

MARCH 14, 2023
WALWORTH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Walworth County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chair Rick Stacey at 3:35 p.m. in the County Board Room at the Walworth County Government Center, 100 W. Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

Roll call was conducted and the following Supervisors were present, either in person or remotely: Chair Rick Stacey; Vice-Chair Ryan Simons; Brian Holt, Kathy Ingersoll, Dennis G. Karbowski, Kenneth H. Monroe, Susan M. Pruessing, Sheila T. Reiff, Joseph H. Schaefer, and Al Stanek. Joanne Laufenberg, was absent. A quorum was established.

Rick Stacey, Walworth County Board Supervisor, District #1, delivered the invocation.

Amendments, Withdrawals, and Approval of Agenda

On motion by Supervisor Simons, second by Supervisor Schaefer, the agenda was approved by voice vote with no withdrawals.

Approval of the Minutes

On motion by Supervisor Simons, second by Supervisor Karbowski, the minutes for the February 14, 2023 County Board Meeting were approved by voice vote.

Comment Period by Members of the Public Concerning Items on the Agenda

There was none.

Special Order of Business

1. Presentation by Susan Earle, Alice in Dairyland 2023 Chair, regarding Walworth County hosting the 76th Alice in Dairyland Finals

Alice in Dairyland 2023 Chair Susan Earle stated the Walworth County Board of Supervisors appropriated \$5,000 in 2020, as a contribution to the Alice in Dairyland Program to help promote Wisconsin's diverse agriculture industry and promote Walworth County tourism. Earle provided a brief history of the Alice in Dairyland Program since the COVID outbreak and informed the Board how Walworth County's contribution has been utilized, thus far. Earle asked the Board members to consider sponsoring the program by making a personal/private donation and requested additional funding from Walworth County to help fund the 76th Alice in Dairyland Finals to be held at the Grand Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin on May 11-13.

Appointments/Elections

1. Fire & EMS Study Committee
 - Theresa Loomer – Term to begin upon County Board confirmation as the Fire/EMS Study Committee Village Government Representative (Recommended by the Executive Committee 4-0)
2. Health and Human Services Board
 - Judith "Judy" R. Atkinson – Three-year term to begin upon County Board confirmation and end on December 31, 2025 (Recommended by the Executive Committee 4-0)
3. Walworth County Metropolitan Sewerage District (WalCoMet)
 - Sam Tapson – Five-year term to begin upon County Board confirmation and end on February 28, 2028 (Recommended by the Executive Committee 4-0)

On motion by Supervisor Pruessing, second by Supervisor Holt, the appointments to the Fire & EMS Study Committee, Health and Human Services Board, and WalCoMet were approved by voice vote.

Communications and Matters to Be Referred

Chair Stacey announced that unless there was a request for an individual communication to be discussed, the Clerk would dispense with the reading of each title and the Chair would direct that all communications be referred or placed on file as indicated on the agenda.

1. Claims Received After Agenda Mailing
2. Claims: a) None.
3. Green Lake County Resolution Number 04-2023 – Request State of Wisconsin to Use a Portion of the 2023 Budgetary Surplus for the Maintenance, Repair and Replacement of County Trunk Highway System (To be referred to the Public Works Committee)
4. County Clerk Report – Summary of 2022 Dog Licenses Sold and Licensing Statistics (To be placed on file)
5. Report of the County Clerk Regarding Communications Received by the Board and Recommended to be Placed on File
 - Kenosha County Res. No. 70 – A Resolution to Request the State of Wisconsin to Revise the Current Real Estate Transfer Fees Revenue Sharing Formula (To be placed on file)
 - Green Lake County Res. No. 01-2023 – Request State to Revise the Current Real Estate Transfer Fees Revenue Sharing Formula (To be placed on file)
 - Marathon County Resolution #R-7-23 – Requesting the State to Revise the Current Real Estate Transfer Fees Revenue Sharing Formula (To be placed on file)
 - Trempealeau County Resolution Number 2023-02-01 – Request State Revise the Current Real Estate Transfer Fees Revenue Sharing Formula (To be placed on file)
6. Report of the County Clerk Regarding Communications Received by the Board After Agenda Mailing
 - Crawford County Resolution No. 3-2023 – Supporting Request for Revision of §77.24 Wis. Stats. Regarding Division of Real Estate Transfer Fees (To be placed on file)
7. Report of the County Clerk Regarding Zoning Petitions (To be referred to the County Zoning Agency)
 - York Trust C/O Mary York – Owner – Linn Township. Rezone approximately 5.475 acres of C-1 Low Land Resource Conservation, C-4 Shoreland Wetland and A-1 Prime Agricultural District to C-2 Upland Resource Conservation District
 - Ross & Alison Brugger – Owners – Geneva Township. Rezone approximately .15 acres of C-4 Shoreland Wetland District to R-1 Single Family Residential District

Unfinished Business

There was none.

New Business

Reports of Standing Committees

County Zoning Agency Report of Proposed Zoning Amendments

1. Henry E. Darr – Owner, Section 15, LaGrange Township. Rezone approximately .79 acres of A-5 to A-4 – Approved 7-0 (February 16, 2023 County Zoning Agency Public Hearing)
2. North by Northwest Storage, LLC – Owner, C/O John Berget, SE ¼ of Section 25, Delavan Township. The property owner is requesting to rezone approximately 9.64 acres of A-4 to B-4 – Approved 7-0 (February 16, 2023 County Zoning Agency Public Hearing)
3. Tyler Mill – Owner, SW ¼ of Section 1, LaGrange Township. The property owner is requesting to rezone approximately 9.937 acres of C-2 to A-2 – Approved 7-0 (February 16, 2023 County Zoning Agency Public Hearing)

On motion by Supervisor Simons, second by Supervisor Schaefer, Items #1 thru #3 of the County Zoning Agency Report of Proposed Zoning Amendments were approved as recommended by the County Zoning Agency by voice vote.

Finance Committee

1. Ord. No. 1307-03/23 – Amending Section 30-463 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances Relating to Business Expense Claims for Reimbursement – *Vote Required: Majority* (Recommended by the Finance Committee 5-0)
2. Ord. No. 1308-03/23 – Amending Sections 30-228 and 30-231 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances Relating to Investment Maturities – *Vote Required: Majority* (Recommended by the Finance Committee 5-0)
3. Res. No. 111-03/23 – Authorizing the Creation of an Operations Manager Position and a Training & Quality Assurance Manager Position and the Reallocation of the Existing Communications Supervisor Positions at the Sheriff's Office – *Vote Required: Two-thirds* (Recommended by the Executive Committee 4-0, Human Resources Committee 5-0, and the Finance Committee 5-0)
4. Res. No. 112-03/23 – Increasing the Judicial Center Roofing Replacement Capital Improvement Project Budget by \$150,000 Through a Transfer from the General Fund Building and Equipment Committed Fund Balance Account – *Vote Required: Two-thirds* (Recommended by the Public Works Committee 5-0 and the Finance Committee 5-0)
5. Res. No. 113-03/23 – Authorizing the Closure of Highway Project CTH B Castle Terrace to Linton Road and Transferring Remaining Funds to the Road and Bridge Construction Committed Fund Balance – *Vote Required: Two-thirds* (Recommended by the Public Works Committee 5-0 and the Finance Committee 5-0)

On motion by Supervisor Karbowski, second by Supervisor Reiff, Item #1, **Ord. No. 1307-03/23**; and Item #2, **Ord. No. 1308-03/23**, were approved by voice vote

Chair Stacey granted approval for Supervisor Stanek to provide a voice vote, when necessary, due to electronic failure.

Supervisor Reiff offered a motion, second by Supervisor Ingersoll, to approve Item #3, Res. No. 111-03/23. A roll call vote was conducted. Total votes: 10 – Ayes: 10 (Holt, Ingersoll, Karbowski, Monroe, Pruessing, Reiff, Schaefer, Simons, Stacey, and Stanek); Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Laufenberg). **Res. No. 111-03/23** was approved by roll call vote.

Supervisor Monroe offered a motion, second by Supervisor Holt, to approve Item #4, Res. No. 112-03/23. A roll call vote was conducted. Total votes: 10 – Ayes: 9 (Holt, Ingersoll, Karbowski, Monroe, Pruessing, Reiff, Simons, and Stacey, with Stanek voting by voice vote); Noes: 1 (Schaefer); Absent: 1 (Laufenberg). **Res. No. 112-03/23** was approved by roll call vote.

Supervisor Monroe offered a motion, second by Supervisor Karbowski, to approve Item #5, Res. No. 113-03/23. A roll call vote was conducted. Total votes: 10 – Ayes: 10 (Holt, Ingersoll, Karbowski, Monroe, Pruessing, Reiff, Schaefer, Simons, Stacey, and Stanek); Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Laufenberg). **Res. No. 113-03/23** was approved by roll call vote.

Human Resources Committee

1. Ord. No. 1306-03/23 – Amending Section 15-359 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances Relating to Crisis Intervention Shift Premiums for Hourly HHS Employees – *Vote Required: Majority* (Recommended by the Human Resources Committee 5-0)

On motion by Supervisor Holt, second by Supervisor Simons, Item #1, **Ord. No. 1306-03/23** was approved by voice vote.

Reports of Special Committees

There was none.

Comment Period by Members of the Public Concerning Items Not on the Agenda

There was none.

Chairperson's Report

Chair Stacey noted the Executive Committee is to tour the jail annually and recommended placing this matter on a future County Board Agenda for all Supervisors to have an opportunity to tour the jail.

Adjournment

On motion by Supervisor Monroe, second by Supervisor Simons, the meeting was adjourned a 4:06 p.m.

Prepared By: Kathleen Aukland, Administrative Assistant
Submitted By: Susi Pike, County Clerk

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COUNTY OF WALWORTH)

I, Susi Pike, County Clerk in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors for the March 14, 2023 meeting.

**MARCH 14, 2023 SESSION
OF THE
WALWORTH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

The Walworth County Board Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order by Chair Stacey at 4:06 p.m. at the Government Center, 100 W. Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

Roll Call

Roll call was conducted and the following Supervisors were present, either in person or remotely: Chair Rick Stacey, Vice-Chair Ryan Simons, Brian Holt, Kathy Ingersoll, Dennis G. Karbowski, Kenneth H. Monroe, Susan M. Pruessing, Sheila T. Reiff, Joseph H. Schaefer, and Al Stanek. Supervisor Joanne Laufenberg was absent. A quorum was established.

Order of Business

- Strategic Planning: What should be the intent and purpose of our transportation system?

County Administrator Mark W. Luberda distributed and gave a presentation entitled “Strategic Planning” outlining the background and overview of the Walworth County’s transportation system. Luberda concluded by asking the Supervisors for their input as to “What should be the intent and purpose of our transportation system?”

Discussion then focused on the following, along with the assistance of Program Manager-Mobility Gene Bobier:

- Federal audits in relation to subscription, routine, on-demand, and last minutes ride requests.
- The possibilities of offering promotions, expansion of service hours, additional drivers, and potential increase in pay to compensate for evening hours.
- Voucher sale numbers.
- Complaints made relative to problematic turndowns.
- The flexibility of the current contract relative to changes in hours, rates, and additional days of service without having to change the contract.
- The tracking of vehicles and use of interior/exterior on-board cameras.
- Awareness of the need to continue and streamline our transportation system.
- The need for advertising/marketing to generate rides.

Ultimately, the Board decided to leave this issue in the hands of the Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) to brainstorm potential changes and to bring their suggestions back to the County Board at a later date. Luberda confirmed the next TCC meeting is April 3, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

On motion by Supervisor Holt, seconded by Supervisor Monroe, the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Prepared By: Kathleen Aukland, Administrative Assistant

Submitted By: Susi Pike, County Clerk

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I, Susi Pike, County Clerk in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors for the March 14, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting.