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## **Independent Living Council of Wisconsin (ILCW) Full Council Teleconference Meeting**

October 27, 2025

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

### **Action Items and Motion Items**

#### **A. ILCW Full Council Meeting Action Items**

- 1. Action Item:** ILCW Executive Director will ask Adage Source to cancel the current invoice for the Wisconsin CILs First Data Management Software Subscription.
- 2. Action Item:** ILCW Executive Director will begin providing weekly updates which will include updates regarding the Government Shutdown and ILCW's current financial situation.
- 3. Action Item:** ILCW Members will investigate different means of resource development to be discussed at future ILCW Full Council meetings.
- 4. Action Item:** ILCW Executive Director will add training regarding individual advocacy and advocacy as a council member to a future ILCW Full Council meeting agenda.

#### **B. ILCW Full Council Motion Items**

- 1. Motion Item:** Jackie Gordon made a motion to approve the October 27, 2025 ILCW Full Council meeting agenda. Eric Riskus seconded the motion. ILCW Full Council voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Julie Bergan made a motion to approve the September 29, 2025 ILCW Full Council meeting minutes. Randi Johnson seconded the motion. ILCW Full Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to delay payment to Independent Living Resources (ILR) for Sara Eckland's travel

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reimbursement, payment to Adage Source for Wisconsin Independent Living Centers' CILs First data management software subscriptions, and payment to the Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers (WCILC) for Independent Living (IL) Days in order to ensure ILCW can run through February 2026 if the government shutdown continues. Kyle Kleist seconded the motion. 11 ILCW members voted to delay payments to ILR, Adage Source, and WCILC. LySandra Owens voted no to delay to ILR, Adage Source, and WCILC. Motion carried.

- 4. Motion Item:** Eric Riskus made a motion to adjourn the October 27, 2025 ILCW Full Council meeting. LySandra Owens seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 11:38 A.M.

### **C. Meeting Minutes**

#### **1. Welcome and Introductions, Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair**

**ILCW Members Present:** Julie Bergain, ILCW Secretary; Sara Eckland, ILCW Independent Living Center (ILC) Representative; Jackie Gordon; Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair; Randi Johnson; Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair; Ramsey Lee; Greg Logemann; LySandra Owens, ILCW Treasurer; and Eric Riskus.

**ILCW Members Absent; Excused (\*):** Tyler Wigington\*.

**ILCW Ex-Officio Members Present:** Ashley Baker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR), Designated State Entity (DSE) Representative.

**Guest(s):** Kevin Fech; Jason Glozier, Executive Director, Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers (WCILC); Denise Horn; Ashely Lein; Pauline Lorenz, Assistant Director, Society's Assets, Inc.; Amanda Miller, Independent Living (IL) Director, Compass IL; Chelsey Myhre-Foster, Assistant Director, Access to Independence; Cassandra Potter; Marcus Schmitt, Cascade CPA; Brett Seliger, Cascade CPA; Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR; and Josh Theis, Executive Director, Options for Independent Living.

**ILCW Staff:** Tyler Wilcox, ILCW Executive Director.

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## **2. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 A.M. by Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair**

- The meeting was available via teleconference by calling (312) 626-6799 with meeting ID: 890 9852 6645. The meeting was also available via [Zoom](#).

## **3. Review of ILCW Operational Agreements**

- Mary Jane Grande reviewed important details regarding the ILCW Operational Agreements.

## **4. Review and Approve October 27, 2025 ILCW Full Council Meeting Agenda**

- Jackie Gordon made a motion to approve the October 27, 2025 ILCW Full Council meeting agenda. Eric Riskus seconded the motion. ILCW Full Council voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

## **5. Review and Approve September 29, 2025 ILCW Full Council Meeting Minutes**

- Julie Bergan made a motion to approve the September 29, 2025 ILCW Full Council meeting minutes. Randi Johnson seconded the motion. ILCW Full Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

## **6. Public Comment on the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) or Related to Independent Living Centers and Services**

- Link to SPIL (<http://www.livebinders.com/media/get/MjQ3MTE0MDM=>)
- No public comments received; comment period closed at 10:20 A.M.

## **7. Review and Discuss ILCW Operations During Federal Government Shutdown**

- ILCW Executive Director presented ILCW's current financial situation. With government shutdown and no funds coming in, ILCW can last about 2.5 more months.
  - ILCW needs about \$7,000 per month to remain operational.

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- This includes monthly subscriptions and staff salary. Staff salary is the biggest expense.
- There are some outstanding reimbursements for travel; after these are paid out, ILCW will not pay for further conferences or travel.
  - The November 17-18, 2025 ILCW Quarterly Meeting will no longer be in person, and available via Zoom only.
  - Sara Eckland agreed to delay reimbursement for her attendance at the Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living (APRIL) Conference.
- Independence First offered ILCW a zero-interest loan.
  - Federal funding cannot be used to pay for interest.
  - If a loan is taken out the ILCW Members may be liable as board members of the 501(c)3 if the loan cannot be repaid.
- ILCW will receive a reimbursement for the remainder of its Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 Funds on November 1, 2025.
  - Adage Source may be willing to delay payment for the Wisconsin ILCs' CILs First Data Management Software subscriptions.
    - 7 of 8 ILC representatives indicated that they were comfortable with this solution.
  - WCILC is comfortable delaying payment for funds which will be used to help cover costs associated with IL Days.
  - Marcus Schmitt offered to delay invoicing for accounting services until new funding becomes available. ILCW Members felt that this was not necessary at this time.
  - Ramsey Lee made a motion to delay payment to Independent Living Resources (ILR) for Sara Eckland's

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- ILCW Executive Director will ask Adage Source to cancel the current invoice for the Wisconsin CILs First Data Management Software Subscription. See Action Item 1.
- ILCW Executive Director will begin providing weekly updates which will include updates regarding the Government Shutdown and ILCW's current financial situation. See Action Item 2.
- ILCW's Financial Situation will be first and foremost on the agenda for future ILCW Executive Committee meetings until the Government Shutdown is ended.
  - Discussions regarding ILCW's financial position will also include discussions regarding staffing the Council through the shutdown if it continues beyond December 2025.
- ILCW Members will investigate different means of resource development to be discussed at future ILCW Full Council meetings. See Action Item 3.

## **8. Review, Discuss, and Approve Parking Lot Items**

- ILCW Executive Director will add training regarding individual advocacy and advocacy as a council member to a future ILCW Full Council meeting agenda. See Action Item 4.

## **9. Adjourn**

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**Meeting Adjourned at 11:38 A.M.**

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