



MINUTES

Eau Claire County

Joint Meeting: Committees on Administration and Finance & Budget
Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 2:30 p.m.
Eau Claire County Government Center
721 Oxford Ave., Eau Claire • Room 1277

Present Administration: Nick Smiar, Judy Gatlin, Connie Russell, Nancy Coffey, Gerald Wilkie, Allen Myren

Present: Dane Zook, John Folstad, Robin Leary, Jim Dunning, Cory Sisk (2:33 p.m.)

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink, Jessica McDonald, Dave Riewestahl, Matt Theisen, Norb Kirk, Sharon McIlquham, Erika Gullerud, Sonja Leenhouts, Amy Weiss, Rod Eslinger, Kathryn Schauf, Sue McDonald, Eric Huse (2:50 p.m.)

Public: Avery Shanahan (Leader Telegram)

Call to Order Committee on Administration and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Smiar called the Committee on Administration to order at 2:30 p.m.

Call to Order Committee on Finance & Budget

Chair Zook called the Committee on Finance & Budget to order at 2:30 p.m.

Samantha Kraegenbrink called the roll for each committee, respectively.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Budget Overview (Facilities)

Director Matt Theisen provided an overview of his proposed 2023 budget. The committee had the opportunity to discuss in detail, ask clarifying questions, and provide input.

Internal ARP requests

Administrator Schauf provided an update to the committees on the status and timeline of the internal ARP requests and potential capital projects that may be able to be funded by ARP.

Opioid Settlement Options

Kathryn Schauf provided a brief overview of potential opioid funding. Finance Director Norb Kirk provided a presentation regarding the opioid settlement securitization options. An answer to the state is required by July 22, 2022 (non-binding.) It is Director Kirk's recommendation to move forward with a declaration of interest. For Finance & Budget: Supervisor Leary motions to approve the declaration of interest. For Administration: Supervisor Coffey motions to approve the declaration of interest; seconded by Supervisor Russell. Finance & Budget: All in favor. Administration: All favor.

Committee on Finance & Budget Adjournment

The Committee & Budget adjourned at 3:40 p.m. End of joint committee meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Samantha Kraegenbrink – Assistant to the County Administrator