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Baraboo Area Fire and EMS District Special Commission Meeting
Baraboo Fire & EMS Station 135 4th Street, Baraboo, WI
Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at 6:00pm

Commissioners Present: Heather Kierzek, Eugene Larsen, Greg Wise, Brett Topham, Randy Puttkamer, Terry Turnquist, Mike Arndt, Heather Poker for Dave Kitkowski

Commissioners Excused: Steve Hause

Others Present: Caleb Johnson, Josh Hecht, Megan Marshall, Julie Ostrander

Call Meeting to Order – Meeting was called to order by Heather Kierzek at 6:00pm.

Note compliance with the Open Meeting Law – Compliance with Open Meeting Law verified.

Roll Call – Roll call was taken.

Adoption of Agenda – Motion by Mike Arndt, seconded by Terry Turnquist to approve. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments – Spencer Nett (IAFF Local President/Resident of City of Baraboo), Andrea Lombard (City of Baraboo Alderperson).

New Business

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

1. 2027 Expenditure Reductions – Motion to have an independent audit agency to assess the Interfacility Transfer numbers by Mike Arndt, seconded by Eugene Larsen. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.
2. Resolution No. 2026-11 Notice of Intent to Increase Municipal Assessments for the 2027 Budget Year. – Motion by Greg Wise, seconded by Heather Kierzek to approve. Roll call vote: Mike Arndt – No, Heather Kierzek – Yes, Eugene Larsen – Yes, Brett Topham – No, Terry Turnquist – No, Greg Wise – Yes, Randy Puttkamer – No. 4 No's, 3 Yes's, motion fails.

Commissioner Comments & Future Agenda Items

- Next Meeting Date: July 29, 2026 6:30pm

Adjournment – Motion by Brett Topham, seconded by Eugene Larsen to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Megan Marshall, Executive Assistant, Baraboo Fire and EMS District