

COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 20, 2020

Executive Committee

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rinard at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Jim Braughler, Steve Nass, Amy Rinard and Michael Wineke

Members present via ZOOM: Conor Nelan

Others Present: Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel.

Others present via ZOOM: Supervisors Anita Martin and Laura Payne; Staff members Audrey McGraw and Patricia Cicero.

3. Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law Requirements

Wehmeier certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

4. Review of Agenda

No changes.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Approval of October 28, 2020 committee meeting minutes

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Supervisors Braughler/Wineke to approve the committee meeting minutes from October 28, 2020 as printed. Motion passed 5-0.

7. Approval of October 27, 2020 county board meeting minutes

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Supervisors Wineke/Braughler to approve the county board minutes from October 27, 2020 as printed. Motion passed 5-0.

8. Approval of November 10, 2020 county board meeting minutes

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Supervisors Nelan/Nass to approve the county board minutes from November 10, 2020 as printed. Motion passed 5-0.

9. Communications

None

10. Discussion and possible action on amending the County Board Rules to authorize per diem and mileage payments for members of the ADRC Advisory Council and the Nutrition Project Council

Supervisor Nass reported that research done by Janet Sayre Hoeft showed only these two County organizations not receiving per diems and mileage reimbursement. Wehmeier noted that funds are available for per diems and mileage, and Ward has drafted a fiscal document should the Committee decide to rectify this. Motion by Supervisors Nass/Braughler to approve amending the County Board Rules to authorize per diem and mileage payments for members of the ADRC Advisory Council and the Nutrition Project Council. Motion passed 5-0.

11. Discussion and possible action on process for reviewing proposed JDA between county, Town of Ixonia and We Energies

The draft Joint Development Agreement (JDA) was provided by Wehmeier, who gave an overview of the document. He noted that the Ixonia liquid natural gas facility application was approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee. Supervisor Rinard asked how the group would like to be briefed on the project. The consensus was that background given by staff and review of the JDA

was sufficient.

No action taken.

12. Discussion and possible action on process for reviewing proposed JDA between county, Town of Ixonia and WE Energies.

Wehmeier explained that the Crawfish River Solar project was of the size that it needed to go through a PSC process for certificate of authority. A County decision by the Planning and Zoning Committee is expected on November 30. He asked whether time should be taken in December to introduce this to the County Board. Nass suggested that an executive summary would be appropriate.

No action taken.

13. Discussion and possible action on department and committee input on proposed plans for courthouse renovation.

Wehmeier posed the question-how are the next steps developed and feedback gotten, if the plan is to move forward? Wehmeier will put something together for Committee chairs.

No action taken.

14. Discussion on Legislative and Budget Priorities for 2021-23

Wehmeier attended a meeting with county executives last week. A document prepared by Wisconsin Counties Association was shown to those present and is also available on the WCA website. An introduction of topics was given by Wehmeier. Supervisor Rinard suggested that a closer look be taken before the next meeting, and topics prioritized.

No action taken.

15. Discussion and possible action on planning to continue board operations amid pandemic and update on new voting system.

Supervisor Nass questioned whether additional policies regarding COVID-19 need to be developed. Wehmeier explained that there are flexible remote attendance policies in place. He went on to say that the voting machines will be ready for the next County Board meeting. Tablet distribution and a training plan are set for the week of November 30. Supervisor Rinard suggested that Supervisor Nass send out an email, reminding of and encouraging safe practices.

No action taken.

16. Financial Reports

Wehmeier reported that more money was turned in than was allocated with the Cares Act. More funds may be coming in than were expected.

- Clerk of Courts
- Corporation Counsel
- County Administrator
- County Board
- County Clerk

Financial reports were provided for review. No action taken.

17. County Administrator's monthly report

Wehmeier gave a report highlighting the following:

The County is continuing to look at ways to go ahead amid COVID-19. There are more carryover monies for 2021. We are looking at ways to keep the drive-in testing.

Supervisor Rinard asked for Wehmeier's assessment of staff COVID-19 issues in the building.

Reporting on broadband updates, there will be potentially four new towers in the County.

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

- a. Approval of November 20, 2020 committee meeting minutes
- b. Approval of December 8, 2020 county board minutes
- c. Financial Reports
- d. County Administrator's Monthly Report
- e.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 30, 2020 after the Joint Meeting which will begin at 9:00 a.m.

f. Adjourn

Motion by Supervisors Braughler/Nass to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.