## MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: January 16, 2013

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Room 115, Wood County Courthouse

TIME ADJOURNED: 12:41 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Clendenning, Gerald Nelson,

Gary Allworden, Ed Wagner, Bill Murphy

OTHERS PRESENT: Hon. Todd Wolf, Lance Pliml, Ken Curry, Dennis

Polach, Susan Ginter, Cindy Joosten, Brent Vruwink, Lisa Downs, and persons listed on the

attached list.

At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.

- 1. Public comments. Judge Wolf presented a written statement to the Committee from the judges and their judicial assistants with questions on their grade placement in the Carlson Dettmann process.
- 2. Moved by Murphy, seconded by Allworden, to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2012, Committee meeting. All ayes.
- 3. The Committee reviewed correspondence.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Allworden, to draft a resolution for review at the February 2013 Judicial committee meeting regarding same-day voter registration. All ayes.

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Murphy, to draft a joint resolution with the Highway committee for review at the February 2013 Judicial committee meeting regarding state transportation monies. Four ayes, one nay. (Wagner, he feels the legislature is already dealing with this issue.)

4. Legislative issues were discussed. Chairman Clendenning feels it's important and appropriate for all legislative issues to be referred to the Judicial and Legislative Committee and he will address this with the County Clerk's office.

Register of Deeds Susan Ginter spoke to the committee about legislation requiring the recording of mortgage assignments.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by, Murphy, to approve sending a resolution to the county board to request the state to enact legislation requiring recording of mortgage assignments. All ayes. The Committee will meet on February 19, 2013, at 9 a.m., for final review and approval of the resolution should any additional information come to light.

5. The Committee reviewed department reports and monthly voucher reports:

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Allworden, to approve the reports of Branch I, II, and III, Child Support, Clerk of Courts, Register of Deeds, Family Court Commissioner, Corporation Counsel, District Attorney, and Victim/Witness. All ayes.

Supervisor Wagner and Chairman Pliml updated the Committee on discussions held at a frac sand meeting they attended. Supervisor Wagner indicated that municipalities with existing comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances are in good shape when dealing with frac sand companies verses the municipalities that do not. Chairman Pliml reported that the County has agreements with all of the frac sand companies.

Chairman Pliml recognized the work that was done by Corporation Counsel Peter Kastenholz and outside counsel Attorney Robert Kryshak on successfully completing the Hudec litigation against the County.

6. Carlson Dettmann wage study was discussed.

Register of Deeds Susan Ginter commented that although some people may feel that the wage study is not perfect, it is a good foundation from which to start. The pay scale will always be fluid and changing.

Clerk of Court Cindy Joosten stated she was in agreement with Ms. Ginter and feels that the wage study needs to be approved so that everyone could move forward.

Ms. Joosten brought to the attention of the Committee that due to the terms of elected officials being staggered, the positions of Clerk of Court and Sheriff were not part of a 2012 resolution that included in the compensation package that the wages for these officials be treated in the same fashion as non-elected department heads.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Murphy, for the Judicial Committee to coordinate with the Public Safety Committee to conform the compensation for the Clerk of Courts and Sheriff to other salary positions, which are hinged to a wage plan. All ayes.

- 7. There were four new notices of injury/claim filed with the County. The notices of injury/claim of Kevin Haupt, American Family, Mike Adams and Ken Wunrow, and Mark Eichinger were reviewed by the committee and will be forwarded to the county board.
- 8. There were no new animal claims against the County.
- 9. The next regular Committee meeting will be February 20, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.

- 10. Agenda items for the February 20, 2013, meeting:
  - Resolution for same-day voter registration.
  - Resolution regarding state transportation monies.

Supervisor Allworden took minutes for the following:

- 11. Moved by Wagner, seconded by Murphy, to approve the bills for payment. All ayes.
- 12. At 12:15 p.m., moved by Wagner, seconded by Murphy, to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin statute section 19.85(1)(c) for performance reviews of the Corporation Counsel and Child Support Director. Roll call taken: Clendenning yes, Nelson yes, Wagner yes, Murphy yes, Allworden yes.
- 13. At 12:40 p.m. moved by Nelson, seconded by Murphy, to return to open session. All ayes.
- 14. <u>Moved by Nelson, seconded by Murphy, to adjourn. All ayes.</u> Meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

Minutes taken by Lisa Downs and approved by Gary Allworden.

Gary Allworden, Secretary

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Register of Deeds
Clerk of Courts
Sheriff