



WISCONSIN COUNTIES
UTILITY TAX ASSOCIATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Friday, May 12, 2023
10:00 a.m.

Wisconsin Counties Association
22 E Mifflin Street, Suite 900
Madison, WI 53703

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Wisconsin Counties Utility Tax Association (WCUTA) President William Goehring called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL: William Goehring, Sheboygan County; Chris Polzer, Columbia County; Anita Martin, Jefferson County; Lee Engelbrecht, Manitowoc County; Thomas Rosenberg, Marathon County. **PRESENT VIRTUAL:** Shonna Neary, Columbia County; Jeff Amo, Jackson County; John Aasen, Trempealeau County; Vern Koch, Sheboygan County. **EXCUSED:** Roger Calkins, Chippewa County; Jerry Guth, Green County; Melissa Pingel, Waushara County; Robert Keeney, Grant County; Tom Cornford, Crawford County; Erik Pritzl, Oconto County; Lee Engfer, Buffalo County. **OTHERS (VIRTUAL):** George Klaetsch, Klaetsch Public Affairs. **WCA STAFF:** Dan Bahr, and Robyn Voss.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 10, 2023 MEETING: Motion by Polzer, second by Rosenberg, to approve the March 10, 2023 minutes as printed. Motion carried.

COMMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Goehring welcomed everyone to the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Goehring reviewed the financial report, no action was taken.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Dan Bahr called for nominations for President of the Wisconsin Counties Utility Tax Association (WCUTA). Lee Englebrecht nominated William Goehring. Motion by Engelbrecht, second by Polzer, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for William Goehring. Motion carried.

Dan Bahr called for nominations for Vice-President of WCUTA. William Goehring nominated Chris Polzer. Motion by Goehring, second by Rosenberg, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Chris Polzer. Motion carried.

Dan Bahr called for nominations for Second Vice-President. William Goehring nominated Tom Rosenberg. Motion by Engelbrecht, second by Martin, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tom Rosenberg. Motion carried.

Dan Bahr called for nominations for Secretary. William Goehring nominated Lee Engelbrecht. Motion by Martin, second by Aasen, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Lee Engelbrecht. Motion carried.

LOBBYIST REPORT: George Klaetsch appeared virtually and provided an update to the Board regarding meetings he has had with the Legislature. Discussion followed.

WCA REPORT: Dan Bahr provided a brief overview of the shared revenue package. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing new.

WCUTA BUDGET ENGAGEMENT:

- a. Joint Finance Committee Public Hearing Representation (Goehring, Polzer, Gibbs): Mr. Goehring, Mr. Polzer spoke about their time at the JFC meetings and how well their message was received. Discussion followed.
- b. Coalition Recruitment and Engagement: Mr. Klaetsch stated that he would like to send letters out to members and encourage engagement. Discussion followed.
- c. Targeted Joint Finance Committee Meetings: Mr. Klaetsch provided an update on meetings he has had with members of the JFC. Discussion followed.
- d. WCUTA Membership Outreach to JFC Membership: Mr. Klaetsch stated that he would like the committee to send letters in support of the utility bill.
- e. WCUTA Membership Message to JFC Membership: Mr. Klaetsch stated that he would like the committee to send letters in support of the utility bill.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TOPICS: July 28, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Polzer, second by Engelbrecht, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion carried.