



COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
Minutes – September 11, 2018

Call to Order. Chair Podzilni called the meeting of the County Board Staff Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Podzilni, Bussie, Thomas, Brill, Bostwick, Peer, Sweeney and Yeomans.

Committee Members Excused: Supervisor Mawhinney.

Staff Members Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Amy Spoden, Assistant Human Resources Director; David O’Leary and Perry Folts, District Attorney’s Office; Kate Luster, Human Services Director; and Richard Greenlee, Corporation Counsel.

Others Present: Supervisor Tom Brien.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Bostwick moved approval of the amended agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Mr. Smith said he sent an email Friday in regards to the change in protective status for Correctional Officers. He will make a hard copy of that email and distribute to County Board Supervisors.

Supervisor Peer asked if anyone had an update on the Beloit casino project. Supervisor Podzilni said as of last week the contract was still being reviewed.

Approval of Minutes – August 28, 2018. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the minutes of August 28, 2018 as presented, second by Supervisor Bussie. ADOPTED.

Transfers. None.

Review of Payments. The committee accepted the reports.

Resolutions.

Eliminating 2.0 FTE Clerk Typist II and 1.0 FTE Clerk Typist III Positions and Creating 3.0 FTE Administrative Assistant Positions.

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ___ day _____, 2018 does hereby eliminate the two (2) Clerk Typist II and one (1) Clerk Typist III positions and create three (3) Administrative Assistant Positions and that this action take effect on November 3, 2018.”

Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Sweeney. ADOPTED.

Adding 2.0 FTE Behavioral Health Clinicians Designated for School Based Diversion Project.

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ___ day _____, 2018 does hereby approve the Department to create 2.0 FTE Behavioral Health Clinicians for the School Based Diversion Program.”

Supervisor Peer moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Thomas.

Ms. Luster said this is a pilot program that will be coordinated with 4 schools in Beloit. This is a best practice model. With good outcomes, they would consider expanding in the future.

ADOPTED.

Committee Action and Updates.

Review and Possible Action on Policy 5.31, Overtime, Flex and After Hours Payments. Ms. Spoden said the proposed change is to move the Mobility Manager from Unilateral B to Unilateral C. The timing is due to this position currently being open for recruitment. Ms. Spoden explained that Unilateral B employees are eligible for overtime on a straight time basis over forty hours per week while Unilateral C employees are not eligible for overtime but can use flex time. Mr. Smith explained how overtime is earned and paid out. The Committee APPROVED unanimously the change to Policy 5.31.

Discussion and Possible Action on Opioid Litigation Op-Ed. Chair Podzilni moved to open discussion and possible action, second by Supervisor Brill. Mr. Greenlee explained the County previously signed on to be part of the litigation. The litigation is heading on a settlement track for most but possible litigation for about five plaintiffs. They are engaging in a Public Relations campaign and would like as many plaintiffs signed as possible. The campaign will be submitted to news media outlets. Supervisor Yeomans would like to provide feedback that it is not solely the drug companies' fault for the opioid epidemic; doctors need to be held accountable as well. The committee asked Mr. Greenlee what his suggestion would be. Mr. Greenlee feels a settlement is in

the County's best interest. A signature by the County will make a contribution.
ADOPTED.

Update on Town of Beloit Incorporation. Mr. Smith reminded the committee of the incorporation process. The deadline has passed for material submission. We now wait for the Incorporation Review Board meetings that will be held in November and December with three possible outcomes. Supervisor Bostwick said there was a recent Janesville Gazette editorial which said they were in favor of the denial of incorporation.

Executive Session: Supervisors Yeomans and Sweeney moved to go into Executive Session at 4:34 P.M. per Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. – Conferring with Legal Counsel for the Governmental Body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Sweeney, Bostwick, Thomas, Bussie, Brill, Yeomans, Peer and Podzilni. Supervisor Mawhinney was absent.

Supervisor Brill moved to go out of Executive Session at 4:50 P.M., second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Adjournment. Supervisor Bostwick moved adjournment at 4:50 P.M., second by Supervisor Thomas. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
HR Secretary

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