

Minutes
Eau Claire County
Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
Wednesday, December 13, 2023 – 3:00 PM
County Courthouse, Room 3312
721 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54703
& Virtual via Cisco WebEx

Members Present: Allen Myren, Connie Russell, and Gerald Wilkie.

Members Present via Cisco WebEx: Stella Pagonis.

Members Not Present: Brett Geboy.

Others Present In Person: Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court Susan Warner, Human Resources Director Angela Eckman, Dave Riewestahl, Captain Travis Holbrook, Captain Cory Schalinske, Administrative Services Division Manager Katrina Ranallo, and Eric Huse.

Others Present via Cisco WebEx: Risk Manager Sonja Leenhouts, Senior Accounting Manager Amy Weiss, and Assistant to the County Administrator Samantha Kraegenbrink.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:00 PM.

Confirmation of Public Meeting Notice

The Clerk confirmed the meeting was properly noticed to the public.

Call of the Roll

The Clerk called the roll. Attendance is noted above.

Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2023 and December 05, 2023 Meetings

Supervisor Russell moved to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2023 and December 05, 2023 meetings. The minutes were adopted as published in the meeting materials via 4-0 voice vote.

Resolution 23-24/061 – Designating American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) Funds to be Used for the Jail Remodel Project Located at 710 2nd Ave, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703

Chairperson Wilkie provided background information for the resolution.

Supervisor Myren moved to approve the resolution and present to the full County Board for consideration. The motion **passed** 3-1.

Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) Request for Information from Office of Register in Probate

Register in Probate Susan Warner provided an overview of the requests WEC has made to Registers in Probate statewide for case information. WEC has since withdrawn their request for information after consultation with legal counsel for the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Sheriff’s Office Updates

- **Jail population**
 - Sheriff Riewestahl reported to the Committee the 2023 average daily population will be higher than it was in 2022.
- **Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges**
 - Sheriff Riewestahl reported recruitment has been going well and complimented the efforts of the human resources department.

Future Meeting Dates

The next regular meeting of the Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement was scheduled for January 24, 2024 at 3:00PM

Future Agenda Items

- Sheriff's Office
 - Jail population
 - Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges
 - Jail death investigation/review
 - Asset forfeiture follow-up

Announcements

No announcements were made.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Eric Huse
Committee Clerk