

Executive Committee
May 16, 2023 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

Present: Dick Pufall, Mike Berlin, Clarence Campbell, William Metzinger, Martin Vitek

Others: Dan Grady, Lori Schmidt, Gary Mertig, Rich Huber, Kathy Schutte, George Bussey, Kim Lavasseur

Dick Pufall called the meeting to order at 9:01 am and roll call was taken. Motion by Mike Berlin to approve the agenda as presented with a 2nd by Bill Metzinger. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Kim Lavasseur spoke and played a partial recording.

Motion by Martin Vitek to approve the May 5, 2023 meeting minutes as presented with a 2nd by Clarence Campbell. Motion carried.

Employee Handbook: Dan Grady explained that he would like to send the entire handbook to Corp. Counsel for review. Discussion followed. Motion by Bill Metzinger to send the Employee Handbook to Corp. Counsel for review. Motion was withdrawn. The Committee talked about incorporating a preliminary discipline hearing before immediately terminated and that the discipline hearing would be held by this Committee. Motion by Mike Berlin to send the Employee Handbook to Corp. Counsel and to add in a preliminary discipline hearing section and to include all Department Policies to be inclusive to have one handbook. 2nd by Bill Metzinger. Motion carried.

Dan Grady gave a short update on Joint Dispatch. Dan stated that the grant application has been turned in and now we are just waiting for an answer.

Assessing climate & weather risks and opportunities. Kathy Schutte and Dan Grady explained as best they could about this as it was introduced by George Bussey but was unavailable. This would have each department make a report every year on how climate change is affecting their departments. Discussion followed. Motion by Bill Metzinger, 2nd by Clarence Campbell to approve and to move to the full Board for action. Motion carried.

Addition of Nate Deegan as Signer of Superior Community Credit Union (SCCU) Account. Discussion followed. Motion by Martin Vitek to approve adding Chief Deputy Nate Deegan as a Signer on the SCCU Account. 2nd by Clarence Campbell. Motion carried.

Abandoned Property Ordinance. Dan Grady stated that this is something that the County does not have at the present time. This Ordinance would allow all abandoned public owned property to be disposed/sold so that that County does not have to continue to store it. Discussion followed. Motion by Mike Berlin to approve and to move it forward to the full Board for action. 2nd by Martin Vitek. Motion carried.

Economic Development: Dan Grady stated that this will be on every meeting agenda as per this Committee's wishes. Dan/Mike Berlin stated that Sheldon Johnson from Northwest Regional Planning will be at the next meeting to discuss what has been done in the past, future things, housing, etc. Discussion followed regarding other economic ideas.

Motion by Mike Berlin, 2nd by Martin Vitek to convene in closed session pursuant to §19.85(1) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (County

Administrator Negotiations). Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried and the meeting convened in closed session at 9:48 am.

Motion by Bill Metzinger, 2nd by Martin Vitek to reconvene in open session. Motion carried and the meeting reconvened in open session at 10:25 am.

Motion by Clarence Campbell to amend the current contract with the County Administrator beginning 9/7/23 to a wage of \$110,000 thru 9/7/24 and to extend the contract from 9/7/24 for the next 3 years with annual salary increases of 5% each year and to move this forward to the full Board for action. 2nd by Bill Metzinger. Motion carried.

Dan Grady updated the Committee on the State budget and informed the Committee that the County budget process has started and gave a completion date of mid October. Discussion followed regarding the wage study and any appeals that may have been received. Dan also informed the Committee that the 514 building is now in the closing process with the City.

The next meeting was scheduled for June 13, 2023 at 9:00 am.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Berlin, 2nd by Martin Vitek. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.

Lori Schmidt,
Administrative Assistant