

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS**

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire convened remotely via Webex Events on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, and was called to order by Chair Nick Smiar at 7:00 p.m.

The Board honored the flag with the pledge of allegiance.
Moment of reflection was presented by Supervisor Nancy Coffey.

Roll Call: 24 present: Supervisors Gary G. Gibson, Sandra McKinney, Joe Knight, Stella Pagonis, Dane Zook, Kevin Stelljes, Donald D. Mowry, Nancy Coffey, Colleen A. Bates, Connie Russell, Judy Gatlin, Nick Smiar, Chris Hambuch-Boyle, Martha Nieman, Gerald L. Wilkie, Nathan Anderson, Katherine Schneider, Robin J. Leary, Heather DeLuka, Melissa Janssen, Tami Schraufnagel, Zoe Roberts, Kimberly A. Cronk, Missy Christopherson
5 absent: Supervisors Carl Anton, Steve Chilson, Ray L. Henning, James A. Dunning, Mark Beckfield

*Supervisors Carl Anton and James A. Dunning joined later in the meeting.

*Supervisor Ray L. Henning joined the meeting after roll call.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS (April 20, 2021)

On a motion by Supervisor Bates, seconded by Supervisor Hambuch-Boyle, the Journal of Proceedings was approved via voice vote.

*Supervisor Dunning joined at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons spoke to the Board:

Lynn Dehnke, Dan Czelatdko, Maggie Vinopal, Kayla Rick, and two additional callers spoke "in favor" of Ordinance 21-22/016 to repeal the mask mandate.

No one spoke "against" Ordinance 21-22/016 to repeal the mask mandate.

The following persons had written comment "in favor" of Ordinance 21-22/016 to repeal the mask mandate:
Doesn't Matter, Bj Guderian, Brandon Rice, Adam Lompfrey, Marcie Wincse, Jennifer Thompson, Kerry Hong, Robin Scharlau, Jacob Orf, Martin Rosendahl, Elaine Galewski, Shane Deffenbaugh, Rachelle Salibi, Sarah Gunem, Nita Lompfrey, Robert Powell, Jonathan Jendrejack, Tonya Hagen, Katie Nelson, Andrew Weiss, Roger Gravrok, Ph.D, David Usher, MD, Julie Dick, Mark Hagen, Megan Cummins, Ruby Gravrok, Thomas Hintgen, Susan Hintgen, Cindy Mortimer, Jeremy Goss, Shannon Severud, Sherri M, Amy Walker, Jesse Seehafer

The following persons had written comment "against" Ordinance 21-22/016 to repeal the mask mandate:
Char Hannula, Tanya Hanson, Cynthia Gannon, Susan Wolfgram, Jamie Kampf, Julia Reid, Elizabeth Walton, Brandon Earding

REPORTS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER 2.04.320

The following oral reports were presented:

- Eau Claire County Scholarship Committee Award Presentation by Sue McDonald, Scholarship Committee Chair
- Strategic Plan Refresher by Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator
- American Rescue Plan Act Fund Update by Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator

The following written reports were presented:

- 2021 Contingency Fund
- April Vouchers over \$10,000

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, CLAIMS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Notice of public listening session for Communicable Disease Taskforce
- Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards 2021 Board of Health of the Year award awarded to Eau Claire City-County Health Department Board
- Rezoning request from owners, Lance and Katie Wier, Wayne and Carla Kostka; and applicant, Peter Gartmann for the Town of Otter Creek
- Rezoning request from owner Mary Hoffman; and applicant, Joseph, Gretchen, Joyce, and Mary Hoffman for the Town of Lincoln
- Rezoning request from owner, Donald Jaquish; and applicant, Jerry C Ripley for the Town of Brunswick
- Rezoning request from owner, La Vern Steward; and applicant, Craig Wurzer, for the Town of Washington

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES BY COMMITTEES

*Supervisor Anton joined at this time.

Committee on Administration

Ordinance 21-22/016 TO REPEAL CHAPTER 8.35 OF THE CODE: COVID-19 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MASK REQUIREMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Wilkie, seconded by Supervisor Gatlin, to consider file 21-22/016.

Motion by Supervisor Leary, seconded by Supervisor McKinney, to suspend the rules and take up file 21-22/016 tonight under suspension.

Roll call vote to suspend the rules and act on said ordinance was approved unanimously.
2 absent: Supervisors Chilson, Beckfield

The ordinance was enacted by roll call vote as follows:

23 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Anton, Zook, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Smiar, Hambuch-Boyle, Nieman, Dunning, Wilkie, Anderson, Schneider, Leary, Janssen, Roberts, Christopherson

3 noes: Supervisors DeLuka, Schraufnagel, Cronk.

2 absent: Supervisors Chilson, Beckfield

Committee on Parks and Forest

Ordinance 21-22/006 TO AMEND SECTION 16.02.030 A. 3. AND B. 7. OF THE CODE: DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS

Motion by Supervisor Wilkie, seconded by Supervisor Leary, to consider file 21-22/006.

Motion by Supervisor Stelljes, seconded by Supervisor Gibson, to suspend the rules and take up file 21-22/006 tonight under suspension.

Roll call vote to suspend the rules and act on said ordinance was approved unanimously.
2 absent: Supervisors Chilson, Beckfield

The ordinance was unanimously enacted via roll call vote.

2 absent: Supervisors Chilson, Beckfield

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS UNDER 2.04.160 AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Committee on Parks and Forest

Resolution 21-22/012 ADOPTING THE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY FOREST COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

Motion by Supervisor Schraufnagel, seconded by Supervisor Coffey, for adoption.

The resolution was adopted via voice vote.

Committee on Finance and Budget

Ordinance 21-22/001 AMENDING SECTION 2.12.140 B. OF THE CODE: MEDICAL EXAMINER SYSTEM

Motion made by Supervisor Dunning, seconded by Supervisor Bates, for enactment.

The ordinance was unanimously enacted via roll call vote.

2 absent: Supervisors Chilson, Beckfield

Resolution 21-22/013 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF TAX DEED PROPERTY TO FORMER OWNER JACK DEMOE II FOR \$1,198.71; DIRECTING CORPORATION COUNSEL TO PREPARE A QUIT CLAIM DEED ON THE DESCRIBED PROPERTY; DIRECTING THE COUNTY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID QUIT CLAIM DEED ON BEHALF OF EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

Motion made by Supervisor Leary, seconded by supervisor Gatlin, for adoption.

The resolution was adopted via voice vote.

Resolution 21-22/004 AUTHORIZING CARRYFORWARD OF FUNDS FROM 2020 BUDGET INTO 2021 BUDGET

Motion made by Supervisor Wilkie, seconded by Supervisor Hambuch-Boyle, for adoption.

The resolution was adopted via voice vote.

Resolution 21-22/015 AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE NEW HIGHWAY FACILITY

Motion by Supervisor Leary, seconded by Supervisor Dunning, for adoption.

The resolution was not voted on and a substitute resolution was presented at the meeting.

Substitute Resolution 21-22/015 THE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY BOARD AFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HIGHWAY FACILITY TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES ESTIMATED AT \$32,753,000

Motion by Supervisor Pagonis, seconded by Supervisor Leary, to adopt the substitute resolution.

The substitute resolution was adopted via voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS

CONFIRMING CITIZEN AND COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS BY CHAIR NICK SMIR

On a motion by Supervisor McKinney, seconded by Supervisor Schneider, the following appointments were approved via voice vote:

Bruce Schafer and Sandy Romey to the Aging & Disability Resource Center Board

Peter Hoeft and Bill Hilgedick to the Airport Commission

Mary Kenosian to the Groundwater Advisory Committee

Kenneth King to the Nutrition Advisory Council

Lorraine Henning, Paul Maulucci, and Jim Gatlin to the Human Services Board.

The Board adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sue McDonald". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Sue McDonald
County Clerk