

**JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

August 30, 2017

Administration & Rules Committee

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Rinard at 8:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Administration and Rules Committee Members

Members present: Jim Braughler, Jim Schroeder, Jennifer Hanneman, Steve Nass and Amy Rinard.

Others Present: Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Chief Jeffrey Parker; Bruce Jones, UW Extension; J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel; Barb Frank, County Clerk and Connie Freeberg, Paralegal.

3. Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law Requirements

Wehmeier certified compliance with the open meeting law.

4. Review of Agenda

No changes were made.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Approval of the July 26, 2017 Committee meeting minutes

Motion by Hanneman; Second by Schroeder to approve the July 26, 2017 Committee meeting minutes as presented. (Ayes-All) Motion carried.

7. Approval of the August 8, 2017 County Board minutes

Motion by Hanneman; Second by Braughler to approve the August 8, 2017 County Board minutes as corrected. (Ayes-All) Motion carried.

8. Communications

- Legislation related to Chapter 980

9. Discussion and possible action on Local Government Institute of Wisconsin's (LGI) Future Region Initiative (October)

No new information is available at this time. MIS is looking at working together with other counties on procurement opportunities. No action taken.

10. Discussion on future of Intercounty Coordinating Committee

Schroeder explained that they will hold 6 meetings per year with each county hosting one meeting. No action taken.

11. Discussion and possible action on Resolution "Support proposed legislation permitting inmates to participate in employment-related activities or other programs designated by the Department of Corrections" referred to the Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Committee for recommendation. County Board

A copy of the resolution was provided for review. Chief Parker said that the Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Committee supports this resolution.

Motion by Nass; Second by Hanneman to recommend this resolution for approval and forward to the County Board for their consideration. (Ayes-All) Motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action on resolutions, letters or reports from other governmental agencies:

- a. Outagamie County Resolution "Support legislation reducing the forfeiture to \$100 for possessing marijuana"

A copy of the resolution was provided for review. No action taken.

- b. Door County Resolution "In opposition to the Aquila Resources, Inc. proposed Back Forty Mine Project"

A copy of the resolution was provided for review. No action taken.

- c. Door County Resolution “Maintain funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative”
A copy of the resolution was provided for review. No action taken.
13. Discussion and possible action on resolutions from the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA)
Copies of the following resolutions were provided for review: There is a link on the WCA legislative web page that will be shared with the County Board.
- a. Resolution 1 – Supporting Full Funding of the Great Lakes Restorative Initiative
The committee supports this resolution. No action taken.
 - b. Resolution 2 – Supporting an Increase in Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) for County Forest Lands
No action taken.
 - c. Resolution 3 – Responding to the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Report “Wastewater Permitting and Enforcement, June 2016”
The committee supports this resolution. No action taken.
 - d. Resolution 4 – Opposing the Back Forty Mine
No action taken.
 - e. Resolution 5 – Supporting the Paris Climate Agreement
The committee supports this resolution.
 - f. Resolution 6 – Supporting Reinstating the Forestation State Tax
The committee supports this resolution.
 - g. Resolution 7 – Adopting Public Participation Procedures for Updating the Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Walworth County
No action taken.
 - h. Resolution 8 – Recommending Change in Unemployment Compensation Rules
The committee supports this resolution.
 - i. Resolution 9 – Recommending Change in Unemployment Compensation Rules
The committee supports this resolution.
 - j. Resolution 10 – Recommending Amendment to Wisconsin Statute 59.22
No action taken.
 - k. Resolution 11 – Supporting Proposed Legislation Allowing an Exception to Copy a Vital Record
This resolution has already passed. No action taken.
 - l. Resolution 12 – Supporting a County Option Relating to Highway Committee/Commissioner Duties and Powers
No action taken.
 - m. Resolution 13 – Supporting Creation of a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans
The board supported this resolution.
 - n. Resolution 14 – Creating a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans
The board supported this resolution.
 - o. Resolution 15 – Supporting Creation of a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans
The board supported this resolution.
 - p. Resolution 16 – Advocating for Cooperative Extension Funding
The committee supports this resolution.
 - q. Resolution 17 – Opposing the UW-Cooperative Extension Multi-County Reorganization Plan
No action taken.
 - r. Resolution 18 – Opposing the UW-Cooperative Extension Multi-County Reorganization Plan

No action taken.

- s. Resolution 19 – Supporting the Governor’s Budget Proposals to Lower the Lead Poisoning Definition and to Increase the Medicaid Reimbursement Available for Lead Investigations
The committee supports this resolution.
- t. Resolution 20 – Encouraging the United States Senate to Pass Senate Bill 2680 – Mental Health Reform Act of 2016
The committee supports this resolution.
- u. Resolution 21 – Supporting Retention and Expansion of Wisconsin’s Aging and Disability Resource Centers’ Dementia Care Specialist Program and Promoting the Work of the Dementia Coalition in Eau Claire County
The committee supports this resolution.
- v. Resolution 22 – Requesting the Legislature Restore Funding in the 2017-2019 State Budget for Dementia Care Specialist Positions
The committee supports this resolution.
- w. Resolution 23 – Increasing Funding for the Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center at UW-Madison
No action taken.
- x. Resolution 24 – Requesting Adequate Funding from the State and Federal Government for Medicare and Medicaid Reimbursement to Skilled Nursing Facilities
The committee supports this resolution.
- y. Resolution 25 – Requesting the State Legislature Increase Nursing Home Medicaid Funding
The committee supports this resolution.
- z. Resolution 26 – Requesting an Increase in Medicaid Reimbursement Rates
The committee supports this resolution.
- aa. Resolution 27 – Urging the Wisconsin Legislature and Governor to Enact Legislation to Increase Medicaid Reimbursement Rates
The committee supports this resolution.
- bb. Resolution 28 – Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- cc. Resolution 29 – Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- dd. Resolution 30 – Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- ee. Resolution 31 – Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- ff. Resolution 32 – Supporting Increased State Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- gg. Resolution 33 – Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
The committee supports this resolution.
- hh. Resolution 34 – Supporting WCA’s Efforts to Establish a Statewide 9-1-1 ESInet
The committee supports this resolution.
- ii. Resolution 35 – Supporting State Funding to Hire More Prosecutors for County-Based District Attorneys’ offices Without Counting County-Funded Positions when Assessing Need or Distributing Prosecutor Positions
The committee supports this resolution.
- jj. Resolution 36 – Requesting that Circuit Judges be Give Discretion Regarding Adding the DNA Surcharge to Each and Every Count in Criminal Judgements of Conviction
The committee supports this resolution.

- kk. Resolution 37 – Requesting the State Legislature Enact Legislation Authorizing Counties to Impose up to .1% Sales Tax Exclusively for Economic Development, Tourism and Infrastructure for the Same
No action taken.
- ll. Resolution 38 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- mm. Resolution 39 – Supporting the Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- nn. Resolution 40 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
Motion by ; Second by to support this resolution. (Ayes-All) Motion Carried. No action taken.
- oo. Resolution 41 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- pp. Resolution 42 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- qq. Resolution 43 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- rr. Resolution 44 – Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
The committee supports this resolution.
- ss. Resolution 45 – Supporting Continued Funding of the Essential Air Service (EAS) Program
The committee supports this resolution.
- tt. Resolution 46 – Supporting the Completion of the Environmental Impact Study for the USH 12 Extension Project and Urging the State of Wisconsin to Include this Project in the Transportation Improvement Program for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2017-2020
No action taken.
- uu. Resolution 47 – Urging Elected Officials to Direct the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to Complete the USH 12 Environmental Impact Study
No action taken.
- vv. Resolution 48 – Urging the Surface Transportation Board to Conduct a Thorough Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Great Lakes Basin Railroad
The County Board supported this resolution.
- ww. Resolution 49 – Supporting the Initiation of Passenger Rail Service Between West Central Wisconsin and the Twin Cities
The committee supports this resolution.
- xx. Resolution 50 – Supporting Proposed Plan for Salary Increases for all University of Wisconsin Employees
The committee supports this resolution.
- yy. Resolution 51 – Encouraging Financial Support by the State of Wisconsin for La Crosse Center Expansion Project
No action taken.
- zz. Resolution 52 – Providing Adequate Resources to Support County Soil and Water Conservation and Cost-sharing for Farmers and Other Land Users
The committee supports this resolution.
- aaa. Resolution 53 – Supporting the Return of \$9.3 million in the 2017-2019 Biennial Budget to Provide Adequate Resources to County Land Conservation Programs and Cost-Sharing for Farmers
The committee supports this resolution.
- bbb. Resolution 54 – Urging the State of Wisconsin to Support Funding for Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
The committee supports this resolution.

- ccc. Resolution 55 – Requesting the State Legislature Develop and Enact Bipartisan Support for Funding of Comprehensive, Sustainable, Effective and Evidence Based Communicable Disease Control and Prevention for the Public’s Health
The committee supports this resolution.
- ddd. Resolution 56 – Securing State Funding to Support Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
The committee supports this resolution.
- eee. Resolution 57 – Securing State Funding to Support Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
The committee supports this resolution.
- fff. Resolution 58 – Supporting “Just Fix It” for Transportation Funding
The committee supports this resolution.
- ggg. Resolution 59 – Urging the State of Wisconsin to “Just Fix It” as it Relates to Funding Wisconsin’s Transportation System
The committee supports this resolution.
- hhh. Resolution 60 – Urging the State of Wisconsin to “Just Fix It” as it Relates to Funding Wisconsin’s Transportation System
The committee supports this resolution.
- iii. Resolution 61 – Urging the State of Wisconsin to “Just Fix It” as it Relates to Funding Wisconsin’s Transportation System
The committee supports this resolution.

14. Financial Reports (July)

- a. Clerk of Courts
- b. Corporation Counsel
- c. County Administrator
- d. County Board
- e. County Clerk
- f. Register of Deeds

Financial Reports were provided for review. No action taken.

15. Discussion and possible action on becoming a party to a lawsuit against opioid pharmaceutical companies to recover county costs associated with opioid abuse

Wehmeier provided informational slides from vonBriesen. Ward supports opting in. The Human Services Board will also discuss this at their next meeting.

Motion by Schroeder; Second by Nass that if Administration and Corporation Counsel are ready to take a resolution to County Board that the committee supports sending it to the County Board for their consideration. (Ayes-All) Motion carried.

16. Discussion and possible action on supporting an amendment to Chapter 980 of the Wisconsin Statutes regarding sex offender placement

A preliminary draft summary was provided for review. Wehmeier discussed the amendment. Ward explained how this affects Jefferson County. Supervisor Reese supports the changes to this amendment.

Motion by Schroeder; Second by Hanneman that if Administration and Corporation Counsel are ready to present a resolution to support changes to Chapter 980 of the Wisconsin Statutes regarding sex offender placement that it should be forwarded to the County Board for their consideration. (Ayes-All) Motion carried.

17. Update on Strategic Plan

No update was given.

18. County Administrator's monthly report

Wehmeier gave a verbal report highlighting the following: 2018 Budget, finalizing insurance, waiting for the state to release numbers, MIS realignment, Office System software, RFP for printer/copiers and Mass Alert System. Central Services staff is busy with multiple projects. Fair staff transition, attended judicial events and the employee Fiesta, Harry Potter Festival, attended WMMIC Board meeting, met with Chancellor staff on collaboration and internship opportunities, looking into the problem with the sound system in the board room, attended the United Way Board of Directors meeting. The Supreme Court will be at the courthouse on September 20th. The court areas are being updated. No action taken.

19. Discussion and possible action on tentative future meeting schedule and agenda items –

(September 27, 2017 – 8:30 a.m., October 25, 2017 – 8:30 a.m. (May Reschedule)

- Approval of August 30, 2017 Administration & Rules Committee meeting minutes
- Approval of September 12, 2017 County Board meeting minutes

20. Discussion and possible action on Local Government Institute of Wisconsin's (LGI) Future Region Initiative (October)

15. Adjourn

Motion made by Hanneman; Second by Schroeder to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. (Ayes-All) Motion Carried.