceed  
Revenue Limit for Re-  
curring Purposes:** Mo-  
tion by Whalen, second  
by Sacia, to approve a  
*Resolution Authorizing  
the School District Budget  
to Exceed Revenue Limit  
by \$1,200,000 for Recur-  
ring Purposes.* Motion  
carried 6-0.

**4. Resolution Provid-  
ing for a Referendum  
Election on the Ques-  
tion of the Approval of a  
Resolution Authorizing  
the School District Bud-  
get to Exceed Revenue  
Limit for Recurring Pur-  
poses:** Motion by Stan-  
ton, second by Zeman, to  
approve a *Resolution Pro-  
viding for a Referendum  
Election on the Question  
of the Approval of a Res-  
olution Authorizing the  
School District Budget to  
Exceed Revenue Limit by  
\$1,200,000 for Recurring  
Purposes.* Motion carried  
6-0. The language for this

referendum and question  
as it will appear on the  
April 1, 2025 ballot: *'Shall  
the School District of Mel-  
rose-Mindoro, La Crosse,  
Jackson and Monroe  
Counties, Wisconsin,  
be authorized to exceed  
the revenue limit speci-  
fied in Section 121.91,  
Wisconsin Statutes, by  
\$1,200,000 to take effect  
in the 2025-2026 school  
year for recurring purpos-  
es of operational expens-  
es?'* Motion carried 6-0.

**5. Consider High  
School Course Hand-  
book Changes for  
2025-2026:** 7-12th Grade  
Principal Rick Dobbs dis-  
cussed the suggested  
changes to multiple class-  
es that students will be  
able to take in 2025-2026.  
Motion by Stanton, sec-  
ond by Blaken, to approve  
the changes and also limit  
the number of credits that  
the district pays for Start  
College Now and ECCP  
courses to 18 total credits.  
Motion carried 6-0.

**6. Approve Purchase  
of Activity Account  
CDs:** Motion by Blaken,  
second by Rozek, to ap-  
prove moving CDs which  
matured at 2.23% APY to  
4.00% APY for 7 months.  
Motion carried 6-0.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Mo-  
tion by Zeman, second  
by roll call vote to adjourn  
to closed session at 8:50  
p.m. The Board will dis-  
cuss, consider and, if  
appropriate, take action  
pursuant to Wis. Stats  
§19.85(1)(c) "Considering  
employment, promotion,  
compensation or perfor-  
mance evaluation date of  
any public employee over  
which the governmental  
body has jurisdiction or  
exercises responsibility".  
The board, if appropriate,  
will return to open ses-  
sion following the closed  
session to take action on  
the items discussed in the  
closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Zeman, second  
by Rozek to adjourn at  
9:27 p.m. Motion carried  
6-0.

Michelle Murray  
Recorder of Minutes

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ner Journal Feb. 5, 2025.  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
JACKSON COUNTY ZONING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held in the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, Wisconsin on February 17th, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. on the following:

- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2025-01** as requested by Ryan and Karey Stadler, on property located in the NE1/4-SE1/4, Section 18, T22N, R03W, Town of Adams, Jackson County, WI. The request is to construct a mother-in-law suite. (2nd dwelling in the existing garage).
- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2025-02** as requested by Darrel and Peggy Stoen, on property located in the SE1/4-NW1/4, Section 19, T21N, R06W, Town of North Bend, Jackson County, WI. The request is to operate a short-term rental in the R2(Residential) District/A1(Agriculture).
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2024-04** as requested by Joseph and Julie Gen-drich, on property located in the NW1/4-SW1/4, Section 18, T21N, R03W, Town of Brockway, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 5.0 acres of the Official Zoning Map from the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R-2 (Resi-dential) District for the construction of a multi-family unit (Duplex).

The petitioner or their agent must attend the County's Public Hearing.

Jackson County Zoning Department  
307 Main Street, Courthouse  
Black River Falls WI 54615  
715-284-0220  
Jonathan.Hemp@Jacksoncountywivi.gov  
Dustin.Mccune@Jacksoncountywivi.gov  
Jeffrey.White@Jacksoncountywivi.gov  
Brittany.Knudtson@Jacksoncountywivi.gov  
Zoning@Jacksoncountywivi.gov

This public hearing is being held so that the Committee may hear those per-sons who have an interest in the proposed changes, and they will consider all input presented which will aid in their decision-making process. The decision of the Com-mittee to either grant, conditionally grant or to deny any conditional use or subdivi-sion request will be finalized at this public hearing. The Committee, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the full County Board for their final decision to either grant, conditionally grant, or to deny any proposed zone changes. Should you desire more information regarding the proposals, please call or visit the Jackson County Zoning Department, Telephone Number (715) 284-0220.

*A Notice of this Petition will be forwarded to the Town Board. The Town officials will discuss this request and return a "TOWNSHIP POSITION" form. Thus, the Petitioner SHOULD contact the Town Chairman to explain his/her proposal and answer their ques-tions. An effort has also been made to notify adjoining landowners of the proposal/s, so that they may contact the Town Chairman for more information and/or voice their concerns. To ensure that those interested have been notified, please share this notice with your neigh-bors. CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK FOR TOWN MEETING DATE and TIME.*

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Dated this 17th day of January 2025.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
TO ELECTORS**

**Town of Irving, Jackson County WI**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Sec 5.84 that a Public Test of electronic voting equipment will take place on February 8, 2025 at 1:00 pm at Irving Town Hall, N3291 Nichols Rd, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Paula Proft, Clerk, Town of Irving

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**NOTICE TOWN OF FRANKLIN**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025**

**FRANKLIN TOWN HALL**

**townoffranklin.wi.gov**

Bree Lien, Clerk

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**TOWN OF ADAMS**

**Monthly Meeting**

**Will be held on Tues., Feb. 11, 2025**

**at 7 p.m. in the town hall.**

Agenda will include minutes of prior meeting(s), approval and payment of outstanding bills, and any zoning petitions which may be presented. Other items may be added to the agenda prior to the meeting.

Dale Ann Bohac, Clerk

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**TOWN OF ALBION**

**REGULAR**

**MONTHLY MEETING**

**Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025**

**at the Albion Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.**

Regular monthly agenda will be followed.

Notice will be posted in regular posting places.

Joan Hanson, Clerk

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**NOTICE**

**TOWN OF BROCKWAY**

**RESIDENTS**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Brockway Board of Supervisors will be held on **Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025** at the Brockway Town Hall.

Regular monthly agenda will be followed.

Time of the meeting will be immediately following the Sanitary District meeting at 5:45 p.m.

JANN DAHL, CLERK/TREASURER

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**NOTICE**

**ALL DOG OWNERS**

**TOWN OF BROCKWAY**

It is time for you to license your dog for 2025. There are fines for dogs that are not licensed. Also, your dog must be on a leash if it is outside and not on your property. There are fines for dogs that are let run loose. Your dog could be impounded and put under quarantine if it is found and sent to the animal shelter without a license and proof of vaccination. The costs for licenses are very minimal and worth protecting your dog. \$10.00 for unspayed or unneutered and only \$5.00 if they are. Licenses may be obtained at the Brockway Town Hall.

Your cooperation is important.

Thank you,  
Jann Dahl, Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Brockway