

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

Office of the County Clerk, March 12, 2013.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by Chairperson Schuette at 6:30 p.m. in the County Board Room, located in the City Center East, 122 East College Avenue, Appleton, WI.

ROLL CALL: 34 present, 2 absent. Members present: Rabec, Nagler, Schmidt, Patience, Iverson, Mahan, Hammen, Krueger, Trentlage, Karl, L. DeGroot, McDaniel, VandenHeuvel, Lemanski, Groat, Gosse, Stueck, Thomas, Thyssen, Hagen, Hofacker, Pleuss, Nooyen, Duncan, Culbertson, Sturn, Buchman, Griesbach, Thern, Rahmlow, Austin, Rettler, Schuette, Anthony. Members absent: Van Asten, D. De Groot.

Board Chairperson Schuette requested the Board's confirmation to excuse Supervisors Van Asten and D. De Groot.

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Chairperson Schuette.

Board Chairperson Schuette requested a roll call of those supervisors who parked in the parking ramp.

ROLL CALL for parking: 27 aye, 7 nay, 2 absent.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26, 2013

Supervisor Rettler moved, seconded by Supervisor Trentlage, to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2013, County Board meeting.

ROLL CALL: 32 aye, 2 abstain, 2 absent. MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2013, BOARD MEETING ARE APPROVED.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - None

ESTABLISH ORDER OF THE DAY

Resolution No. 141—2012-2013 – Listed under New Business. This resolution was submitted to the County Clerk after the Board Rule requirements for inclusion into the packet (Rule 7). A suspension of the rules is necessary for action. Chairperson requested unanimous consent to allow inclusion of Resolution No. 141—2012-2013 on the agenda. No objections; so ordered. RULES ARE SUSPENDED TO ALLOW ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 141—2012-2013.

COMMUNICATIONS - Communications Referral List – Included in the packet

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN MINUTES (PERTINENT TO THE

RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY) - None

APPOINTMENTS - None

REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Executive Nelson congratulated Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Stadel on his birthday March 10. Additionally, he congratulated Supervisor Kathy Groat on her birthday March 25. A round of applause was given. Executive Nelson reported the following:

- County Volunteers - Two recent Post Crescent articles were placed in the supervisors' mailboxes. One featured Highway Department employee Cindy Roberts, who volunteers as a mentor through the Outagamie County Mentoring Program. The second highlighted Supervisor Jerry Iverson and his wife Helene's volunteer work through NAMI Fox Valley. Executive Nelson congratulated both on their volunteerism.
- NACO Conference - Executive Nelson joined County Lobbyist Mark Wadium at the National Association of Counties (NACo) annual legislative conference in Washington, D.C. Mark met with five offices. Mark and the Executive together visited another five. They also met with members of the President's Office of National Economic Advisor.
- Solid Waste - The strategic planning consultant is working on drafting a report. Once completed, the draft report will be reviewed by the committees of jurisdiction in all three partner counties.
- Highway - Snowflakes and potholes were keeping crews busy. Staff anticipates a tough spring break-up season and is prepared to focus their attention on maintenance challenges. Seasonal weight restrictions were to take effect March 18 for posted roads.
- Clerk of Courts - Several county staff attended a national conference on missing persons at the Paper Valley in late February. Fox Valley Technical College's Criminal Justice Center for Innovation, with assistance from The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Child Protection Training Center, The National Center for Missing Adults, and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, co-sponsored the event. Working with the Sheriff's Department, active shooter training exercises were conducted in Branch II. Several different scenarios were used so staff could exercise the emergency response protocol.
- Maintenance - Work on the County Administration Building project continued to move forward on schedule. On March 12, one of the two new air handler units was turned on to begin air circulation through the complex and to calibrate settings. The refurbished county board supervisor benches were installed in the County Board room the week of March 11, maintaining their vintage 1941 appearance.
- Airport - Airport Director Marty Lenss decided to move back home to Minnesota in order to be closer to family. Executive Nelson praised Marty Lenss for his work at the Airport, including engineering an economic renaissance at our airport that led to critical job creation and vital commercial growth and in developing sustainable air travel for the community in a challenging era. Executive Nelson expressed his thanks to Marty and wished him and his family the best. The nationwide search for Marty's replacement was started.

A question and answer period followed. Discussion took place on the urban street project and cost/benefit analysis, the airport interim director appointment (Abe Weber), and RFP for nationwide search for the airport director position.

REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF COUNTY LOBBYIST

County Lobbyist Mark Wadium reported (website links in parenthesis):

NACo Conference – Lobbyist Wadium visited all 10 congressional offices in DC. The following was shared with the offices:

- Sequestration - Concerns regarding impacts to county services including potential impact upon County Airport operations due to service reductions for FAA contract towers. While contract towers are most cost effective, those towers are more subject to reductions.
- Sheriff's Department concerns with FCC limitations with testing of new radio equipment. The FCC is putting a temporary hold on installer testing of 800 Mhz. equipment due to an issue with the Canadian border.
- Tax Exempt Status of Municipal Bonds –Administration attempt to change or end Tax Exempt Municipal Bonds. This would have three times the impact for all local governments than Sequestration.
- Corporate Jet Owners/Depreciation Schedules – Administration change could hurt Gulfstream jobs, which employs 832 people at the Appleton facility. In the 1980's, a surtax on luxury jets resulted in the loss of hundreds of jobs in the area.
- HR1416 – Crime Victim Restitution and Court Fee Intercept Act – This act allows for locals to go after federal tax return monies for people who owe money for court judgments. The federal government can now go after state tax return monies for federal fines/fees due to a requirement that all State DOJ's update their databases to allow for the federal collections.

State issues:

- Two items are moving forward to be added to state budget: 1) Gulf Stream changes for Airport Director Marty Lens, and 2) Life Skills pilot program with Supervisor Jim Duncan.
- Joint Finance Committee Agency Briefing will be held March 19 -26 with Public Hearings (4) the second or third week in April; and end of April will start Executive sessions on budget.
- Logistic Care: Bids were closed two weeks ago and are currently being reviewed by DHS. Contract is expected to be signed around May 1. Logistic Care will continue to operate until awarding of the new contract.
- AB-14, LRB-1162 - Governor to sign bill into law, relating to workforce training, granting rule-making authority, and making appropriations, March 13 in Oshkosh. <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/proposals/ab14>
- AB-56 - Assembly Transportation Committee held public hearing on March 12. This bill relates to indication of veteran status on an operator's license or identification card and granting rule-making authority. <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/proposals/ab56>
- Lobbyist February highlights - Will be available in the Legis. Services Office

A question and answer period followed. Discussion took place on the urgency of legislation and acting on resolutions on the agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter was received from County Executive Thomas Nelson recommending the following additional individuals for consideration as the gubernatorial appointee representing Outagamie County on the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (requested from the Governor's office): Mr. Michael Potter, Mr. Brennan Haworth, Ms. Kathleen Rumsey, Mr. Richard Schoenbohm, and Mr. Ronald Tank. Mr. Paul Hirte was recommended and overwhelmingly supported for re-appointment as the gubernatorial appointee by the County Board at the October 23, 2012, meeting.

At the February 12, 2013 meeting, Supervisor Schmidt requested to hold in committee the appointments to the East Central Regional Planning Commission. No objection; so ordered. Additional information (email addendum for Ronald Tank) was sent in the packet material for the February 26, 2013, meeting. At the February 26, 2013 meeting, Supervisor Mahan requested to hold in committee the appointments to the East Central Regional Planning Commission. No objection; so ordered.

At the March 12, 2013, meeting, Chairperson Schuette reported that the recommended appointments from the Executive would be handled through actions related to Resolution No. 141—2012-2013; therefore, the appointment letter should be withdrawn from separate action. No objection; so ordered. EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT LETTER TO RECOMMEND GUBERNATORIAL ECWRPC APPOINTMENTS WITHDRAWN.

Resolution No. 129—2012-2013 – Property, Airport, Recreation & Economic Development Committee. Authorize the formation of a Space Needs Study Ad Hoc Committee consisting of seven appointed members to identify and address current and future space needs within Outagamie County.

At the February 26, 2013 meeting, Supervisor Culbertson requested to hold Resolution No. 129—2012-2013 in committee until the next meeting. No objection; so ordered.

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

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor Thomas, to amend Resolution No. 129—2012-2013 on line 8 from “Three (3) Citizen Members” to “Three (3) Outagamie County department representative members.

ROLL CALL on amendment: 34 aye, 2 absent. AMENDMENT CARRIED.

ROLL CALL to adopt as amended: 32 aye, 2 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 129—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 136—2012-2013 – Finance Committee. Oppose allowing the board of canvassers conducting a recount to determine to conduct the recount of a specific election by hand unless a

court orders the recount to be conducted by another method.

Supervisor Nagler moved, seconded by Supervisor Groat, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 31 aye, 2 nay, 1 abstain, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 136—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 137—2012-2013 – Finance Committee. Support Election Day voter registration in Wisconsin.

Supervisor Nagler moved, seconded by Supervisor Groat, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 31 aye, 3 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 137—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 138—2012-2013 – Health and Human Services Committee. Support allowing an individual to have their status as a veteran indicated on a Wisconsin driver's license or identification card.

Supervisor Stueck moved, seconded by Supervisor Trentlage, for adoption.

Supervisor Iverson moved, seconded by Stueck, to amend Res. #138 in the first resolve that, "If the department wants a disability rating code put on the driver's license, the veteran would have an option to not have that code listed on the license."

ROLL CALL to amend: 33 aye, 1 abstain, 2 absent. AMENDMENT CARRIED.

ROLL CALL to adopt as amended: 33 aye, 1 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 138—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Resolution No. 139—2012-2013 – Highway and Solid Waste Committee. Oppose freezing the renewable energy requirements at the 2011 levels. Outagamie County has committed to long-term production of renewable energy from landfill gas, and current law supports such renewable energy production.

Supervisor McDaniel moved, seconded by Supervisor Buchman, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 25 aye, 9 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 139—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 140—2012-2013 – Property, Airport, Recreation & Economic Development Committee. Support creating a workforce training program to be administered by the Department of Workforce Development in order to access possible grant money to be used for the training of both new and existing employees of businesses in this state.

Supervisor Culbertson requested to withdraw Resolution No. 140—2012-2013. No objection; so ordered. RESOLUTION NO. 140—2012-2013 IS WITHDRAWN.

Resolution No. 141—2012-2013 – Legislative Audit and Human Resources Committee.
Nominate Howard Miller, Edward Perkins, and Michael Thomas for consideration as Outagamie County's Gubernatorial Appointee to the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

Supervisor Mahan moved, seconded by Supervisor Schmidt, for adoption.

Supervisor Groat moved, seconded by Supervisor Stueck to amend the resolution on line 13 to read "Paul Hirte as first choice and other nominees are Jim Pleuss, Howard Miller, Ed Perkins, Michael Thomas, Michael Potter, Brennan Haworth, Kathleen Rumsey, Richard Schoenbohm, and Ronald Tank" for consideration as Outagamie County's ..."

ROLL CALL on amendment: 26 aye, 6 nay, 2 abstain, 2 absent. AMENDMENT CARRIED.

ROLL CALL to adopt as amended: 29 aye, 3 nay, 2 abstain, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 141—2012-2013 IS ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

REPORTS - None

Supervisor L. DeGroot moved, seconded by Supervisor Nagler, to adjourn until Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. VOICE VOTE CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.



Lori J. O'Bright, County Clerk