

PROCEEDINGS OF WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 15, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

The Wood County Board of Supervisors composed of nineteen members convened in the Wood County Boardroom at the Courthouse in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

Chairman Pliml called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Supervisors present were: Breu, Buttke, Clendenning, Fischer, Hahn, Hokamp, Hamilton, LaFontaine, Leichtnam, Penzkover, Pliml, Polach, Rozar, Thao, Valenstein, Voight, Wagner, Winch, and Zurfluh.

Supervisor Hamilton gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Under appointments, Supervisor Clendenning asked that the Ethics Committee appointments be pulled from consideration, due to the fact the Judicial & Legislative Committee is reworking the ordinance and new membership may be needed. No objection heard.

Motion by Hamilton/Leichtnam to approve the appointment of the following: South Central Library Board of Trustees – Bill Clendenning & Susan Feith; Veterans Service Commission – Michael Feirer; Civil Service Commission – Lee Garrels. Motion carried by voice vote.

Under public comment, McMillan Memorial Library Director Katherine Elchert, on behalf of all Wood County libraries, thanked the board for the support and encouraged passage of the 100% reimbursement that is proposed in the 2023 budget.

Referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

RESOLUTION 22-11-1

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To establish Wood County's Tax Levy for 2022 collectable in 2023.

FISCAL NOTE: This resolution establishes the tax levy for the 2023 Wood County Budget. The total levy is \$32,215,587, the components of which are the following:

Operating \$23,017,961
Debt service 7,999,539
Aid to libraries* 1,198,087
Total Levy \$32,215,587

Motion by Clendenning/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 22-11-1. Motion carried. Voting no was Winch.

RESOLUTION 22-11-2

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Adoption of the 2023 Wood County Budget.

FISCAL NOTE: This resolution adopts the 2023 Wood County Budget of \$138,749,128 including the appropriations, revenues and use of fund balances proposed by the Operations Committee as outlined in the 2023 Wood County Proposed Budget document.

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to adopt Resolution 22-11-2. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 22-11-3

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2022 budget for Property & Liability Insurance (51931) for deductible expenditures not included in the 2022 budget process.

FISCAL NOTE: Transfer of \$50,000 from the available Wood County contingency (51590) to the Property and Liability Insurance function (51931). At the time of this request, the funds available in contingency are \$578,013. The adjustment to the budget is as follows:

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
51931	Property & Liability Insurance		\$50,000
51590	Contingency	\$50,000	

Motion by Hamilton/Leichtnam to adopt Resolution 22-11-3. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services.

RESOLUTION 22-11-4

Introduced by: Health & Human Services and Judicial & Legislative Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Encouraging the United States Congress and the Wisconsin Legislature to pass legislation granting the Hmong veterans of the Vietnam War access to the same veteran benefits received by United States veterans.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Clendenning/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 22-11-4. Motion carried. Voting no was Winch.

Committee minutes presented: Public Safety, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative, Judicial & Legislative, Criminal Justice Task Force, Highway Infrastructure & Recreation.

Chairman Pliml declared his intention to abstain from the following vote and turned the gavel over to Vice Chair Valenstein.

Committee minutes presented: Property & Information Technology.

RESOLUTION 22-11-5

Introduced by: Property & Information Technology Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize the Property and Information Technology (Property) Committee to negotiate the sale of the 12th Street property to Kasten Properties, LLC (Kasten).

FISCAL NOTE: Undetermined amount of revenues and placing property back on tax roll.

Motion by Buttke/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 22-11-5. Discussion on timeliness of resolution and background on how this came to the board at this juncture. Motion carried. Voting no were Voight, Thao, Clendenning, Zurfluh, and Leichtnam. Abstaining was Pliml.

Vice Chair Valenstein turned the gavel back to Chairman Pliml.

Committee minutes presented: Aging & Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin, Marshfield Fairgrounds Commission, Wood County Library Board, ARPA Adhoc Funding, Jail Construction Adhoc.

RESOLUTION 22-11-6

Introduced by: Wood County Board of Supervisors

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Relating to the life and public service of David M. Goetz.

Motion by Hamilton/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 22-11-6. Motion carried by voice vote. The board stood for one minute in respect to the passing of former Supervisor Goetz.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Next scheduled county board meeting is December 20, 2022.

Trent Miner
County Clerk