

MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: January 3, 2020
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.
 PLACE: Room 115, Wood County Courthouse
 TIME ADJOURNED: 11:27 a.m.
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Clendenning, Bill Leichtnam,
 Kenneth Curry, Brad Hamilton, Jake Hahn
 OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz. See attached list.

1. At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.
2. Public comments. None at this time.
3. The minutes for the December 6, 2019, meeting were reviewed. There being no objections, the minutes were deemed approved by the Chair.
4. The Committee reviewed the notice of injury and claim of Ken Sobczak. This claim will be provided to the county board.
5. There were no new animal claims against the County.
6. Committee reviewed monthly voucher and department reports of the departments it oversees. Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Hahn, to approve the reports and payment of department vouchers. All ayes.
7. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues.
 - a. Report of Citizens Groundwater Group.
 Supervisor Leichtnam provided an update. He encouraged attendance at the Panel Discussion taking place on Monday, January 6 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Nekoosa High School Auditorium.
 - b. Birth cost recovery legislation.
 Child Support Director Vruwink spoke in opposition to legislation that would eliminate responsibility for fathers of children born out of wedlock for the birth costs. No action needed or taken by the Committee.
 - c. Attendance at WCA Legislative Exchange. Five supervisors have signed up so far.
 - d. Washburn County resolution urging the legislature to revise and amend statutes to make Clerk of Court fees and Probate fees more equitable. Action previously taken by the county board in support of this matter.

- e. Racine County resolution supporting AB33/SB39 relating to the expungement of criminal and civil conviction and non-conviction records. No action taken.
 - f. Outagamie County resolution urging the Governor and Legislature to submit application for a waiver to the federal government regarding serious and persistent mental illness. No action taken.
8. County Board rules.
- a. Department alignment in committee structure. Many attendees were present due to opposition to a proposal to consolidate the Dispatch and Communications Departments with the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department advised it is neither supporting nor opposing the consolidation. Testimonials were given that the Dispatch and Communications Departments are very responsive and no structural changes are needed. **Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Clendenning, to have the proposal to have Dispatch consolidated with the Sheriff's Department referred to Public Safety to consider. 3 ayes, 2 nays. Supervisors Curry and Hahn voted no as they don't believe there is any need or support for the proposal. Motion passed.**
 - b. Renewable and Sustainable Committee membership. No discussion and remove from next agenda.
9. Vacant Position Policy proposal. This topic comes out of the Health and Human Services Committee. Brandon Vruwink explained the proposal (a written copy is attached to the minutes). A primary concern of Human Services is paying health insurance payments monthly on all vacant positions including RN and CNA positions that can be open long term. **Moved by Clendenning, seconded by Hamilton, to approve the draft policy. 3 ayes, 2 nays. Supervisors Curry and Hahn voted no but were not opposed to further study of the proposal.**
10. Criminal Justice Coordinator Committee update. Committee will be visiting Dunn and Marathon counties to study their programs.
11. Courthouse security committee update. Next meeting is on January 7, 2020.
12. Agenda items for the February 2020, meeting:
- Department alignment (excluding Dispatch)

13. The next committee meeting will be February 6, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.
14. Meeting adjourned without objection by the Chairperson at 11:27 a.m.

Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz.

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NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	REPRESENTING
Bill Clendinning	WCB #15
Jerry Mincer	Pittsville Fire
Russell Malden	Daily Tribune / News Herald
Shawn Dillingham	Biron Fire
Frank Cammarata	Grand Rapids FD
Dennis Dederich	Vesper FD
REUBEN VANTASSEL	MAINT.
Ed Newton	FINANCE
Lorrie Krokstrom	Marshfield PD / Shared Dispatch Committee
Patrick Zeps	Marshfield PD
Marizza Laher	EW H
Brandon Uruwink	WC HSD
Adam Fischer	WCB #5
Tiffany Ringer	ROD
Joni Heideman	Wood City dispatch
Scott Owen	Marshfield Fire Dept
Steve Bakes	Marshfield FD
Troy Weiland	Marshfield FD
ROBERT PEATT	GRAND RAPIDS FD
Erik Engel	WC Com dept
Melvin Pedersen	Grand Rapids P.D.
Scott Drew	Port Edwards P.D.
Wm W. W. W.	W.C. #15
Josh Zupka	WCB-17
Josh Sabo	Richfield Rural FD
QUENTIN ELLIS	SHERIFF
Kim McCham	HR
Brent Uruwink	CSA

