Merrick County Board of Supervisors met on Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. with Supervisors Weller, Dexter, Placke, Jarecke, Kreachbaum, Wiegert, Kucera and County Clerk Trisha L. Fate-Strobel. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Kucera. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall outside of the of the Supervisor Room. Notice of this meeting was published in the Republican Nonpareil, Palmer Journal and posted on the county website. A current agenda is on file and available for inspection in the office of the County Clerk and posted on the County website. Moved Wiegert, second Dexter to convene at 2:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved by Jarecke, second by Dexter to open hearing at 2:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. The budget hearing and budget summary was presented by County Clerk Trisha Fate-Strobel. No one was in attendance for public participation. Moved Dexter, second Weller to close the hearing at 2:08 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Jarecke, second Dexter to increase the total restricted funds authority by an additional 1%. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Wiegert, second Kreachbaum to open the final budget hearing at 2:15 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Dexter, second Jarecke to close the final budget hearing at 2:17 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Dexter, second Jarecke to approve the 2025-2026 budget as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Weller, second Dexter to adjourn at 2:18 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

/s/Carolyn Kucera, Chairwoman /s/Trisha L Fate-Strobel, County Clerk