

**JOURNAL OF THE MEETING OF THE
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

October 26, 2021

Pursuant to Section 59.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the October 26, 2021 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Vern Koch at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Koch noted that the notice of meeting was posted on October 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.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 21 Supervisors present; Absent: 4, Supervisors Kulow, Ogea, Procek, and Smith.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT AND INITIAL PRESENTATION OF THE 2022
PROPOSED BUDGET**

County Administrator Adam Payne presented the 2022 Proposed Sheboygan County Budget with some accompanying slides. The proposed 2022 budget includes a modest property tax levy increase of 1.14% or \$585,430. The property tax rate will decrease from \$4.96 to \$4.77, or a 4.01% reduction. The 2022 budget reflects the 6th consecutive year the property tax rate has gone down. The annual \$167 million budget supports 19 departments and 850 employees implementing over 200 programs and services. Mr. Payne also reviewed key initiatives and components of the budget, including investments in staffing and facility upgrades at Rocky Knoll, enhanced child welfare and behavioral health services, improvements to the transportation system, and expanding alternatives to incarceration. Mr. Payne stated Sheboygan County has a long and successful track record of holding the line on property tax increases, healthy fiscal reserves, an excellent bond rating, and hardworking, caring staff providing high quality services.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET

Chairperson Koch noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was published on October 8, 2021 and declared the public hearing on the proposed 2022 budget open for anyone wishing to be heard.

There being no persons wishing to be heard, Chairperson Koch declared the public hearing closed at 6:23 p.m.

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business would be the review of the 2022 Proposed Budget and directed the County Clerk to go through the budget on a department by department basis. As each department was identified, the Chairperson requested that any amendments be offered.

When no further motions were offered, Chairperson Koch declared the Budget Review Session concluded.

Pursuant to Sec. 5.06(a)(8), the 2022 Proposed Budget was referred back to the Finance Committee which will submit its final recommendation on the Budget at the November 2, 2021 County Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Te Stroete moved to adjourn. Supervisor Brauer seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m. **The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**