

ENROLLED ORDINANCE 180-84

AMEND WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' OPERATING  
PROCEDURES AND RULES BY AMENDING THE TEXT OF THE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 4-57

WHEREAS, the Waukesha County Board of Supervisors' (the "Board") Operating Procedures and Rules (the "Rules") are codified in Chapter 4 of the Waukesha County Code; and

WHEREAS, the Rules establish the manner in which the Board and its committees are constituted and conduct business to ensure orderly administration; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-57 of the Rules currently allows for remote participation in board and committee meetings only during emergencies with the approval of the chair; and

WHEREAS, offering remote committee meeting options would increase accessibility and provides necessary flexibility for County Board Supervisors with full-time employment.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS that Section 4-57 of the Waukesha County Code is repealed and recreated to read:

**Sec. 4-57 Remote Participation in Meetings.**

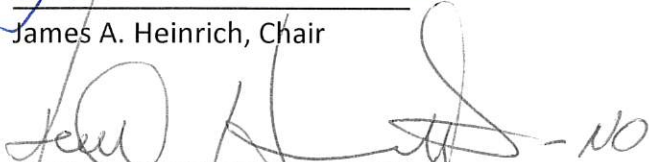
- (a) The County Board Chairman may allow a Supervisor to participate in a board meeting by telephone or by other means of telecommunication or electronic communication, and be considered present for all purposes, including voting:
  - i. During a State of Emergency as declared by the Governor or Waukesha County Executive under Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes or at a special meeting called during a declared emergency by the County Board Chairman under Section 4-50(a)5, or
  - ii. During any other special meeting of the County Board called pursuant to Wisconsin Statute section 59.11(2) and County Code Section 4-50(a)4.
  
- (b) A County Board Supervisor serving on a County Board standing committee can participate in a meeting of that committee via electronic means such as video conferencing or other digital communication tool when such resources are available at the meeting location, and will be considered present for all purposes, including voting provided that the following conditions are satisfied:
  - i. the Supervisor notifies the Committee Chairperson of their intention to attend remotely at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to allow for the posting of appropriate notice of remote participation;
  - ii. the Supervisor uses a reliable and secure communication platform that allows for clear audio and video communication, and the Supervisor's video remains on at all times during the meeting. If a technical failure disrupts the remote connection, the meeting may continue as long as a quorum is present;

- iii. the public is ensured access to observe or listen in, maintaining transparency and compliance with Wisconsin's Open Meetings Law;
- iv. the Supervisor will not participate in any closed session that occurs during the meeting; and
- v. any other rules that may be established by the Board with respect to remote participation in meetings are followed.


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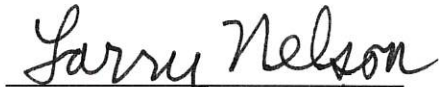
Presented by:  
Executive Committee

 - NO  
James A. Heinrich, Chair


 - NO  
Keith Hammitt

  
Christine M. Howard


  
Jacob LaFontain

  
Larry Nelson

 NO  
Gary J. Szpara

  
Peter M. Wolff

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 3-27-2026  deputy  
Margaret Wartman, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: X  
Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 4/7/2026 


**VOTE RESULTS**

18 AYE 6 NAY 0 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT

Ordinance 180-O-084

Majority Vote of Members Present

Ordinance 180-O-084: Amend Waukesha County Board of Supervisors' Operating Procedures and Rules by Amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4, Section 4-57

 **Passed**

D1 - Styza	<b>AYE</b>	D10 - Thieme	ABSENT	D19 - Enriquez	<b>AYE</b>
D2 - Euclide	<b>AYE</b>	D11 - Howard	<b>AYE</b>	D20 - Schellinger	<b>S</b> <b>AYE</b>
D3 - Gscheidmeier	<b>AYE</b>	D12 - Wolff	<b>AYE</b>	D21 - Gaughan	<b>NAY</b>
D4 - Batzko	<b>NAY</b>	D13 - Leisemann	<b>AYE</b>	D22 - Szpara	<b>NAY</b>
D5 - Dondlinger	<b>AYE</b>	D14 - Mommaerts	<b>AYE</b>	D23 - Hammitt	<b>NAY</b>
D6 - Walz	<b>AYE</b>	D15 - Kolb	<b>NAY</b>	D24 - Schroeder	<b>AYE</b>
D7 - LaFontain	<b>AYE</b>	D16 - Crowley	<b>AYE</b>	D25 - Johnson	<b>AYE</b>
D8 - Koremenos	<b>AYE</b>	D17 - Meier	<b>M</b> <b>AYE</b>		
D9 - Heinrich	<b>NAY</b>	D18 - Nelson	<b>AYE</b>		

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