



MINUTES
General Government Committee
County Board Room
Balsam Lake, WI 54810
10:00 a.m. Thursday, December 12, 2019

Meeting called to order by Chair Masters @ 10:01 a.m.

Members present:

| Attendee Name | Title | Status |
|---------------|------------|---------|
| Brian Masters | Chair | Present |
| Russ Arcand | Vice Chair | Present |
| Dean Johansen | Supervisor | Present |
| Larry Jepsen | Supervisor | Present |
| Chris Nelson | Supervisor | Present |

Also present: Sharon Jorgenson, County Clerk; Emil Norby, Highway Commissioner/Division Head; Malia Malone, Corporation Counsel; Vince Netherland, County Administrator; Supervisor Demulling; Tammy Peterson, Administrative Assistant; and Maggie Wickre, Finance Director.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Masters called for a motion to approve the agenda as published. **Motion** (Jepsen/Johansen) to approve the agenda. Chair Masters called for a voice vote on the motion to approve the agenda as published. **Motion** to approve the agenda carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Masters called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2019 meeting as published. **Motion** (Masters/Jepsen) to approve the minutes. Chair Masters called for a voice vote on said motion. **Motion** to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2019 meeting carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment – No public comment was received by the committee.

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

Discussion Regarding Lime Quarry – The committee received information from Emil Norby, Highway Commissioner/Division Head and engaged in discussion regarding the lime quarry. One bid was received from Kraemer Company for Class 5 \$3.84/ton, Ag lime \$10.79/ton with 15,000 tons of ag lime to be crushed by March 15, 2020 and a total of 30,000 tons of ag lime crushed for the first year. 2020 pricing was previously approved at \$8.50/ton for Class 5 and \$9.75/ton for Ag Lime. Since selling price is almost one dollar below cost for Ag Lime, the Environmental Services Committee will be addressing pricing. Committee received information regarding the business plan for the Lime Quarry.

Discussion Regarding use of Laptops – The committee discussed use of laptop computers in regard to achieving a paperless initiative. Many Supervisors are not actively using them.

Corporation Counsel Malone suggested that use of technology and computers by Supervisors could be added to the Rules of Order at the organizational meeting in April 2020.

The committee discussed recommendations regarding Resolution No. 50-19 on the agenda:

Resolution No. 50-19: Resolution to Fix Compensation of County Board Supervisors and Citizen Committee Members, Commencing April 2020 Term.

The committee received information from Corporation Counsel Malone regarding the wording in the Resolution regarding per diem and whether language should be changed to mirror how the Supervisors are actually being paid (which is per meeting at times instead of per diem). The option of utilizing salary based pay for Supervisors was discussed. Committee asked Corporation Counsel Malone and Administrator Netherland to come up with suggestions/options for Board compensation language for Resolution No. 50-19 for consideration at the County Board meeting on December 17, 2019.

Motion (Jepsen/Johansen) to move Resolution No. 50-19 without recommendation to the County Board. Chairman Masters called for a voice vote on said motion regarding Resolution No. 50-19.

Motion to move Resolution No. 50-19 without recommendation to the County Board carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion (Jepsen/Johansen) to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) at 11:15 a.m. for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating regarding selection of a firm for space needs analysis. Chair Masters called for a voice vote on the motion to go into closed session. **Motion** carried by unanimous voice vote. Corporation Counsel Malone was excused from the meeting.

****CLOSED SESSION* -- 11:15 a.m.** – (Minutes Separate and under seal)**

Members present for the closed session included Committee Members: Brian Masters, Russ Arcand, Larry Jepsen, Dean Johansen, and Chris Nelson. Also present: Sharon Jorgenson, County Clerk; Vince Netherland, County Administrator; Emil Norby, Highway Commissioner/Division Head; and Supervisor Demulling.

Reconvened in Open Session at 11:31 a.m.

The committee discussed 2020 Work Plan Development. Committee engaged in discussion regarding Work Plan and updates for Deputy Administrator and IT Positions. Committee engaged in discussion regarding past practice of not holding February committee meetings.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Items for next agenda:

January or February: Report regarding public notice/communication updating the public as to Lime Quarry hours and business information, etc.

Early 2020 agenda: Updates regarding positions of IT Director/Deputy Administrator

May 2020: Laptop follow-up/paperless initiative

Adjourn

Chair Masters called for a motion to adjourn. **Motion** (Johansen/Jepsen) to adjourn. Chair Masters called for a voice vote on the motion to adjourn. **Motion** carried by unanimous voice vote.
Meeting adjourned 11:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Jorgenson
County Clerk



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AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING

GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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

County Board Room

Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

A quorum of the County Board may be present

1. Materials: November 7, 2019 Minutes, Resolution No 50-19: Resolution to Fix Compensation of County Board Supervisors and Citizen Committee Members, Commencing April 2020 Term, 2019 Work Plan, 2020 Work Plan Draft
2. Call to order –Chair Masters
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes for November 7, 2019
5. Public Comment (3 minutes)
6. Receipt of Information from Supervisors Not Seated as Committee Members
7. Discussion Regarding Lime Quarry
8. Discussion Regarding Use of Laptops
9. Resolution No 50-19: Resolution to Fix Compensation of County Board Supervisors and Citizen Committee Members, Commencing April 2020 Term
10. Space Needs Analysis Bid Decision- Closed Session Concerning Selection of Firm

Closed Session:

Closed Session: Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e), the Committee may convene in closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating regarding Selection of Firm for Space Needs because bargaining reasons require a closed session.

11. 2020 Work Plan Development
12. Identification of Subject Matters for Upcoming Meetings
13. Adjourn

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.