



PORTAGE COUNTY

PORTAGE COUNTY ANNEX
CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 & 2
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
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MEETING AGENDA

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 14, 2022

7:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

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

Members Present: Matt Jacowski, Charles Gussel, Barry Jacowski, Daniel Martinson, Vincent Miresse

Attending In-Person: Matt Jacowski, Charles Gussel, Barry Jacowski, Daniel Martinson, Vincent Miresse

Attending Online:

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Staff Attending: Jason Hausler, Nathan Sandwick, Ken Schroeder, Connie Creighton, Lisa Henriksen

Others Attending: John Pavelski

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Review/Approval of minutes from March 9, 2022.

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinson, seconded by Supervisor B. Jacowski, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion to approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

2. Review/Approval of minutes from March 10, 2022.

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinson, seconded by Supervisor Miresse, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion to approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

REPORTS

3. Review Vendor Invoice List

The vendor invoice list and budget report were reviewed by the Committee.

4. Area Extension Director Report

Area Extension Director Jason Hausler reported that the hiring process for the Regional Vegetable Crop Production Water Quality position is moving forward. Interviews will be held on April 25th and once hired, this position will be housed at UWSP. Hausler also reported that the request to build three closed-door offices in the current cubical space has been approved. UW-Madison Extension will be covering the cost of the remodel. Lastly, Hausler reported he would have some onboarding materials available for the new Committee appointments at the May Ag & Extension meeting.

5. Educator Report

Educators submitted a written report that was included in the meeting packet.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

6. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance: None
- Approval of attendance of special meetings: None
- Special meeting attendance reports: None

7. Discussion/Possible Action: Recommendation to Portage County Judges for Drainage District Appointment

A motion was made by Supervisor B. Jacowski, seconded by Vice-Chair Gussel to forward the 3 candidates in rank order listed below to the Portage County Circuit Court Judges.

1. Paul Cieslewicz
2. Brion Hackbarth
3. Justin Isherwood

Chair Jacowski reported that he did not receive a response from Judge Eagon for clarification on whether the Ag & Extension Committee should interview the additional candidates that were forwarded to the circuit court judges from the Portage County Farm Bureau, WPVGA, and the Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association.

Supervisors Miresse and Martinson stated that they would like George Kraft forwarded as the #1 candidate due to his qualifications and perspective. Discussion followed.

The motion to forward the 3 candidates in rank order listed above was approved by the following vote:

3 Yes: M. Jacowski, B. Jacowski, C. Gussel

2 No: D. Martinson, V. Miresse

8. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Budget Amendment to support Regional Vegetable Crop Production Water Quality position

A motion was made by Supervisor B. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Martinson, to approve the budget amendment to support the Regional Vegetable Crop Production Water Quality position. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

CORRESPONDENCE

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REMINDER

NEXT MEETING DATE

9. May 12, 2022 7:00PM

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor B. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Gussel, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:31PM.

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