

COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 26, 2024

Executive Committee

1. **Call to Order**

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

2. **Roll Call**

Members present: Walt Christensen, Steve Nass, Blane Poulson, Brandon White, Michael Wineke

Others Present: Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Michael Luckey, Assistant to the County Administrator; Danielle Thompson, Corporation Counsel; Audrey McGraw, County Clerk, Patricia Cicero, Land and Water Conservation Director, Tammie Jaeger, Administration

Others Present via ZOOM: Sarana Stolar, Corporation Counsel

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**

Nass attended the Health Dept Open House and said they did a good job.

6. **Approval of June 12, 2024 County Board meeting minutes**

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Christensen/Poulson to approve the June 12, 2024 County Board meeting minutes as printed. Motion passed 5-0.

7. **Approval of April 24, 2024 Executive Committee minutes**

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Nass/White to approve the April 24, 2024 Executive Committee minutes as printed. Motion passed 5-0.

8. **Discussion and Possible Action on Support for Funding the Wisconsin Purchase of Agricultural Easement (PACE) Program**

A copy of the Resolution - Encouraging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin Legislature to Support Funding the Wisconsin Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement Program was provided for review. Cicero discussed the program. She feels it is best to postpone the resolution until we know where the money is coming from to support this program.

Motion by Nass/Poulson to postpone the resolution until this is reviewed by Land and Water Conservation Committee. Motion passed 5-0.

9. Discussion and possible action on Resolution – Authorizing Jefferson County to Enter into the Settlement Agreement with The Kroger Co., and Agreeing to the Terms of Addendum Two to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds

A copy of the Resolution - Authorizing Jefferson County to enter into the Settlement Agreement with the Kroger Co. and Agreeing to the Terms of Addendum Two to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds was provided for review. Wehmeier discussed the process.

Motion by Nass/Poulson to forward the Resolution Authorizing Jefferson County to enter into the Settlement Agreement with the Kroger Co. and Agreeing to the Terms of Addendum Two to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds to the County Board for their consideration . Motion passed 5-0.

10. Financial Reports

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

Financial Reports were provided for review. No action taken.

11. County Administrator’s monthly report

Wehmeier highlighted the following: courts are moving for construction, court reorganization, Judge Hue is retiring, Judge Dehring has been named Chief Judge, waiting for appointment of Sheriff, Treatment Court Coordinator resigned, SCRAM issues, staffing changes, Fair Park transition, Emergency Management Director interviews, Kikkoman event, Aztalan Bio, Habitat for Humanity Gala, ICC presentation on Avian Flu, Greater Watertown Event, Highway property development, EMS Strategy, Strategic Messaging, working with Michael Best, BizTimes will be covering us, HealthWorks Planning Group for free clinics - \$250,000 grant, Washington and Waukesha County executive meetings to talk about collaboration. No action taken.

12. Assistant to the County Administrator’s monthly report

Luckey shared updates on Financial Empowerment Center site visit, site visit for county farmland, Broadband Workshop, broadband work, BEAD Challenge process, assisting with the fair, fair marketing, 6.3% increase in tourism, Strategic Plan Implementation is complete, working on a dashboard for the web, PCS Grant for energy efficiency- \$75,000, Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) review sessions, Kikkoman and Aztalan Bio events, working with HR on follow up orientation program, website review. No action taken.

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

Regular Meeting – July 31, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda Items:

- Approval of June 26, 2024 Executive Committee minutes
- Approval of July 9, 2024 County Board minutes
- Strategic Plan – Implementation Plan Quarterly Update
- Financial Reports
- County Administrator’s Monthly Report

- Assistant to the County Administrator's Monthly Report

14. Adjourn

Motion by Nass/Christensen to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. Motion passed 5-0.