

MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MANITOWOC COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

6:30 P.M.

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 59.04, the County Board of Supervisors of Manitowoc County, Wisconsin convened in open session at The Heritage Center, County Board Meeting Room, in the City of Manitowoc, being the 15th day of September, 2020, for the purpose of transacting business as a Board of Supervisors.

Chairperson Brey called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Supervisor Wagner gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by the entire assemblage.

Roll call: 22 members present: Aulik, Baumann, Behnke, Brey, Cavanaugh, Dyzak, Engelbrecht, Falkowski, Gerroll, Hansen, Henrickson, Linsmeier, Maresh, Martell, Metzger, Muench, Nickels, Shimulunas, Sitkiewitz, Vogt, Wagner, and Williams. Supervisors Hagan, Neils and Zimmer were excused.

On a motion by Supervisor Behnke, seconded by Supervisor Henrickson, the August 18, 2020 meeting minutes were approved on a unanimous vote.

County Clerk Backus announced the changes to the agenda. Under VII. Reports. 9. County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer – Extension of the Declaration of Emergency – Executive Proclamation Declaring Public Health Emergency was added and under XII. Committee Reports. O. Miscellaneous. 7. Resolution 2020/2021-28 Ratifying County Executive's September 12, 2020 Proclamation of Continuing Public Health Emergency was added. Supervisor Engelbrecht moved seconded by Supervisor Aulik to approve the agenda. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS, OFFICERS, AND DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer and Chairperson Brey presented Proclamation Honoring 4-H Week. Kevin Palmer accepted the proclamation. Amelia Hansen and Clarissa Ulness, two student representatives of 4-H, spoke regarding how their valuable experiences in 4-H have shaped their lives and assisted in personal growth.

County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer and Chairperson Brey presented Proclamation Declaring October 2020 Crime Prevention Month. Sheriff Hartwig accepted the proclamation and stated the year 2020 has and will continue to be interesting. The department is partnering with various agencies in an effort to combat the many new drug related crimes and crimes against children and the elderly.

County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer and Chairperson Brey presented Proclamation Commending Lieutenant Michael Polich, Sergeant Robert Mancheski and Corrections Officer Zachary Stanull for their quick, decisive and heroic actions to extinguish a fire on August 8, 2020 in the mechanical room of the second floor of the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Dan Hartwig, Mike Strauss and Don Yanda, Past Presidents of Manitowoc Eagle Aerie #706 presented the Manitowoc County Sheriff Deputy of the Year to Deputy Christopher Hemauer and the Manitowoc County Correctional Officer of the Year to Corrections Officer Timothy Kluenker. Sheriff Hartwig spoke very highly of the character and accomplishments of both gentlemen and of their significant value to the sheriff's department.

Chairperson Jim Brey gave a brief presentation of the proposed 2021 County Board Budget.

County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer reported on the Extension of the Declaration of Emergency – Executive Proclamation Declaring Public Health Emergency. Approving the extension of the Emergency Declaration for

another 60 days only deals with our ability to spend funds related to the emergency and our ability to seek reimbursement from the State and Federal Government.

PUBLIC INPUT – OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO PRESENT THEIR VIEWS

Chairperson Brey declared public comment open at 7:05 p.m.

Eric Sitkiewitz, City of Manitowoc, expressed concern regarding Supervisor Zimmer using personal email when conducting county business and the fact that when someone uses a personal email account to conduct county business, those communications would not be subject to open records request.

Amanda Whorley, Town of Manitowoc Rapids, stated she feels the ethics code is outdated and challenges this body to update the code.

Kayla Raquet, Town of Schleswig, questioned where the money received is being used for COVID and stated only two deaths does not support an emergency being declared.

No one else present wished to speak, subsequently Chairperson Brey closed public input at 7:13 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Chairperson Brey presented County Executive Ziegelbauer's appointment of Jill Pope to the Land Information Council for a two-year term expiring in September 2022. Supervisor Behnke moved, seconded by Supervisor Aulik to approve the appointment. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Brey presented County Executive Ziegelbauer's appointment of James Falkowski to the Land Information Council for a two-year term expiring in September 2022. Supervisor Williams moved, seconded by Supervisor Baumann to approve the appointment. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Brey presented County Executive Ziegelbauer's appointment of Matt Randerson and Jason Bolz to the Land Information Council for terms which end when employment with Manitowoc County terminates. Supervisor Falkowski moved, seconded by Supervisor Muench to approve the appointment. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Brey presented County Executive Ziegelbauer's appointment of Supv. James Falkowski to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Council for a six-year term expiring in October 2026. Supervisor Henrickson moved, seconded by Supervisor Aulik to approve the appointment. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS ON MEETINGS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Aging & Disability Resource Center Board – Supervisor Wagner gave a brief report.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council – Supervisor Falkowski gave a brief report.

Executive Committee – Chairperson Brey gave a brief report.

Expo-Ice Center Board – Supervisor Cavanaugh gave a brief report.

Finance Committee: Supervisor Hansen gave a brief report.

Human Services Board: Supervisor Henrickson gave a brief report.

Supervisor Henrickson moved, seconded by Supervisor Maresh, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-22) Authorizing Clarkbridge Hall Building Lease. Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

UW-Extension Education and Agriculture Committee: Supervisor Wagner gave a brief report.

Personnel Committee – Supervisor Maresh gave a brief report.

Supervisor Maresh moved, seconded by Supervisor Baumann, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-23) Amending Employee Policy Manual Sections 8.05 and 8.07 (Performance Standards). Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Maresh moved, seconded by Supervisor Engelbrecht, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-24) Creating Employee Policy Manual Section 9 (Work From Home). Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Maresh moved, seconded by Supervisor Falkowski, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-25) Amending Employee Policy Manual Section 23 (Computer Resources). Discussion followed.

Amendment: Supervisor Behnke moved, seconded by Supervisor Baumann, to amend Resolution (2020/2021-25) line 134 to include “or his or her designee” at the end of the sentence, so that Section 23.09(4) would read: “All information released by the use of Social Media must be approved by the Department Director or his or her designee.” Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion followed on the main motion as amended. Upon vote on Resolution (2020/2021-25) Amending Employee Policy Manual Section 23 (Computer Resources) as amended, motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety Committee – Supervisor Nickels gave a brief report.

Supervisor Nickels moved, seconded by Supervisor Henrickson, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-26) Accepting Donation for the Manitowoc County Sheriff’s Office K9 Unit (Ant Hill Mob). Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Nickels moved, seconded by Supervisor Sitkiewitz, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-27) Accepting Law Enforcement Enhance/Facilitate Drug Task Force Trafficking Investigations Grant. Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Committee: Supervisor Gerroll gave a brief report.

Miscellaneous:

Supervisor Behnke moved, seconded by Supervisor Aulik, to adopt Resolution (2020/2021-28) Ratifying County Executive’s September 12, 2020 Proclamation of Continuing Public Health Emergency. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Brey announced upcoming meeting dates for October 13 and October 26, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Aulik moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Sitkiewitz, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Manitowoc County Clerk

**The County Board meeting is available for viewing at:

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/JaDpaazyuCQ?rel=0>