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***AMENDED* NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA**

PUBLIC SAFETY & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

100 POLK COUNTY PLAZA, BALSAM LAKE, WISCONSIN

POLK COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER - COUNTY BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020 AT 2:00 P.M.

A quorum of the County Board may be present

Amendments:

¹Matters Added or Revised by Initial Amended Notice of Meeting

Materials: February 4, 2020 Minutes; 2020 Work Plan Draft; 2019 Work Plan; Resolution 04-20; Resolution 06-20

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8. Updates from Sheriff's Department
9. ¹Discussion and possible action regarding 04-20; Declaring Polk County Wisconsin a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.
10. Discussion and Possible action regarding Resolution 06-20; Resolution in Support of Mandatory Minimum Sentences and a Three Strikes Law in Wisconsin
11. Identify Subject Matters for Next Meeting or additions to 2020 Work Plans
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Items on the agenda not necessarily presented in the order listed. This meeting is open to the public according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.83. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend and/or participate are asked to notify the County Clerk's office (715-485-9226) at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time so all reasonable accommodations can be made. Requests are confidential.



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MINUTES

PUBLIC SAFETY & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Government Center, 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

2:00 P.M. Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Meeting called to order by Chair Luke at 2:02 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jay Luke	Chair	Present
John Bonneprise	Vice Chair	Absent
Doug Route	Supervisor	Present
Joe Demulling	Supervisor	Present
Larry Jepsen	Supervisor	Absent

Also present were Emil Norby, Highway Commissioner; Vince Netherland, County Administrator; Malia Malone Corporate Counsel and Dawn Haaf – Deputy County Clerk.

Approval of Agenda- Chair Luke called for a motion to approve the agenda as published. **Motion** (Route/Demulling) to approve the agenda as published. Chair Luke called for a voice vote on said motion. **Motion** carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes- Chair Luke called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2019 meeting. **Motion** (Route/Demulling) to approve the minutes. Chair Luke called for a voice vote on said motion. **Motion** to approve the November 5, 2019 minutes as published carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment- Time was given for public comment. No public comment was received by committee.

Receipt of Information from Supervisors Not Seated as Committee Members- No information was received by the committee from Supervisors not seated as committee members.

Update from Highway Commissioner, Emil Norby – Project Updates:

- 1 – Intersection Safety Design Decisions
- 2 – Legislative Action for Hands – Free driving
- 3 – WIS 46 Pavement Rehabilitation Project slated for 2022, Town of Amery will be doing their update in 2021.
- 4 – Year 2023: State Hwy 65 project Hwy 8 to Star Prairie

5 – 243 Bridge replacement up for Design replacement before 2025

6 – Spring 2021 Federal Project for County Rd M vs Fall 2020

7 – Bridges:

- Apple River Bridge Public Meeting February 10th @ 6pm
- Town of Beaver Bridge Public Meeting February 12th @ 7pm

8 – FEMA Update: Grinding and hauling out of the last 2 pits, will be wrapping up end of March and doing any planting or cleaning up necessary to get these locations back to normal

9 – Spray Patching units out in full force fixing potholes while weather permits.

10 – Bucket truck rental to clear up hanging trees and brush cutting, this is a yearly focus for about 1.5 months each year at this time.

No Sheriff Department Update this meeting.

Additions to 2020 Work Plan- Possibly invite to the March meeting, a few Contacts within the ATV/UTV/Snowmobiles clubs in the area to have discussion on any additional programs that could be developed to help with utilizing the County and Town roads for bring in more activity through these club that could help businesses and our communities. Vince stated we might want to bring this to the Environmental Services Committee once we have consolidated that information this committee receives.

Next meeting Tuesday, March 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Chair Luke called for a motion to adjourn. **Motion** (Route/Demulling) to adjourn business meeting. Chair Luke called for a voice vote on the motion to adjourn. **Motion** carried by unanimous voice vote. Chair Luke declared meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Olson – Highway Administration Supervisor

PUBLIC SAFETY & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE
2020 WORK PLAN

Date	Scheduled Agenda Items	Program Evaluation and Upcoming Issues
January	Finalize 2020 work plan	
February		
March		
April	Consideration/reconsideration of County Board priorities in transportation and public safety	
May	Jail tour Review of dispatch/911 in Wisconsin	
June		
July	Annual reports	
August	Review and recommendations on fee schedule	
September	Annual budget review	
October	Annual budget amendments	
November	Budget technical amendments	
December	Develop 2021 work plan	

RESOLUTION DECLARING POLK COUNTY WISCONSIN A SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms is guaranteed as an Individual Right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, Article 1, Section 25- "The people have the right to keep and bear arms for security, defense, hunting, recreation or any other lawful purpose"

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms for defense of Life, Liberty, and Property is regarded as an Inalienable Right by the People of Polk County, Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, the People of Polk County, Wisconsin derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within Polk County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, Polk County Board, being elected to represent the People of Polk County and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin House of Representatives and the Wisconsin Senate, being elected by the People of the State of Wisconsin and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, any legislation considered by the Wisconsin State Legislature that would infringe the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and would ban the possession and use of any firearms, magazines, ammunition or body armor now employed by individual citizens of Polk County for defense of Life, Liberty and Property or would require a firearms owner I.D. card or tax the possession of firearms or ammunition within Polk County, Wisconsin;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors hereby declare Polk County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors affirms its support of the Sheriff to exercise sound discretion to not enforce against any citizen an unconstitutional firearms law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors will not appropriate any funds for any enforcement of unconstitutional laws against the People of Polk County, Wisconsin.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors do hereby oppose the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the Right of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful legislative authority.

BY: _____

Brad Olson, Supervisor, District #1

Doug Route, Supervisor, District #2

Dean Johansen, Chair,
Supervisor, District #3,

Chris Nelson, Supervisor, District #4

Tracy LaBlanc, Supervisor, District #5

Brian Masters, Supervisor, District #6

Michael Prichard, Supervisor, District #7

James Edgell, Supervisor, District #8

Klm O'Connell, Supervisor, District #9

Larry Jepsen, Supervisor, District #10

Jay Luke, 1st Vice Chair,
Supervisor, District #11

Michael Larsen, Supervisor, District #12

Russell Arcand, Supervisor, District #13

John Bonneprise, 2nd Vice Chair,
Supervisor, District #14

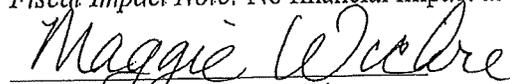
Joe Demulling, Supervisor, District #15

County Administrator's Note: Matter of Policy

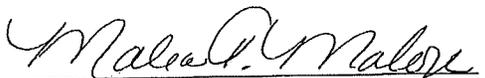


Vince Netherland
County Administrator

Fiscal Impact Note: No financial impact at this time.


Maggie Wickre, Finance Director

Approved as to Form and Execution:


Malia T. Malone, Corporation Counsel

Legal Impact Note:

Excerpt of Minutes

52 At its regular business meeting on the ____ of _____ 2020, the Polk County Board of
53 Supervisors acted upon **Resolution No. 04-20: Resolution Declaring Polk County**
54 **Wisconsin A Second Amendment Sanctuary County**

- Adopted by a majority of the members present by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Adopted by unanimous voice vote.
- Adopted as amended. See Below.
- Defeated
- Other:

Insert amendment to resolution according to minutes:

SIGNED BY:

ATTEST:

Dean Johansen, County Board Chair

Lisa Ross, County Clerk

Executive Summary

This Resolution highlights the inherent Constitutional authority vested in the Sheriff to refrain from enforcing unconstitutional laws.

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES AND
A THREE STRIKES LAW IN WISCONSIN**

WHEREAS, Polk County is a beautiful place to work live and play, and;

WHEREAS, the ever increasing supply of methamphetamine coming in from Mexico is cheaper and more pure than the “meth lab” version from decades ago and is finding its way into Polk County, and;

WHEREAS, the presence of the methamphetamine supply naturally leads to significant negative impacts on our community, including but not limited to: an increase on drug related crime, children being removed from the home because parents are unable to care for their children, loss in property values, decreased tourism because of the “stigma” associated with high levels of methamphetamine use, and;

WHEREAS, recidivism is rampant among defendants charged with drug related crimes and the laws regarding the factors a court must consider when setting a bond or issuing a sentence have limited the judicial system’s ability to address the increased crime and recidivism rates, and;

WHEREAS, the prevention of crime has been focused on rehabilitation and not enough on punishment as a deterrent with some of the recent sentencing reforms in Wisconsin, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors hereby encourage and support the State Legislature’s effort in sentencing reforms that will supply Judges and Prosecutors with more options and tools at reducing and deterring crime.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors support any statutory amendment that would implement a three strikes law that requires mandatory incarceration for criminal convictions after a defendant has already had two criminal convictions within the 10 years prior.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors supports any statutory amendment that would require mandatory minimum sentences for certain drug related and other crime that negatively impacts the public health and safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Polk County Board of Supervisors commit to appropriating sufficient funds to handle the increased case-loads, the increased incarceration rate of the Polk County Jail, and the increased staff time necessary to handle the collateral impacts of the sentencing reform supported by this Resolution.

BY: _____
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County Administrator's Note:

Malia Malone
Interim County Administrator

Fiscal Impact Note:

Maggie Wickre, Finance Director

Approved as to Form and Execution:

Joseph Loso, Interim Corporation Counsel

Legal Impact Note:

Excerpt of Minutes

47 At its regular business meeting on the ____ of _____ 2020, the Polk County Board of
48 Supervisors acted upon **Resolution No. 06-20: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF**

49 **MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES AND A THREE STRIKES LAW IN**
50 **WISCONSIN**
51 _____

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Insert amendment to resolution according to minutes:

SIGNED BY:

ATTEST:

Dean Johansen, County Board Chair

Lisa Ross, County Clerk

Executive Summary

This Resolution is a lobbying effort that communicates Polk County's policy stance on the need for crime deterrent sentencing.