

JOURNAL OF THE MEETING OF THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

February 20, 2018

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.11, the February 20, 2018 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Thomas Wegner at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Wegner noted that the notice of meeting was posted on February 16, 2018 at 3:15 p.m. in compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

The roll call was taken and recorded with 18 Supervisors present; Absent: 7, Supervisors Abler, Damp, Hilbelink, Hoffmann, Nelson, Ogea, and Weggeman.

Supervisor Winkel moved for approval of the January 16, 2018 Journal, which was distributed to all supervisors prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

APPOINTMENT

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business was the consideration of the appointment by the County Administrator of Bryan Olson to the Communications Council.

Supervisor Goehring moved to concur with the appointment from the County Administrator. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bemis and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

PRESENTATIONS - NONE

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Adams County Board of Supervisors urging legislation creating nonpartisan procedures for redistricting. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Racine County Board of Supervisors opposing recent legislation regarding the balance of power of county boards, executives and administrators. By Chairperson referred to the Executive Committee.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Adam Payne gave a powerpoint Transportation Complex Update and also referenced a letter Transportation Director Greg Schnell received from the State DOT complimenting him, his staff and Sheboygan County for using best practices when applying salt brine to roadways in order to provide a safe transportation system in a cost-effective way. Mr. Payne distributed a summary of the ½% County sales tax revenue from 2017. He also confirmed that Sheboygan County will receive \$1.3 million from Tecumseh as part of a Natural Resources Damage Assessment to help pay for the Amsterdam Dunes and Wetland Mitigation site property, and congratulated Aaron Brault and the Planning, Resources, Agriculture, and Extension Committee for their work. Finally, Mr. Payne noted that Sheboygan County was nominated for a Working Together award at the 2018 Chamber Champions Gala for implementing the ½% county sales tax and revenue sharing transportation program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding **Resolution No. 23 (2017/18) Carryover of Unexpended 2017 Appropriations to 2018** recommending adoption.

Supervisor Goehring moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Procek and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding **Resolution No. 24 (2017/18) Approving Revisions to Farmland Preservation Plan** recommending adoption.

Supervisor Baumgart moved to adopt the resolution. Supervisor Goehring seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 25 (2017/18) Participating in Snowmobile Aids Program – 2018/19** recommending adoption.

Supervisor Glavan moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Te Stroete and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

(Vice-Chairperson Marthenze presiding)

Pursuant to Rule IV of the Rules of Order, the following resolutions and ordinances were introduced by the Clerk and referred by the Vice-Chairperson as indicated:

Resolution No. 26 (2017/18) Re: Approving Plan to Combat Aquatic Invasive Species in Sheboygan County referred to the Executive Committee.

Ordinance No. 11 (2017/18) Re: Amending Section 75.07(2)(a) and 75.17(2)(a) of the Sheboygan County Erosion Control Ordinance (Removing of Town of Wilson Exception) referred to the Executive Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Bemis moved to adjourn. Supervisor Winkel seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. **The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.**

RESOLUTION 2 -20/18
**RESOLUTION TO URGE CREATION OF A NONPARTISAN PROCEDURE
FOR THE PREPARATION OF LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL
REDISTRICTING PLANS**

1 **INTRODUCED BY:** Administrative and Finance Committee

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3 **INTENT & SYNOPSIS:** To urge creation of a nonpartisan procedure for
4 preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans.

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6 **FISCAL NOTE:** None.

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8 **WHEREAS:** Currently under the State constitution, the legislature is directed to
9 redistrict legislative districts according to the number of inhabitants at its next
10 session following the decennial federal census by the majority party; and at the
11 same intervals, the legislature also reapportions congressional districts pursuant
12 to federal law; and

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14 **WHEREAS:** Legislative and congressional redistricting plans enacted pursuant
15 to this procedure are used to elect members of the legislature and members of
16 Congress in the fall of the second year following the year of the census; and

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18 **WHEREAS:** Historically legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have
19 been subject to partisan influence that put the desires of politicians ahead of the
20 electoral prerogative of the people; and

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22 **WHEREAS:** The 2011 process to draw the maps and fight litigation contesting
23 those maps cost taxpayers nearly \$1.9 Million; and

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25 **WHEREAS:** A panel of federal district court judges has ruled that the
26 redistricting that was done in Wisconsin in 2011 was unconstitutional; and

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28 **WHEREAS:** Redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is
29 done by Republicans or Democrats; and

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31 **WHEREAS:** The process would promote more accountability and transparency
32 and would prohibit the consideration of voting patterns, party information, and
33 the incumbents' residence information or demographic information in drawing
34 the maps, except as necessary to ensure minority participation as required by
35 the U. S. Constitution.

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37 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Adams County Board of**
38 **Supervisors** urges the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation
39 of legislative and congressional redistricting plans; and

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41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Adams County Clerk is directed to send
42 a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the
43 Wisconsin Counties Association, the Wisconsin Towns Association, the Wisconsin
44 League of Municipalities, all members of the State legislature, and to each
45 Wisconsin County Clerk.

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RESOLUTION 2 -20 18
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REDISTRICTING PLANS

47 Recommended for adoption by the Administrative and Finance Committee this
48 5 day of January, 2018.

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56 Adopted X
57 Defeated _____ by the Adams County Board of Supervisors this
58 Tabled _____ 16 day of January, 2018.

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61 County Board Chair County Clerk
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63 ☒ Reviewed by Corporation Counsel
64 ☒ Reviewed by County Manager/Administrative Coordinator

State of Wisconsin
County of Adams
This document is a full, true and correct copy
of the original on file and of record in my
office and has been compared by me
Attest January 18 20 18
[Signature] DEPUTY
County Clerk



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February 15, 2018

Re: 2017 Senate Bill 777 and 2017 Assembly Bill 923

To the Honorable Members of the Wisconsin Legislature:

The Executive Committee of the Racine County Board of Supervisors is alarmed at the sudden appearance, without appropriate vetting and input, of proposed legislation which will significantly change the important balance between the powers of county boards, executives and administrators in the State of Wisconsin.

Although at least three proposals have surfaced within the last week, and some of them in their current form primarily impact only Milwaukee County, we are opposed to many of the proposals which could be included in a final version of a bill. We oppose 2017 Senate Bill 777 and 2017 Assembly Bill 923 in their entirety.

Specifically, we flat out oppose any provisions which would significantly change the current powers of county boards, executives and administrators in the following areas:

- 1) The ability to spend money;
- 2) The ability to borrow money;
- 3) The ability to set the property tax levy;
- 4) The ability to set the salaries of constitutional officers and county employees;
- 5) The authority regarding contracts;
- 6) The authority to confirm appointments;
- 7) The balance of ultimate authority between county boards and executives or administrators.

While we are not opposed to the modernization of the functions of county government, we can attest that the policy changes in the proposals have not been properly vetted. We respectfully request that, before the Legislature take any vote on bills in this area, the 72 Wisconsin counties, through their boards, constitutional officers, corporation counsel, and the Wisconsin Counties Association, be afforded ample time to give input on the implications of the bills. Further, we do not believe the proposals have the full support of all state county executives as suggested in recent reports.

We are proceeding with work on a resolution for our full County Board expressing the sentiments of this letter, and judging by supervisor comment at our meeting last night, we expect it to have strong support.

Thank you for consideration of our input.

Russell A. Clark
Racine County Board Chairman, on behalf of the Racine County Executive Committee