



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE

PORTAGE COUNTY ANNEX
CONFERENCE ROOM 5
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

7:00 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Agriculture and Extension Education Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Members Present: Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, Dave Peterson, Pat Keller, Steve Cieslewicz

Attending In-Person: Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, Dave Peterson, Pat Keller, Steve Cieslewicz

Attending Online:

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Staff Attending: Lisa Henriksen

Others Attending: Paul Cieslewicz, Ron Becker, Pete Arntsen, John Bustamante, Patrick Eger, Cindy Eger, Cathy Guth, Jeff Sommers

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

Paul Cieslewicz registered to speak after the candidates for the drainage district positions had been interviewed.

DRAINAGE DISTRICT INTERVIEWS

1. Interviews for the Portage County Drainage District Commissioner Position Recommendation

- Pete Arntsen
- Ron Becker
- John Bustamante
- Patrick Eger
- Catherine Guth
- George Kraft
- Jeff Sommers

Committee members only to receive references' contact information

Pete Arntsen, Ron Becker, John Bustamante, Patrick Eger, Catherine Guth, and Jeff Sommers were interviewed by the Committee in succession.

Paul Cieslewicz, current drainage board chair, spoke of his appreciation of the applicants for their interest in the drainage board, and of the challenges the board currently faces.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

2. Discussion: Recommendation of Candidates to Portage County Circuit Court Judges

The final recommendation will be made at the September 14, 2023 Ag & Extension Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Keller, seconded by Supervisor M. Jacowski, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.
Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.