

PROCEEDINGS OF WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 31, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

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The Wood County Board of Supervisors composed of nineteen members convened at the Wood County Boardroom in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on July 31, 2020.

Chairman Pliml called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Supervisors present were: Ashbeck, Breu, Clendenning, Curry, Feirer, Fischer, Hahn, Hamilton, Hokamp, LaFontaine, Leichtnam, Pliml, Polach, Rozar, Thao, Valenstein, Wagner, and Winch.

Excused was Zurfluh.

There was no public comment.

Chairman Pliml recognized Public Safety Committee Chair Feirer who introduced Sheriff Becker. Sheriff Becker stated that the purpose of today's meeting was to give supervisors information they needed so they could make an informed decision on the future of jail operations and what direction they want to pursue. He introduced John Cain from Venture Architects and Kurt Berner from The Samuels Group who presented a power point on the history of, and current condition of the jail and where certain deficiencies lie. Preliminary designs for a new facility were presented. Cost projections for each option were presented. Cost estimations for keeping everything as-is in the 1988 jail were also presented.

A 5-minute break was called. Supervisor Clendenning was excused.

Discussion, questions, and commentary by board members revolved around the costs, programming within the jail, timelines, and next steps.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m. Next scheduled county board meeting is August 18, 2020.

Trent Miner  
County Clerk