

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

December 21, 2021

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.11, the December 21, 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 December 17, 2021 at 4:30 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 19 Supervisors present; Absent: 4, Supervisors Clarke, Damp, Ogea, and Smith; Vacant: 2, District #3 and District #18.

Supervisor Wegner moved for approval of the November 2, 2021 Journal, which was distributed to all supervisors prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Brauer 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 Chairperson of **Kathleen Donovan** to the County Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Vicky Schneider, District #3 effective November 7, 2021.

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

OATH OF OFFICE

County Clerk, Jon Dolson, administered the oath of office to County Board Supervisor Kathleen Donovan.

Supervisor Donovan took her seat in the chambers and joined the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS - NONE

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk presented a copy of a letter from Supervisor Schneider advising of her resignation effective November 7, 2021. The vacancy will be filled pursuant to Wis. Stat. §59.10(3)(e).

The Clerk presented a copy of an e-mail from Supervisor Immel advising of his resignation effective December 7, 2021. The vacancy will be filled pursuant to Wis. Stat. §59.10(3)(e).

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors in support of the Veterans Support and Outreach Act. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Grand Traverse Michigan County Board of Supervisors in support of vaccine awareness and medical autonomy. By Chairperson referred to the Health and Human Services Committee.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Adam Payne welcomed new supervisor Kathleen Donovan who is replacing Vicky Schneider in District #3. Mr. Payne provided a brief overview of the resolution authorizing the national opioid settlement, the allocation for State and local government, and acknowledged the Wisconsin Counties Association and our area legislators for their support. Mr. Payne also spoke about the County's challenges associated with recruiting and retaining Rocky Knoll health care workers and Sheriff's Department corrections staff, and the importance of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds resolution being introduced. Mr. Payne also provided a brief update on the six ARPA Advisory Taskforce Committees, and then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and healthy New Year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - NONE

(Vice-Chairperson Ziegelbauer 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. 29 (2021/22) Re: Authorizing Sheboygan County to Enter Into the Settlement Agreements with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Johnson & Johnson, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc., Agree to the Terms and the Memorandum of Understanding Allocating Settlement Proceeds, and Authorize Entry Into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Attorney General.

Supervisor Goehring moved to pull Resolution No. 29 from committee for immediate action. Supervisor Wegner seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

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

Resolution No. 30 (2021/22) Re: Approving Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds (No. 3) referred to the Joint Finance and Human Resources Committees.

Resolution No. 31 (2021/22) Re: Approving Easement with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) for Amsterdam Dunes In-Lieu Fee Project Site referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolution No. 32 (2021/22) Re: Establishing Credit Sale Policy for Amsterdam Dunes Wetland Mitigation Bank referred to the Finance Committee.

Ordinance No. 03 (2021/22) Re: Establishing Speed Zone on County Road "V" in the Town of Lyndon referred to the Law Committee.

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 6:25 p.m. **The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

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2 **RESOLUTION: Support the Commitment to Veterans Support and Outreach (CVSO) Act**

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5 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

6 **WHEREAS**, the number of veteran suicides continues to rise nationwide. Approximately fourteen (14) of the
7 twenty (20) veterans who die by suicide each day are not under the care of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA);
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10 **WHEREAS**, County Veterans Service Officers (CVSOs) are generally the first point of contact when a
11 veteran transitions from active duty status to civilian life. CVSOs provide assistance on a wide range of benefits,
12 including service-connected benefits, enrollment in the VA health care system, VA home loans, VA education
13 benefits, and assistance with job placement where available; and

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15 **WHEREAS**, transitioning veterans are not always aware of benefits they may be eligible for, and CVSOs are
16 often the first to inform veterans of these available benefits; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, CVSOs are employed by counties and are nationally accredited to prepare, present, and
19 prosecute these claims on behalf of veterans; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, there is no direct federal funding currently available for CVSOs and TVSOs (Tribal Veterans
22 Service Officers); and

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24 **WHEREAS**, there is legislation currently pending in both houses of Congress, known as the "Commitment to
25 Veteran Support and Outreach Act (SB-2405 / HR 4601), which would authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to
26 enter into contracts with the individual states, or to award grants to states to promote health and wellness, help
27 prevent veteran suicide, and improve outreach to veterans; and

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29 **WHEREAS**, the CVSO Act would provide for \$50 Million annually for five (5) years to expand outreach and
30 support CVSOs, TVSOs, or similar entities which currently assist veterans in obtaining over \$50 Billion annually; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, Winnebago County has been a front-runner in working with our federal legislators in the
33 development and presentation of said legislation since 2017.

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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
36 supports this pending legislation in both houses of Congress, known as the "Commitment to Veteran Support and
37 Outreach Act (SB-2405 / HR 4601) that authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts or award
38 grants directly to individual states to help prevent suicide, and to promote the health and wellness and improve
39 outreach to veterans.

41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it directs the Winnebago
42 County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to all other Wisconsin counties, the Winnebago County Veterans
43 Service Officer, all Tribal Veterans Service Officers, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Veteran Affairs,
44 the National Association of Counties (NACo), Veterans and Military Services Committee, the National Association of
45 County Veterans Service Officers (NAVCVSO), the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin
46 (CVSOA-WI), and the Wisconsin State Association of County Veterans Service Commissions (WSACVSC).

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49 Respectfully submitted by:

50 **Tom Snider**

51 **Robert Warnke**

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53 Vote Required for Passage: Three-Quarters of Those Members Present.

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55 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this 15th day of August, 2020.

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Resolution 87-2021

Date: August 18, 2021

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF VACCINE AWARENESS AND MEDICAL AUTONOMY

WHEREAS, we elected officials have solemnly sworn an oath to support the Constitution of the United States of America, which is ordained and established to "promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity",

WHEREAS, citizens being both informed about the risks and benefits of any available medical treatment such as vaccines; as well as maintaining the sacred inalienable right to make autonomous choices about their own health are essential to securing both the general Welfare and securing the Blessings of Liberty,

THEREFORE, all Grand Traverse County messaging related to vaccines shall encourage citizens to discuss the risks and benefits of any such treatment with their chosen healthcare provider,

THEREFORE, Grand Traverse County shall not question any citizen's claim to exemption from wearing a facemask or any other similarly mandated preventative activity,

THEREFORE, Grand Traverse County shall not require of or mandate to any employee, prospective employee, or contractor any form of vaccine or similar medical treatment verification or medical test verification as a general condition of employment; and will not encourage employers located within Grand Traverse County to establish such mandates that so hinder medical autonomy,

THEREFORE, the Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners recognizes and commends the employees of the Grand Traverse County Health Department, Administration, and the other various county offices and departments, and community health care providers for their immense efforts throughout the pandemic,

THEREFORE, The Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes August as being National Immunization Awareness Month and encourages all residents of Grand Traverse County to increase their awareness of available immunizations by discussing the risks and benefits of available immunizations with their chosen healthcare provider,

THEREFORE, the Grand Traverse County Commission instructs it's chair and staff to forward a copy of this resolution directly to all county commissioners, or their equivalents, in each of the counties in the United States including the 83 counties in the state of Michigan and all other

states, inviting that they consider whether passing a similar resolution might be in the best interest of their own citizens.

THEREFORE, it is acknowledged that certain activities may be required under state and federal law or other pre-existing contract and such obligatory situations are not affected by this resolution.