



# PORTAGE COUNTY

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

## MEETING AGENDA

### AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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Thursday, October 13, 2022

7:00 PM

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#### CALL TO ORDER

The Agriculture and Extension Education Committee meeting was called to order at 7:08PM.

Members Present: Barry Jacowski, Pat Keller, Steve Cieslewicz, David Peterson

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

Attending Online:

Members Excused: Matt Jacowski

Members Absent:

Staff Attending: Jason Hausler, Nathan Sandwick, Connie Creighton, Denise Rocha, Ken Schroeder, Guolong Liang, Lisa Henriksen

Others Attending:

#### 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 September 8, 2022.

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

#### REPORTS

2. Review Vendor Invoice List

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

3. Area Extension Director Report

Assistant Dean, Jason Hausler reported recruitment for the new Area 7 AED is currently underway. He will continue to serve as Area 7

AED until a replacement can be hired and will also be serving Area 7 in his new position as well. Hausler also reported that the office remodel is almost complete. UW-Madison Extension will be covering the cost to build three closed-door offices in what was previously cubical space.

**4. Educator Report**

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

**5. Introduction of Guolong Liang Commercial Vegetable Agriculture Water Quality Outreach Specialist**

Guolong Liang, Commercial Vegetable Agriculture Water Quality Outreach Specialist attended the Ag & Extension meeting and spoke with Committee members. Liang will be working to facilitate outreach and education programs for the research that is being done by Extension to improve water quality issues and repair soil nutrient loss in the Central Sands area.

**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: Authorization for contract between Portage County and the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System for the term of January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023.**

A motion to authorize the contract between Portage County and the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System for the term of January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023, was made by Chair B. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Keller. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

**8. Discussion/Possible Action: Drainage District Commission Vacancy**

Interviews for the position were advertised in the Stevens Point Journal on September 16, 19 & 21, 2022 and an interview date has been set for October 27, 2022. No applications were received before the time of the meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REMINDER**

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

- 9.** October 27, 2022 6:00 PM - Drainage District Interviews  
November 10, 2022 7:00 PM - Ag & Extension Meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Chair B. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Peterson, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:46PM.

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