

Minutes

Executive and Legislative Committee Special Meeting

Tuesday, August 21, 2012; 4:00 P.M.

Sauk County West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Room 213

Baraboo WI 53913

Members Present: Krueger, Fordham, Lane, Wenzel and Stevens

Members Absent:

Others Present: R. DeMars, K. Schauf, and T. Liebman, B. Waser, J. Meegan, District Attorney P. Barrett and Supervisor J. Dietz

Chair Krueger called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. and compliance with the Open Meeting Law was verified. MOTION (Fordham/Lane) to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION (Stevens/Lane) to postpone approval of August 7, 2012 minutes until the next regular scheduled meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Bill Waser expressed his concern regarding what he contends are possible voter fraud issues rather than this committee contemplating supporting Act 23 by adding a referendum question on to the November 6 ballot to require voters to produce photo identification.

John Meegan introduced his request for this committee to consider adding a referendum question to the November 6 requiring voters to produce photo identification as it is included in Act 23 to ensure fair elections.

Communications:

Chair Krueger presented John Meegan's letter requesting the county board place a referendum on the November 6 ballot supporting requiring voters to produce photo identification at the polls.

Discussion of correspondence regarding a request for an advisory referendum question and Act 23 implementation, "Do you support requiring voters to produce photo identification at the polls to ensure election integrity?"

R. DeMars provided an estimated cost of \$ 250 to \$ 500 to include this referendum to the November 6 ballot, adding that publication costs are very difficult to calculate due to the length of lines needed to be printed for the Type A Notice of Referendum, Type C Notice of Referendum and the Type B – Notice of Sample Ballot.

Chair Krueger reminded committee members the matter of requiring voters to produce photo identification was ceased by the Dane County Circuit Courts in March. Supervisor John Dietz was allowed to provide comment referencing a document from Atty. General J.B. Van Hollen and communications he had with his State Assembly Representative.

Committee agreed this is a state matter and to not forward to county board.

MOTION (Fordham/Wenzel) not to forward the referendum to county board. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a resolution requesting The State Establishment of 0.5 FTE Assistant District Attorney Position:

District Attorney P. Barrett presented past and current state and county staff positions, daily workload and anticipated workload increases and alternatives considered to manage workload efficiently. MOTION (Fordham/Wenzel) to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for consideration at the August 21, 2012 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Corporation Counsel:

T. Liebman, Corporation Counsel, presented the monthly report. This item was approved at the August 7 meeting.

Consideration of Corporation Counsel 2013 Budget:

T. Liebman, Corporation Counsel presented overview of his budget. This item was approved at the August 7 meeting as presented and approved to forward to Finance

Discussion and consideration of changes to the CDBG housing and Revolving Loan Fund Program: Regionalization – fund allocation structure: Kathryn Schauf, Administrative Coordinator advised that proposed allocation of regional funds for the Southern Housing Consortia will allow for equal amounts to each county within the consortium to be distributed till a date certain. If funds remain after that date they will be reallocated according to need. It is anticipated that this will provide a favorable outcome for Sauk County citizens seeking housing remediation funds.

Possible closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Ho-Chunk Nation application for land in trust to the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs:

MOTION (Stevens/Lane) to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Ho-Chunk Nation application for land in trust to the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. Roll call vote: AYES: (5) M. Krueger, J. Fordham, W. Wenzel, D. Stevens and J. Lane. NAY (0).

MOTION (Stevens/Lane) to reconvene in open session immediately following the closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of possible County Board action regarding proposed acquisition of land in trust by the Ho-Chunk Nation: MOTION (Wenzel/Fordham) to postpone until regular September meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Possible closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the (governmental) body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Performance Evaluation Administrative Coordinator. MOTION (Stevens/Lane) to postpone this item and item # 14 until regular September meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION (Stevens/Lane) to adjourn until the next regular meeting Tuesday, September 4, 2012. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Rebecca A. DeMars, County Clerk/Secretary
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