

**Present:** Schneider, Wedwick, Cudo, Gorsegner, Vohs

**Others Present:** Theresa Ludvigsen (virtual), Miranda Kron, Phil Grassmann (virtual), Ashley Gudis, Marty Huhn

**Call to Order** – Meeting called to order by Chair Wedwick at 8:00am

## Approval of the Minutes

*Motion by Gorsegner, second by Vohs to approve the December 10, 2025 minutes as prepared. Motion carried.*

## Public Comment

Marty Huhn spoke on the ambulance program history.

## Rusk County Emergency Management/Ambulance Presentation

- Reviewed monthly report including death statistics and general department updates.
- Out-of-County Training Requests: T. Ludvigsen, Scott, Rae & Sarah [02/03-02/07 – WEMSA Conference – Green Bay] *Motion by Schneider, second by Gorsegner to approve all out of county travel requests. Motion carried.*
- Payment of Bills: *Motion by Cudo, second by Gorsegner to approve the payment approval report. Motion carried.*
- Budget Review: Committee consensus to table the budget discussion until the February meeting when Beata, finance director, is able to attend and present the new budget report forms.
- Approve Emergency Management and Ambulance Director Position – A. Gudis presented resolution Appointing Rusk County Emergency Management and Ambulance Director to the committee. Discussion held. *Motion by Cudo, second by Vohs to approve the resolution as presented for the Emergency Management and Ambulance Director position and forward to County Board. Motion carried.*
- Review and Approve Changes to the Ambulance Administrative and Operations Handbook: Discussion held. *Motion by Cudo, second by Gorsegner to approve changes to the handbook. Motion carried.*
- Resolution Amend the 2026 Budget for Additional Training and to Purchase Emergency Management Radios using Continuing Appropriations Fund: Discussion held. *Motion by Schneider, second by Gorsegner to approve the resolution as presented and forward to Finance. Further discussion held. Roll-call vote: YES – Wedwick, Vohs, Gorsegner, Cudo. NO – Schneider. Schneider withdrew original motion. Motion by Cudo, second by Vohs to approve the resolution as presented and forward to finance. Roll-call vote: YES – Wedwick, Vohs, Gorsegner, Cudo. NO – Schneider. Motion carried.*
- Resolution Amend the 2025 Budget to Purchase Emergency Management Radios using Continuing Appropriations Fund: Discussion held. *Motion by Cudo, second by Gorsegner to approve the resolution as presented and forward to Finance. Motion carried.*

## Rusk County Medical Examiner Presentation

- Review of monthly report including ambulance needs/repairs and general department updates.
- Out-of-County Training Requests: None
- Payment of Bills: *Motion by Schneider, second by Cudo to approve the payment approval report. Motion carried.*
- Budget Review: Committee consensus to table the budget discussion until the February meeting when Beata, finance director, is able to attend and present the new budget report forms.

## Rusk County Sheriff Presentation

- Reviewed monthly report including inmate housing updates, calls for service, overtime shifts, and general department updates.

- Out-of-County Training Requests: Herr [01/12-02/12 – Jail Academy – CVTC/Eau Claire] Olynick [02/25-02/27 – WLIA Conference – WI Dells] Grassmann [01/12-01/16 – DOJ New Sheriff's & Chief Training – Peewaukee] Grassmann [02/10-02/11 – 2026 Legislative Conference – Madison] *Motion by Schneider, second by Gorsegner to approve all out of county travel requests with the addition of Terry Wedwick to attend the 2026 Legislative Conference if he chooses to attend. Motion carried.*
- Payment of Bills: *Motion by Cudo, second by Vobs to approve the payment approval report. Motion carried.*
- Budget Review: Committee consensus to table the budget discussion until the February meeting when Beata, finance director, is able to attend and present the new budget report forms.
- Resolution Amend 2026 Budget for Full-Time Court Services Officer's Wages and Benefits with the Sheriff's Department: Discussion held. *Motion by Gorsegner, second by Schneider to approve the resolution with the amendments to the table on line 36 moving wages from Patrol (100-21-52111-121) to Reserve (100-21-52111-115) with fringe expenses left in their respective lines and forward to finance. Motion carried.*
- Resolution Authorizing the Use of Excess Funds from the 2024 Radio Upgrade/Tower Project for 2026 Sheriff's Mobile Data Computer (MDC) Upgrades: Discussion held. Committee consensus is to table this discussion until an accurate quote is received for the purchase.

**Next Regular Meeting Date** – February 11, 2026 at 8:00am

**Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn at 9:27am