

MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: July 7, 2017
 TIME: 8:30 a.m.
 PLACE: Room 115 Wood County Courthouse
 TIME ADJOURNED: 10:42 a.m.
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Clendenning, Ed Wagner, Bill Leichtnam, Kenneth Curry, Dave LaFontaine
 OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz, Lance Pliml, Warren Kraft, Brent Vruwink

1. At 8:30 a.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.
2. Public comments. None.
3. Moved by LaFontaine, seconded by Curry, to approve the minutes of the June 5 and 20, 2017, Committee meetings. All ayes.
4. The Committee reviewed monthly voucher reports of the departments they oversee. Moved by Curry, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve the payment of vouchers. All ayes.
5. The Committee reviewed department reports. Moved by Curry, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve the department reports. All ayes.

Significant discussion had about the complaint resolution process itself and the county board's role in that system. There is some dissatisfaction with the process but no action is being taken at this time to modify it.

Child Support Director Brent Vruwink explained e-filing and the additional time it takes his office to perform this function. Moved by Wagner, seconded by Curry, to have Wagner communicate with Clerk of Court Cindy Joosten and Brent Vruwink on the workload allocation resulting from the implementation of e-filing. All ayes.

6. The Committee reviewed the notices of injury/claim of Nicholas Goldberg and David Lehman. These notices will be provided to the county board.
7. There were no new animal claims against the County.
8. Employee health insurance. The Chair had concerns about the Wellness Board deciding to change the employee portion of the health insurance premium from 10% to 20%. Human Resources Director Warren Kraft advised how the Executive Committee directed the Wellness Board to enhance employee participation. Kraft explained how the wellness program has used the "carrot" approach so far and to improve participation now needs to use the "stick" approach to improve the wellness of the employees. Supervisor Wagner shared the procedural history.

The requirements for employees to get the 10% premium level are minimal. Specifically, they are: 1) complete a health risk assessment (HRA) questionnaire; 2) complete biometric screening (height, weight, blood pressure, lab work, etc.); and 3) complete one health coaching session.

The information shared allayed some of the concerns. It was pointed out by Chairman Pliml that the Wellness Board only makes recommendations to the Executive Committee and doesn't determine policy.

9. Discussion on recent developments in the payroll system. Executive Committee Chairman Wagner explained why glitches are taking place and how they are being addressed. Basically, these are complex software programs that require a lot of adjusting.
10. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues.
 - a. Resolution on prevailing wage rate legislation. The Committee members expressed strong support for prevailing wages and related many instances where it was needed. Moved by Wagner, seconded by LaFontaine, to approve the resolution opposing legislation to repeal Wisconsin's prevailing wage law. All ayes.
 - b. Resolution on non-partisan procedure for redistricting plans. Some discussion was had on how timely the resolution is but the Committee thinks the law needs to change as soon as possible so there is no reason to hold off on passing the resolution at this time. Moved by LaFontaine, seconded by Leichtnam, to approve the resolution to support the creation of bipartisan procedures at a state level for redistricting plans. All ayes.
 - c. Per diem for Supervisor Leichtnam to attend SE Wood County Groundwater meeting. Committee discussed who Supervisor Leichtnam is representing when he attends these meetings. Based on Leichtnam being a member of CEED and Judicial & Legislative, the Committee supports payment. Moved by Wagner, seconded by LaFontaine, approve Supervisor Leichtnam receiving per diem to attend SE Wood County Groundwater meetings. All ayes. The payments approved are for the last meeting and future meetings of the SE Wood County Groundwater entity.
11. County Board rules. Mention was made that newly enacted Rule 43 should be reviewed to discuss feedback concerning it.
12. Review of Committee goals. The vice-chair will present this information at the next meeting.

13. Agenda items for the August 2017, meeting:
 - County Board Rules, including Rule 43.
 - Review of Committee goals.
 14. The next committee meeting will be August 4, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.
 15. There being no objections, meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.
- Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz and approved by Kenneth Curry.

Kenneth Curry
Kenneth Curry, Secretary (signed electronically)