

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Thursday, October 2, 2025

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Taylor.

Roll Call: Present- Commissioners Aason Sogge, Jason Nelson, Mark Nyman, Sandy Bengelink, Julie Theobald, Gary Taylor, Jason Baughan, and Brian Potter.

Absent- Michael Bush.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda-

Add: J.7 Resolution No 25-17 Resolution to Increase the Compensation to Members of the Wexford County Road Commission.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve the agenda, as amended.

All in Favor.

Employee Recognition-

Rob Kulpa received a Certificate of Recognition for 15 years of service with the County.

Presentation and Reports- None

Public Comment-None

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of September 17, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve the Consent Agenda.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. On-site Flu Clinic
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve the Cadillac Family Physicians provide on-site flu immunizations and Wexford County pay the full \$45 for any employee whose cost is not covered by insurance.

Roll Call: Motion passed 8-0.

2. Resolution No. 25-16 Extending Appreciation for Randy Boike’s Dedicated Service
MOTION by Comm Nyman, seconded by Comm Nelson to approve Resolution 25-16 Extending Appreciation for Randy Boike’s Dedicated Service.

Roll Call: Motion passed unanimously

3. Sheriff’s Request to Send Two Cadets to Police Academy
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Nelson to approve the Sheriff’s request to send up two cadets to the Police Academy in January 2026.

Comm Sogge asked if the government shut down would affect the grant money allocation.

Sheriff Taylor responded that the budget for the Grant money had not been approved. They are hoping the grant money will be approved with the State Budget.

Roll Call: Motion passed 8-0.

4. Safe Workplace Policy
MOTION by Comm Nyman, seconded by Comm Sogge to approve adding the Safe Work Policy to the County’s Policy Manual.

Roll Call: Motion passed 8-0.

5. Budget Amendments
MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Nyman to approve the budget amendment dated October 2, 2025.

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	BOC Meeting Date	Acct	Acct Description	Revenue	Expense
D	2025-10-02	101-283-802.00	Computer Services		\$ (15,000.00)
		101-279-702.16	Circuit Transcripts		\$ 15,000.00
	Total				\$15,000.00
	<i>Comment/Reasoning: Transcripts costs went up.</i>				
E	2025-10-02	101-301-702.03	Permanent Employees		(\$9,318.00)
		101-301-957.00	Training		\$9,318.00

Total	\$ 9,318.00
<i>Comment/Reasoning: To pay for Police Academy.</i>	

Roll Call: Motion passed 8-0.

6. Victims Advocate Grant Agreement for FY26

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Nelson approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Victims Advocate Grant Agreement and authorize the Board Chairman to sign on behalf of the County.

Roll Call: Motion passed 8-0.

7. Resolution No 25-17 Resolution to Increase the Compensation to Members of the Wexford County Road Commission.

MOTION by Comm Nyman, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve Resolution 25-17 Resolution to Increase the Compensation to Members of the Wexford County Road Commission.

Roll Call: Motion passed 7-1 with Commissioner Nelson voting against the Motion.

Administrator's Report-

Administrator Porterfield mentioned that the State budget is close, but as of current, not yet approved. Mr. Porterfield explained the differences between the budgets presented by the House vs the Senate, and that the Senate version is much better for counties as far as revenue sharing and public safety money. He also mentioned that until the Budget is approved, it also affects our current grants with the county. He encouraged the Board and local officials to reach out to our local legislators.

Correspondence- None.

Public Comments-

Nikki Schultz, Alliance for Economic Success, extended an invitation to the 2nd Annual Developer Day on October 14, 2025.

Don Koshmider, Cadillac, Michigan, thanked our County Clerk for keeping great records. He mentioned that he is trying to raise awareness and save lives and encouraged everyone to watch InfoWars. Mr. Koshmider mentioned House Bill 4304 and the increasing amount of chem trails.

Liaison Reports-

Comm Potter updated the Board on Clam Lake DDA. He also thanked the Board for their support with Resolution 25-17 regarding the Road Commission.

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Comm Nyman updated the Board on CMH and how DHS is trying to change the way they insure people who can't afford healthcare. He encouraged the Board to reach out to the local legislation.

Board Comments-

Comm Potter encouraged the Board to reach to local legislation regarding revenue sharing from the State.

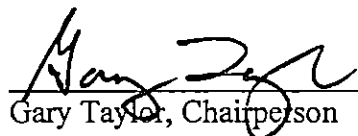
Comm Theobald thanked the Board for all of their help and support and extra help for the last few months.

Chairman's Comments-

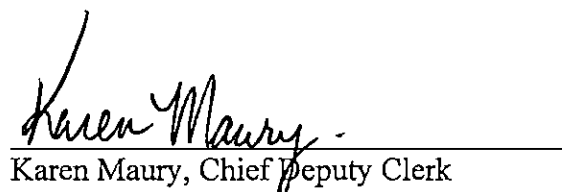
Chair Taylor thanked everyone for attending.

Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Baughan to adjourn at 4:18 p.m. All in favor.



Gary Taylor, Chairperson



Karen Maury, Chief Deputy Clerk