

ADHOC FUTURE FAIRGROUNDS COMMITTEE
February 25, 2026

The meeting of the AdHoc Future Fairgrounds Committee was called to order by Chair Nancy Hoffmann at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 in the County Board Room at the Government Center, Green Lake, WI in person and via remote access. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Nancy Hoffmann
Helcia Bierman
Grace Brown
Joe Hollatz
Tristan Jenkins (remote – 4:40)

Absent: Emily Strahota
Zach Knoke

Others Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Jason Jerome, County Manager; Grace Brown, Fair Coordinator; Jeff Mann, Corporation Counsel; Pat Malone, UWEX Agent; Gene Thom, Supervisor #19

PUBLIC COMMENT –

David Affeldt, W3408 Hwy B, stated he has 58 acres of land that he would be willing to sell to the county for a future fairgrounds. He questioned what will happen to the current fairgrounds when the highway department moves to the new facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Bierman/Hollatz) to approve minutes of 01/28/2026. Motion carried with no negative vote.

RESOLUTION

- **Resolution Creating a Nonprofit Entity for the Purpose of Managing the Green Lake County Fair**

Corporation Counsel Jeff Mann explained the resolution which is in draft format. He explained the rules for a 501C(3) non-profit agency. Mann said he would like to get further advice from WCA Attorney Andy Phillips and also clarify how bank accounts and funding would be handled. Discussion held. Mann will work on revisions and bring those back to the committee.

DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE ADDITION OF MEMBER TO THE COMMITTEE

Nancy Hoffmann read an email she received from Breanne Eagen asking to become a member of the committee. *Motion/second (Bierman/Jenkins)* to recommend Eagen as a member to be formally appointed at the March County Board meeting. Corporation Counsel Jeff Mann stated that she does not currently live in Green Lake County but has no issue with that. Discussion held on Eagen's active 4H membership as a youth in Green Lake County and her past involvement with the fair. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Date: TBD

Future Agenda Items: resolution review, Bill Omekon appearance

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hoffmann adjourned the meeting at 5:10 PM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
County Clerk