

PROCEEDINGS OF WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

September 21, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.

The Wood County Board of Supervisors composed of nineteen members convened at the Wood County Boardroom in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on September 21, 2021.

Chairman Pliml called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

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

Supervisor Rozar gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Hamilton/LaFontaine to accept the resignation of Supervisor Zurfluh on the Census Review & Redistricting Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Hamilton/Hokamp to approve the appointment of Lori Nordman to the Health & Human Services Committee and Supervisor Wagner to the Census Review & Redistricting Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

There were 3 members of the public that offered comment in opposition to COVID-19 vaccine mandates and vaccine passports and their reasons why. All three were upset by an email response of a county board supervisor. All comments were presented to County Clerk Miner in written form, at their request. They will be kept on file in the County Clerk's office.

Referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

Chair Pliml declared his intention of taking the first seven resolutions as one vote. No objection was heard.

RESOLUTION 21-9-1

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$306.77

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-1. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-2

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$1,896.62

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-2. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-3

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$5,393.87

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-3. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-4

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$3,333.10

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-4. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-5

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$1,625.67

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-5. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-6

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$7,254.06

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-6. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-7

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Authorize the sale of tax deed property back to former owner.

FISCAL NOTE: Paid Amount - \$33,430.83

Motion by Valenstein/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-7. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-9-8

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the Wood County Investment Policy to include clarifications and update statutory references.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Breu/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-8. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services

RESOLUTION 21-9-9

Introduced by: Health & Human Services Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To create one (1.0 FTE) Mental Health Tech position within the Human Services Department-Norwood Health Center budget. The position is currently filled by a contracted staff person.

FISCAL NOTE: Moving from a contracted position to a Wood County position will save the County \$17,963.73 over the remainder of 2021.

Motion by Hamilton/Valenstein to adopt Resolution 21-9-9. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Public Safety, Traffic Safety Subcommittee.

RESOLUTION 21-9-10

Introduced by: Public Safety Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To cancel stale dated checks as recommended by the auditors. Said checks from Wood County Jail inmate account as per office of the Wood County Sheriff.

FISCAL NOTE: As per resolution – Total to be cancelled \$139.94

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to adopt Resolution 21-9-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands Conservation & Resource Development Council, Census Review & Redistricting.

RESOLUTION 21-9-11

Introduced by: Census Review & Redistricting Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To approve a tentative County Board Supervisory District Boundary Plan

FISCAL NOTE: None

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to adopt Resolution 21-9-11. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative.

RESOLUTION 21-9-12

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To change County Board Rule 28 so as to allow oversight committees to approve new positions of employment when the new position is due to converting a fully funded outside contractor position and there will be a cost savings to the county.

FISCAL NOTE: There will be an unknown amount of savings to departments by bringing contract positions in-house when the opportunity arises and the result is a savings in costs.

Motion by Clendenning/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 21-9-12. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation, Property & Information Technology, McMillan Memorial Library Board of Trustees, South Central Library Board of Trustees, Jail Construction Adhoc.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
EXTENSION UPDATE**

Area Director Jason Hausler presented the 2020 Annual Extension Report and highlighted the tasks completed in the various functions of Extension. He recognized the new position of Cranberry Outreach Specialist and the work they do. He discussed the financial implications of Extension and the contractual agreements they have with the county. Questions & answers followed.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m. Next scheduled county board meeting is October 19, 2021.

Trent Miner
County Clerk