



Minutes - July 11, 2023

Call to Order: Chair Beaver called the hybrid Public Safety & Justice Committee meeting to order at 5:15 P.M. in Conference Room N1/N2.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Beaver, Knudson, Whitledge, Bomkamp, and Zoril.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Chief Deputy Maurer; David O'Leary, District Attorney; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the Administrator; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager; Fredd Carr, Communications Center Director; Melissa Wittwer, Child Support Director.

Others Present: Carlos; Sheila Williams.

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Knudson moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Whitledge.

Supervisor Zoril expressed concerns that Rich Greenlee was not in attendance.

Supervisor Zoril moved to adjourn until Rich Greenlee could be present. Josh Smith provided some background explaining that Rich Greenlee is only communicating with Supervisor Zoril via open meetings due to Rich Greenlee's interest in the County. Second by Supervisor Whitledge.

YES - Supervisors Zoril and Whitledge.

NO - Supervisors Bomkamp, Knudson, and Beaver.

Motion to adjourn fails.

Adoption of the agenda - Agenda ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: No public comment submitted in advance.

Sheila Williams advocated for adjourning the meeting.

Supervisor Zoril stated that constituents contacted him about overdoses in the jail. He would like this on a future agenda.

Supervisor Knudson spoke to fliers posted around Rock County regarding his misspeaking when discussing the resolution on sex trafficking and illegal immigration. He stated that he would never be in favor of illegal sex trafficking and illegal immigration. Supervisor Knudson spoke to his involvement in the community.

Approval of Minutes:

June 5, 2023 Minutes: Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the June 5, 2023 minutes, second by Supervisor Whitledge. ADOPTED.

June 19, 2023 Minutes: Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the June 19, 2023 minutes, second by Supervisor Whitledge. ADOPTED.

Consent Calendar:

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review of Payments: The committee reviewed the payments.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

Recognizing Krystynn Reinart for Service to the County: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023, does hereby recognize Krystynn Reinart for her years of service to the County."

Supervisor Whitledge moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Knudson.

Supervisor Zoril moved to add Supervisor Bomkamp's name to the initiated by line, second by Supervisor Whitledge.

Motion to amend - ADOPTED.

Original motion to approve resolution - ADOPTED.

Authorizing the Addition of a .8 FTE Part-Time Deputy Position: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023, does hereby authorize the addition of a .8 FTE Part-Time Deputy Position."

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Whitledge.

Supervisor Zoril asked for clarification about how this will be funded in the 2024 budget. Josh Smith stated that this would be determined during the budget process when everything is prioritized. There is no way of knowing what the 2024 budget will look like at this point in the year.

ADOPTED.

Authorizing Transition of Oversight of Emergency Management Functions from the Sheriff's Office to the County Administrator's Office: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this ___ day of __, 2023, does hereby authorize the transfer of oversight responsibilities from the Sheriff's Office to the County Administrator's Office and create an Office of Emergency Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a 1.0 FTE Emergency Management Director position is created in Grade P of the new wage grid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a 1.0 FTE vacant Administrative Assistant position in the Sheriff's Office that previously supported the Emergency Management function be deleted and a 1.0 FTE Deputy Emergency Management Director position be created in Grade K of the new wage grid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this change shall be effective no sooner than October 1 but will not take effect before the successful confirmation of a new Emergency Management Director by the County Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Administrator is directed to include in the 2024 Budget any other changes necessary to effectuate this change."

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Whitledge.

Supervisor Zoril stated that this resolution was not drafted by a County Board Supervisor.

Supervisor Bomkamp moved to add his name to the initiated by line, second by Supervisor Knudson.

NO - Supervisor Zoril.

YES - Supervisors Whitledge, Knudson, Bomkamp, and Beaver.

Motion to amend ADOPTED.

Supervisor Zoril asked questions regarding where the funds for the position would come from and if the budgeted funds would need to be moved. Josh Smith explained that from an accounting perspective, re-coding funds like this is not necessary. He stated that the Finance Director stated that the authority to spend from those item codes would be given to the County Administrator's office. Supervisor Zoril stated his belief that this should be a budget amendment.

Supervisor Zoril moved to table this resolution indefinitely, second by Supervisor Whitledge.

YES - Supervisors Zoril and Whitledge.

NO - Supervisors Bomkamp, Knudson, and Beaver.

Motion to table indefinitely fails.

Supervisor Zoril moved to fund these positions by eliminating the Equity Manager position in the County Administrator's Office. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Original motion -

YES - Supervisors Bomkamp, Knudson, and Beaver.
NO - Supervisors Whitledge and Zoril.

ADOPTED.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Child Support Performance and Funding Information: Melissa Wittwer provided a quarterly update on performance. She also provided an update on State funding. Melissa spoke to potential changes in how out-of-home care and funding.

Next meeting date and time: August 8 at 5:15 P.M. hybrid meeting

Adjournment: Supervisor Whitledge moved to adjourn at 5:55 P.M., second by Supervisor Knudson.
ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Thompson
Office Coordinator

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