

	Minutes - Approved Business Advancement and Resilience Council Tuesday, June 24, 2025 – 6:00 PM Health and Human Services Center – Room 1001 303 W. Chapel Street Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Iowa County Wisconsin
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<i>Any subject on this agenda may become an action item unless otherwise noted.</i>		
1	Call to Order: County Administrator Bierke called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.	
2	Roll Call: Members Present Supervisor John Meyers, Supervisor Joan Davis, Troy Maggied, Larry Bierke, Susan Storti, Kristin Mitchell and Barry Hottmann On Zoom: none. Absent: none. Others Present: none.	
3	Election of Chair: Bierke opened up the floor for nominations for a Council Chair. Maggied nominated Hottmann. Hottmann nominated Maggied. Via a show of hands: 6 voted in favor of Hottmann and 1 in favor of Maggied. Hottmann became the Chair of the Business Advancement and Resilience Council.	
4	Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Davis <u>moved</u>, Storti seconded to approve the meeting agenda of June 24, 2025. Motion carried.	
5	Reports: None.	
6	Grant Program and Introduction of Council: Chair Hottmann reported that he learned of the grant opportunity from WEDC and he appreciated the idea and decided to pursue the grant. During the grant application process there were three levels of grants to businesses that were discussed. Regional Planning Commission also had revolving loan funds that they could utilize as a potential match using defederalized federal grant funds. The grant levels and revolving loan funds were put into the grant application to be used as match against any bank funding, though bank financing is not required.	
7	Consider the Proposed Application: Bierke will cut and paste the three bullet points from page 8 into the application under project budget (3). Maggied noted that not all the applications will get loans from SWWRPC. SWWRPC doesn't do loans as small as \$1,000 and typically stays away from construction projects because of the costs of "prevailing wage" reporting tied to their money. Bierke was also asked to add "After your planned end date, the BARC will contact you to follow up on project successes for potential marketing efforts. Bierke will make changes, and Mitchell will modify the application to make it attractive. Bierke will send draft to Hottmann and Mitchell. Maggied will get the application process from Lafayette County.	

8	Timeline for Grant Application Process: Bierke noted that he would prefer to have all of the grant money distributed and reimbursement paperwork filed with WEDC by the end of the year so that the reporting and audit work didn't carry over into the 2026 audit. Final report could be filed in March of 2026. The Council has decided to start accepting applications on August 1 st and have applications due on September 15 th . Council will review applications in late September. Bierke will distribute the applications as a pdf when all are collected.
9	Set next quarterly meeting date and agenda: The Council decided that the next meeting would be on July 21 st at 3:00 PM.
10	Adjournment: Meyers <u>moved</u> , Mitchell seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried at 7:06 pm

Posted by County Clerk's Office on 8/28/2025, Barbara Weinbrenner