



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minutes - August 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The Rock County Board of Supervisors met, pursuant to adjournment, on July 11, 2024, at 6:02 p.m. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Leavy called the meeting to order. Supervisor Schwarz gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL: At roll call, Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman, and Leavy were present. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. PRESENT – 25. ABSENT – 4.

CONSENT AGENDA: Supervisors Bostwick and Towns moved the consent agenda. Chair Leavy asked for objections and questions about the items on the consent agenda. Consent agenda approved by acclamation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 11, 2024:

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION:

Appointments to the Local Emergency Planning Committee:

New Appointment: Supervisor Barb Tillman (expiring 07/31/2027) and Supervisor Ron Woodman (expiring 07/31/2027).

Effective Date: August 8, 2024

Appointments to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council:

New Appointments: Marc Perry, Ryan Trautsch and Chad Pearson

Effective Date: August 8, 2024

Appointments to the ADRC Advisory Committee:

Reappointment: Harold Luther

Effective Date: August 8, 2024

Appointments to the Ad Hoc Committee on 2026 Employee Health Insurance:

Appointment: Supervisor Debi Towns, Supervisor Mary Mawhinney, Supervisor Barb Tillman,

Destinee Lehrmann, Michelle Stowe, Amy Sather, Cheryl Cikar, Rick Ellis, Amy Friend, Dan Banks, Shena Kohler, Neil Bennett, Kristin Vander Kooi, Shannon Richmond, Dan Fuerstenberg, Ericka Sura, Stephanie Mills and Carl McNutt.
Effective Date August 8, 2024.

***Chair Appointment to the Ad Hoc Committee on 2026 Employee Health Insurance:**

Appointment: Supervisor Debi Towns
Effective Date: August 8, 2024

***Appointment to the Land Conservation Committee:**

New Appointment: Alan Sweeney
Effective Date: August 8, 2024

RECOGNITION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS:

Recognizing Mark Spring:

Resolution No. R-2024-469

OTHER:

Amending the 2024 Human Services Department Budget to Accept Family First Funds:

Resolution No. R-2024-468

Accepting Taking Action with Data Grant Funds and Amending the 2024 Rock County Public Health Department Budget:

Resolution No. R-2024-473

Accepting Public Health Vending Machine Program Grant Funds and Amending the 2024 Rock County Public Health Department Budget:

Resolution No. R-2024-474

PUBLIC HEARING:

Amending Chapter 6 of the Rock County Public Health Ordinance (First Reading):

Public Hearing opened at 6:07 p.m. No public comment. Public Hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ty Bollerud spoke about infrastructure and Wisconsin Southern Railroad. Brittany de la O, Heidi Deininger and Amiee Leavy spoke in favor of item 11. A.5. Reallocating ARPA Funds to Expand the YWCA Childcare Center. Cathy Wagner, Matt Artis and Becky Deal spoke in favor of item 11. A.1. Allocating ARPA Funds for the Victims of the February 2024 Tornado and Amending the 2024 Budget. Brian Bridges, Chris Day and Nick Orthmann spoke in favor of item 11. C. ARPA Approval of Projects to Receive Budgeted ARPA Funds for Affordable Housing. Sheila Williams requested Rock

County residents 100 years old to be recognized, gave a thank you to Supervisors Peer and Towns for their support of the Training Expansion Resolution to remove the mandatory county requirement for DEI training and treat employees like professional adults, spoke against item 11. A.3. Funding to Support the Uninsured and spoke about the need for a wage grid review due to the large pay increase disparities between employees when it was implemented. Kathy Hansen spoke in favor of item 11. A.4. Allocating ARPA Funds for KANDU Industries and Amending the 2024 Budget. Sophie Bell, Morgan Faherty, Katie Bell and Rebecca Veium spoke in favor of item 11.A.2. Authorizing ARPA Funds for Janesville Boys & Girls Club Capital Campaign and Amending the 2024 Budget. Brenda Pinson and Coryn Davis spoke in favor of item 11. A. 3. Funding to Support the Uninsured.

Randy Terronez gave information about Family Fun Night. Andrew Baker gave information about Community Development Programs. Clerk Tollefson gave information about the Partisan Primary Election.

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION:

None

RECOGNITION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS:

Recognizing Katrina Kufrin for Service to the Veterans Service Office:

Resolution No. R-2024-467

Supervisors Brien and Bostwick moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Recognizing Kelly Elliott for Service to Rock County:

Resolution No. R-2024-471

Supervisors Towns and Tillman moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Recognizing Kim Schroeder for Service to Rock County:

Resolution No. R-2024-472

Supervisors Schwarz and Mawhinney moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Recognizing Kathy Churchill for Service to Rock County:

Resolution No. R-2024-470

Supervisors Wilson and Schwarz moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE:

None

REPORTS:

***Community Health Assessment—Public Health Department:**

Report given by: Christine Streich Public Health Strategist, Megan Timm Director of Community Health from SSM Health, and Jane Golberg Public Health Strategist.

NEW BUSINESS:

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET CHANGES - ROLL CALL:

Allocating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for the Victims of the February 2024 Tornadoes and Amending the 2024 Budget:

Resolution No. R-2024-437

Supervisors Towns and Sutter moved the resolution. Supervisors Schwarz and Wilson moved to amend the amount on line 25 to \$625,000.59. AMENDMENT (1) APPROVED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Fugelseth, Stevens, Tillman, Towns and Whitledge voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 20. NOES-5.

ABSENT–4. Supervisors Schwarz and Woodman moved to amend the resolution to include \$36,000 from Prior Years Sales Tax to cover Administrative Expenses. AMENDMENT (2) APPROVED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Sutterlin and Ryan voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 23. NOES-2. ABSENT–4.

The FINAL AMENDED RESOLUTION was APPROVED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisor Bobzien voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 24. NOES- 1. ABSENT – 4.

Authorizing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Janesville Boys & Girls Club Capital Campaign and Amending The 2024 Budget:

Resolution No. R-2024-447

Supervisors Bostwick and Sutter moved the resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 25. NOES- 0. ABSENT – 4.

Funding to Support the Uninsured:

Resolution No. R-2024-459

Supervisors Rashkin and Gorman moved the resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Fugelseth and Stone voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES – 23. NOES-2. ABSENT – 4.

Allocating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for KANDU Industries and Amending the 2024 Budget:

Resolution No. R-2024-462

Supervisors Wilson and Schwarz moved the resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisor Fugelseth voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES – 24. NOES- 1. ABSENT – 4.

Reallocating ARPA Funds to Expand the YWCA Childcare Center:

Resolution No. R-2024-461

Supervisors Tillman and Schulz moved the resolution. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman, and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisor Stone voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES – 24. NOES -1. ABSENT – 4.

CONTRACTS – ROLL CALL:

Approving Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) for Budgeted ARPA Projects:

Resolution No. R-2024-477

Supervisors Wilson and Mawhinney moved the resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisor Stone voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 24. NOES-1. ABSENT – 4.

Approval of Projects to Receive Budgeted American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Affordable Housing:

Resolution No. R-2024-475

Supervisors Sutterlin and Wilson moved the resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisor Stone and Fugelseth voted against. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES– 23. NOES-2. ABSENT – 4.

***Expansion of Employee Training Opportunities:**

Authorizing Rock County to Enter Into the Settlement Agreement with The Kroger Co. and Agree to the Terms of Addendum Two to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds:

Resolution No. R-2024-476

Supervisors Mawhinney and Brien moved the resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e) to deliberate the setting of bargaining parameters for the 2024 negotiated collective bargaining agreements.:

Supervisors Mawhinney and Tillman moved to go into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. APPROVED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Bobzien, Boehlke, Bostwick, Brien, Cullen, Fugelseth, Gorman, Marshall, Mawhinney, Pennycook, Rashkin, Ringhand, Ryan, Schulz, Schwarz, Stevens, Stone, Sutter, Sutterlin, Tillman, Towns, Whitledge, Wilson, Woodman and Leavy voted in favor. Supervisors Homan, Knudson, Peer and Schneider were absent. AYES – 25. NOES- 0. ABSENT – 4.

ADJOURNMENT:

Supervisors Bostwick and Pennycook moved to exit Executive Session and adjourn at 8:28 p.m. to Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. APPROVED by acclamation.

Prepared by Lisa Tollefson, County Clerk and Jaymee Stephens, Deputy County Clerk.