

FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

March 19, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors was held on March 19, 2024, in the County Board Room at the Courthouse in Crandon, Wisconsin. Chairperson Gretzinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present. The Clerk, Nora Matuszewski, read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Campbell, Chaney, Dailey, Dehart, Decorah, Gretzinger, Karl, Landru (Teams) Lukas, Marvin, Miller, Peterson, Piasini, Skallerud, Tallier, Weber

Absent: Fulcer, Goode - Vacant - Districts #3, #12 & #20

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weber, second by Dailey to approve the agenda as presented. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (2) Fulcer (present 6:10 p.m.), Goode. Motion carried.

Motion by Skallerud, second by Dehart to amend the agenda to add an additional resolution. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (2) Fulcer (present 6:10 p.m.), Goode. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 20, 2024 MEETING

Motion by Chaney, second by Piasini to approve the February 20, 2024 minutes as presented. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (2) Fulcer (present 6:10 p.m.), Goode. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

COMMUNICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE BOARD

Motion Weber to place all communications on file in the County Clerk's Office, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (2) Fulcer (present 6:10 p.m.), Goode. Motion carried.

Motion by Chaney to accept the resignation of Scott Goode – District #4 Supervisor, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (1) Fulcer (present 6:10 p.m.). Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS OR ELECTIONS

None

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Recognition of Dave Campbell for service to the County Board

The Board recognized and thanked Dave Campbell for his service on the board. The Highway Commissioner presented him with a plaque which outlined his time as Highway Commissioner, Patrol Superintendent, Highway worker and County Board (55 years).

FCEDP – Chris Shafer

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Shafer talked about Lake Geneva, Evers recognizing visiting Forest County, number of new business deals going on and with that the micro and macro loans. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting in Mole last month and thanked the Forestry Administrator for coming on board with the trail discussions. There is a 17.5-million-dollar grant that will be submitted on March 20, 2024, for the Sokaogon Chippewa tribe for broadband. With BEAD funding and Shafer's hours working on planning, he may be able to get back \$17,000. He asked everyone to follow them on social media.

Chairperson report

Gretzinger presented Tyler Young from the Oneida County Sheriff Department to speak to the Board about the Human Service Center. Young sits on the transition committee as the chair. He talked a little about what is happening.

There was discussion about the upgrades to the Human Service Center and Koinonia buildings. Patrick Cork was available to discuss the feasibility study he did and what the suggestion was for the counties restructure. He explained he spent three months talking to many different individuals to come up with a structure that was best for all three entities.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution – 10-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds of approximately \$3,359.36 from the Asset Forfeiture account for 2023 be carried into 2024.

Motion by Skallerud, second by Marvin to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution – 11-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that all departments within Forest County shall notify the committee of jurisdiction as to their financial status on a monthly basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any department within the County is over the established budget, then money held in the department's reserve account shall be used to pay for the budget shortfall.

Motion by Chaney, second by Peterson to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution - 12-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds of \$12,436.58 shall be placed in a Drug Fund Reserve Account.

Motion by Chaney, second by Peterson to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 13-2024 Offered by Finance

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds from the Title III account for 2019-2023 be carried into 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that excess funds in 2019-2023 and thereafter be in the Title III Reserve Account.

Motion by Dehart, second by Weber to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 14-2024 Offered by County Board Chair

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Clerk of Courts shall receive the following increase in salary of: \$7,797.42 for 2024, \$13,478.77 for 2025, and \$15,880.99 for 2026 for the additional designated duties.

Motion by Chaney, second by Karl to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 15-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that monetary transfers from the unreserved accounts in the General Fund shall occur in the amounts set forth above.

Motion by Skallerud, second by Weber to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 16-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the Social Services Director shall receive additional compensation in the amounts stated above.

Motion by Campbell, second by Karl to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 17-2024 Offered by County Board Chair

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Forest, Oneida and Vilas Counties hereby amend any and all prior Agreements stated or not listed above with the attached Agreement; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the attached 2024 AMENDED JOINT COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY TRANSITION OVERSIGHT PANEL shall be effective upon passage by each of the three counties; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any actions of the Tri-County Human Service Board inconsistent with the County Transition Oversight Panel Resolutions passed by Forest, Oneida, and Vilas Counties are and hereby revoked effective as of January 23, 2024, which was the date of Vilas County's passage of the County Transition Oversight Panel Resolution.

Motion by Skallerud, second by Dailey to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 18-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds of approximately \$7,823.60 from the Veterans Service Office account for 2023 be carried into 2024.

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Motion by Dehart, second by Chaney to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 19-2024 Offered by

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds of approximately \$5,000.00 from the UW Extension account for 2023 be carried into 2024.

Motion by Peterson, second by Karl to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 20-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the excess funds of approximately \$15,000.00 from the UW Extension account for 2023 be carried into 2024.

Motion by Karl, second by Skallerud to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

Resolution 21-2024 Offered by Social Services

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the recommendation for the consolidation of the Departments of Community Programs and Social Services into a Department of Human Services, as outlined in the attached Forest, Oneida, and Vilas Counties Feasibility Study Governance and Management Structures for Human and Social Services, dated March 2024, are adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transition Oversight Committee will work with the consultant, Patrick Cork Counseling and Consulting LLC, to develop an implementation plan and submit to the State Departments of Children and Families, Corrections, and Health Services, along with the feasibility study for their approval by July 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the implementation plan, including organizational charts and budget will be submitted to the Forest County Board no later than September 30, 2024 for final approval and to be effective January 1, 2025, if approved by the State Departments of Children and Families, Corrections, and Health Services.

Motion by Dailey, second by Piasini to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (16); Abstain (1) Decorah. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-2024 Offered by County Board Chair

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Forest County is hereby giving notice of its intent to dissolve/withdraw from the ADRC agreement with Taylor County and the Forest County Potawatomi Community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Forest County representatives will convene meetings with their counterparts in Taylor County and the Forest County Potawatomi Community to discuss a new structure and the transfer of the dissolved entity's assets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ADRC of the Northwoods and other Member Jurisdictions shall receive notice of the county's intent to dissolve/withdraw and reorganize.

Motion by Miller, second by Skallerud to approve the resolution as presented. Motion by Skallerud, second by Dehart to approve the resolution with amendment presented adding "dissolve/withdraw in the resolution." All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

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ORDINANCES

Ordinance 01-2024 – Offered by Land Conservation

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Comprehensive Plan as modified is hereby approved and adopted.

Motion by Karl, second by Tallier to adopt the ordinance as presented. All present voting AYE (17). Motion carried.

ANNUAL REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Chaney, second by Campbell to adjourn. All present voting (AYE) (17). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the April 16, 2024 Forest County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Nora Matuszewski
Forest County Clerk