MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: August 23, 2012

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: Room 115, Wood County Courthouse

TIME ADJOURNED: 2:50 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Clendenning, Gerald Nelson, Gary

Allworden, Ed Wagner, Bill Murphy

OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz, Robert Kryshak, John

Henkelmann, Brent Vruwink, Dennis Polach,

Lisa Downs

At 1:30 p.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.

- 1. Public comments. None.
- 2. At 1:30 p.m. moved by Allworden, seconded by Murphy, to go into closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(q) to confer with counsel on the Hudec litigation. Roll call: Clendenning yes; Nelson yes; Allworden yes; Wagner yes; Murphy yes.

No minutes were maintained on the closed session discussion of the Hudec litigation.

3. At 2:12 p.m., <u>moved by Murphy</u>, <u>seconded by Wagner</u>, to <u>return</u> to open session. All Ayes.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wagner, to reject Attorney Hudec's \$61,000 counter-offer to settle his litigation against the County and to not make a responsive offer at this time but instead to direct Attorney Kryshak to proceed with filing a motion for summary judgment. All ayes.

4. Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wagner, to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2012, and August 14, 2012, Committee meetings.

All ayes. Supervisor Murphy stated that the July 18, 2012, minutes should reflect that he suggested not directed the Register of Deeds to work with the Systems Department for obtaining new equipment.

Supervisor Allworden took minutes for the above meeting items.

- 5. The Committee reviewed correspondence. Chairman Clendenning referenced the WCA resolutions that will be discussed at the upcoming special Judicial & Legislative Committee meeting that is set for Wednesday, September 5, 2012, at 10 a.m., for the Committee and department heads to meet with area legislators. Clendenning indicated that the agenda for this meeting will reflect a candidate forum at the end of the meeting.
- 6. No specific legislative issues were discussed.

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

Moved by Allworden, seconded by Nelson, 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.

Child Support Director Brent Vruwink indicated that his office is assessing implementing flex scheduling in the Child Support department.

District Attorney John Henkelmann indicated that the state has rated the Wood County District Attorney's office as needing 4.9 more attorneys and he, therefore, put in a request with the state for 4 more attorneys. There was a general discussion on support staff costs and space needs.

- 8. There was one new notice of injury/claim filed with the County. The notice of injury and claim of JoAnn Arnold was reviewed and will be forwarded to the county board in the packet.
- 9. There were no new animal claims against the County
- 10. The next Committee meeting will be September 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.
- 11. <u>Moved by Wagner, seconded by Murphy, to approve the bills for payment</u>. All ayes.
- 12. <u>Moved by Murphy, seconded by Allworden, to adjourn. All ayes.</u>
 Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Minutes taken by Lisa Downs and approved by Gary Allworden.

Mary Allwords, Secretary