



Minutes - January 22, 2024

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

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

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Brien.

Staff Members Present: Buck Buchanan, Highway Tech I; Henry Bunts, Highway Tech I; Jason Niemeier, Highway Tech I; Rich Greenlee, Corporation Counsel; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the Administrator; Josh Smith, County Administrator; Laura Jones, Administrative Professional; Amy Spoden, Human Resources Director; Shanna Sanders, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Dara Mosely, Deputy IT Director; Greg Cullen, Airport Director.

Others Present: Supervisors Homan, Winter, and Zoril; Badri Belur; Chuck Flynn; Sheila Williams; Mike Schwarz; Marisa Voelkel; Richard Gruber; Celestino Ruffi; Dennis Hilgendorf;.

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

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Supervisor Winter thanked the applicants for the Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport Board, and recommended Brent Fox and Rick Leyes.

Sheila Williams spoke in opposition to item 7.F.

Rick Leyes spoke to his qualifications for the the Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport Board.

Henry Bunts spoke in favor of item 7.F.

Jason Niemeier spoke in favor of item 7.F.

Bob Buchannan spoke in favor of item 7.F.

Supervisor Zoril asked questions from constituents related to item 7.F.

Approval of Minutes:

January 8, 2024 Minutes: Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the January 8, 2024 minutes,

second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Appointments to the Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport Board: The committee voted via ballot to determine which 2 candidates will be forwarded to the County Board for approval. Brent Fox and Rick Leyes obtained the most votes. This will be forwarded to the County Board on January 25 for approval.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

Recognizing Sergeant Peter J. Falk: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024, does hereby recognize Sergeant Peter J. Falk for his over 27 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Sergeant Peter J. Falk along with best wishes for the future."

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

Recognizing Deputy Viengkhone Nouansacksy: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024, does hereby recognize Deputy Viengkhone Nouansacksy for his over 26 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Deputy Viengkhone Nouansacksy along with best wishes for the future."

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

Recognizing Correctional Officer James R. Gajdosik Jr.: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024, does hereby recognize Correctional Officer James R. Gajdosik Jr. for his over 24 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Correctional Officer James R. Gajdosik Jr. along with best wishes for the future.

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

Recognizing Travis Noble: " NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024, does hereby recognize Travis Noble 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 Travis Noble."

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

Recognizing Sherry Gensler: "NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024, does hereby recognize Sherry Gensler for her forty-three (43) years of service and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors."

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

Recognizing the Importance and Rights of County Employees: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2024 does hereby direct Rock County Administration to recognize the value of every employee within all departments reaffirming and recognizing the rights and privileges of organized labor, and restore the right to collectively bargain in good faith with the employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Rock County administration, to the benefit of all parties, be directed to restore the long-standing practice of "meet and confer" with employee representatives from all facilities. Meetings shall be held on a monthly basis, upon adoption of this resolution, but may be cancelled upon agreement of both parties. Meetings must be held during regular working hours without loss of pay/benefits to employees."

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

Supervisor Homan spoke to this resolution. He addressed some of the questions posed by Supervisor Zoril during public comment.

Unanimous voice no vote. Motion failed.

Establishing a Policy on the Inclusion of Line Numbers in Resolutions: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2023, does hereby confirm that it shall be policy of the County Board that when staff formats resolutions for inclusion in agenda packets, they shall include line numbers, as was done previously to ensure ease of reference, clarity, and effective communication.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this policy shall go into effect within 30 days of its adoption, reaffirming the Board's commitment to efficient and effective practices that aid in transparent governance."

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

Supervisor Zoril spoke to this resolution.

Josh Smith shared that when Civic Clerk was originally implemented, this functionality was not an option. Haley Thompson reached out to Civic Clerk, and this is now a function that they offer; the cost

to implement would be \$660 and would take 6-8 weeks to complete.

There was a discussion on the best process to move this project forward.

ADOPTED.

Next meeting date and time: February 5 at 4:30 P.M.

Adjournment: Supervisor Sweeney moved to adjourn at 5:29 P.M., second by Supervisor Wilson.
ADOPTED.

Respectfullu submitted,

Haley Thompson
Executive Assistant

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