

Minutes

Eau Claire County
Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
Wednesday, May 15, 2024 – 4:00 PM
County Courthouse, Room 3312
721 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54703
& Virtual via Cisco WebEx

Members Present: Loralee Clark, John Folstad, Brett Geboy, Allen Myren, and Gerald Wilkie.

Others Present In Person: Sheriff Dave Riewestahl, Administrative Services Division Director Katrina Ranallo, Captain Travis Holbrook, Criminal Justice Services Director Tiana Glenna, Clerk of Circuit Court Susan Schaffer, Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court Susan Warner, TRY Mediation Director Todd Johnson, District Attorney Peter Rindal, and Eric Huse

Others Present via Cisco WebEx: Risk Manager Sonja Leenhouts.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair pro tempore Wilkie at 4:00 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.

Election of Committee Officers

- Committee Chairperson
 - Chair pro tempore Wilkie opened the floor for nominations for Committee Chair. Supervisor Myren nominated Supervisor Wilkie. After three calls, nominations were closed. Chair pro tempore Wilkie called for a roll call vote: CLARK, aye; FOLSTAD, aye; GEBOY, aye; MYREN, aye; WILKIE, aye. Supervisor Wilkie was elected Committee Chair.
- Committee Vice-Chairperson
 - Chair Wilkie opened the floor for nominations for Committee Vice-Chair. Supervisor Geboy nominated Supervisor Folstad. After three calls, nominations were closed. Chair Wilkie called for a roll call vote: CLARK, aye; FOLSTAD, aye; GEBOY, aye; MYREN, aye; WILKIE, aye. Supervisor Folstad was elected Committee Vice-Chair.

Appointment of Committee Clerk

Eric Huse was appointed clerk by Chair Wilkie.

Appointment of Committee Representative to Criminal Justice Collaborating Council

Chair Wilkie appointed himself as the committee representative to the Criminal Justice Collaborating Council.

Approval of Minutes from March 27, 2024 Meeting

Clerk Huse noted a clerical error in the spelling of Clerk Susan Schaffer's name which was corrected. Supervisor Myren moved to approve the minutes as corrected from the March 27, 2024 meeting. The minutes were approved as corrected via 5-0 voice vote.

Department Introductions

- TRY Mediation
 - Director Todd Johnson introduced TRY Mediation to the Committee.
- Circuit Court
 - Clerk of Circuit Court Susan Schaffer introduced the Circuit Court to the Committee.

Clerk of Court

 Clerk of Circuit Court Susan Schaffer introduced the Clerk of Circuit Court Office to the Committee.

Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court

 Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court Susan Warner introduced the Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court Office to the Committee.

Criminal Justice Services

 Criminal Justice Service Director Tiana Glenna introduced the Criminal Justice Services department to the Committee.

District Attorney

o District Attorney Peter Rindal introduced the District Attorney's Office to the Committee.

Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Riewestahl introduced the Sheriff's Office to the Committee.

American Rescue Plan Project Update: Criminal Trial Backlog

District Attorney Peter Rindal and Legal Services Director Eric Huse provided additional information to supplement the handout provided in the meeting materials. The Committee engaged in general discussion.

Future Meeting Dates

Regular meetings of the Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement were scheduled for the 4th Tuesday of every month at 3:00PM. The next regular meeting of the Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement was scheduled for June 25, 2024 at 3:00PM. The Committee also scheduled joint meetings with the Committee on Finance and Budget on July 22 & 23, 2024 to review 2025 annual budget submissions.

Future Agenda Items

- Sheriff's Office
 - Jail death investigation/review
 - Huber, other alternatives to traditional incarceration, and costs
- Court ordered community service program overview
- 1st quarter department reports

Announcements

No announcements were made.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Wilkie at 5:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Eric Huse

Committee Clerk

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