

**Winnebago County Board  
Economic Development Committee**

County Administration Building  
404 Elm Street  
Room 303  
Rockford, IL 61101

**MINUTES** of  
Monday, May 04, 2026 at 5:30 PM

**Members Present:**

John Sweeney, Chair  
Tim Nabors, Vice Chair  
Freddy De La Trinidad  
Angela Fellars  
Brad Lindmark  
John Penney  
Ray Thompson

**Others Present:**

Chris Dornbush, Chief Operations Officer, Winnebago County  
Matthew Gabel, County Board Member  
Jim Stevens, New Milford  
Deanna Rodgers, New Milford  
Wendy Roop, New Milford  
Nick Povalitis, International Women's Baseball Center (IWBC)

**AGENDA:**

**A. Call to Order**

Chairman John Sweeney called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**B. Roll Call**

A roll call was taken of all members present. Chairman John Sweeney, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, Freddy De La Trinidad, Angela Fellars, Brad Lindmark, John Penney, and Ray Thompson.

A quorum is present.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** the minutes of **April 13, 2026**, Economic Development Committee by Chairman John Sweeney, and seconded by Brad Lindmark. Chairman John Sweeney called for any discussion.

**MOTION APPROVED (7-0)**. Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, Freddy De La Trinidad, Angela Fellars, Brad Lindmark, John Penney, and Ray Thompson.

**D. Public Comment**

Chairman John Sweeney noted for the record that no members of the public were present to speak during the public comment section; therefore, the public comments will not be read.

**E. Resolution Authorizing Execution Of A Development Agreement With The Village Of New Milford For A \$280,000 Host Fee Loan Pursuant To The Economic Development, Business Incentive And Host Fee Program Policy**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** was made by Chairman John Sweeney and seconded by Brad Lindmark and Tim Nabors.

Discussion followed by Chris Dornbush, John Penney, Angela Fellars, Chairman John Sweeney, and Ray Thompson.

**Motion APPROVED (7-0).** Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, Freddy De La Trinidad, Angela Fellars, Brad Lindmark, John Penney, and Ray Thompson.

**F. Resolution To Grant Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) From Host Fees To The International Women's Baseball Center (IWBC) For Hosting The 2026 Women's Baseball World Cup Group Stage**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** was made by Chairman John Sweeney and seconded by Freddy De La Trinidad.

Discussion followed by Chairman John Sweeney, Nick Povalitis, John Penney, Brad Lindmark, Freddy De La Trinidad, and Vice Chair Tim Nabors.

**Motion APPROVED (7-0).** Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, Freddy De La Trinidad, Angela Fellars, Brad Lindmark, John Penney, and Ray Thompson.

**G. Resolution Authorizing A Program Development And Administrative Services Agreement For The Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program By And Between The County Of Winnebago, Illinois And Slipstream Group, Inc.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** was made by Chairman John Sweeney and seconded by John Penney.

Discussion followed by Chris Dornbush, Ray Thompson, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, John Penney, Angela Fellars, and Matthew Gabel.

**Motion APPROVED (7-0).** Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Vice Chair Tim Nabors, Freddy De La Trinidad, Angela Fellars, Brad Lindmark, John Penney, and Ray Thompson.

**H. Other Matters**

None reported.

**I. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting by Vice Chair Tim Nabors, and seconded by Angela Fellars, Freddy De La Trinidad, and John Penney.

**MOTION APPROVED (7-0)** to adjourn the committee meeting at 6:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile  
Executive Assistant