



MARATHON COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**

Meeting Location: **WebEx/Courthouse Assembly Room, B-105, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI**

Committee Members: Kurt Gibbs Chair; Craig McEwen, Vice-Chair; Matt Bootz; Tim Buttke; Randy Fifrlick; Sara Guild, Jacob Langenhahn, Alyson Leahy, Jean Maszk, John Robinson.

Marathon County Mission Statement: *Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)*

Executive Committee Mission Statement: *The Executive Committee of the Marathon County Board exists for the purpose of implementing the County's Strategic Plan by coordinating policy formation among the Committees, and providing leadership for all County Board policies through supervision of Administrative staff.*

The meeting site identified above will be open to the public. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated public health directives, Marathon County encourages Executive Committee members and the public to attend this meeting remotely. Instead of attendance in person, Committee members and the public may attend this meeting by **telephone conference**. If Committee members or members of the public cannot attend remotely, Marathon County requests that appropriate safety measures, including adequate social distancing, be utilized by all in-person attendees. Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the **telephone conference beginning five (5) minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:**

Phone #: 1-408-418-9388

Access Code: 146 159 7938

The meeting will also be broadcast on Public Access or at <https://tinyurl.com/MarathonCountyBoard>

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Public Comment (15 Minutes)** *(Any person who wishes to address the County Board, or one of its committees, during the "Public Comment" portion of meetings, must provide his or her name, address, and the topic he or she wishes to present to the Marathon County Clerk, or chair of the committee, no later than five minutes before the start of the meeting.)*
3. **Approval of the August 12, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**
4. **Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action**
 - A. Discuss Options for Filling District 15 Vacancy
 - B. Discuss Redistricting Tentative Plan
5. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution**
6. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. Regional Morgue Task Force Update
 - B. Strategic Plan Update
 - C. NCHC Update
 - D. Bug Tussel Broadband Expansion Update
7. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:**
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
 - B. Next Meeting: **Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**
8. **Adjournment**

**Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 261-1500 or e-mail countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting*

SIGNED: Chair Kurt Gibbs _____
Presiding Officer or Designee

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FAXED/EMAILED BY: Toshia Ranallo
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MARATHON COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

WebEx/Courthouse Assembly Room, B-105, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI

Members	Present/Web-Phone	Absent
Chair Kurt Gibbs	X	
Vice Chair Craig McEwen	X	
Matt Bootz	X	
Tim Buttke	X	
Sara Guild	X	
Jacob Langenhahn	W	
Alyson Leahy	W	
John Robinson	X	
Jean Maszk	W	
Randy Fifrick	Phone	

Also present: Supervisors William Harris, Bill Conway, and Yee Leng Xiong. Michael Puerner, Toshia Ranallo, and members of the public.

WebEx/Phone: Supervisors Sandy Cihlar, Ka Lo, Bruce Lamont, Kelly Gabor, and Becky Buch. Members of the public.

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kurt Gibbs at 4:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

The following citizens spoke in favor for the “Community for all Resolution”:

Dan Barth	206540 Hrebik Ln	Mosinee	Called In
Jane Graham Jennings	3200 Hilltop Ave	Wausau	In Person
Patrick Bacher	505 S. 22 nd Ave	Wausau	In Person
Bruce Grau	1115 N 10 th St.	Wausau	In Person
Christine Salm	3312 N. 11 th St.	Wausau	In Person
LaTanya Campbell	3200 Hilltop Ave	Wausau	In Person
Ron Alexander	15420 Brandenburg	Merrill	Called In
Anne Stamos	611 West St.	Wausau	Called in
Hadassah Curtis	1016 Grand Ave	Wausau	In Person
Joel Lewis	807 Turner St.	Wausau, WI	Calling In
Julian & Norah Brown	917 Ethel S	Wausau	In Person
Margaret Pagoria	1810 Woodland Ride Rd	Wausau	In Person
Cynthia Du Chateau Schaefer	2176 Creciente Dr.	Kronenwetter	In Person
Nick Bisgrove	215 Wyatt St.	Wausau	In Person
Bre Cerny	707 Turner St.	Wausau	In Person
Lisa Ort-Sondergard	220180 Pleasant Dr.	Edgar	In Person
Carrie Marohl	1025 Everest Blvd.	Wausau	In Person
Gillian Battino	142437 Rolling Meadows	Wausau	In Person
Alex Heaton	142407 Rolling Meadows	Wausau	In Person
Megan Marohl	1025 Everest Blvd	Wausau	In Person
Amie Leonoff	906 MacIndoe	Wausau	In Person

The following citizens spoke in opposition of the “Community for all Resolution”:

David Baker	690 Happy Hollow Rd	Kronenwetter	In Person
Joanne Leonard	923 Maple Hill Rd	Wausau	In Person
Erin Crawford	234905 Clay Rd	Aniwa	In Person
Tanya Riehle	223828 Orchid Lane	Wausau	In Person
LaVerne Rondeau	5403 JM Place	Weston	In Person
Tina Jensen	178808 Pine View Dr.	Birnamwood	In Person
Bruce Bohr	440 North Ridge Rd	Marathon	Called In
Thomas Kreager	241560 Saw Mill	Aniwa	Called In
Cory Tomczyk	1040 Indianhead Dr.	Mosinee	In Person
Dan Parlier	702 Butternut	Marathon	In Person
Gayle Marshall	4503 Estate Dr.	Weston	Called In

James Russell	5907 Tricia Ave	Weston	In person
Isaiah Wissell	N4465 Town Hall Rd.	Gleason	In Person
Walter Mattson	208 Arnold	Rothschild	In Person
Steve Frazier	7102 Evergreen St	Schofield	In Person
Barb Parlier	702 Butternut St.	Marathon	In Person
Christopher Wood	500 E. Thomas	Wausau	In Person
Kelly Griemscheid	200925 Wonderland Dr.	Mosinee	Called In
Betty Asends	165402 Cty Rd Z	Wausau	Called In

3. MOTION BY MCEWEN; SECOND BY BUTTKE TO APPROVE THE JULY 15, 2021, JOINT EXECUTIVE & HR FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action

A. County Board Meetings to be Held in Person and Mask Requirements

Discussion:

Chair Gibbs explained he put this on the agenda for discussion due to the increase of positive Covid cases in the county. It was the consensus of the committee to give county board supervisors the option to either attend the voting meetings in person or virtually.

Action:

MOTION BY ROBINSON; SECOND BY MCEWEN TO MOVE TO AMEND RULE 2.01(F)(1) TO ALLOW COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND ALL VOTING MEETINGS OF THE MARATHON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. MOTION CARRIED.

Follow Up:

Forward to the County Board.

B. Review and Approve NTIA Grant Application with Charter Communication

Discussion:

Supervisor John Robinson gave an overview of the NTIA grant application with Charter Communication. The County will be the grant applicant which is different than recent PSC grant applications submitted. Discussions with Charter are still ongoing about application requirements that includes the county assuming responsibility for financial and operational support. If the county is awarded the grant, these concerns will be addressed through a Memorandum of Agreement. 228 million dollars are available nationwide to be distributed for 5 to 30 million dollar projects. The proposal is to reach 2370 businesses and residents in the eastern part of the county, and including the Town of Texas, Village of Kronenwetter, Town of Marathon and other areas.

Action:

MOTION BY ROBINSON; SECOND BY GUILD TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE NTIA GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE UNDERSTANDING IF AWARDED THE GRANT, THE COUNTY WILL NEGOTIATE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE TO THE COUNTY'S RULES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND TERMS. MOTION CARRIED.

Follow Up:

The NTIA Grant application will be signed by the Administrator and submitted on Tuesday, August 17th.

1. Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution

A. "A COMMUNITY FOR ALL" (VERSION A/B) Resolution

Discussion:

Committee members commended all who spoke during public comment. Supervisors shared their thoughts and explained their point of view on why they would either vote for, or vote opposed for Resolution A/B.

Action:

MOTION BY BUTTKE; SECOND BY LEAHY TO MOVE RESOLUTION A/B DECLARING MARATHON COUNTY "A COMMUNITY FOR ALL" TO THE COUNTY BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION.

MOTION BY BOOTZ; SECOND BY GUILD TO OFFER RESOLUTION VERSION B DECLARING MARATHON COUNTY "A COMMUNITY FOR ALL" AS A SUBSITUTE RESOLUTION.

A roll call vote was performed: Chair Kurt Gibbs yes; Vice-Chair Craig McEwen no; Matt Bootz yes; Tim Buttke yes; Jacob Langenhahn no; Alyson Leahy no; Jean Maszk no; John Robinson yes; Sara Guild yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor Langenhahn called the question on the main motion; the motion was clarified by Chair Gibbs a roll call vote was performed: Chair Kurt Gibbs yes; Vice-Chair Craig McEwen no; Matt Bootz yes; Tim Buttke yes; Jacob Langenhahn no; Alyson Leahy yes; Jean Maszk no; John Robinson yes; Sara Guild yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Follow Up:

Resolution Version B Declaring Marathon County “A Community for All” forwarded to the County Board for consideration.

2. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion - None

3. Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:

A. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

4. Adjournment

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, MOTION BY BUTTKE; SECOND BY ROBINSON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:56 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted by,
Toshia Ranallo