



MARATHON COUNTY JOINT REDISTRICTING & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, November 4, 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	Phone	
Tim Buttke	X	
Randy Fifrick	W	
Sara Guild	W	
Jacob Langenhahn	P	
Alyson Leahy	X	
John Robinson	X	
Jean Maszk	W	

Also present: Lance Leonhard, Michael Puerner, Sandi Cihlar, Kim Trueblood and Toshia Ranallo.

WebEx/Phone: One unidentified caller.

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Gibbs called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment - None

3. MOTION BY ROBINSON; SECOND LEAHY TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 20, 2021, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action

A. Discussion and Recommendations for Filling Supervisor District 12 Seat

Discussion:

Chair Gibbs provided the committee with challenges on filling the vacancy in a timely matter, and a proposed redistricting change to District 12. Currently District 12 encompasses the Town of Easton and parts of Wausau, and the recommended change would exclude Wausau. The process to fill the vacancy may take as long as January which is also the timeframe nomination papers are required to be filed. Three individuals have expressed interest and one of those individuals would be districted out if the proposed redistricting plan is adopted.

Chair Gibbs proposes to appoint a person if they are the only one to file nomination papers and they serve within the current and proposed boundaries of District 12. However, if there are more than one person who file nomination papers, then the taxpayers should elect a candidate for the seat at the April election.

Action:

MOTION BY ROBINSON; SECOND BY BUTTKE TO POSTPONE ANY ACTION ON FILLING THE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 12 SEAT UNTIL THE JANUARY 2022 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.

Follow Up:

Include on January 2022 agenda.

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

A. Consideration of Proposed Final Supervisory Redistricting Map for forwarding to County Board

Discussion:

Andy Faust from North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (NCWRPC) presented the final supervisory redistricting map with two proposed changes from the City of Wausau and the Town of Weston. He further explained the changes do not affect the overall deviation of the county's plan.

Action:

MOTION BY GUILD; SECOND BY FIFRICK TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE CURRENT REDISTRICTING MAP INCLUDING THE ADJUSTMENTS FROM THE CITY OF WAUSAU AND THE VILLAGE OF WESTON AND FORWARD THAT TO THE COUNTY BOARD FOR FINAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL. MOTION CARRIED.

Follow Up:

Forward to County Board.

6. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

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

- A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
- B. Next Executive Committee Meeting: **Thursday, December 9, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**

8. Adjournment

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, MOTION BY BUTTKE; SECOND BY MCEWEN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 4:34 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

The recorded meeting can be viewed here: <https://tinyurl.com/MarathonCountyBoard>

Respectfully submitted by,

Toshia Ranallo