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County Board Agenda

DATE: Tuesday, January 20, 2026
TIME: 6:00 PM
PLACE: West Lobby, Calumet County Courthouse

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CALUMET COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The County Board of Supervisors of Calumet County, Wisconsin, will meet pursuant to Section 59 of the Wisconsin Statutes in an adjourned session at the Courthouse in the County Board Room - 019 to transact any and all business as may properly come before said meeting. You, as a member, are requested to be present.

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1. 2ND FLOOR TOUR

At 6:00 PM, Members of the County Board will meet at the West lobby of the courthouse to start a tour of the 2nd floor of the courthouse.

Immediately after the tour, the Board will return to the County Board Room (019) for the remainder of the meeting.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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5.1. [County Board - 16 Dec 2025 - Minutes - Pdf](#)

6. COMMUNICATIONS

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

8. SPECIAL BUSINESS

County Administrator, Todd Romenesko, will briefly discuss the county board rules section on capital improvement projects.

9. RESOLUTION

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- 9.1. **RESOLUTION 2025-17
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR STATE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
[20260120 RES 2025-17 State Individual Assistance Program](#)

10. SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisors' Reports of Meetings and Seminars attended

11. COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT & APPOINTMENT

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- 11.1. Monthly Report
[20260120 County Administrator's Report](#)
- 11.2. **Reappointment of the County Surveyor.** Recommend the reappointment of Brad Buechel, whose term will expire Jan. 31, 2026. The new term will expire Jan. 31, 2028.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

February 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM

13. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(b), the Committee will go into closed session to consider the dismissal, demotion, discipline of a public employee or the investigation of charges against such person.

14. ADJOURNMENT

So as not to disturb the meeting, all cell phones should be placed on vibrate, and all calls should be taken outside the meeting room.

Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodations, should contact the County Clerk at 920-849-1458 at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting time so appropriate arrangements can be made.



County Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

County Clerk

The County Board of Calumet County was called to order on Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM by Chair Connors.

1 ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Dietrich called the meeting to order and roll call was taken:

County Board Members Present: Supervisors Budde, Elliott, LaTour, Thunes, Machesky, Mueller, Lowey, Kesler, Johnston, Pagel-Holzschuh, Schwalenberg, Laughrin, Hofberger, Dietrich, Kolb, Stuckmann, and Wayne.

County Board Members Excused: Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight.

Staff and others present: Todd Romenesko, County Administrator; Beth Leary, County Clerk; Jayna Hintz, Area Extension Director; Carlea Liermann, 4-H Program Coordinator; Chris Meuer, Director of Planning, Zoning and Land Information; Tony Reali, Conservationist; Matt Payette, Operations Manager; Cheryl Heller, Deputy County Clerk; Chad Scheinoa, Highway Commissioner; Adam Backus, Parks Director; Tristan Vukosich, Network Technician; Jim Messer, Desktop Support Specialist; Brett Bowe, Sheriff; Mike Schlaak, Treasurer; Charles Jansen, 4-H member and presenter; and McKenna Maronn, Student Ambassador.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A moment of silence was observed in honor of Dean Connors, Chair Alice Connors' husband, who recently passed away.

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Supervisor Elliott and seconded by Supervisor Budde to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Supervisor Mueller and seconded by Supervisor Johnston to approve the Minutes of the November 3, 2025 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5 SPECIAL BUSINESS

UW Extension – Calumet County Update presented by Jayna Hintz, Carlea Liermann and Charles Jansen. A County Impact Report for October and November 2025, and Mini Skillathon were distributed to the Supervisors. Supervisors were quizzed on feed samples, equipment and cuts of meat to provide demonstration of knowledge learned in 4-H. General discussion followed.

6 RESOLUTIONS

6a. RES 2025-15

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DECEMBER 1, 2025 AS SNOWPLOW DRIVER APPRECIATION DAY IN CALUMET COUNTY

Moved by Supervisor Elliott and seconded by Supervisor Stuckmann to adopt Resolution 2025-15 as presented. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). Resolution 2025-15 was adopted unanimously.

**6b. RES 2025-16
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATERS APPLICATION FOR CALUMET COUNTY**

Moved by Supervisor LaTour and seconded by Supervisor Thunes to adopt Resolution 2025-16 as presented. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). Resolution 2025-16 was adopted unanimously.

7 ORDINANCES

**7a. ORD 2025-14
ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CALUMET COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 66, SECTION 66-4 SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE**

Moved by Supervisor Budde and seconded by Supervisor Stuckmann to enact Ordinance 2025-14. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). Ordinance 2025-14 was enacted unanimously.

**7b. ORD 2025-15
ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 82 - ZONING CODE ON CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF WOODVILLE PROPERTY OF GARY, EILEEN & TRACIE BORNEMANN**

Moved by Supervisor Mueller and seconded by Supervisor Elliott to enact Ordinance 2025-15 as presented. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). Ordinance 2025-15 was enacted unanimously.

**7c. ORD 2025-16
ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 82 - ZONING CODE ON CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF WOODVILLE PROPERTY OF GVD ENTERPRISES LLC**

Moved by Supervisor Budde and seconded by Supervisor Thunes to enact Ordinance 2025-16 as presented. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). Ordinance 2025-16 was enacted unanimously.

8 SUPERVISOR REPORTS

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9 COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT & APPOINTMENTS

9a. The County Administrator's Report was provided to the Board with their Agenda Packets.

9b. APPOINTMENTS

Appointment to the Manitowoc-Calumet County Library System Board. Recommend the reappointment of Mary Hoerth, whose term will expire 1/1/2026. The new term will expire 1/1/2029.

Appointment to the Manitowoc-Calumet County Library System Board. Recommend the reappointment of Ronald Dietrich, whose term will expire 1/1/2026. The new term will expire 1/1/2029.

Moved by Supervisor Budde and seconded by Supervisor Elliott to approve the reappointments, as recommended by the County Administrator. On the call of the ayes and nays, the following was the result: 17 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused (Cleveland, Connors, Stier and Voight). The reappointments were approved unanimously.

10 NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

January 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM

11 ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Dietrich adjourned the meeting at 6:58 PM.

State of Wisconsin)
Calumet County)

I, Beth A. Leary, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of proceedings of the County Board Meeting.

/s/ Beth A. Leary, Calumet County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2025-17
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR
STATE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Executive Summary

Individual assistance programs are critical to helping residents and businesses recover after disasters by providing support such as emergency housing, home repairs, and financial aid. Wisconsin currently lacks a State-funded disaster assistance program, leaving many survivors reliant on limited federal resources and creating gaps in recovery. This resolution supports proposed legislation to establish a state disaster relief fund, ensuring faster, more accessible assistance for individuals and businesses impacted by disasters across Wisconsin.

WHEREAS, individual assistance programs for citizens and businesses following a disaster are vital to the well-being and stability of communities, providing crucial support to families and industries during times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, these programs, which may include but are not limited to emergency housing assistance, home assistance/repairs, housing, and financial support, are essential for addressing the immediate and long-term needs of residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, no State funding currently exists to help disaster victims in Wisconsin, and they are often left behind after disasters due to less accessible federal aid; and

WHEREAS, several other states have addressed this issue by creating a state fund for disaster relief; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has put forth a bill to create a state fund for individuals and businesses to be able to apply for aid following being impacted by an event;

WHEREAS, this Resolution was presented, reviewed, and approved at the Administrative Services Committee meeting on January 13, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Calumet County Board of Supervisors is in support of such a bill that would ensure that individuals and businesses throughout the State will have quick and easy access to emergency aid when needed.

Dated this 20th day of January, 2026.

**INTRODUCED BY THE
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Ronald Dietrich, Chair

AGENDA ITEM #9.1.

Pete Stier

Matthew Budde

Ty Stuckmann

Mary Schwalenberg

Joan Pagel-Holzschuh

Mike Hofberger

COUNTERSIGNED BY

Alice Connors, County Board Chair

Fiscal Note: This resolution does not require appropriation from the General Fund.



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Department of Administration

County Administrator's Report

January 2026

Hiring Update – January 12, 2026

Sourcing/Accepting Applications (Open until filled, unless noted):

Full-time/Part-time:

- Accounting Manager
- Correctional Officer (Female)
- Deputy Sheriff
- Facilities Maintenance Technician
- HHC/Hospice RN
- Payroll Accountant
- Soil Health Specialist/Agricultural Educator

Casual/Limited-Term:

- HHC/Hospice Aide (Casual)
- HHC/Hospice RN (Casual)
- Meal Site Manager (Casual)
- Meal Site Manager (Part-Time)
- Night/Weekend Ranger (Seasonal) (FT & PT)
- Park Building Attendant (Seasonal)
- Ranger/Maintenance Worker (Seasonal)
- Transport Officer (Casual)
- Van Driver (Casual)

Hired:

Full-time/Part-time:

- Accountant – 1/1/26
- Administrative Assistant HHSD – 1/5/26
- Deputy Sheriff – 1/5/26
- Economic Support/Child Support Lead Worker (Internal) – 12/29/25



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- Family Support Worker – 1/12/26
- Highway Maintenance Technician – 1/12/26
- Human Resources Generalist (Internal) – 1/12/26

Casual:

Van Driver (Casual) – 12/17/25

Milestone Work Anniversaries (October– December 2025)

Years Worked	Employee Name	Department
35	Brett Bowe	Sheriff's Office
25	Lea Calaway	Circuit Court
25	LeAnne Karls	Department of Health and Human Services
15	Catherine Ellis	Department of Health and Human Services
15	Joshua Torrison	Highway Department
10	Jake Menzel	Sheriff's Office
5	Linda Karls	Department of Health and Human Services
5	Ellis Kirchenwitz	Sheriff's Office
5	Nicholas Krueger	Highway Department
5	Bernadette Prescott	Sheriff's Office
5	Brian Reedy	Sheriff's Office
3	Madison Brickl	Department of Health and Human Services
3	Adam Kernz	Highway Department
3	James Messer	Information Technologies
3	Julie Rach	Department of Health and Human Services
3	Matthew Scharenbroch	Highway Department
3	Shelly Sell	Department of Health and Human Services
1	Kaitlyn Bochniak	Land and Water Conservation
1	Gayle Klich	Department of Health and Human Services
1	Spencer Loebel	Highway Department
1	David Mueller Jr.	Highway Department
1	Derek Stern	Maintenance Department
1	Alison Stumpf	District Attorney
1	Tina Weinke	Department of Health and Human Services

County Board Anniversaries 2025

Years	Employee Name
15	Matthew Budde
15	Joseph Mueller
15	Peter Stier
5	Nicholas Kesler
5	Emily Voigt

Best Wishes on Retirement

After 32 years of dedication and service to Calumet County, Shari Holterman, Administrative Assistant for the Health and Human Services Department, will be retiring on January 23rd. We invite you to join us in congratulating Shari on her remarkable career and wishing her the very best as she embarks on this next chapter.

Calumet County to Launch Supportive Home Care Division in 2026

Calumet County is launching a Supportive Home Care Division, a comprehensive program designed to support individuals who need assistance in their home. The program emphasizes compassionate, dependable, and person-centered care that promotes independence, preserves dignity, and enhances overall quality of life. By delivering supportive services directly in the home, Supportive Home Care helps individuals remain in familiar surroundings while maintaining safety, comfort, and personal choice.

Supportive Home Care offers a range of services tailored to meet individual needs. These services may include light housekeeping, meal preparation and cooking, assistance with bathing and dressing, and companionship to encourage social connection and emotional well-being. The program’s mission is to provide reliable support that allows individuals to continue living in their own homes for as long as possible, while also offering peace of mind to families and caregivers. Through respectful collaboration and individualized care planning, the program works to complement and strengthen existing caregiving efforts.

Amber Kraemer, RN, has been selected as the Supervisor of the Supportive Home Care program. Amber has worked with Calumet County for the past two and a half years, previously serving as a Registered Nurse Case Manager with the Home Care & Hospice team. In that role, she partnered closely with clients and families to assess needs, coordinate care, and ensure services aligned with each individual’s goals. Before joining Calumet County, Amber served as a Registered Nursing Supervisor in an assisted living facility, where she developed strong leadership skills and a solid foundation in long-term care.

As Supervisor, Amber will oversee program operations, provide professional guidance, and ensure services are delivered in a compassionate, consistent, and high-quality manner. Her experience across both community-based and residential care settings positions her well to lead and grow the Supportive Home Care program.

Empowering Growth: Introducing NeoGov Learn to the County

In our commitment to professional excellence and streamlined operations, the County is excited to announce the upcoming launch of NeoGov Learn. This centralized, online training platform is designed to serve as the "one-stop shop" for all employee development, from your first day of onboarding through your entire career with the County.

By consolidating our educational resources into one powerful system, we are moving away from fragmented tracking and toward a future of accessible, automated, and comprehensive learning.

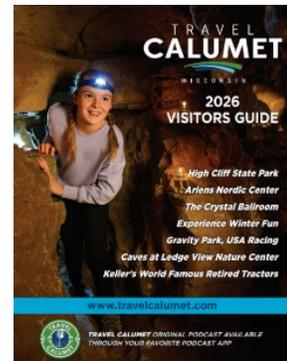
NeoGov Learn is more than just a video library; it is an end-to-end learning management system (LMS) tailored specifically for the public sector. Key features include:

- **Expansive Content Library:** Access a vast selection of pre-built courses designed for roles within Calumet County.
- **Customization:** Departments can build their own courses or upload specific training content to meet unique operational needs.
- **Automated Compliance:** The system automatically enrolls employees based on their position or department, sends automated reminders, and tracks essential licenses and certifications.
- **Mobile Accessibility:** Complete your training on your schedule using the user-friendly dashboard or the mobile app

HR is completing the final touches on the County's course catalog and building learning paths before rolling out Learn to all County users. Rollout to staff will occur in the second quarter of 2026.

Tourism

The new Travel Calumet Visitors Guide was published the last week of 2025, with the cover photo featuring the caves at Ledgeview Nature Center. The new guides will be distributed to local tourism venues, businesses, and various rest stops and visitor centers throughout the state. To see a copy of the 2026 Travel Calumet Visitors Guide, click [HERE](#).





**American Rescue Plan Act
2025 4th Quarter ARPA Report**

Background Information

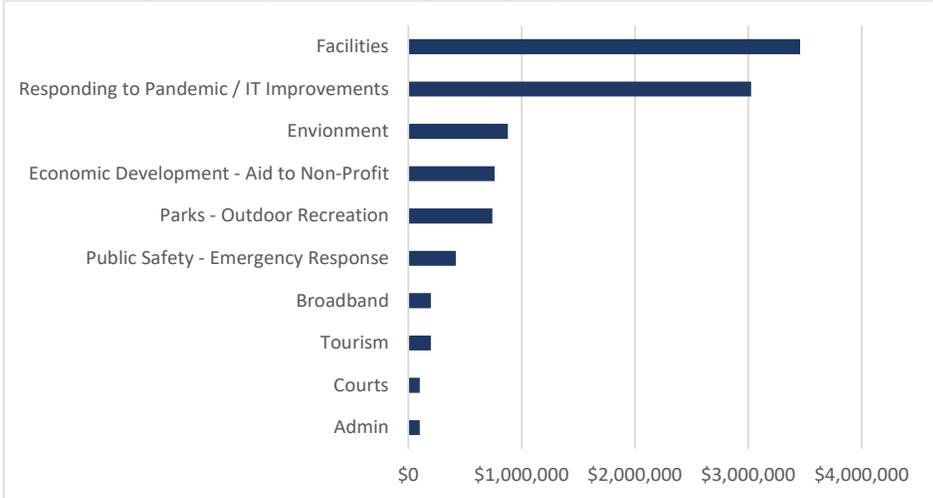
The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 provided \$9,729,201 in direct federal recovery aid to Calumet County. 43 projects were approved, and approximately \$9,566,100 (98.3%) of funding has been expended to date. All remaining funds were obligated prior to December 31, 2024, and will be spent, as required, by December 31, 2026. Currently there are three active projects, two of which are nearly complete.

Current Status of ARPA Funding

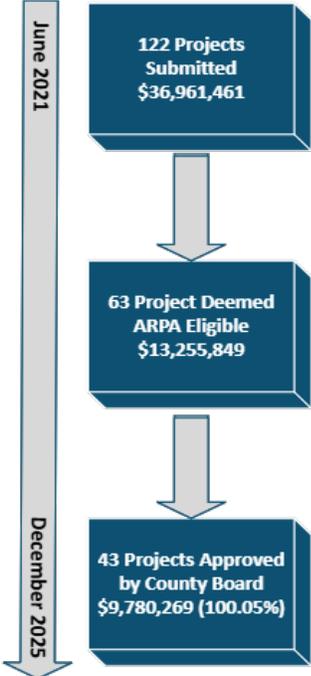
Approved ARPA Obligations	\$9,729,201
Round 1 Funding (23), 2021 Budget Amendment	\$1,649,850*
Round 2 Funding (8), 2022 Budget	\$1,093,500*
Round 3 Funding (2), 2022 Budget Amendment	\$739,783
Round 4 Funding (1), 2022 Budget Amendment	\$1,750,000
Round 5 Funding (3), 2023 Budget	\$2,703,000
Round 6 Funding (2), 2023 Budget Amendment	\$120,000
Round 7 Funding (1), 2023 Budget Amendment	\$554,185
Round 8 Funding (3), 2024 Budget	\$1,095,000
Round 9 Funding (1), 2024 Budget Amendment	\$0**
<u>Round 10 Funding (2), 2024 Budget Amendment</u>	<u>\$23,883***</u>
Remaining	\$0*

*Number reflects project obligations approved; not actual funding spent.
 **\$614,537 was applied here to fund Ledgeview renovations. \$190,713 taken from Broadband (Tier 2) and the \$423,824 ERP project (Tier 5)
 *** Remaining \$23,883 plus reallocation of unused *ARPA funds for the Appleton Office Renovation Project

ARPA Obligated Project Funding Category to Date



ARPA Projects Requested



Projects by Department / Entity

Administration	3
Emergency Management	2
Health and Human Services	1
Maintenance	4
Information Technology	6
Land & Water Conservation	2
Parks	7
Planning & Zoning	2
Sheriff's	4
Tourism/Economic Development	3
Treasurer	1
Community Assistance – Non-Profit *Multicultural Committee *Thompson Community Center *Fox Cities Chamber *CCR&R Early Child Hood Stabilization *Hilbert St. Vincent Depaul	5
City of Chilton (Nennig Park)	1
Total	41

Current Status of ARPA Projects

