



Kewaunee County
PERSONNEL, ADVISORY, AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

February 18, 2019 8:30 a.m., Conference Room
Kewaunee County Administration Center, 810 Lincoln Street, Kewaunee, WI 54216

Call to Order: Chair Weidner called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Roll Call: Members present – Robert Weidner, John Mastalir, Gary Paape, Virginia Haske, Kaye Shillin, Tom Romdenne, Charles Wagner, Mary Ellen Dobbins. Others Present – Steve Hanson, Jeff Wisnicky, Scott Feldt

Approve February 18, 2019 Agenda: Wagner moved and Romdenne seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approve January 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes: Dobbins moved and Paape seconded to approve the January 9, 2019 minutes with Dobbins requesting the minutes reflect the needs assessment related to the jail. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Administrator's Report

Personnel Report: Feldt reviewed the Personnel report. Feldt informed the committee he has selected a candidate for the Human Services Director position.

Administrator's Report: Feldt provided an overview of the initial meetings of the Broadband Study Committee and the Jail Needs Assessment Study Committee. The meetings went well. The Committees will decide upon mission statements and goals for each committee. The next meetings will be educational in that the Broadband Committee will complete an overview of technical terms and issues relating to broadband internet access. The Jail Committee will tour the jail and review its current deficiencies. Feldt also gave the committee a summary of the issues being considered for Door/Kewaunee Legislative Days including premiere resort area tax (Door County), state highway signage, Ahnapee Trail maintenance funding, an increase for broadband expansion grants, grants for recreational harbors and the school start date. Feldt reminded members that as committee chairs they have the authority to cancel a committee meeting. Approval from administration or the Board Chair is not needed.

Approve Filling of Position Vacancy – Child Support Specialist: Dobbins moved and Shillin seconded to approve the filling of the Child Support Specialist position. Motion carried.

Resolution Encouraging Adherence to Environmental Regulations for Forestville Millpond Drawdown: Weidner highlighted some of the items within a report from Door County. Concerns have been raised as to what might be flowing down the Ahnapee River. Paape indicated the Town of Ahnapee has approved a similar resolution. Wagner commented that whatever contaminants are in the millpond are also present throughout the river. Discussion followed regarding sediment, dam removal and whether action is needed to be taken now or later.



Discussion of County Comprehensive Plan Amendments/Town Comprehensive Plan Amendments: Hanson provided a summary of what has taken place with regards to the Town of Carlton and the request to amend the County's Comprehensive Plan. Hanson explained that the County approved its comprehensive plan a few years ago with guidance from the towns and their plans. This will be the second request for the County to amend its plan. Discussion followed as to whether the County should continue to amend its plan at the request of the towns. It was indicated that many towns have designated all empty parcels as agricultural and have not designated any parcels for future development. Comments were made that if the towns want the responsibility of zoning and establishing their town comprehensive plan, then the towns should designate parcels for future development and follow the plan they have created and approved. The designation could affect landowners involved in the Farmland Preservation program. Discussion continued regarding the County establishing a policy regarding these requests. In addition, requiring towns reimburse the County for costs to amend its plan was discussed. The Committee agreed to discuss a policy at its next meeting.

Chairman's Report: Weidner informed the committee of a solar energy presentation that was given at the Finance Committee meeting. Discussion followed as to concerns and the alternative of conducting an energy audit from Focus on Energy and implementing those recommendations. A question was raised regarding Lean training. Feldt stated he still wants to implement Lean training but wants to identify departments where the training can occur and receive committee approval before proceeding. Wagner informed the Committee that both of the County's applications for Coastal Management grants were approved.

Next Meeting: March 18, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment: Paape moved and Romdenne seconded to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:08