



COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
Minutes – September 12, 2017

Call to Order. Chair Podzilni called the meeting of the County Board Staff Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Podzilni, Kraft, Arnold, Peer, Sweeney, Thomas, Brill, Mawhinney, and Bussie.

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Jodi Timmerman, Interim Corporation Counsel; Annette Mikula, Human Resources Director; Jon Furseth, Facilities Superintendent, Courthouse.

Others Present: Supervisor Owens.

Approval of Agenda. Chair Podzilni said there was additional language in resolution 6.D. that did not belong and new copies, with this language removed, have been handed out. Supervisor Arnold moved approval of the agenda with this change, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Supervisor Mawhinney asked if the 2018 County Board schedule, which had been included in their packets, could have the organizational meeting marked.

Approval of Minutes – August 10, 2017. Supervisor Bussie moved approval of the minutes of August 10, 2017 as presented, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Transfers. None.

Review of Payments. The Committee accepted the report.

Resolutions.

Recognizing Deborah Johns for Service to Rock Haven

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ___ day _____, 2017 does hereby recognize Deborah Johns for her 24 years of service and extend their best wishes to her in her future endeavors.”

Supervisor Bussie moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Thomas. ADOPTED.

Recognizing Deputy Matthew E. Reckard

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017, does hereby recognize Deputy Matthew E. Reckard for his 28 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Deputy Matthew E. Reckard along with best wishes for the future.”

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Arnold.
ADOPTED.

Recognizing Sancee Siebold for Service to Rock County

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017, does hereby thank Sancee Siebold for her dedication and contributions to the citizens of Rock County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Sancee Siebold with the Rock County Board of Supervisors’ best wishes for her future plans.”

Supervisor Arnold moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Kraft.
ADOPTED.

Amending Rock County’s Mission/Vision/Core Values Statement

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017 does hereby amend the Rock County Mission/Vision/Core Values Statement to include the above Diversity & Inclusion vision Statement and amend Section 1.03 of the administrative Policy & Procedure Manual.”

Supervisor Peer moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Brill.
ADOPTED.

Supporting AB 44 – Fair Map-Redistricting Legislation

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017, supports AB 44 (and companion SB 13) as it would provide for a redistricting process that is objective, accountable, timely, efficient, and contains a reasonable degree of flexibility.”

Supervisor Kraft moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Bussie.

Discussion on why there is not Executive Summary; 17 counties have already acted on resolutions; the Wisconsin Counties Association will be looking at this for the 2018 annual meeting; and Chair Podzilni will ask Supervisor Zajac to give a verbal summary at County Board meeting on Thursday.

ADOPTED.

Requesting State Law Change Allowing Counties the use of the Design-Build Construction Method and Update the Statutory Bidding Requirements

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017 does hereby request that the Rock County Legislators introduce and support legislation authorizing counties to utilize the Design-Build option.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature take action to update the antiquated project limit in Sec. 59.52(29), Stats. from \$25,000 to \$250,000, and the requirement of a Class 1 notice be raised for any public work to a cost in excess of \$50,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is authorized to send copies of this resolution to the Rock County Legislative Delegation and the Wisconsin Counties Association to elicit support for this requested change in state law.”

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Mawhinney.

Supervisor Owens explained this has been an ongoing project since 2009 and explained how this would give counties more options, save county and taxpayer money, save time, and will make projects more competitive. He requested approval of this change so it could be included with other counties resolutions going to the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA).

The Committee discussed removal of the amounts in the resolve clauses; a group of facility management personnel from various counties will be at the WCA annual conference to get the word out and answer questions; adding a definition of Design-Build to the Executive Summary.

Supervisor Sweeney moved to have lines 26 through 28 to read “Be it Further Resolved that the legislature take action to update Sec. 59.52(29), Wis. Stats. to mirror the statutory process in existence for state and other municipalities for public work projects, retaining the requirement for a Class 1 notice.”, and to add the Design-Build definition to the Executive Summary, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

ADOPTED as amended.

Update on Town of Beloit Incorporation. Mr. Smith passed out copies of the City of Beloit and Town of Beloit press releases. The City of Beloit offered the Town of Beloit residents the option to annex to the City as an alternative to incorporation. The City of Beloit’s press release listed the Town of Beloit’s motivation to incorporate, the negative impact to Rock County, the negative impact to the region, the negative impact to the City of Beloit, the negative impact to taxpayers, and the financial comparisons. The Town of Beloit’s press release was their rebuttal to the City’s press release.

Mr. Smith said the Town of Beloit is currently circulating a petition to the Town of Beloit residents living east of Afton Rd. He said their next steps would be to bring it to the State Department of Administration, Circuit Court, eastside residents for a vote, then to the State Board of Incorporation. The City of Beloit would have a voice to go before the state. Mr. Smith said the County has not yet taken a position on this.

The Committee discussed the incorporation process, the monetary impact on the County, and that part of the Town of Beloit is not included in the proposed incorporation.

Chair Podzilni suggested putting this item back on the agenda for the October 10, 2017 meeting.

Adjournment. Supervisor Kraft moved adjournment at 5:09 pm, second by Supervisor Sweeney. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
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