

## COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 25, 2023

Executive Committee

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Poulson at 9:30 a.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Members present: Joan Fitzgerald, Steve Nass, Blane Poulson, Brandon White present in person at 10:16 a.m.

Members excused: Michael Wineke

Members Present via ZOOM: Brandon White

Others Present: Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Dan Drescher, Lake Mills City Attorney; Drake Daily, Lake Mills City Manager, Supervisor Anita Martin, Audrey McGraw, Country Clerk, Tom Buechel, Steve Sharp, Watertown Daily Times.

Others Present via ZOOM: Sarana Stolar, Corporation Counsel; J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel, Supervisor Walt Christensen, Supervisor Jim Braughler, Supervisor Joan Callan, Steve F,

**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 the December 28, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

Draft Minutes were provided for review. These will be on the agenda for approval at the next meeting. No action taken.

**7. Approval of January 10, 2023 County Board minutes**

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Nass/Fitzgerald to approve the January 10, 2023, County Board minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

**8. Update on Next Steps to address Air, Surface Water, Groundwater, and Health Concerns Relating to Animal Operations and their Regulation – Joint Committee Meeting – January 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** No action taken.

**9. Discussion on County Board Rules 3.02 ORGANIZATION, electing a County Board Chair, First Vice Chair and Second Vice Chair by secret ballot at the Organizational Meeting**

Poulson went on record to say he doesn't think there has been any impunity. A copy of the current Board Rule related to elections was provided for review. Martin provided a handout of research that she conducted and reviewed the information. The committee supports recording the tally, keeping the ballots for one week and not allowing county board supervisors to count the ballots. Ward will add the language to the rules, and it will come back for approval at a future meeting. No action taken.

**10. Discussion on Strategic Planning Process**

Wehmeier discussed next steps and talked through the timeline. No Action taken.

**11. Discussion on State Budget Process**

Wehmeier discussed the State Budget Process. No action taken.

**12. Discussion on County's Role in Emergency Medical Services (EMS)**

Wehmeier talked through a Power Point presentation related to Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Wehmeier recommends talking with stakeholders first. The Federated Library System model was discussed. Tax levy was discussed. Wehmeier will work non getting the stakeholders together. No action taken.

**13. Financial Reports**

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

Financial Reports were provided for review. No action taken.

**14. County Administrator's monthly report**

Wehmeier gave a verbal report highlighting the following: work on Nestle Site, Sheriff Union Negotiations, EMS Conversations, radio project, childcare, building project. No action taken.

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

Joint Meeting - January 30, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Regular Meeting – February 22, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda Items:

- Approval of January 25, 2023 Executive Committee minutes
- Approval of January 30, 2023 Joint Committee minutes
- Approval of February 14, 2023 County Board minutes
- Update on Air, Surface Water, Groundwater, and Health concerns Relating to Animal Operations and their Regulation
- County Board Rule Item from above
- EMS Discussions
- Strategic Plan Update
- Financial Reports
- County Administrator's Monthly Report

**16. Adjourn**

Motion by Poulson/White to adjourn at 11:27 a.m. Motion passed 4-0.