

COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 26, 2022

Executive Committee

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Members present: Joan Fitzgerald, Steve Nass, Blane Poulson, Michael Wineke

Members excused: Brandon White

Others Present: Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator, Winona Brattset, Supervisor Anita Martin, Supervisor Joan Callan, Patricia Cicero, LWCD Director, Joe Strupp, Dave Hoffman, LWCD Staff, Elizabeth Chilsen, Health Director, Matt Zangl, Zoning Director, Sue Dettman.

Others Present via ZOOM: Sarana Stolar, Corporation Counsel, J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel; Leslie Ott, Kim Naber, Supervisor Walt Christensen, Michael Hellekson, Supervisor Jeff Smith, Sue Marx, Katy Katzman.

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

Winona Brattset - Cold Spring Issues, Anita Martin, well testing, water quality and high-capacity wells, avian influenza. Joan Callan spoke about the Strategic Plan and safety of citizens and supporting recommendations. Dyan Pasano, CAFO related issues

6. Approval of the August 31, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Poulson/Nass to approve the August 31, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion passed 4-0.

7. Approval of October 11, 2022 County Board minutes

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Nass/Poulson to approve the October 11, 2022 County Board minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Air, Surface Water, Groundwater, and Health concerns Relating to Animal Operations and their Regulation

A handout related to CAFOs was provided for review. Wehmeier went over the information and updated the committee on what has taken place in previous committee meetings. Staff is putting together a list of items that the county can and cannot regulate and will bring that back to the committees. The committee discussed current regulations and other items related to both sides of this issue, educational events on best practices. No action taken.

9. Report from Supervisor Poulson on Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) Annual Conference

Poulson reported that all of the resolutions were adopted as the committee discussed with exception of the levy limit resolution which was amended. No action taken.

10. Financial Reports

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

Financial Reports were provided for review. No action taken.

11. County Administrator's monthly report

Wehmeier gave a verbal report highlighting the following: Budget prep, finalizing bond sale, building project, staff move, countywide communication project, Greater Watertown Health Foundation Partnership, Human Services Director appointment, Economic Development Director search, Smart Growth Madison Event, WCA Administrator meeting, meetings with Rock River Steering Committee, Free Clinic. No action taken.

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

November 30, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda Items:

- Approval of October 26, 2022 Executive Committee minutes
- Approval of October 25, 2022 and November 15, 2022 County Board minutes
- Update on Air, Surface Water, Groundwater, and Health concerns Relating to Animal Operations and their Regulation
- Financial Reports
- County Administrator's Monthly Report

13. Adjourn

Motion by Nass/Fitzgerald to adjourn at 9:35 a.m. Motion passed 4-0.