

MINUTES

Eau Claire County
Committee on Administration
Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

Present: Nick Smiar, Gerald Wilkie, Ray Henning, Mark Beckfield, Colleen Bates

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk, Kathryn Schauf, Tim Sullivan, Norb Kirk, Eric Killen, Megan Brasch, Dave Hayden, Matt Theisen, Sonja Leenhouts

Public: Ryan Patterson – Leader Telegram, Judy Gatlin – County Board Supervisor, Scott Rogers – Eau Claire Chamber

Chair Smiar called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

Verbal roll call was taken and noted above under present.

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Without objection, item: Update on passenger rail – development of Rail Commission/Coalition was moved to this point of the meeting. Supervisor Jim Dunning provided an update on the passenger rail progress. Scott Rogers from the Eau Claire Chamber was also in attendance to participate in the discussion/update.

Supervisor Beckfield motions to approve minutes from October 13, 2020 as present. Supervisor Henning seconded the motion. There was no discussion, additions, corrections. All in favor, minutes approved.

The follow department heads were in attendance to provide a quarter 3 report to the committee:

- Eric Killen – Veterans Services
- Tim Sullivan – Corporation Counsel
- Megan Brasch – Child Support
- Dave Hayden – Information Systems
- Sonja Leenhouts – Risk Management
- Kathryn Schauf – Administration

Chair Smiar provided an update on the community-wide Taskforce for Local Health Ordinance. Expect to have the taskforce in place and meeting by mid-January. The compensation would be people of knowledge, experience, expertise in the area of health. The committee further discussed the upcoming task force.

The committee discussed File No. 20-21/085: Resolution requesting the Wisconsin State Legislature to convene a special session to provide COVID-19 direction for the State of Wisconsin. Supervisor Wilkie motions to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Bates. Supervisor Wilkie provided some further details on the resolution. All in favor, none opposed.


Per the addendum, the committee discussed the establishment of the Highway Building Committee.

The committee set the following items for the next meeting:

- Discussion on the hiring of Rich White
- Resolution for the Highway Building Committee

The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Samantha Kraegenbrink".

Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk