

Notice of Special Meeting
Polk County Board of Supervisors
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin
Polk County Government Center - County Board Room
Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Open Session

Order of Business:

1. Call to Order
2. Receipt of Evidence and Opinion on Proper Notice
3. Roll Call
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Time of Reflection
6. Consideration and Approval of Agenda.
7. Receipt of Public Comment
8. Status Report and Development of Litigation Strategy Concerning Pending Legal Actions Against the County – *J.K.J v. Polk County, et al, Case No. 15-cv-428; M. J. J. v. Polk County, et.al, Case No. 15-CV-433*

a. Closed Session

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(g), the County Board may convene in closed session to confer with counsel to receive oral and or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to the pending legal actions against the County.

Following said closed session, the Committee will reconvene in open session to consider and/act on any matter noticed herein, including reconvening in closed session as herein noticed.

- b. Public Announcement, as appropriate, on matters acted on in closed session.
9. Adjourn

This meeting is open to the public accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 19.83. Polk County is committed to providing equal opportunity access to all public meetings. Person with disabilities in need of specific accommodations may contact the County Clerk's office at 715-485-9226. Please provide a 24 hour advance notice so all reasonable accommodations can be made.



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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Chairman Dean Johansen called the February 14, 2017 special meeting of the Polk County Board of Supervisors to order at 6:03 p.m.

Chairman Johansen recognized County Clerk for purposes of receiving evidence of proper notice. The County Clerk stated that the notice of special meeting was properly posted in the Government Center building, and published electronically on the County website the week of February 13, 2017. In addition, the Office of the County Clerk distributed on February 13, 2017 copies of such notice of meeting to supervisors in accordance with Article 3, Section 2 of the County Board Rules of Order and via email to media contacts. The County Board received verbal opinion of Corporation Counsel that, based upon the information supplied by the Clerk; the notice of special meeting was posted and distributed in compliance with the notice provisions of Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

Chairman Johansen recognized the County Clerk for purposes of taking roll call. Eight County Board Supervisors were present. Brian Masters, Jay Luke, John Bonneprise, Doug Route, Brad Olson, Michael Prichard, and Larry Jepsen were excused. Chairman Johansen received verbal opinion of Corporation Counsel that a quorum was present.

Chairman Johansen led the County Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Johansen asked for volunteers to offer a Time of Reflection. No reflection was received.

Chairman Johansen called to the floor consideration and approval of the agenda as noticed. **Motion Edgell/O'Connell** to approve the agenda as noticed. **Motion** carried unanimously by voice vote.

Time was given for public comment. No public comment was offered.

Chairman Johansen call to the floor for motion to go into closed session. **Motion Warren Nelson/Moriak** to convene in closed session at 6:10 pm. **Motion** carried by majority voice vote with Supervisor O'Connell voting in the negative and asking the Chair to recognize that his vote in the negative be recorded as such.

Chairman Johansen announced that before convening in closed session that the record reflect that staff members, Administrator Dana Frey, Deputy County Administrator Andrea Jerrick, Corporate Counsel Jeff Fuge, Sheriff, Pete Johnson, and County Clerk, Sharon Jorgenson will be present during the closed

session and that the County's insurance defense counsel, Attorney Charles Bohl, and Attorney Paul Cranley (attorneys from Husch Blackwell LLP) will also be present.

Closed Session: 6:10 pm

Reconvened in Open session: 7:20 pm

Upon reconvening in open session, Chairman Johansen requested Supervisor Arcand to deliver the Board's announcement concerning actions made in closed session. Supervisor Arcand informed the Chair that he accepted said delegation. Supervisor Arcand announced that the County Board convened in closed session and received from insurance defense counsel a status report concerning the pending litigation identified on the notice of special meeting and received the understanding of litigation strategy undertaken concerning such pending legal actions against the County.

Motion Chris Nelson/Edgell to adjourn. **Motion** carried unanimously by majority voice vote.

Chairman Johansen declared meeting adjourned 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon E. Jorgenson, Polk County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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COUNTY OF POLK)

I, Sharon E. Jorgenson, County Clerk for Polk County, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the County Board Proceedings of the Polk County Board of Supervisor's Session held on 2-14-2017


Sharon E. Jorgenson
Polk County Clerk