

**Winnebago County Board  
Economic Development Committee**

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

**MINUTES** of  
Monday, June 01, 2026 at 5:30 PM

**Members Present:**

John Sweeney, Chair  
Matthew Gabel  
Brad Lindmark  
Ray Thompson (Sub)

**Others Present:**

Chris Dornbush, Chief Operations Officer, Winnebago County

**Absent:**

Tim Nabors, Vice Chair  
Freddy De La Trinidad  
Angela Fellars  
John Penney

**AGENDA:**

**A. Call to Order**

Chairman John Sweeney called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

**B. Roll Call**

A roll call was taken of all members present. Chairman John Sweeney, Brad Lindmark, Matthew Gabel, and Ray Thompson (sub).

A quorum is present.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** the minutes of **May 4, 2026**, Economic Development Committee was called by Chairman John Sweeney. The motion was made by Brad Lindmark and seconded by Matthew Gabel. Chairman John Sweeney called for any discussion.

**MOTION APPROVED (4-0)**. Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Brad Lindmark, Matthew Gabel, 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 Granting Authority To The Winnebago County Board Chairman To Execute The Documents Necessary To Complete A Loan For \$50,000 From The Revolving Loan Fund To Halal Foods America, Inc. Doing Business As International Halal Market**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** was called by Chairman John Sweeney. The motion was made by Brad Lindmark and seconded by Matthew Gabel.

Discussion followed by Chris Dornbush, Matthew Gabel, Ray Thompson, Brad Lindmark, and Chairman John Sweeney. Chairman John Sweeney called for any other discussion.

**Motion APPROVED (4-0).** Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Brad Lindmark, Matthew Gabel, and Ray Thompson.

**F. Amend Agenda to Include Matthew Gabel as a member of the Economic Development Committee**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** the addition of board member Matthew Gabel to the Economic Development Committee was made by Chairman John Sweeney and seconded by Matthew Gabel.

**Motion APPROVED (4-0).** Aye votes were: Chairman John Sweeney, Brad Lindmark, Matthew Gabel, and Ray Thompson.

**G. Other Matters**

None reported.

**H. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting was called by Chairman John Sweeney. The motion was made by Brad Lindmark and seconded by Chairman John Sweeney.

**MOTION APPROVED (4-0)** to adjourn the committee meeting at 5:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile  
Executive Assistant