

**PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
PROCEEDINGS – OCTOBER 26, 2023
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
(Draft Proceedings, not approved by Board)**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

County Board Chair, Al Sleeter, called the public hearing to order at 9:00 a.m. the County Board Room #3041, located at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto, WI by stating “This is an open meeting of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours prior to the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the newspapers and to all news media who have requested the same, as well as by posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the office of the County Clerk.” County Clerk, Kim Pytleski, recorded the attendance, with 29 members present: Supervisors Barkhaus, Bartels, Behrend, Bitters, Buhrandt, Christianson, Cole, Dhuey, Frank, Gooding, Heise, Holman, Kaczrowski, Kroll, Lavarda, Matravers, McMahon, Meier, Ondik, Parmentier, Pillsbury, Ragen, Scanlan, Schindel, Schneider, Schreiber, Sleeter, Wittkopf, Wolf; 1 absent: Willems; 1 Vacant: District #4

2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Supervisor Chris Augustine who passed away October 7, 2023.

3. The Invocation was given by Supervisor Scanlan.

Presentation of Communications and Petitions

Chair Sleeter recognized Todd Skarban, Sheriff, and Brandon Hytinen, Highway Commissioner, on the 1st Annual Bean Bag Tournament. The Tournament was organized to allow employees to meet new staff and promote a positive working relationship between the Public Safety employees. Highway Department was victorious!

4. Public Hearing – 2024 Budget

Lisa Sherman, Finance Director, and Courtney Kazik, Deputy Finance Director, demonstrated how to navigate ClearGov to review the 2024 Budget online.

Chair Sleeter asked if any member of the public or board wished to speak regarding the 2024 Budget. No requests to speak were heard.

5. Adjournment

Chair Sleeter declared the meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

**ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA
PROCEEDINGS – OCTOBER 26, 2023
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
(Draft Proceedings, not approved by Board)**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

County Board Chair, Al Sleeter, called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. the County Board Room #3041, located at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto, WI by stating “This is an open meeting of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours prior to the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the newspapers and to all news media who have requested the same, as well as by posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the office of the County Clerk.” County Clerk, Kim Pytleski, recorded the attendance, with 30 members present: Supervisors Barkhaus, Bartels, Behrend, Bitters, Buhrandt, Christianson, Cole, Dhuey, Frank, Gooding, Heise, Holman, Kaczrowski, Kroll, Lavarda, Matravers, McMahon, Meier, Ondik, Parmentier, Pillsbury, Ragen, Scanlan, Schindel, Schneider, Schreiber, Sleeter, Wittkopf, Willems, Wolf; 1 Vacant: District #4

2. Statement of County Mission and Vision

Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, stated the County Mission and Vision Statement.

3. Presentation of Awards and Recognition – None.

4. Presentation of Communications and Petition

- Pytleski informed the committee that for non-emergency communications, she will be creating a Phone Tree. Pytleski will contact the members of the Executive Committee asking them to contact their committee members to inform them of an event and let them know that more information will be sent to county email accounts. There will be a demo of how to access county emails using Outlook Web Access (OWA) from devices other than the county-issued tablets at an upcoming board meeting.
- Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, introduced Maria Lasecki, Child Support Director for Oconto County/Brown County.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1. Removal of Items from Consent Agenda

Request to remove Item 5.2.1. Appointments Broadband Taskforce for the BEAD Planning Grant from the consent agenda.

5.2. Approval of Consent Agenda

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- 5.2.2. **Appointment** Library Planning Committee Appointment (Bitters)
- 5.2.3. **A2023-10-01** Zoning Change – Town of Abrams (Clark) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.4. **A2023-10-02** Zoning Change – Town of Abrams (Kleczka) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.5. **A2023-10-03** Zoning Change – Town of Abrams (Saeger) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.6. **A2023-10-04** Zoning Change – Town of Bagley (Koch) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.7. **A2023-10-05** Zoning Change – Town of Chase (Christiansen) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.8. **A2023-10-06** Zoning Change – Town of Mountain (Town of Mountain) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.9. **A2023-10-07** Zoning Change – Town of Oconto (Derstine) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.10. **A2023-10-08** Zoning Change – Town of Stiles (Murphy) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.11. **A2023-10-09** Zoning Change – Town of Stiles (Smith) – L&W Resources Com.
- 5.2.12. **O2023-10-01** Chapter 27 – All Terrain Vehicles (ATV and UTV) – Highway Com.
- 5.2.13. **R2023-10-01** Snowmobile Trail Land Use Permit with Department of Natural Resources – Land and Water Resources Com.

Motion by Scanlan/Matravers to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion to approve carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

6. Regular Agenda

- 6.1. Change in Sequence – None.
- 6.2. Removal of Items – None.
- 6.3. Approval of Regular Agenda

Motion by Meier/Dhuey to approve the agenda as amended. The motion to approve carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

7. Approval of Previous Meeting Proceedings

Motion by Parmentier/Behrend to approve the proceedings from the 09/21/2023 meeting. The motion was voted on and carried.

8. Committee and Departmental Reports (No Action to be taken)

- 8.1. Report – Health & Human Services Update
Scott Shackelford, Health & Human Services Director, presented the Health & Human Services update.
- 8.2. Report – Oconto County Economic Development Corporation (OCEDC) Update
Jayme Sellen, OCEDC Director, presented the Oconto County Economic Development Corporation Update.
- 8.3. Report – Human Resources Update
Shelly Schultz, Human Resource Director, presented the Human Resources Update.

5.2.1. Appointments Broadband Taskforce for the BEAD Planning Grant

Motion by Gooding/Cole to approve the appointments to the Broadband Taskforce for the BEAD Planning Grant. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and discussion, motion by Barkhaus/Parmentier to amend line #15 to read ~~Sarah Schindel~~ **David Lally**, School District Representative. The motion to amend was voted on and carried. The motion to approve the appointment, as amended, carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

9. R2023-10-02 Adopting the Oconto County Budget for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024 and Establishing a Tax Levy for said Fiscal Year – Administration Com.

Motion by Kroll/Heise to adopt R2023-10-02 Adopting the Oconto County Budget for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024 and Establishing a Tax Levy for said Fiscal Year. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and Lisa Sherman, Finance Director, and discussion, the following amendments were presented.

9.1. R2023-10-02a Amendment Request #1 – General Transportation Aids

Motion by Wolf/Heise to adopt R2023-10-2a Amendment Request #1. Following an explanation by Lisa Sherman, Finance Director, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

9.2. R2023-10-02b Amendment Request #2 – Health and Human Services duplicated personnel costs

Motion by Lavarda/Meier to adopt R2023-10-02b Amendment Request #2. Following an explanation by Lisa Sherman, Finance Director, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

9.3. R2023-10-02c Amendment Request #3 – Recreation Enforcement Officer State Aid Reimbursement

Motion by Cole/Holman to adopt R2023-10-02c Amendment Request #3. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

9.4. R2023-10-02d Amendment Request #4 – OCEDC Programs Fishing Tournaments

Motion by Matravers/Ragen to adopt R2023-10-02d Amendment Request #4. Following an explanation by Lisa Sherman, Finance Director, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by an electronic vote 28 ayes, 2 nays (Gooding, Frank), 1 Vacant (District #4).

Motion by Gooding/Parmentier to amend line 16 to read “WHEREAS, the 2024 fiscal impact is ~~\$50,254,556~~ **\$50,157,268** funded from various revenue”. The motion was voted on and carried. Following further discussion, the motion to adopt R2023-10-02, as amended, carried by a unanimous electronic vote 30 ayes, 1 vacant District #4.

10. R2023-10-03 Approval of 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan – Administration Com.

Motion by Ondik/Ragen to adopt R2023-10-03 Approval of 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous

electronic vote.

Chair Sleeter declared a recess at 11:03 a.m.

Chair Sleeter called the meeting back to order at 11:12 a.m.

11. R2023-10-04 Approval of American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Purchase of the Department of Natural Resources Building located in Oconto Falls, WI – Administration Com.

Supervisor Willems out of attendance for the remainder of the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

Motion by Matravers/Behrend to adopt R2023-10-04 Approval of American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Purchase of the Department of Natural Resources Building located in Oconto Falls, WI. Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

12. R2023-10-05 Resolution Appointing Oconto County Health Officer – Health & Human Services Board

Motion by Bitters/Kaczrowski to adopt R2023-10-05 Resolution Appointing Oconto County Health Officer. Following an explanation by Scott Shackelford, Health & Human Services Director, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by an electronic vote 28 ayes, 1 absent (Willems), 1 abstain (Scanlan), 1 Vacant (District #4).

13. R2023-10-06 Approval of Two (2) F-Series Chassis Cab Vehicles for the Highway Department – Highway Com.

Motion by Behrend/Ragen to adopt R2023-10-06 Approval of Two (2) F-Series Chassis Cab Vehicles for the Highway Department. Following an explanation by Brandon Hytinen, Highway Commissioner, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

14. R2023-10-07 Chute Pond River Site Loop Improvement – Land and Water Resources Com.

Motion by Dhuey/Cole to adopt R2023-10-07 Chute Pond River Site Loop Improvement. Following an explanation by Monty Brink, Forest & Park Administrator, and discussion, the motion to adopt carried by a unanimous electronic vote.

15. R2023-10-08 Approve County Board Compensation for the 2024-2026 Term – Executive Com.

Motion by Holman/Cole to adopt R2023-10-08 Approve County Board Compensation for the 2024-2026 Term.

Following an explanation by Erik Pritzl, County Administrator, the motion to adopt carried by an electronic vote 27 ayes, 1 nay (Frank), 1 abstain (Kroll), 1 absent (Willems), 1 Vacant (District #4).

16. Announcements/General Information (No Action to be taken)

- Memorial fund for Supervisor Augustine will be collected until the November 16, 2023 county board meeting.
- Congratulations to Oconto Falls High School State Qualifiers Ben Adams, Hailey Delzer and Brooke Hodkiewicz!
- County Board Supervisors paperwork for the 2024 Spring Election will be handed out November 16, 2023.
- County Board Chair thanked the County Administrator, Finance Department, and Department Heads for all their hard work on the 2024 Budget.

17. Adjournment

Chair Sleeter declared the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next meeting of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors will be on November 16, 2023.

Proceedings of County Board meeting may be viewed in its entirety at www.co.oconto.wi.us.

Kim Pytleski, Oconto County Clerk

kp/Date Posted: 11/10/2023