

Amended
Organizational/Redistricting Committee Agenda
County Board Room, Polk County Government Center
100 Polk County Plaza
Monday - April 18, 2011 - 1:00 PM

Open Session

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Approval of March 22, 2011 Minutes

Public Comments

Renewable Energy Committee-Future of Committee

Review Policy 10 Revisions - Discussion/Action

Discussion of Committee Structure Reorganization – Mandated and Non-Mandated

Auxiliary and Sub Committees – William Johnson

*Overview of Redistricting Timeline

*Discussion and work on the establishment of district lines

*Set date for invitation to municipalities for input on district lines

*Set date for Public hearing

Committee Observations

Set future meeting date

Adjournment

Committee Members:

Herschel Brown, Chair

Russell Arcand

William Johnson IV

Harry Johansen, Secretary

Larry Jepsen

Patricia Schmidt

Wendy Rattel, Vice Chair

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Minutes of Meeting

Polk County Organizational Committee
Monday, April 18, 2011, 1:00 p.m.
Board Room, Government Center
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI

Present: Herschel Brown, Larry Jepsen, Harry Johansen, William Johnson IV, Patricia Schmidt, Wendy Rattel

Absent: Russell Arcand

Guests present: Bob Kazmierski, Dana Frey, Jeff Fuge, Carole Wondra

Herschel Brown, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

A motion to approve the Agenda, Jepsen/Johnson, carried.

A motion, Schmidt/ Johnson, to approve the minutes of the meeting on March 22, 2011, carried.

Public Comment: Tom Engel, Vice Chair of the Renewable Energy Committee distributed a report of energy usage in Polk County buildings and vehicles for the period 2005-2009 that establishes a baseline for comparisons in the future. Data for 2010 has been collected, but is not yet available for comparisons. Kazmierski will request the Renewable Energy Committee to discuss the future of the committee at their next meeting and to report back to the Organizational Committee.

Policy 10 revisions - Frey distributed a draft of Duties and Responsibilities of Governing Committees, his compilation and editing of the documents submitted from all of the departments, except Golden Age Manor. That document will be completed at the next GAM board meeting. Organizational Committee members are to review the entire document for the next meeting.

Redistricting – Wondra brought materials and information for committee members to use to make preliminary plans for new district boundaries. After discussion, the committee arrived at a time line for completing the project:

Tuesday, April 26, 8:30 a.m. - Workshop

Tuesday, May 3, 8:30 a.m. – Review of tentative plans and prepare for presentation to the County Board of Supervisors for approval.

Tuesday, May 17, 6:00 p.m. – Presentation to county board.

A public hearing will be held at the June meeting of the County Board of Supervisors.

Wondra will solicit input from municipalities prior to the Board of Supervisors meeting. Organizational Committee members are to explore options prior to the next meeting of the committee.

Rattel left the meeting at 3:03.

Committee Structure – A list of county committees was distributed and discussion followed regarding the origins of the committees and whether they were mandated. Consensus was reached that the Supervisors who are members of the committees will be assigned by Johnson to research the committee's origin and report to the Organizational Committee. A list of committees with no members who are Supervisors was also distributed. No action was taken on the latter.

Kazmierski reported that Dan Hill of the Local Government Center, Madison, will present sessions for the Board of Supervisors on several topics at a meeting later in the summer. Rattel will meet with Kazmierski and Hill on May 23, 2011 to plan the sessions.

The next meeting of the Organizational Committee will be on Tuesday, April 26 at 8:30 a.m.

A motion to adjourn, Johnson/Jepsen, carried

The meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Submitted by Harry Johansen, secretary

These minutes are subject to approval by the Organizational Committee at a future meeting.