



Minutes - April 24, 2023

Call to Order: Chair Bostwick called the hybrid County Board Staff Committee meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. in Conference Room N1/N2.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Bostwick, Leavy, Beaver, Peer, Podzilni, Wilson, Sweeney, Towns, and Brien.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: Dave Slusser, Human Resources Director; Josh Smith, County Administrator; Rich Greenlee, Corporation Counsel; Chief Deputy Strouse; Kate Luster, Human Services Director; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager; Greg Winkler, Human Services Deputy Director; Melissa Wittwer, Child Support Director; Amy Spoden, Assistant Human Resources Director; Jodie Surber, Analyst; Sherry Oja, Finance Director; Greg Holcomb, Mechanic.

Others Present: Supervisors Whitledge, Mawhinney, Schneider, and Zoril; Charles Flynn; Tina P; Sheryl; Mike Schwarz; Wes Davis; Lew Bowman; Brittney Prince; Tammy Notbusch; Craig Keller; Dennis Wendt.

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Peer moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Leavy. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Two public comments were submitted -

Citizen Leon Mathwick and Karla Herrmann expressed their support for Mike Schwarz.

In-person comments -

Dennis Wendt advocated for appointing Mike Schwarz. He submitted names supporting Mr. Schwarz

Greg Holcomb thanked the County Board Staff Committee on behalf of the Public Works employees for money for road work.

Approval of Minutes:

April 10, 2023 Minutes: Supervisor Brien moved approval of the April 10, 2023 minutes as presented, second by Supervisor Wilson. ADOPTED.

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

To Recognize Jane Matzke: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this day of 2023, does hereby recognize Jane Matzke for her 15 years of service and extend their best wishes to her in her future endeavors."

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

Recognizing David Davis: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this day of , 2023, does hereby recognize David Davis for his years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to him along with best wishes for the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of this resolution to Mr. Davis."

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

Authorizing Double Fill of Chief Deputy Position: "NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____ 2023, does hereby authorize the temporary double fill of the Chief Deputy position."

Supervisor Beaver moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Wilson.

Chief Deputy Strouse spoke to this resolution. He explained the role of the Chief Deputy and the reason for the double fill.

Supervisor Beaver asked for clarification on County Board rules in relation to how resolutions can be initiated. Rich Greenlee explained that the Board has historically allowed staff to initiate resolutions. If the Board would like to change this to only allow Supervisors to initiate, they can.

Supervisor Beaver moved to remove Supervisor Zoril's name from the "Initiated by" line and re-insert "Sheriff Curtis N. Fell," second by Supervisor Peer.

Amendment -

ADOPTED.

Original motion with amendment -

ADOPTED.

Authorizing Reclassification of Three (3) 0.4 FTE Child Support Clerical Workers to One (1) 1.0 FTE Child Support Clerk Typist III: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock

County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023, does hereby approve the reclassification of three (3) 0.4 FTE Child Support Clerical Worker positions to one (1) 1.0 FTE Child Support Clerk Typist III position in the Child Support Services 2023 budget."

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

Melissa Wittwer spoke to this resolution. She explained that this would help with recruitment.

Supervisor Brien moved to remove "Supervisor Brian Knudson" from the "Initiated by" line and re-insert "Child Support Director Melissa Wittwer," second by Supervisor Beaver.

Supervisor Towns proposed including both Supervisor Brian Knudson and Child Support Melissa Wittwer on the "Initiated by" line.

Supervisor Brien and Supervisor Beaver agreed to this proposal.

New amended motion - Supervisor Brien moved to add "Child Support Director Melissa Wittwer" to the "Initiated by" line along with "Supervisor Brian Knudson," second by Supervisor Beaver.

Amendment -

ADOPTED.

Original motion with amendment -

ADOPTED.

For Reclassification of 1.0 FTE Administrative Services Supervisor And 3.0 FTE Job Center Support Specialists: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023 does hereby approve the reclassification of a 1.0 FTE Administrative Services Supervisor position to a 1.0 FTE Support Services Supervisor and 3.0 FTE Job Center Support Specialists to 3.0 FTE Administrative Assistants in the Rock County Human Services Department."

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

Kate Luster spoke to this resolution. She explained that these employees are currently working out-of-class.

Supervisor Towns advocated for including an endorsing Supervisor's name on the "Initiated by" line.

ADOPTED.

Amending - Establishing Policy on Naming of County Property: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, at its regular meeting on _____ hereby establishes the following:

..."

Supervisor Wilson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Leavy.

Josh Smith spoke to this resolution. He explained that the addition is in #1 "or a substantial financial contribution."

YES - Supervisors Bostwick, Wilson, Leavy, Brien, Towns, Sweeney, Podzilni, and Peer.

NO - Supervisor Beaver.

ADOPTED.

Approving The 2023 Compensation Study, And Amending The Personnel Policy Wage

Appendix: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023 does hereby approve the recommended wage grid, attached to resolution, and implementation criteria, included in the Executive Summary, effective October 1, 2023."

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

YES - Supervisors Bostwick, Sweeney, Leavy, Wilson, Peer, Beaver, Brien, and Towns.

NO - Supervisor Podzilni.

ADOPTED.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action: None.

District 22 Interviews (starting no earlier than 5:00 P.M.): At 5:05 P.M., the first interview started. Chair Bostwick explained the interview and voting process. All three interviewees attended in-person and were interviewed by the committee in the agendized order. At 5:50 P.M., the last interview concluded.

Following the last interview, the committee discussed the interviews and interviewees.

After discussion concluded, committee members were handed ballots to vote. The following vote occurred:

Lew Bowman - 1 vote (Supervisor Sweeney)

Mike Schwarz - 3 votes (Supervisors Towns, Podzilni, and Beaver)

Wes Davis - 5 votes (Supervisors Brien, Wilson, Peer, Leavy, and Bostwick)

Wes Davis will be the appointee going to the County Board meeting on Thursday, April 27, for confirmation by the Board.

Llewellyn (Lew) Bowman: Lew Bowman was interviewed by the committee members.

Michael Schwarz: Michael Schwarz was interviewed by the committee members.

Wesley Davis: Wesley Davis was interviewed by the committee members.

Appointments to the Human Services Board:

Appointments: Chair Bostwick read the memo attached to the agenda regarding the Human Services Board.

Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the appointments and move them to the County Board of Supervisors on Thursday, April 27, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Next meeting date and time: May 8 at 4:30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Per Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. – Conferring with Legal Counsel Concerning Strategy to be Adopted by the Board Regarding Litigation in which it is, or is Likely to Become Involved: Supervisor Leavy moved to enter into executive session at 6:01 P.M., second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Adjournment: Supervisor Peer moved to adjourn at 6:18 P.M., second by Supervisor Leavy. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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