

**Public Hearing for 2025 Proposed Budget  
Iron County Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting  
Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2024  
Approved**

**Special Order of Business:** Public Hearing at 6:00pm on the proposed 2025 Iron County Budget.

1. Public Hearing Discussion:  
Public hearing was called to order by Youngs at 6:00pm.  
Julia with the Mercer Public Library talked about the library funding that goes through the towns annually via taxes.
2. Close Public Hearing  
Closed the public hearing at 6:15pm
  
1. Meeting called to order:  
Regular meeting continued at 6:15pm
2. Roll call:  
Present were Francis, Youngs, Haeger, Swartz, Krall, Hanson, Erickson, Boes, Laer, Lutgen, Hiller, Wolff, Mullard. Absent were Thomas and Loreti.
3. Acknowledge that the meeting was properly noticed and posted:  
The clerk certified the meeting was properly noticed.
4. Approve minutes of October 29, 2024 as presented:  
Motion to approve the minutes with corrections made by Lutgen, seconded by Lauer. All yes, carried.
5. Communications:  
The clerk asked that the board pick out a day to hold the Regular Board meeting in December. The Board will meet on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.
6. Committee, Department Heads and Chairman's Report:  
Swartz noted that the Memorial Committee met and will be getting new flooring in December and he is currently working on new lighting. They are continuing to work on the 501C3 status for the Memorial.  
Hanson noted that there will be a schedule change with the Airline at the Airport due to adding another stop. They will also not be running flights this year on holiday but will be running them on Saturdays before and after those holidays.  
Lauer noted that the Senior Center Survey is completed, and there will be another Transportation meeting on Thursday.
7. Public comment pursuant to Resolution #2341:  
None
8. Discuss/Action to Reappoint Steven Finco for a 3-year term on the Iron County Board of Adjustment:  
Motion to appoint Steve Finco for a 3-year term on the Board of Adjustment made by Wolff, seconded by Francis. All yes, carried.

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9. Discuss/Action to determine if a wage and benefits study should be completed:  
After asking the employees ways to save money through a recent survey and determining that most were centered around wages and benefits, we are looking at completing a wages and benefits study. This could be most advantageous to us and let us know where we are. The Cost would be around \$20 to \$25,000. Motion to allocate \$25,000 to scope out wage and benefits study made by Lutgen, seconded by Hiller. All yes, carried.

10. Approval of 2025 Budget - Resolution # 2024 – 3078:

**PASSAGE OF 2025 BUDGET**

RESOLVED: By the Iron County Board of Supervisors, in session this 12th day of November, 2024, do adopt the budget for the year of 2025, as herein presented and/or amended, therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the County Clerk be and is hereby instructed and ordered to apportion the same against all taxable property of Iron County Real and Personal, pursuant to actions and recommendations of the Iron County Board and Wisconsin Statutes

BY THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, NOVEMBER 12, 2024.

**EXPENDITURES FOR OPERATIONS**

General Government	\$ 2,814,920
Public Safety	2,982,406
Health and Human Services	3,503,020
Human Services	1,066,891
Public Works	216,895
Culture, Recreation and Education	933,385
Conservation and Development	1,426,877
Debt Service	1,461,572
Highway Operations	2,257,383
Capital Fund	4,800,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 21,463,349
LESS REVENUES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 15,428,992
YEAR 2024 LEVY, COLLECTED IN 2025	\$ 6,034,357
MILL RATE FOR 2025	\$ 4.07/\$1,000 assessment

Wolff noted that he made an error on the levy amount he used and that was in the paper so that amount is \$34,397 less than it was. We need to adjust for the new POWTS fee which will adjust the License and Permits line by \$54,000 and the difference would go to applied funds. We then need to add \$25,000 to the expense line item for general government to add in the wage study.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-3078 with the one change to increase general government by \$25,000 and the Revenues other than Property Taxes to \$15,428,992 made by Wolff, seconded by Lauer. All yes, Carried.

11. Adjournment:  
Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm.

Approved: December 11, 2024

Christan Brandt, Iron County Clerk  
Dated & Posted: November 7, 2024