

**** MINUTES ****
*** * OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD * ***

Office of the County Clerk, June 28, 2016.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Chairperson Nooyen at 6:30 p.m. in the County Board Room, located at 410 South Walnut Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

ROLL CALL: 33 present, 3 absent. Members present: Thompson, Miller, Grady, Patience, Gabrielson, Strenn, Hammen, T. Krueger, J. Krueger, Lamers, Meyer, McDaniel, Wegand, De Groot, Vanden Heuvel, Lemanski, Spears, Stueck, Thomas, Thyssen, Hagen, Klemp, Pleuss, Nooyen, Duncan, Culbertson, Buchman, Clegg, VanderHeiden, O'Connor-Schevers, Rettler, Melchert, and Suprise. Members absent: Groat, Sturn, and Griesbach.

The Board Chairperson requested the Board's confirmation to excuse Supervisors Groat, Sturn and Griesbach. No objections to requested excused; so ordered.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Nooyen.

MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2016

Supervisor Klemp moved, seconded by Supervisor Duncan, to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2016, County Board meeting.

ROLL CALL: 32 aye, 1 abstain, 3 absent. **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 14, 2016, BOARD MEETING ARE APPROVED.**

Chairperson Nooyen announced that Supervisor Kathy Groat is recovering at Brewster Village. She is using her IPad to keep up-to-date on matters of county business and hopes to come back to the meetings soon.

Chairperson Nooyen announced that Corporation Counsel Joe Guidote is ill, and therefore, will not be presenting his report as a Special Order of Business.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2015 Audit Presentation – David Maccoux, Shareholder, Schenck SC

The audit has been completed and reports were submitted (copies available in the County Clerk's Office for review). Mr. Maccoux's report included:

- Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), Year Ended December 31, 2015. The report was reviewed by the Finance Committee at a recent meeting.
- Report on Internal Control, December 31, 2015. This report relates to the financial portion of the audit and goes through several phases of the audit during the year to review internal controls. There were no material weaknesses, significant deficiencies or material noncompliance found.
- As pertains to auditor communications, there were no audit adjustments that needed to be made, no disagreements with management and an excellent audit support from County personnel.
- The working capital in the General Fund Balance is in excellent financial shape. The General Fund Balance is consistent with past years.

ESTABLISH ORDER OF THE DAY

Supervisor Thyssen requested that Resolution No. 18 be withdrawn. No objection; so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 18—2016-17 IS WITHDRAWN.

Supervisor Thyssen requested that Resolution No. 22 be held in committee. No objections, so ordered.

Supervisor Lemanski requested that Resolution No. 20 be held in committee, noting that the Health and Human Services Committee would not be meeting on July 12. Therefore, Resolution No. 20 will not be acted on until the July 26 board meeting. No objection; so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications Referral List – distributed with the packet

Chairperson Nooyen noted the following items that were placed on the supervisor desks:

- Emergency Contact Information Form – Members were reminded to complete and return to Legislative Services.
- Pre-Design Study Special Order of Business – Members were asked to submit questions regarding the pre-design study to Sue in Legislative Services before the July 12 Special Order of Business presentation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN MINUTES (PERTINENT TO THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY) – None.

APPOINTMENTS

A letter was received from County Executive Nelson nominating the following individuals as members and alternate members to the Coordinating Council; said terms expiring April 2018: Members: Beth Robinson, Karen Iverson-Riggers, and Maren Peterson and alternates: Brian Bezier and Kim Hernandez.

Supervisor Thyssen moved, seconded by Supervisor Duncan, for confirmation of the above-listed appointments.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. **APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS ROBINSON, IVERSON-RIGGERS AND PETERSON AND ALTERNATE MEMBERS BEZIER AND HERNANDEZ TO THE COORDINATING COUNCIL ARE CONFIRMED.**

A letter was received from County Executive Nelson nominating Lyle Verstegen for appointment to the Coordinating Council; said term expiring April 30, 2018.

Supervisor Thyssen moved, seconded by Supervisor Patience, for confirmation of the above-listed appointment.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. **APPOINTMENT OF LYLE VERSTEGEN TO THE COORDINATING COUNCIL IS CONFIRMED.**

A letter was received from County Executive Nelson nominating Ethan Kroll for appointment,

and Robert Paltzer and Jeff Nye for reappointment, to the Local Emergency Planning Committee; said terms expiring June 30, 2019.

Supervisor Tony Krueger moved, seconded by Supervisor Justin Krueger, for confirmation of the above-listed appointment and reappointments.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. APPOINTMENT OF KROLL AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF PALTZER AND NYE TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE ARE CONFIRMED.

REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Executive Thomas Nelson wished Supervisor Duncan a happy birthday (June 28) and led the board members in song. A round of applause was given. County Executive Nelson reported:

- Human Resources – Planning continues for the Aug. 3 employee appreciation picnic on the County Administration Building lawn. Board members were encouraged to attend. The rain date is Aug. 4.
- Parks – Kimberly Clark will construct three permanent obstacles for the *Warrior Princess Mud Run* for use by Mosquito Hill. Two will be located in the new play area and one will be on the new low-ropes challenge course.
- Maintenance – The request for qualifications and proposals for architectural and engineering services for the County Administration complex addition and remodeling has been published. Board members were sent a list of the invited firms. Additional items:
 - Cardinal Construction has been selected for the Clerk of Courts front counter remodel project which should be completed near the end of October.
 - The Elm and Walnut Streets parking project continues with scheduled completion by July. The project provides additional free parking close to the downtown campus.
 - The county-owned property at Casaloma and Hwy. 15 in Grand Chute has been tilled and planted. A mixture of clover, timothy, and grasses was planted in an effort to reduce the wetlands advancement on this property while providing approximately 10 acres of arable land.
- Recycling & Solid Waste – A fourth OCEP engine was delivered earlier this month and is expected to be operational this week. The additional engine will increase energy production sufficient to bring the number of households that utilize electrical energy production from the landfill gas to the co-gen plant to near 4,500 households in the area. Other items:
 - A new 60-ton compactor with 10" compaction teeth was put into operation last week.
 - The BOW construction and demolition (C&D) program is now in place. The program anticipates diverting approximately 40,000 tons of C&D waste will be diverted to Landfill Reduction & Recycling annually among the three participating counties.
- Highway – County CE is scheduled to close on July 11 as the CE/HH reconstruction project is slated to begin. CE traffic will be detoured via CTH N to CTH KK (Calumet) to STH 55. A public information meeting was held on June 22 at Romy's Nitingale regarding the CTH A project between STH 47 (Richmond) and STH 76.
- Airport – Ground was broken last week on the consolidated rental car facility with walls being poured this week. This project is phase one of a planned multi-year remodel and upgrade project to include the security checkpoint, baggage claim, restaurant, gift shop, and ticket counters. Turnout for the Airport's June 23 global entry event was excellent. Airport is currently working with Customs and Border Protection to secure a fall or winter date for another event.
- Finance – Special thanks were given to the Finance Department for earning the Government

Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. This award represents a significant achievement and demonstrates the dedication and commitment of our professional staff. A round of applause was given.

During question/answer, discussion took place regarding Outagamie County's jail accepting prisoners from Brown County. Executive Nelson reported that the Sheriff is working on the details of securing a long-term agreement with Brown County for prisoner housing.

REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF COUNTY LOBBYIST

County Lobbyist Mark Wadium reported:

- The Legislative Council Study Committees are set. More information will be posted on the Legislative Services office bulletin board with Wadium attending the meetings.
- The Department of Health Services has withdrawn the proposed Family Care/IRIS 2.0 from the Joint Committee on Finance.
- GPR tax collections were up 4 percent through the end of May compared to the same period a year earlier. <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/news/2016/May-FY2016-Collections.pdf>
- The U.S. death rate has gone up in 2015 and it is driven for the first time in a decade in part to Alzheimer's disease.
- Governor Walker has declared no taxes or fee increases for the State Transportation Budget. This may delay some projects. http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/govt-and-politics/transportation-secretary-no-major-tax-fee-hikes-planned-project-delays/article_99a48b57-c39f-5140-832c-535d540a027c.html
- Wisconsin personal property taxes generate \$267 million annually, with \$2 million remaining in Outagamie County. The WI Grocers Association is part of a group to repeal Wisconsin's Personal Property Tax and is petitioning for a repeal in the state budget. The tax has been in place before statehood. There is concern about how this would affect Tax Incremental Finance Districts.
- If approved, a new rule would make it easier for groups to challenge the tax exemptions that state and local governments get from the feds. The new rule would require the feds to include the revenue impact in annual financial reports. The County Board has a position to "oppose all efforts to eliminate or limit the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds."
- The Ohio Supreme Court is being asked to clarify media access to video footage from police body cameras and dash cams, particularly during active investigations. http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2016/06/ohio_supreme_court_hearing_pub.html?inf_contact_key=5f055a56f7d5b036fab8cd993606e08ba9e848ec2ce3a76e2b35ff5bdcec2b3d
- A struggling Illinois health insurance co-op is suing the federal government claiming it is being shortchanged \$72.8 million in promised payments under the Affordable Care Act. http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/illinois-insurance-co-op-sues-feds-over-health-law-payments/article_6a7b2248-a51b-55d1-944d-6cef3f5011b4.html

During question/answer, discussion took place on how many other counties have lobbyists on staff and how their lobbyist may treat county and federal issues separately.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution No. 18—2016-17 – Legislative/Audit & Human Resources Committee. Support the Federal Railroad Administration proposed ruling requiring that trains operating in America be operated by no less than a two-person crew.

Resolution No. 18 was withdrawn (see Establish Order of the Day).

Resolution No. 135—2015-16-20—2016-17— Health and Human Services Committee. Oppose proposed legislation which would make changes to the current law governing veterans' affairs, changes to powers of officials or employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, changes to the powers of the Board of Veterans Affairs, and changes regarding the maintenance of veterans' homes.

- At the February 9, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Krueger moved, seconded by Supervisor Iverson, for adoption. Supervisor Thomas moved, seconded by Supervisor Pleuss, to refer Resolution No. 135 to the Health and Human Services Committee. Motion carried.
- At the February 23, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Iverson requested that Resolution No. 135 be held in committee. No objection; so ordered.
- At the March 8, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Lemanski requested that Resolution No. 135 be held in the Health and Human Services Committee. No objections, so ordered.
- At the March 22, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Lemanski requested to hold Resolution No. 135 in committee. No objections, so ordered.
- At the April 19, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Lemanski requested to hold Resolution No. 135 in committee. No objections; so ordered.
- At the May 10, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Lemanski requested to hold Resolution No. 135 in committee. No objections; so ordered.
- At the May 24, 2016 County Board meeting, Supervisor Lemanski requested to hold Resolution No. 135 in committee. No objections; so ordered.
- At the June 14, 2016 County Board meeting, Chairperson Nooyen reported that Resolution No. 135—2015-16 will be converted to Resolution 20—2016-17 to coincide with the current session. No objections; no ordered. Supervisor Meyer moved, seconded by Supervisor Lemanski, for adoption of Resolution No. 20—2016-17. After discussion regarding the language of the resolve clauses in the resolution, Supervisor Duncan moved, seconded by Supervisor Pleuss, to refer back to committee. Motion carried.

At the June 28, 2016 County Board meeting, Resolution No. 20—2016-17 was held in committee (see Establish Order of the Day).

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 21—2016-17 – Agriculture, Extension Education, Zoning & Land Conservation Committee. Approve of amending the Land Conservation Department 2016 revenue and expenditure budgets to accept and expend the Nature Conservancy grant award of \$1,800.

Supervisor Rettler moved, seconded by Supervisor Lemanski, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 21—2016-17 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 22—2016-17 – Legislative/Audit & Human Resources Committee. Approve Administrative Rule 16-04 amending the AS&P Personnel Manual and all Interim Personnel Policy Manuals by reducing the number of deferred compensation vendors the county currently partners with from two to one.

Supervisor Thyssen requested that Resolution No. 22 be held in committee (See Establish Order

of the Day).

Resolution No. 23—2016-17 – Property, Airport, Recreation & Economic Development Committee. Approve the Maintenance Service Agreement and Building Lease with NewView Technologies and approve a budget transfer of \$4,000.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor Grady, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 23—2016-17 IS ADOPTED.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor Grady, for reconsideration.

ROLL CALL: 32 aye, 1 nay, 3 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 23—2016-17 IS RECONSIDERED.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 3 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 23—2016-17 IS ADOPTED AND LOCKED IN.

REPORTS – None.

Supervisor VanderHeiden moved, seconded by Supervisor Klemp, to adjourn until July 12, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.



Sara Hickey, Deputy County Clerk