

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

May 18, 2021

Meeting was called to order by Chair Al Haga at 5:05 p.m.

Roll call taken by County Clerk Kayla Filen revealed:

(24) present:

(17) attending in person: Supervisors Vinnie Miresse, Chris Doubek, David Medin, David Ladick, Bob Gifford, Stan Potocki, Mike Splinter, Donald Jankowski, Allen Haga, Dennis Raabe, Larry Raikowski, Scott Soik, Charles Gussel, Jeanne Dodge, Matt Jacowski, Barry Jacowski, Gerry Zastrow

(7) attending remotely via Webex: Supervisors Meleesa Johnson, Julie Morrow, Mildred Neville, Joan Honl, Ntxhais Chai Moua, Daniel Martinson, Ray Reser

(1) excused: Supervisor Anton Anday.

All present saluted the flag.

Invocation by Supervisor Dodge

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Splinter, second by Supervisor Gussel, to approve the April 20, 2021 County Board meeting minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Correspondence

County Clerk, Board Portal Electronic Voting

Presentations

Supervisor Johnson, Supervisor Raabe, and County Executive Holman, Health Care Center Report

Public Notice

None

Public Comment

Becky Kressin, Jan Way, Brock Maddox, Steven Ellis, Robin Falk, David Eide, Stephen Klein, Nerissa Nelson, Rev. John Cychoz, Pam Lloyd, Ann Walkush, Patrick Eger, Jane Johnson, Kyle P. Corrigan regarding resolution no. 106-2020-2022

Robin Falk regarding resolution no. 109-2020-2022

Steven Ellis regarding resolution no. 110-2020-2022

Confirmation of County Executive Appointment:

Motion by Supervisor Gifford, second by Supervisor Doubek to approve the following appointment:

- Appoint Judith Ordens to the Commission on Aging/Aging & Disability Resource Center Board for the remainder of a three year term expiring on April 17, 2023 to replace John Buzza

Roll call vote on the appointment revealed (24) ayes, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday

Resolutions/Ordinances

RESOLUTION NO. 106-2020-2022
RE: PORTAGE COUNTY AFFIRMS THE
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF ITS CITIZENS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby pledges Portage County to uphold the Constitution, and hereby states its opposition to the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon any right or protection provided to the people of Portage County by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights of the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all state legislators who represent all or part of Portage County.

Motion by Supervisor Soik, second by Supervisor Splinter for the adoption.

Motion by Supervisor Soik, second by Supervisor Splinter to amend the Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved clause to read "...hereby declares that it upholds the constitution of the United States and hereby states its opposition to the enactment of any legislation, order, edict, resolution or ordinance, that would infringe on any right or protection guaranteed to the people of Portage County by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights of the United States."

Roll call vote on the amendment revealed (10) ayes, Supervisors Dodge, Doubek, Gussel, Haga, Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, Ladick, Raikowski, Soik, Splinter, (14) nays, Supervisors Gifford, Honl, Jankowski, Johnson, Martinson, Medin, Miresse, Morrow, Moua, Neville, Potocki, Raabe, Reser, Zastrow, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The motion to amend failed.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (17) ayes, (6) nays, Supervisors Honl, Johnson, Medin, Moua, Neville, Raabe, (1) abstention, Supervisor Reser, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 107-2020-2022
RE: RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND ENACTING CHANGES TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES,
SECTION 3.11 HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES,
TO CHANGE THE PORTAGE COUNTY VACATION SCHEDULE AND
THE METHOD IN WHICH THE VACATION BENEFIT IS ADMINISTERED

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Portage County Board of Supervisors that the attached Vacation Policy Transition Plan is approved with an effective date of July 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED by the Portage County Board of Supervisors that the attached code revisions in Section 3.11 Human Resources are adopted, enacted and promulgated with an effective date of July 1, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Matt Jacowski, second by Supervisor Raikowski for the adoption.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (24) ayes, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 108-2020-2022
RE: SUPPORT FOR RESTORING FUNDING TO RECYCLING RESPONSIBLE UNITS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby urges the Wisconsin Legislature and the Joint Committee on Finance to restore recycling funding to the Recycling Grant to its previous base funding of \$29.5 million.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Portage County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, members of the Joint Committee of Finance, local members of the State Legislature, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Zastrow for the adoption.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (24) ayes, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 109-2020-2022 – AMENDED
RE: RECOGNIZING APRIL 2021 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH
AND SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO

PREVENT SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN PORTAGE COUNTY

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Portage County Board of Supervisors join CAP Services' Family Crisis Center and communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence in recognizing the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future.

Motion by Supervisor Doubek, second by Supervisor Miresse for the adoption.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Soik to add an additional Whereas clause after the 7th Whereas clause to read, "Whereas we acknowledge that the good in our society is strengthened when our children are raised to recognize the intrinsic value of each human being and that every person is thus deserving of dignity and respect."

Motion to amend carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (24) ayes, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The amended resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 110-2020-2022

RE: STANDING AGAINST HATE, BIAS OR VIOLENCE

TOWARD ASIAN AND ASIAN-AMERICAN MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Portage County stands against hate, bias, or violence toward our Asian and Asian-American neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Portage County Clerk forward this resolution to the Hmong American Association of Portage County, CAP Services Hmong UPLift Program, CAP Services Hmong Family Strengthening Program, Farmshed's Sib Pab Program and with the Multi-Cultural Resource Center of the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Doubek for the adoption.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (23) ayes, (1) nay, Supervisor Gussel, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 111-2020-2022

RE: DESIGNATING THE EXECUTIVE/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

AS THE FORMAL REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

FOR PORTAGE COUNTY FOR 2021-2022

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the Executive/Operations Committee is hereby designated to act as the Redistricting Committee of the County to coordinate county and municipal planning with regard to the establishment of boundaries of supervisory districts and to otherwise do such work as is necessary to submit a plan for County Board consideration. Upon adoption of the final plan, the designation of this resolution shall terminate.

Motion by Supervisor Dodge, second by Supervisor Raikowski for the adoption.

Motion by Supervisor Miresse, second by Supervisor Zastrow to amend the resolution to add 4 citizen members with required qualifications including familiarity with the redistricting process, a background in political science, and an understanding of constitutional law to the redistricting committee, to be appointed by the County Executive. Supervisor Zastrow rescinded his second. Second by Supervisor Johnson.

Roll call vote on the amendment revealed (8) ayes, Supervisors Doubek, Gifford, Honl, Johnson, Martinson, Miresse, Moua, Reser, (16) nays, Supervisors Dodge, Gussel, Haga, Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, Jankowski, Ladick, Medin, Morrow, Neville, Potocki, Raabe, Raikowski, Soik, Splinter, Zastrow, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. Motion to amend failed.

Roll call vote on the resolution revealed (23) ayes, (1) nay, Supervisor Miresse, (1) excused, Supervisor Anday. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 112-2020-2022

RE: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 2021 SENATE BILL 120 AND

2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 108-COMPANION BILLS

RELATED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

POLICIES ON THE USE OF FORCE

