

**MARATHON COUNTY**

**EXTENSION, EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**COMMITTEE AGENDA WITH MINUTES**

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, August 3, 2023 at 3:00pm**

Meeting Location: **Courthouse Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403**

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| Rick Seefeldt | Present |
| Becky Buch | Present |
| David Baker | WebEx |
| Bobby Niemeyer | Absent |
| Tom Rosenberg | Present |
| Kim Ungerer | Present |
| Crystal Bushman | Present |

Staff Present: Administrator Leonhard, Kurt Gibbs, Michael Puerner, Leah Giordano, Jeremy Solin, Ozalle Toms, Supervisor Lemmer, Supervisor Robinson WebEx, Kim Trueblood WebEx,

Others Present: Kimm Weber, Melanie from MCDEVCO, Elsa Duranceau, Representative Pat Snyder, Kelly Borchardt WebEx, Kelly Westlund WebEx

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chair Seefeldt called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment:** Kelly Borchardt commented on Childcare.
4. **Approval of the July 6, 2023, Extension, Education & Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes** - Motion by Rosenberg, Second by Bushman to approve the minutes. Motion carried on voice vote, unanimously.

The agenda was taken out of order with no objections. Starting with 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7C proceeding to 6A, 6B1, 8 and 9

1. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination:** None
2. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
   1. Resolution recommending the provision of funding for the Marathon County Historical Society and MCDEVCO in the 2024 Annual Budget consistent with previous funding allocations: Motion made by Rosenberg second by Bushman to keep the funding the same. Motion made by Baker second by Ungerer to amend the resolution. Voting Aye; Ungerer, Bushman, Buch and Baker, Voting No Rosenberg and Seefeldt. Discussion followed with questions and answers. Baker called the question, no objections. Motion made by Ungerer second by Bushman to send the resolution to the full board. Motion carried with Ungerer, Bushman, Buch and Baker voting Aye and Rosenberg and Seefeldt voting No.
   2. Continued discussion to develop recommendations relative to the County’s role in supporting access to affordable, high-quality childcare and affordable housing
      1. Consideration of Supervisor Baker’s resolution draft: Baker explained his resolution. Discussion was had. Chair Seefeldt tabled the discussion until next months meeting with no objections from the committee.
3. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
   1. Kelly Westlund – Extension Housing Programming: Kelly Westlund the Bayfield County Housing Educator gave a presentation. Representative Pay Snyder talked about the legislative side of housing. Discussion was had with questions being asked and answered.
   2. MCDEVCO’s Monthly Report: Kimm Weber gave the MCDEVCO update explaining Gap funding and Micro funding along with POUTS and sharing the monthly calendar.
   3. Library Monthly Report: The library report was given by Leah Giordano. Leah stated the summer programs are in full swing and going well and the Athens branch is coming along nicely.
   4. UW – Extension Monthly Report: Jeremy Solin reported that the 4H program is at the fair. He also noted that the foodwise program will be going into the school setting.
   5. UWSP – Wausau Report: Dr. Oz gave the monthly report stating there will no longer be the Taste of Jamaica. They are looking for food trucks to sell food during the lunchtime.
4. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**
   1. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
   2. Next meeting: It was mentioned that the next meeting should be September 7, 2023, neither Chair nor Vice Chair will be able to attend. No date was set.
5. **Adjournment**

Motion by Bushman, second by Rosenberg to adjourn. Motion Carried on voice vote, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Kelley Blume, Deputy County Clerk