MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: December 3, 2020

TIME: 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: Room 114, Wood County Courthouse

TIME ADJOURNED: 1:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Bill Clendenning, Bill Leichtnam,

Kenneth Curry, Ed Wagner, Joseph Zurfluh

OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz. See attached list.

1. At 12:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order.

- 2. Public comments. None at this time.
- 3. The minutes for the November 6, 2020, meeting were reviewed.

 Moved by Zurfluh, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve the minutes as written. All ayes.
- 4. There were no new claims filed with the County.
- 5. There were no new animal claims against the County.
- 6. Committee reviewed monthly voucher and department reports of the departments it oversees. <u>Moved by Curry</u>, <u>seconded by Leichtnam</u>, to approve the reports and payment of department vouchers. All ayes.
- 7. District Attorney Lambert updated the committee that there is a vacancy in the office for a legal secretary that he is looking to fill. Moved by Wagner, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve filling the vacant legal secretary position. All ayes.
- 8. Resolution to recognize work of municipal clerks and poll workers. Moved by Wagner, seconded by Clendenning, to approve the resolution. All ayes.
- 9. Courthouse security related to wearing masks during the COVID-19 pandemic. Chairman Clendenning would prefer a no-exception mask requirement in the courthouse. The problems and solutions to such a policy were discussed. The County Board Chair and several department heads provided input.

Moved by Leichtnam, seconded by Clendenning, to direct the Corporation Counsel to prepare an order for Administrative Coordinator Pliml to consider implementing immediately and for the county board to consider via resolution at the December 15, 2020, county board meeting, which Order would mandate the use of facial masks in all county-owned buildings consistent with Governor Evers' recent Executive Order #1. The only exception to the mask mandate being if a department head or their designee determines it is necessary to provide the service at this time

and it can only be accomplished within the county building. 4 ayes. Supervisor Zurfluh voted no, as he doesn't see the need for a resolution at this time.

10. Discussion on asking the WCA to formally support and pursue legislative action on non-partisan redistricting and fair mapping of legislative district boundaries.

Moved by Leichtnam, seconded by Wagner, to request the WCA to formally support non-partisan redistricting via a resolution to be drafted by Corporation Counsel. All ayes.

- 11. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues.
 - a. Citizens Groundwater Group report. Supervisor Leichtnam gave a brief update on the November 16, 2020, meeting where Don Ystad from the town of Rome area spoke on watershed issues and Representative Katrina Shankland also spoke. Allison Werner will be speaking at the December 14, 2020, at 2 p.m., meeting.
- 12. County Board rules. No action.
- 13. Criminal Justice Coordinator Committee update.
 - a. Resolution to create 3 positions in Criminal Justice Coordinator office.

Moved by Clendenning, seconded by Leichtnam, to present a resolution to the County board to bring these three positions in-house at a cost savings to the county. (The Committee would meet on county board day to approve the resolution). 2 ayes, 3 nays.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Leichtnam, to reconsider. All ayes.

Motion for resolution for 3 new positions presented again. All ayes.

- 14. Attendance at meetings. No action.
- 15. Agenda items for the January 2021 meeting:
 - Supervisors may contact Chairman Clendenning with proposals.
- 16. The next committee meeting will be January 8, 2021, at 9 a.m.
- 17. Meeting adjourned without objection by the Chairperson at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz.

Judicial & Legislative Committee Meeting

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