



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

PORTAGE COUNTY ANNEX
CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 & 2
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Thursday, April 7, 2022

4:30 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Executive/Operations meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Members present in person: Dodge, Haga, Miresse, Potocki, Raikowski

Others present in person: County Clerk Filen, Finance Director Jossie, Deputy Clerk Jentz, Supervisor Matt Jacowski, Supervisor Neville, Supervisor Honl, and Supervisor Ladick

Others present remotely: Deputy Corporation Counsel Hickethier, Clerk of Courts Roth, HR Director Belanger Tess, and Finance Treasury Coordinator Hlavac

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.

Supervisor Honl stated she would like to speak on agenda item 4.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of March 3, 2022 minutes

A motion was made by Supervisor Raikowski, seconded by Supervisor Potocki to approve the minutes.

Supervisor Neville requested that the Committee make an amendment to the minutes from the March 3, 2022 meeting to include the following information after agenda item 8. and before the meeting adjourned: "Chair Haga invited those in attendance to stay after the meeting to discuss the agenda item."

Chair Haga stated he had no problem adding this as he did say that during the meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor Miresse, seconded by Chair Haga to amend the minutes to include the quote. The motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

The motion to approve the minutes, as amended carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

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

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

None

3. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Approval of Special Meeting Attendance Sheets

A motion was made by Supervisor Potocki, seconded by Supervisor Dodge to approve the special attendance sheets. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

4. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Revision of Portage County Code of Ordinances Sections 3.1.9, 3.1.16, 3.1.22 and 3.1.62 Resulting in the Dissolution of the Judicial/General Government Committee and the Transfer of its Duties and Responsibilities to the Executive/Operations Committee

A motion was made by Supervisor Potocki, seconded by Chair Haga to approve to discuss. The Committee members discussed the importance of the Judicial/General Government Committee and those Departments that report to the Committee. They further discussed the importance of efficient government and the desire to reassess Judicial/General Government as well as other committees, their structures and responsibilities in the future.

Chair Haga expressed his desire to vote against adopting the resolution and encouraged others to do so as well. Deputy Corporation Counsel Hickethier suggested that a motion to postpone indefinitely would be the best way to handle the agenda item. Supervisor Potocki and Chair Haga withdrew their original motion and second.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dodge, seconded by Supervisor Raikowski to postpone indefinitely the resolution for the dissolution of the Judicial/General Government Committee. The motion carried by voice vote, with no negative vote.

5. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Dissolution of the Portage County Safety Officer Resulting in the Revision of Portage County Code of Ordinances Section 3.1.39 Portage County Safety Officer

A motion was made by Supervisor Miresse, seconded by Supervisor Raikowski to approve the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

6. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Authorizing a Search and Screen to Fill by Appointment the Office of County Clerk for the Residue of the Unexpired 2021-2025 Term

A motion was made by Supervisor Potocki, seconded by Supervisor Dodge to approve the resolution. The Committee members and others in attendance stated their support of conducting a search and screen to ensure that the best candidate would be appointed to fill the vacancy. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

NEXT MEETING DATE Tentative: Friday, April 22, 2022, time TBD

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Potocki, seconded by Supervisor Dodge to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

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Notice: A quorum of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, or any committee thereof, may be present at this meeting.