

PUBLIC SAFETY and JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Called by: Brad Lindmark, Chairman

DATE: MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026

Members: Aaron Booker, Angie Goral, Kevin McCarthy, Tim Nabors, Chris Scrol, Michael Thompson

TIME: 5:30 PM

LOCATION: ROOM 303
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BLDG
404 ELM STREET
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of April 13, 2026 Minutes
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters which are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you.
- E. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Winnebago, Illinois and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)
- F. Resolution Authorizing the Winnebago County Chairman to Request a Modification to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Operation and Funding of the Winnebago County Emergency Telephone System
- G. Future Agenda Items
- H. Adjournment

Winnebago County Board
Public Safety and Judiciary Committee Meeting
County Administration Building
404 Elm Street, Room 303
Rockford, IL 61101

Monday, April 13, 2026

Immediately Following the Economic Development Committee Meeting

Present:

Brad Lindmark, **Chairperson**
Aaron Booker
Angie Goral
Tim Nabors
Ray Thompson (Sub)

Others Present:

Rick Ciganek, WCSO
Chris Dornbush, Chief Operations Officer
Chris Petrus, IT
Freddy De La Trinidad, County Board Member
Dan Murdock, Sales Manager, Flock Safety, Drones DFR
Kathleen (Kathy) Graham, DFR Specialist, Flock Safety, Drones
DFR (via Zoom)

Absent:

Kevin McCarthy
Chris Scrol
Michael Thompson

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of March 26, 2026 Minutes
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first-come basis with sign-up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters that are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee, or the County Board. Personnel matters, pending or threatened litigation, may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgment by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you.
- E. Drones as a First Responder Program – Presentation (Zoom)
- F. Future Agenda Items
- G. Adjournment

Call to Order

Chairperson Lindmark called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call

Chairperson Lindmark, yes; Mr. Booker, yes; Ms. Goral, yes; Mr. Nabors, yes; Mr. Ray Thompson, yes (sub).

A quorum is present.

Approval of March 26, 2026 Minutes

Chairperson Lindmark called for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2026, meeting.

Motion: Ms. Goral. Second: Mr. Booker.

Chairperson Lindmark called for a vote on the motion to approve the minutes.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

Chairperson Lindmark omitted reading the Public Comment Section of the Agenda because no one was present to speak.

Drones as a First Responder Program – Presentation (Zoom)

Chief Ciganek provided background on the Sheriff's Department's interest in acquiring drones for the first responder program. He then introduced Dan Murdock and Kathleen Graham (via Zoom) from Flock Safety, who presented on the role of drones in the program. As part of the presentation, Kathleen remotely operated a drone for the committee.

- A discussion followed.

Chairperson Lindmark called for any further questions and thanked Dan Murdock and Kathleen Graham for the presentation.

Future Agenda Items

None reported.

Adjournment

Chairperson Lindmark called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Mr. Nabors. Second: Mr. Ray Thompson.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile
Executive Assistant



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Rick Ciganek
Committee: Public Safety and Judiciary Committee
Committee Date: May 18, 2026
Board Meeting Date: May 28, 2026
Resolution Title: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Winnebago, Illinois and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)

Budget Information:

Was item budgeted? No	Appropriation Amount: 738,894.93
If not, explain funding source: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services	
ORG/OBJ/Project Code: N/A	Budget Impact: N/A

Background Information: The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office proposes to extend its agreement to continue providing policing services for the Rockford Area DCFS office. The Sheriff's Office has successfully provided these services for the past two years, and this extension will allow for the continued assignment of a Deputy to support the safety and operational needs of the office. The proposed contract extension is for an additional four-year term, with all costs associated with the Deputy position to be covered by the State of Illinois – DCFS.

Recommendation: Approve the agreement.

Contract/Agreement: Attached

Legal Review: The State's Attorney's Office has reviewed and approved the contract.

Follow-Up: n/a

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS**

Sponsored by: Brad Lindmark, Committee Chairman
Submitted by: Public Safety and Judiciary Committee

2026 CR

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF
WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS AND THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS)**

WHEREAS, the County of Winnebago, Illinois, on behalf of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office ("Sheriff's Office"), has previously partnered with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services ("DCFS") to support Child Protection Specialists ("CPS") in the performance of duties related to home visits, safety assessments, safety and wellbeing checks, taking youth into protective custody, and other responsibilities requiring visits to a client's home; and

WHEREAS, DCFS and the Sheriff's Office desire to continue and renew their collaborative efforts to enhance safety protocols and measures for CPS while performing the aforementioned duties; and

WHEREAS, the parties are authorized by the Illinois Constitution of 1970, Article VII, Section 10 and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 *et seq.* to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for the provision of such services by the Sheriff's Office, and the parties desire to enter into such an agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee of the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois, has reviewed the proposed terms of the Intergovernmental Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A, and recommends executing the agreement under the terms set forth in the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois, that the Winnebago County Board Chairman is authorized to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Winnebago, Illinois, on behalf of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), in substantially the same form as contained in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk of the County Board is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the Winnebago County Sheriff, Director of Purchasing, Finance Director, County Board Office and County Auditor.

**Respectfully submitted,
PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

AGREE

DISAGREE

BRAD LINDMARK, CHAIR

BRAD LINDMARK, CHAIR

AARON BOOKER

AARON BOOKER

ANGIE GORAL

ANGIE GORAL

KEVIN MCCARTHY

KEVIN MCCARTHY

TIM NABORS

TIM NABORS

CHRIS SCROL

CHRIS SCROL

MICHAEL THOMPSON

MICHAEL THOMPSON

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois this ____ day of _____ 2026.

ATTESTED BY:

JOSEPH V. CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

LORI GUMMOW
CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

EXHIBIT A

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO ON BEHALF OF THE WINNEBAGO SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

This Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") is entered into by and between the County of Winnebago ("County") on behalf of the Sheriff of Winnebago County ("Sheriff's Office") and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services ("DCFS") (individually, a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties"), pursuant to authority granted by the Illinois Constitution of 1970, Article VII, Section 10 and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 *et seq.*

I. RECITALS

WHEREAS, DCFS has the primary responsibility of protecting children through the investigation of suspected abuse or neglect by parents and other caregivers in a position of trust or authority over the child; and

WHEREAS, the Child Protection Division (CPD) is a specialized component within DCFS tasked with the crucial role of investigations into the alleged abuse or neglect of a child; and

WHEREAS, DCFS Child Protection Specialists (CPS) are required to implement the duties and responsibilities of CPD by assessing immediate safety of children and initiating appropriate levels of protection needed, observing family situations relating to allegations of abuse and neglect, interviewing alleged victims and perpetrators, and placing children in protective custody if necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office is in a unique position to help support CPS as they perform their duties related to home visits, safety assessments, safety and wellbeing checks, taking youth into protective custody, and other responsibilities that require visiting a client's home; and

WHEREAS, DCFS desires to collaborate with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office to enhance safety protocols and measures for CPS when they conduct required home visits, safety assessments, safety and well-being checks, taking youth into protective custody, and other responsibilities which requires visiting a client's home; and

WHEREAS, a strong collaboration between DCFS and the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office to enhance safety protocols and measures will help support CPS in performing their job duties and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, DCFS and the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office have created a specialized unit comprised of a Deputy Sheriff to accompany and assist CPS during home visits, safety assessments, safety and well-being checks, taking youth into protective custody, and other responsibilities which requires CPS to visit a client's home.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises, covenants, terms, and conditions set forth in this IGA, the Parties agree as follows:

II. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

III. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. *DCFS Responsibilities*

- i. CPS will identify, with direction from the Child Protection Specialist Supervisor, Area Administrator, or Regional Administrator, instances in which a Deputy Sheriff is needed to accompany and assist CPS to a home visit, safety assessment, safety and well-being check, taking youth into protective custody, or other responsibilities which requires CPS to visit a client's home.
- ii. CPS will make reasonable efforts to identify and assess any known safety risks prior to conducting any home visit, safety assessment, safety and well-being check, taking youth into protective custody, or other responsibilities which requires CPS to visit to a client's home.
- iii. CPS will fully brief the assigned Deputy Sheriff on all pertinent and non-confidential information, including any identified risks associated with the home visit, safety assessment, safety and well-being check, or other responsibilities which requires CPS to visit a client's home.
- iv. As directed by the Deputy Sheriff, CPS will adhere to any safety measures identified by the Deputy Sheriff in response to the known risks associated with the home visit, safety assessment, safety and well-being check, or other responsibilities which requires CPS to visit a client's home.
- v. If the Deputy Sheriff is dissatisfied with the performance of DCFS pursuant to this IGA, DCFS and the Sheriff's Office shall find a mutually agreeable solution.

B. *Winnebago County Sheriff's Office's Responsibilities*

- i. Provided DCFS performs under Section V, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall make all reasonable efforts to assign one (1) Deputy Sheriff and one (1) squad car to the Rockford Field Office CPD to accompany and assist CPS as needed in Winnebago County.
- ii. Contingent on operational capacity, as determined in Winnebago County Sheriff's Office sole discretion, the Deputy Sheriff shall be available five (5) days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to Rockford CPD.
- iii. In the event that the assigned Deputy Sheriff has taken benefit time or leave, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall assign an appropriate individual for coverage purposes and to assume the duties and responsibilities of the assigned Deputy Sheriff.

- iv. As permitted by other duties, as determined in Winnebago County Sheriff's Office sole discretion, the assigned Deputy Sheriff shall assist the Rockford Field Office CPD in executing child protection warrants issued by the 17th Judicial Circuit Court of Winnebago County to help locate and return missing youth in care to DCFS.
 - v. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office will support, assist and escort CPS as they perform their duties related to home visits, safety assessments, safety and wellbeing checks, taking youth into protective custody, and other responsibilities that require visiting a client's home; and
 - vi. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall provide vehicles, fuel, computers, and routine supplies for the general operations as deemed necessary by the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office.
 - vii. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall provide command staff for the Deputy Sheriff detailed to the Rockford Field Office CPD.
 - viii. Command and control of any and all personnel employed by Winnebago County or the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and assigned to the Rockford Field Office CPD shall be through the chain-of-command of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office according to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office's General Orders, rules, and regulations.
 - ix. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office personnel assigned to the Rockford Field Office CPD shall report, document, and record their activities, including the number of home visits with which the Deputy Sheriff provided assistance to the Rockford Field Office CPD, according to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Offices General Orders, rules, and regulations. All reports and records generated by the Deputy Sheriff shall be maintained by the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and shall be provided to DCFS on a monthly basis or more frequently as requested.
 - x. The assigned Deputy Sheriff's shall fully brief CPS on all pertinent and non-confidential information known or available to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office, including any identified risks associated with the home evaluation, home visit, or other responsibilities requiring CPS to visit a client's home.
 - xi. If DCFS is dissatisfied with the performance of a Deputy Sheriff, DCFS may request that the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office reassign a new Deputy Sheriff to the Rockford Field Office CPD. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall comply with DCFS' request for reassignment unless operational capacity or an applicable collective bargaining agreement prevents the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office from such reassignment. If operational capacity or an applicable collective bargaining agreement prevents the Sheriff from such reassignment, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and DCFS shall find a mutually agreeable solution.
- C. Nothing in this IGA shall be interpreted to supersede any of the respective policies, general orders, protocols, or collective bargaining agreements of DCFS, Winnebago County, or the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office.

IV. TERM AND TERMINATION

The Term of this IGA shall begin on July 1, 2026, and shall continue for four (4) years, through and until June 30, 2030. Any Party may terminate this IGA at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice.

V. REIMBURSEMENT

- A. DCFS agrees to reimburse the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office at the rate of \$ 169,538.75 in year one, \$ 178,482.54 in year two, \$ 190,627.03 in year three and \$ 200,246.61 in year four in exchange for the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office assignment of one (1) Deputy Sheriff to the Rockford Field Office CPD pursuant to this IGA. Said payment shall be used by the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office to pay the salary and benefits to such Winnebago County Sheriff's police officer as well as equipment costs.
- B. DCFS agrees to reimburse the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office for reasonable costs as set out in Exhibit A.
- C. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office shall send an invoice to DCFS in accordance with paragraph V.A and V.B. Invoices shall be prorated and issued on a monthly basis on the 15th of each month.
- D. DCFS shall process payment to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office within ninety (90) days of receipt of invoice, payable to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

V. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In the event of a dispute between DCFS and the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office concerning this IGA, each Party shall designate a representative who shall meet to resolve the dispute. If the designated representatives fail to resolve the dispute, then the Winnebago County Sheriff and DCFS' General Counsel shall be responsible for promptly resolving the dispute in good faith and in a cooperative manner.

VI. NOTICE

Unless otherwise specified, any notice, demand, or request required hereunder shall be given in writing at the addresses set forth below, by any of the following means: (a) personal service during regular business hours; (b) facsimile transmission during regular business hours; (c) overnight courier; or (d) first class mail properly addressed with postage prepaid and deposited in the U.S. mail. Any notice, demand, or request served personally or by facsimile transmission as aforesaid shall be effective upon receipt. Any notice, demand, or request served by overnight courier shall be deemed received on the business day immediately following deposit with the overnight courier. Any notice, demand, or request served by U.S. mail shall be deemed received two (2) business days following deposit in the mail. Notices shall be served at the following addresses or at such other place as the Parties may from time to time designate in writing by notice given hereunder.

To: Winnebago County Sheriff's
Office Attn: Sheriff Gray Caruana
650 W. State St.
Rockford, IL. 61102

DCFS
Attn: Director's Office
60 East Van Buren
Suite 1339
Chicago, IL 60605

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. The Parties shall at all times observe and comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, codes, and executive orders, now existing or hereinafter in effect, which may in any manner affect the performance of this IGA.
- B. When confidential information is exchanged, the following rules shall apply: (i) the confidential nature of the information shall be preserved; (ii) the information furnished shall be used only for the purposes for which it was made available; (iii) assurance must be given that the proper steps shall be taken to safeguard the information; and (iv) access to such information shall be limited to personnel who require the information to perform their duties or for whom access is permitted by statute or regulation.
- C. Tax Identification Certification. W i n n e b a g o County Sheriff's Office certifies that: 36-6006681 is Winnebago County Sheriff's Office's correct federal employer identification number (FEIN). If Winnebago County Sheriff's Office has not received a payment from the State of Illinois in the last two years, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office must submit a W-9 tax form with this Agreement.
- D. DCFS shall provide notice, in writing, to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office of any such funding failure and its election to terminate or suspend this IGA as soon as practicable. Any suspension or termination pursuant to this Section shall be effective upon the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office, ninety (90) days following receipt of said notice.
- E. This IGA may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute a single, integrated instrument.
- F. This IGA shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard to conflict of law principles. Any claim against DCFS arising out of this IGA must be filed exclusively with the Illinois Court of Claims. 705 ILCS 505/1 *et seq.*
- G. This IGA constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior agreements, negotiations, and discussions. This IGA may not be modified or amended in any manner without the prior written consent of the Parties. No term of this IGA may be waived or discharged orally or by any course of dealing, but only by an instrument in writing signed by the Parties.
- H. If any term of this IGA or any application thereof is held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this IGA shall be construed as if such invalid part were never included herein and this IGA shall be and remain valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- I. This IGA shall not be legally binding if entered into in violation of the provisions of the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act, 50 ILCS 105/0.01 *et seq.*
- J. Winnebago County shall be responsible for the acts of its agents, officers, or employees in the performance of this IGA.
- K. DCFS shall be responsible for the acts of its agents, officers, or employees in the performance of this IGA.

- L. No officer, member, official, employee, or agent of DCFS or County shall be individually or personally liable in connection with this IGA. Each Party shall be responsible for maintaining its own insurance or self-insurance program with respect to liabilities to its employees or to third Parties that may reasonably result from the performance of its lawful functions, including those functions that are contemplated by this IGA. Each Party shall bear the cost of its own defense. This IGA shall not be construed as seeking to either enlarge or diminish any obligation or duty owed by one Party with respect to third Parties or to increase the liability of any Party beyond that which is imposed by law.
- M. This IGA may be renewed for additional periods by mutual consent of the Parties, expressed in writing and signed by the Parties.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Intergovernmental Agreement on the dates set forth below.

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES EXECUTION: The undersigned, on behalf of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, hereby accepts the foregoing Intergovernmental Agreement:

_____ Dated: _____
Heidi E. Mueller
Director
Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

WINNEBAGO COUNTY EXECUTION: The undersigned, on behalf of Winnebago County of Rockford, Illinois, a body politic and corporate of the State of Illinois, hereby accepts the foregoing Intergovernmental Agreement:

_____ Dated: _____
Sheriff
Winnebago County Illinois

ACKNOWLEDGED:

Winnebago County Board Chair

Winnebago County Sheriff's Department

Exhibit A

4- Year Totals

	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30
SALARY:	\$114,255.56	\$119,265.32	\$126,696.28	\$131,764.19
BENEFITS:				
<i>Workers Comp.</i>	\$2,593.60	\$2,707.32	\$2,876.01	\$2,991.05
<i>Unemployment Ins.</i>	\$3.43	\$3.58	\$3.80	\$3.95
<i>IMRF SLEP Contr.</i>	\$11,859.73	\$12,379.74	\$13,151.07	\$13,677.12
<i>Medicare & SS</i>	\$8,740.55	\$9,123.80	\$9,692.27	\$10,079.96
<i>Health Insurance</i>	\$28,644.00	\$31,508.40	\$34,659.24	\$38,125.16
<i>Life Insurance</i>	\$22.88	\$22.88	\$22.88	\$22.88
<i>Retiree Insurance</i>	\$1,040.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,040.00
<i>Training</i>	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00
Totals:	\$167,244.75	\$176,136.04	\$188,226.55	\$197,789.31
EQUIPMENT:				
<i>Clothing</i>	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00
<i>Ammunition</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals:	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00
VEHICLE/SQUAD:				
<i>Vehicle Maintenance</i>	\$1,030.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,090.00
<i>Fuel</i>	\$110.00	\$126.50	\$145.48	\$167.30
<i>Oil Changes</i>	\$204.00	\$220.00	\$235.00	\$250.00
Totals:	\$1,344.00	\$1,396.50	\$1,450.48	\$1,507.30
TOTALS:	\$169,538.75	\$178,482.54	\$190,627.03	\$200,246.61
Monthly Reimburse	\$14,128.23	\$14,873.55	\$15,885.59	\$16,687.22

**SALARY IS ESTIMATED AT A 4% INCREASE PER YEAR. FOP CONTRACT EXPIRED ON 9/30/25. Will update salary once FOP contract has been settled.

R E S O L U T I O N
of the
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

Sponsored by: Brad Lindmark and Aaron Booker
Submitted by: Public Safety and Judiciary Committee

2026 CR

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY CHAIRMAN
TO REQUEST A MODIFICATION TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION AND FUNDING OF THE
WINNEBAGO COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2020, the County of Winnebago, a body politic and corporate (County), the City of Rockford, a municipal corporation (City) and the Winnebago County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement for the operation and funding of the Winnebago County Emergency Telephone System (IGA); and

WHEREAS, there are two (2) primary public safety answering points (PSAP), one for all emergency calls that originate in the City of Rockford and one for emergency calls that originate outside of the City of Rockford; and

WHEREAS, the City PSAP is the back-up for the County PSAP and the County PSAP is the back-up for the City PSAP; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section V (C)(4) of the IGA, “the County shall fund two (2) call answering positions at the City PSAP using the County’s average salary, to include benefits, per year with each position requiring 4.6 employees per shift for 24-hour coverage. This staffing level and rate shall be subject to annual review. The total is \$646,548.40, based on an average salary of \$70,277”; and

WHEREAS, Section VIII of the IGA provides in part, the IGA “shall be renewed on an annual basis unless either party gives one hundred eight[y] days (180) notice to the other party requesting modification of the agreement”; and

WHEREAS, the County has reviewed the IGA and desires to modify Section V (C)(4) of the IGA by ceasing payment of the funding for the two (2) call answering positions at the City PSAP by the County; and

WHEREAS, the County further desires to reallocate the funding for an annual subsidy in the amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) to the Children’s Advocacy Center of Winnebago County (often referred to as the “Carrie Lynn Children’s Center”) and the remainder of the funding amount to be used for wages to equalize personnel costs between the County PSAP and City PSAP; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee of the County Board, after having reviewed and discussed the IGA, recommends that the Winnebago County Board Chairman send the required 180 days' notice to the City of Rockford and the Winnebago County Emergency Telephone System Board regarding its request to modify Section V (C)(4) of the intergovernmental agreement, as set forth in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois, that the Winnebago County Chairman is hereby directed to send the required 180 days' notice to the City of Rockford and the Winnebago County Emergency Telephone System Board regarding its request to modify Section V (C)(4) of the intergovernmental agreement, as set forth in this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk of the County Board is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the County Board Office, Chief Financial Officer and Finance Director.

**Respectfully submitted,
PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

AGREE

DISAGREE

BRAD LINDMARK, CHAIR

BRAD LINDMARK, CHAIR

AARON BOOKER

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TIM NABORS

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

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The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois this ____ day of _____ 2026.

ATTESTED BY:

JOSEPH V. CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

LORI GUMMOW
CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS