



MARATHON COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA WITH MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 3:00pm**

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

Kurt Gibbs	Present
Craig McEwen	Present
Matt Bootz	Absent
Chris Dickinson	Present
Jacob Langenhahn	Present
Jean Maszk	WebEx
John Robinson	Present
Rick Seefeldt	Present
Michelle Van Krey	WebEx

Staff Present: Michael Puerner, Kim Trueblood, Chris Holman, Gary Olson, Jason Hake

Others Present: Supervisor Morache, Supervisor Baker.

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** – None.
4. **Approval of the January 12, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes** – Motion by Robinson, Second by Langenhahn to approve the minutes. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
 - A. Discussion and Possible Action by EXEC
 1. Discussion of Strategic Plan Updates from the Standing Committees and Possible Recommendations to the Board.
 - HHS Chair Van Krey stated that there were no updates to the packet info. Questions were asked and answered relative to discussion of opioid settlement funds.
 - PUBS Vice Chair Maszk stated that there were no updates to the packet info. Questions were asked and answered relative to discussion of opioid settlement funds.
 - INFR Chair McEwen stated that there were no changes made to updates in the packet info or since the last discussion at EXEC.
 - EEED Chair Seefeldt stated that they have not had a meeting since the last discussion at EXEC due to the fact that they did not have a quorum for the February meeting. He would feel more comfortable having the opportunity to have a committee discussion. EEED updates referred back to the committee. Supervisor Robinson also requested that Supervisor Xiong's requests regarding the Greater Wausau Prosperity Partnership be discussed as well. Questions were asked and answered.
 - Chair Gibbs stated that EEED will have their discussion and EXEC will take this up again at the March meeting.
 2. Discussion of Possible Uses of Opioid Settlement Funds – Administrator Leonhard gave an overview of this topic. He has had requests from some department heads to address it. That prompted him to reach out to other counties and that preliminary info is in the packet. The CJCC, with the assistance of the health department, is willing to take the lead regarding how to allocate those funds, although the ultimate responsibility rests with the board. Discussion was had and questions were asked and answered. The consensus was that the CJCC is a good place to start, provided there is transparency and as few delays as possible. Since this is not currently in the work plan, there will need to be some re-allocation of resources to get suggestions and recommendations in place in time for the 2024 budget process. Supervisor Dickinson requested that the Administrator's Work Plan be brought up at the February 21 board meeting and be amended accordingly.
 3. NCHC Debt Service Repayment – Administrator Leonhard stated this was part of the 2023 budget. Gary Olson, the Executive Director of NCHC, and Jason Hake, Director of Administration and Finance, gave an update on the debt repayment agreement. The revised schedule does not require board or committee

approval, this is for informational purposes only. Schedule is in the packet. Discussion was had and questions were asked and answered.

B. Discussion and Possible Action by EXEC to Forward to County Board for Consideration

1. Discussion of Potential Rule Revision – Rule 15d – “Upon written or emailed request of three Supervisor members of a Standing Committee, the Standing Committee Chair will add an item to the agenda of the next Standing Committee meeting that occurs not sooner than 7 calendar days from the date of the request.”

Supervisor Baker explained the rationale for the request. Discussion was had and questions were asked and answered.

Motion by Dickinson to approve the rule change and forward to the full board. Motion fails for lack of a second.

Motion by Robinson, Second by Langenhahn to refer this item to Rules Review Committee once they are formed.

2. BEAD Local Planning Grants – Supervisor Robinson introduced this topic. The grant funds are related to broadband expansion. Discussion was had and questions were asked and answered.

Motion by Langenhahn, Second by Robinson to approve the resolution and forward to the full board. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.

3. Energy Task Force Charter – Deputy Administrator Chris Holman presented the request for the task force. Discussion was had and questions were asked and answered.

Motion by Langenhahn, Second by McEwen to refer the charter back to HRFC for them to revise it based on the discussions at EXEC today. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.

7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**

8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion. Supervisor Robinson requested a high-level overview of the budget.

B. Next meeting: Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 3:00pm

9. **Adjournment** – Motion by Dickinson, Second by Langenhahn to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Kim Trueblood, County Clerk