

OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

County Board Chair, Al Sleeter, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. the County Board Room #3041, located at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto, WI by stating “This is an open meeting of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours prior to the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the newspapers and to all news media who have requested the same, as well as by posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the office of the County Clerk.” County Clerk, Kim Pytleski, recorded the attendance, with 31 members present: Supervisors Augustine, Barkhaus, Behrend, Bitters, Buhrandt, Christianson, Dhuey, Frank, Heise, Kaczrowski, Kroll, Lavarda, Matravers, Ondik, Parmentier, Pillsbury, Ragen, Scanlan, Schindel, Schreiber, Sleeter, Willems, Wolf; 8 absent: Bartels, Cole, Gooding, Holman, Meier, McMahon, Schneider, Wittkopf

2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. The Invocation was given by Clerk Pytleski

4. Presentation of Awards and Recognition

- Happy Birthday to Supervisor Elmer Ragen! Ragen was recognized for being the oldest serving supervisor in the state of Wisconsin.
- Sheriff Todd Skarban congratulated Deputy Kevin Christensen for winning Top Dog at the 2023 Karl Zeitler Memorial Hunt and Sergeant Cullan Morrissey for winning the Champion Narcotics Search competition with K9 Emma!
- Deb Uhlenbrauck presented the board with signage honoring Oconto County’s designation as a Snowmobile Friendly County.

5. Presentation of Communications and Petitions

There was one communication:

Pytleski demonstrated how the new procedure of printing page numbers after each agenda item will aid in the navigation of the agenda during meetings.

6. Adoption of Standing Rules O2023-04-01 Chapter 2 Code of Ordinance County Board Rules

Motion by Ragen/Bitters to adopt O2023-04-01 Chapter 2 Code of Ordinance County Board Rules. Following an explanation by Kim Pytleski, County Clerk, and Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and discussion, motion by Frank/Dhuey to retain lines 426 and 427 “(n) To make an annual report to the County Board at its March meeting listing the annual compensation and fringe benefits of all full time county employees and officers”. The motion was voted on and carried. Following further explanation, the motion to adopt O2023-04-01, as amended, carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

7. Adoption of Financial Management Policy

Motion by Frank/Heise to adopt the Financial Management Policy. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

8. Approval of Consent Agenda

8.1 Removal of Items from Consent Agenda – None.

Motion by Barkhaus/Matravers to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion to approve carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

8.2 Appointment Board of Directors Commission on Aging (Lavarda, Schindel) – Co. Admin.

8.3 Re-appointment Lena Library Board Village Representative (Patenaude) – Co. Admin.

8.4 A2023-04-01 Zoning Change – Town of Lena (Anderley) – L&W Resources Com.

8.5 A2023-04-02 Zoning Change – Town of Underhill (Laskowski) – L&W Resources Com.

8.6 R2023-04-01 Purchase of One (1) GVWR 18,000 Pound Truck – Highway Com.

8.7 R2023-04-02 Approval of Carpet Replacement in the County Administrator, County Clerk, and Finance Department Offices – Property & Technology Com.

8.8 R2023-04-07 Approval of Sublease with Oconto County Historical Society & Oconto County Veterans Memorial Corporation – Property & Technology Com.

9. Approval of Agenda

9.1. Change in Sequence

Motion by Scanlan/Lavarda to move Items #13 and 14 to follow Item #11.2. The motion was voted on and carried.

9.2. Removal of Items – None.

Motion by Schindel/Behrend to approve agenda as amended. The motion was voted on and carried.

10. Approval of Previous Meeting Proceedings

Motion by Heise/Ragen to approve the proceedings from the 03/23/2023 meeting. The motion was voted on and carried.

11. Committee and Departmental Reports:

11.1 Report – Health & Human Services Update

Scott Shackelford, Health & Human Services Director, presented the Health & Human Services Update.

11.2 Report – Oconto County Economic Development Corporation (OCEDC) Update

Jayne Sellen, OCEDC Director, presented the Oconto County Economic Development Corporation Update.

12. Annual Department/Office Reports

12.1 Administration Committee

Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, presented the Administration 2022 Annual Report.

County Administrator*
Corporation Counsel
County Clerk
Finance
Human Resources
Treasurer
Veterans Service

12.2 Health & Human Services Board

Scott Shackelford, Health & Human Services Director, presented the Health & Human Services' 2022 Annual Report.

Health & Human Services*

12.3 Highway Committee

Brandon Hytinen, Highway Commissioner, presented the Highway Department's 2022 Annual Report.

Highway*

12.4 Land & Water Resources Committee

Forest, Parks & Recreation
Land & Water Conservation
Land Information Systems
Planning & Zoning
Register of Deeds
Solid Waste
UW-Extension

12.5 Property & Technology Committee

Maintenance
Technology Services

12.6 Public Safety Committee

Todd Skarban, Sheriff, presented the Sheriff's Office 2022 Annual Report.

Child Support
Clerk of Circuit Court
District Attorney
Emergency Management
Sheriff*

13 Mission, Vision, Values Presentation – Dave Honish, CESA 8

David Honish, CESA 8 Director, presented the Mission, Vision, Values project. Discussion followed.

14 R2023-04-03 Adoption of Oconto County's Mission, Vision, Values Statements – Administration Com.

Motion by Ondik/Frank to adopt R2023-04-03 Adoption of Oconto County's Mission, Vision, Values Statements. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

15 R2023-04-04 Establishment of a Library Planning Committee – Administration Com.

Motion by Matravers/Heise to adopt R2023-04-04 Establishment of a Library Planning Committee. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

16 R2023-04-05 Approval to Order Two (2) Dump Body and Plow Packages for the Highway Department – Highway Com

Motion by Lavarda/Behrend to adopt R2023-04-05 Approval to Order Two (2) Dump Body and Plow Packages for the Highway Department. Following an explanation by Brandon Hytinen, Highway Commissioner, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

17 R2023-04-06 Approval of Agreement with Lazer Utility Locating, LLC for Underground Facilities Locating and Marketing Services – Property & Technology Com.

Motion by Dhuey/Schreiber to adopt R2023-04-06 Approval of Agreement with Lazer Utility Locating, LLC for Underground Facilities Locating and Marketing Services. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and Melissa Schwaller, Technology Services Director, motion to amend the word marketing to read marking on lines #6, 9, 12, 17, and 19. The motion was voted on and carried. Following further explanation, the motion to adopt R2023-04-06, as amended, carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

18 R2023-04-08 Compressor Replacement – Property & Technology Com.

Motion by Parmentier/Schreiber to adopt R2023-04-08 Compressor Replacement. Following an explanation by Scott Krueger, Maintenance Engineer, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

19 R2023-04-09 Purchase of Backhoe Attachments – Land & Water Resources

Motion by Behrend/Kaczrowski to adopt R2023-04-09 Purchase of Backhoe Attachments. Following an explanation by Monty Brink, Forest & Park Administrator, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

20 Announcements/General Information (No action to be taken)

- Voter turnout for the April 4, 2023 election was 40% in Oconto County.
- Army Veteran Carl Plaster was present to announce the ribbon cutting/groundbreaking ceremony for the Oconto County Veterans Memorial Wall taking place on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. The wall will represent more than 4,000 Oconto County veterans what have served dating back to the Revolutionary War, as well as future veterans. Anyone wishing to contribute to the memorial fund can send donations to the Oconto branch of Stephenson National Bank.

21 Adjournment

Chair Sleeter declared the meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

The next meeting of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors will be on May 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Proceedings of County Board meeting may be viewed in its entirety at www.co.oconto.wi.us.

Kim Pytleski, Oconto County Clerk

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