



COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
Minutes – April 25, 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, Brill, Bussie, Mawhinney, Peer and Thomas.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisors Arnold, Kraft and Sweeney.

Staff Members Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Jeff Kuglitsch, Corporation Counsel; Annette Mikula, Human Resources Director, Chief Deputy Barbara Tillman, Commander Erik Chellevoid and Commander Troy Knudson, Sheriff's Office.

Others Present: Supervisor Beaver.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the amended agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Chief Deputy Tillman informed the Committee of the help Mr. Terronez and Mr. Osborne were on the Jakubowski case and told them their help was very much appreciated.

Chair Podzilni said he was at the Emergency Operations Center pretty much every day and was impressed with how smoothly and professionally everything was run. He said it was a job well done.

Approval of Minutes – April 11, 2017. Supervisor Bussie moved approval of the minutes of April 11, 2017, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Transfer. None

Resolution.

Proclaiming April 2017 National County Government Month

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2017 does hereby proclaim April 2017 as National County Government Month in honor of all county officials, employees and partners.”

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

Discussion and Possible Action on Rock County Administrative Policy 5.45 – Uniform / Equipment Allowance. Ms. Mikula said that since she put the spreadsheet together she found one more area where our practice does not align with the Policy and Procedure Manual. She said the Correctional Supervisor receives \$635, but the manual lists only \$520. She said it makes sense to receive the \$635 since that is what correctional officers receive.

Chief Deputy Tillman said she and Ms. Mikula worked on this and that everyone at the Sheriff's Office must have and maintain a full uniform. She said they take direction from the Sheriff on what he would like them to wear. She explained the evolution of the uniforms at the Sheriff's Office over the years.

Supervisor Mawhinney asked if this is a one-time allowance or every year. Chief Deputy Tillman said this is every year.

Supervisor Bussie asked if this was standard and that it should be fair for everyone. Ms. Mikula said the amounts have not changed since she has been here and there is quite a bit of variance across the board.

Commander Knudson said that there are various groups like SWAT, K-9, etc. who have extra uniforms as well and these come out of the same allowance.

Chair Podzilni expressed his concern of the missing members not being able to have their questions answered.

Supervisor Mawhinney agreed and said out of respect for these people they should postpone to the next meeting.

Supervisor Mawhinney moved to postpone to the May 9, 2017 meeting, second by Supervisor Bussie. POSTPONED to May 9, 2017.

Discussion and Possible Action on the Wisconsin Municipal Mutual Insurance Company Liability Policy. Supervisor Peer moved to put on the table for discussion, second by Supervisor Thomas.

Mr. Kuglitsch explained that Supervisor Kraft asked to have this on the agenda because of the Highway 14 vehicle damage issue. He said we hire WMMIC to handle our cases and they are brought to this Committee more as informational. All claims over \$10,000 go to the County Board and asked if the Committee would like to have only the claims over \$10,000 to be put on the County Board Staff agenda, or if all claims, regardless of the amount, go before the County Board. He asked if the Committee felt the rules should be looked at for possible changes.

Mr. Smith said he can understand how it puts the Committee in a difficult and awkward position when they really are not able to change the denial of a claim.

Supervisor Bussie said it is nice to know what is going on.

The Committee discussed that Supervisor Kraft had asked to have this put on the agenda, was not able to make the meeting, and thought she should have the opportunity to have her concerns addressed.

Supervisor Bussie moved to postpone this to the next meeting, second by Supervisor Thomas. POSTPONED to May 9, 2017.

Claim. Mr. Kuglitsch went over the claim filed by Ms. Kathleen Sargent who, while at the Eclipse Center, in Community Action, fell on a wet restroom floor and sustained injuries and damages in the amount of \$63,603.48. He added that this is not County property, nor a County office.

Supervisor Mawhinney moved to deny the claim from Kathleen Sargent in the amount of \$63,603.48, second by Supervisor Peer. DENIED.

Adjournment. Supervisor Brill moved adjournment at 4:35 P.M., second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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