

**MINUTES**

**SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**APRIL 16, 2024**

**WEST SQUARE BUILDING, 505 BROADWAY, ROOM 326, BARABOO, WI**

**REGULAR MEETING: SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**1. Call to Order and Certify Compliance with Open Meeting Law: 6:00 P.M.**

**2. Roll Call:** PRESENT: (29) Roxen, T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. PRESENT VIA ZOOM (1) Deitrich. ABSENT: (0). VACANT (1).

Staff Present: Brent Miller, County Administrator; Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel; Becky Evert, Sauk County Clerk; and Chris Harry, Deputy County Clerk.

**3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation given by Supervisor Lohr.

**4. ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE**

The Honorable Judge Michael Screnock, Sauk County Circuit Court, Branch I.

**5. ADOPT AGENDA**

MOTION (Schell/Rego) to adopt the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously. *(Voice Vote)*

**6. ADOPT MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

MOTION (Deitrich/Rego) to adopt the minutes from the previous meetings. Motion carried unanimously. *(Voice Vote)*

**7. GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**EXECUTIVE & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:**

**Resolution 27-2024 Honoring Delmar Scanlon.**

**Resolution 28-2024 Honoring Mike Anderson.**

**Resolution 29-2024 Honoring Mike Flint.**

**Resolution 30-2024 Honoring James Astle.**

**Resolution 31-2024 Honoring Carl Gruber.**

**Resolution 32-2024 Honoring Joel Chrisler.**

**Resolution 33-2024 Honoring William Stehling.**

**b. HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:**

**Resolution 34-2024 To Honor Dennis Rehr For Over 25 Years Of Faithful Service To The People Of Sauk County.**

**Resolution 35-2024 To Honor Steven Schmidt For Over 45 Years Of Faithful Service To The People Of Sauk County.**

MOTION (Klitzke/Carver) to approve consent agenda items. Motion carried unanimously. *(Voice Vote)*

**8. RULES OF THE BOARD.**

**Resolution 36-2024 To Adopt The Rules Of The Board For The 2024-2026 Term.**

MOTION (T. Spencer/Lohr).

**MOTION (Johnson/Burchill) to amend line 306 on Resolution 36-2024 to read as follows:**

J. All regular meetings of the Board and Board committees shall provide a noticed public comment period. During a public comment period, any person who is not a member of the body may comment on a specific item or issue that is on ~~that particular~~ the agenda *or any other matter the Board is empowered to consider* for a maximum of three minutes per person. Based on the number of people registered to comment, the chair has discretion to limit public comment to two minutes and shall announce said restriction prior to public comments commencing. Any person who wishes to comment on a matter not on the County Board agenda shall provide their comment to the County Clerk in writing for possible distribution to the Board. Discussion of personalities is prohibited and civility shall be observed. The Board or committee Chair may authorize the appearance and comment of a non-member if the appearance is specifically listed on the agenda.

**VOTE on amendment:** AYES: (13) Rego, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Lombard, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Polivka, Burchill, Alexander and McAuliffe. NAYS: (15) T. Spencer, Eberl, Kinsman, Klitzke, Clemens, Prosser, Schell, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Peper, Lohr, Detter, Evert and McCumber. NAYS VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. DIDN'T VOTE: (1) Roxen. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion failed.

At 6:59 p.m. Chair McCumber excused Supervisor Roxen to attend online and vote via email, due to illness.

**MOTION (Detter/Klitzke) to amend Resolution 36-2024 to read as follows:**

E. Supervisors shall be authorized up to a maximum of 90 days' compensation (at a per diem rate of \$90.00 for each day of attendance when the Board is in session and meeting, and \$75.00 for other authorized service including committee meetings), plus mileage and reimbursement of authorized expenses, for committee work when attending committee meetings of which they are members, or as chair of a committee (or their designee) when attending a committee meeting of which they are not a member for the purpose of providing testimony on an issue. Authorized service includes service required by ordinance or resolution. The maximum limits established for committee work shall be in addition to the per diems and mileage supervisors are entitled to receive for attendance at meetings of the Board and exclusive of per diems paid by non-county boards or commissions where the payment of the per diem or mileage is not made from County funds. Reimbursement of expenses (such as mileage, parking, etc.) shall be allowed only if a request for payment is made on the form provided by the Accounting Department within three (3) months after the meeting or event date. Payment to County Board supervisors and other committee members shall be only via direct deposit. *Per diems, mileage and/or other expenses are not eligible to be reimbursed if past 90 days of event.*

Corporation Counsel Desmond ruled this amendment out of order.

**VOTE on amendment:** AYES: (1) Peper. NAYS: (28) Roxen, T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. NAYS VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion failed.

**VOTE on original motion (T. Spencer/Lohr) to Adopt The Rules Of The Board For The 2024-2026 Term.**

AYES: (27) Roxen, T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Clemens, Prosser, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. NAYS: (2) Johnson and Lombard. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion passed.

**9. EXECUTIVE & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**Resolution 37-2024 Naming The Official Sauk County Newspaper.** MOTION (Peper/Klitzke).

**VOTE:** AYES: (28) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion passed.

Chair McCumber recused himself from his seat as Chair, for the Chair election. Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond, took over as chair of the meeting.

**10. ELECTION OF CHAIR, 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE-CHAIR AND 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE-CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Election of Chair of the Board of Supervisors: Conducted by Corporation Counsel Desmond.**

**Nomination of Candidates for Chair: Formal secret paper ballot nomination for County Board Chair.**

Supervisor Detter  
Supervisor Fordham  
Supervisor Kinsman  
Supervisor Krueger  
Supervisor McCumber

Supervisors Detter, Fordham, Kinsman and Krueger declined.

Supervisor McCumber accepted the nominations

**Voice vote took place for Sauk County Board Chair.**

**VOTE:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (1) Johnson. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion passed.

**Chair Elected: Supervisor McCumber.**

Supervisor McCumber then took his seat as County Board Chair, and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

**Election of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors:**

**Nomination of Candidates for Vice Chair: Formal secret paper ballot nomination for County Board 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair.**

Supervisor Deitrich  
Supervisor Detter  
Supervisor Dorner

Supervisor Kinsman  
Supervisor Krueger  
Supervisor Lohr  
Supervisor Peper  
Supervisor Rego  
Supervisor T. Spencer

Supervisors Dorner, Kinsman, Krueger, Lohr, Peper, Rego and T. Spencer declined.

Supervisors Deitrich and Detter accepted the nomination and addressed the board.

**First formal paper ballot vote for Sauk County Board 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair:**

Supervisor Deitrich – 18 Votes  
Supervisor Detter – 12 Votes

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair Elected:** Supervisor Deitrich

Supervisor Deitrich was attending via zoom, so was unable to take his seat in the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair's position.

**Election of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors:**

**Nomination of Candidates for Vice Chair: Formal secret paper ballot nomination for County Board 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair.**

Supervisor Carver  
Supervisor Fordham  
Supervisor Johnson  
Supervisor Klitzke  
Supervisor Krueger  
Supervisor McAuliffe  
Supervisor Rego  
Supervisor R. Spencer

Supervisors Johnson, Klitzke, Krueger, Rego and R. Spencer declined.

Supervisors Carver, Fordham and McAuliffe accepted the nomination and addressed the board regarding their nomination.

**First formal paper ballot vote for Sauk County Board 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair:**

Supervisor Carver – 19  
Supervisor Fordham – 7  
Supervisor McAuliffe - 3

Supervisor Roxen did not vote, as the online video had gone down from the storm during this time.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Elected:** Supervisor Carver

**11. SCHEDULED APPEARANCES:** None.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Brad Cook, re: Resolution 39 UW-Baraboo.
2. Dan Holzman, re: Oath of Office, Swearing in of County Board Supervisors.
3. Tom Kriegl, re: rules of the board.

**13. COMMUNICATIONS *(All communications are attached to Granicus)***

- i. 03/29/2024 Email from Bill Dagnon, re: Nursing Home.
- ii. 04/01/2024 Letter from Wisconsin Counties Association, re: 2024 WCA Annual Business Meeting Resolutions.
- iii. Emails requesting a referendum regarding the Health Care Center sale.

**14. APPOINTMENTS**

- i. Children's Community Options Program/Birth to 3 Advisory Committee:  
Lydia Muehrer, New Appointment, Citizen Member  
3- year term- 04/16/2024 - 04/19/2027

**MOTION (Rego/Klitzke) to appoint Lydia Muehrer to the Children's Community Options Program/Birth to 3 Advisory Committee.**

**VOTE:** AYES: (28) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**15. BILLS:** None.

**16. CLAIMS:** None.

**17. ELECTIONS:** None.

**18. PROCLAMATIONS:** None.

**19. REPORTS – INFORMATIONAL, NO ACTION REQUIRED**

- a. Rebecca C. Evert, Sauk County Clerk – Rezoning petitions filed with the office of the Sauk County Clerk as a requirement of Wisconsin State Statutes 59.69(5)(e): None.
- b. Brent Miller
  - i. Administrator's Report.
- c. County Board Chair
  - i. Board Chair Update.
  - ii. WCA Annual Conference: September 22-24, 2024 in LaCrosse.
  - iii. Forms on Desk:
    1. Interest and Experience Survey
    2. Sauk County Standards of Conduct and Financial Interest Form
  - iv. Special Meeting of County Board to approve committee appointments.

**20. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**21. NEW BUSINESS:**

**AGING DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER AND FINANCE COMMITTEES:**

**Resolution 38-2024 To Purchase Vehicles For Transportation Program And Amend The 2024 Budget.** MOTION (Polivka/Peper). *2/3 vote required.*

**VOTE:** AYES: (28) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Lohr, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:**

**Resolution 39-2024 To Direct The County Administrator To Include In \$390,000 For The UW Platteville Baraboo Sauk County Campus For Operational Overhead In The 2025 And 2026.** MOTION (Peper/Lohr).

**MOTION (Eberl/Detter) to amend Resolution 39-2024 to read as follows:**

Therefore, be it resolved, by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, that the County Administrator include \$390,000 in the upcoming budget for *both* 2025 and 2026 funding to cover operational overhead at the UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County with funding from Sales Tax. This resolution is an exemption to Financial Policy 5-94.

Supervisor Lohr left the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

The following scriveners' errors were found on the resolution:

- Line 11 should say 1968 in this sentence between the words since and for.
- Line 24 should say 2024 instead of 2021

**VOTE on amendment:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**Vote on original MOTION (Peper/Lohr) To Direct The County Administrator To Include In \$390,000 For The UW Platteville Baraboo Sauk County Campus For Operational Overhead In The 2025 And 2026 as amended.**

**VOTE:** AYES: (26) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (1) Klitzke. DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried.

**LAND RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:**

**Resolution 40-2024 To Adopt Amendments To The Land Resources And Environment Department Fee Schedule.** MOTION (Kinsman/Polivka) *2/3 vote required.*

The following scrivener's error was found on the resolution:

-Lines 23 and 24 are duplications of lines 20 and 21.

**VOTE:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**LAND RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEES:**

**Resolution 41-2024 To Amend The Land Resources And Environment 2024 Budget For The Hemlock Dam Replacement Project.** MOTION (Krueger/Polivka) *2/3 vote required.*

**VOTE:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT & JUDICIARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEES:**

**Resolution 42-2024 To Amend The 2024 Budget For Additional Allocation Of Grant Funds To Combat Drug Trafficking Within Sauk County.** MOTION (Hazard/Schell).

**VOTE:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL & INSURANCE COMMITTEE:**

**Resolution 43-2024 To Approve Inclusion Under The Income Continuation Insurance Plan.** MOTION (Detter/Kinsman).

**VOTE:** AYES: (27) T. Spencer, Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Burchill, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (0). DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried unanimously.

**PROPERTY AND LAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEES:**

**Resolution 44-2024 To Designate The Lawn Area On The East Side Of The Courthouse Property As A Park.** MOTION (Detter/Kinsman).

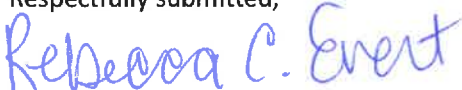
**VOTE:** AYES: (25) Eberl, Rego, Kinsman, Klitzke, Harris, Waldon, Krueger, Johnson, Clemens, Prosser, Lombard, Schell, Dorner, Fordham, Pocernich, Hazard, R. Spencer, Carver, Polivka, Peper, Alexander, Detter, Evert, McAuliffe and McCumber. AYES VIA ZOOM: (1) Deitrich. ONLINE/VIA EMAIL AYES: (1) Roxen. NAYS: (2) T. Spencer and Burchill. DIDN'T VOTE/LEFT MEETING EARLY: (1) Lohr. ABSENT: (0). VACANT: (1). Motion carried.

22. **REFERRALS:** None.

23. **NEW AGENDA ITEMS (NO DISCUSSION). SUBMIT IN WRITING OR BY E-MAIL NEW BUSINESS ITEMS TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR RULE III.A. REFERRAL.**

24. **ADJOURNMENT TO A DATE CERTAIN:** 8:10 P.M. MOTION (Kinsman/Klitzke) to adjourn until Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Rebecca C. Evert  
Sauk County Clerk

Minutes Approved: May 21, 2024.

State of Wisconsin, County of Sauk: I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the April 16, 2024. Proceedings of the Sauk County Board of Supervisors. /s/Rebecca C. Evert, Sauk County Clerk.

Original documents on file @ Office of the Sauk County Clerk West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Room #144, Baraboo, WI 53913. 608-355-3286.

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