

MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: March 1, 2019
 TIME: 9 a.m.
 PLACE: Room 115 Wood County Courthouse
 TIME ADJOURNED: 11:15 a.m.
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Clendenning, Bill Leichtnam,
 Kenneth Curry, Jake Hahn
 MEMBERS EXCUSED: Brad Hamilton
 OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz, see attached list of attendees.

1. At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.
2. Public comments. None at this time, comments were provided by those in attendance during the course of the meeting.
3. The minutes for the February 1, 2019, meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved without objection.
4. The Committee reviewed monthly voucher and department reports of the departments it oversees. Moved by Curry, seconded by Hahn, to approve the reports and payment of department vouchers. All ayes.

Moved by Leichtnam, seconded by Hahn, to have the Corporation Counsel attend future AGC MOU conferences. All ayes.

5. There were no Capital Improvement Plans.
6. Tina Groshek from the District Attorney's office met with the Committee to discuss purchasing stand-up desks. Moved by Curry, seconded by Clendenning, to approve the resolution transferring \$11,500 from Contingency to the District Attorney's 2019 budget to cover the cost of purchasing four stand up desks. 2 ayes, 2 nays. Clendenning and Leichtnam voted no. Concerns were the status of the contingency fund and the possibility of cheaper options. The motion failed due to the tie vote.
7. The Committee reviewed the claims of Janice Ticknor, Pamela Hokamp, Jerome Haffenbredl, Nancy Brandl, Larry Noeldner, and Janet Patterson. These claims will be provided to the county board.

The Committee also reviewed the civil action complaints of the Estate of Trequelle Vann-Marcouex and the Estate of Casey Teskoski. These complaints will be provided to the county board.

8. There were no new animal claims against the County.

9. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues.
 - a. Report of Citizens Groundwater Group. Leichtnam reported that Katrina Shankland advised that a bill she is proposing is moving forward in the legislature. The bill, AB 21, requires the DNR to provide grants for the testing of privately owned wells. See attached minutes dated February 18, 2019.
 - b. Conservation/legislative lobby day in Madison 3/27/19. Moved by Curry, seconded by Leichtnam, to have the Committee Chair attend the Legislative Lobby day on behalf of the Committee with all expenses paid. All ayes.
 - c. North Central Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Clendenning expressed frustration with how the NCRPC handles their funding distribution. The Economic Development Committee will be looking into whether it is in the county's best interest to join or not.
 - d. Discussion on countywide Facilities Manager. No action taken.
 - e. Legislative breakfast at Bullseye Country Club March 13. Moved by Curry, seconded by Hahn, to authorize the Chairman to attend, on behalf of the Committee, the legislative breakfast on March 13. All ayes.
 - f. WCA District meetings. Chairman Clendenning encouraged attendance at these meetings. No committee approval is needed.
10. Courthouse security committee report. Minutes of the February 18, 2019, meeting are attached. Judge Brazeau stated that the courts support Sheriff Becker's Courthouse Security Proposal (see attached). Sheriff Becker made mention that his staff is not comfortable utilizing budgeted funds to create three new positions this summer.
11. Criminal Justice Task Force Coordinator. Judge Brazeau talked about the coordinator position that would oversee the drug court, other specialized court programs, and work on programs that would help reduce the jail population. The position would be a department head, reportable to Judicial and Legislative. The Judge will prepare a proposal on this for the Committee.

12. County Board rules.
- a. Resolution on reformation of committees commencing 2020. Chairman Clendenning explained he is not ready to finalize a proposal but will develop something in the future on this topic.
 - b. Resolution on having a county board meeting at night in October 2019.
Moved by Clendenning, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve the resolution to have a night meeting. Discussion had on giving the county board the opportunity to decide the issue. All ayes.
13. Countywide strategic planning. Chairman Clendenning is concerned that a countywide strategic plan may be a waste of time. Corporation Counsel and Child Support advised they were not intending on preparing department strategic plans.
14. No specific agenda items were identified for the April 2019 meeting.
15. The next committee meeting will be April 5, 2019, at 9 a.m.
16. Meeting adjourned without objection by the Chairperson at 11:15 a.m.

Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz and approved by Kenneth Curry.

Kenneth Curry
 Kenneth Curry, Secretary (signed electronically)

