



OFFICE OF KIM TRUEBLOOD
COUNTY CLERK
MARATHON COUNTY



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.

ADJOURNED ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

THE ADJOURNED ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING of the Marathon County Board of Supervisors, composed of thirty-eight (38) members, will convene at the Marathon County Courthouse, Assembly Room, 500 Forest Street, Wausau, on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following matters:

Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the telephone conference beginning ten minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:

1-408-418-9388 Access code: 962 376 748

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

A. OPENING OF SESSION:

1. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Gibbs at 7:00 p.m., the agenda being duly signed and posted
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; Followed by a Moment of Silence/Reflection
3. Reading of Notice
4. Request for silencing of cellphones and other electronic devices
5. Roll Call
6. Acknowledgment of visitors

B. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

7. Update on Marathon County COVID-19 Situation, Joan Theurer
8. Report to Board on Investigation and Action by Executive Committee of Clerk Trueblood

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

9. Approval of minutes from the September 10 & 15, 2020 meetings
10. Referral of bills and communications to respective committees
11. Authorizing the Clerk to issue orders, bills and claims from the last session through this session
12. Confirmation of Appointments:
 - a) Health and Human Services Committee
 - b) Public Library Board

D. APPOINTMENT:

13. Marathon County Treasurer

RESOLUTION:

E. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

14. Resolution Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment #R-62-20

F. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

15. Announcements and / or Requests
16. Motion to Adjourn

WITNESS: My signature this 20th day of October, 2020

Kim Trueblood
Marathon County Clerk

NOTE: The next meeting of the County Board will be the Budget Hearing on Thursday, November 05, 2020. The Business Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. Both meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Courthouse.

NOTICE PROVIDED TO: County Board Members
Marathon County Departments
News Media
Posted on County Website: www.co.marathon.wi.us

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 715-261-1500 one business day before the meeting.

APPOINTMENT
Health and Human Services Committee

I, Kurt Gibbs, Chairperson of the Marathon County Board of Supervisors, do hereby upon approval of the Board, appoint Supervisor Kelley Gabor to the Marathon County Health and Human Services Committee, to complete the term of Supervisor Romey Wagner.

Dated: October 20, 2020

Kurt Gibbs, Chairperson
County Board of Supervisors

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)SS.
COUNTY OF MARATHON)

I, Kim Trueblood, County Clerk in and for Marathon County, Wisconsin, hereby certify that the above appointment was confirmed by the Marathon County Board of Supervisors at their Adjourned Organizational meeting which was held October 20, 2020.

S E A L

Kim Trueblood
Marathon County Clerk

APPOINTMENT
Public Library Board

I, Lance Leonhard, Marathon County Administrator, do hereby, upon approval of the Board of Supervisors, appoint the following individual to replace Sarah Thurs to the Marathon County Public Library Board for a three year term to expire December 31, 2023:

Dino Corvino, 5016 Chadwick Street, Schofield, WI 54476

Per diem and mileage/expense reimbursement will be paid for meeting attendance, to be paid from library budgeted funds.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2020

Lance Leonhard
Marathon County Administrator

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)SS.
COUNTY OF MARATHON)

I, Kim Trueblood, County Clerk in and for Marathon County, Wisconsin, hereby certify that the above appointments were confirmed by the Marathon County Board of Supervisors at their Adjourned Annual meeting which was held October 20, 2020.

S E A L

Kim Trueblood
Marathon County Clerk

APPOINTMENT
Marathon County Treasurer

I, Kurt Gibbs, Marathon County Board Chair, do hereby submit for approval of the Board of Supervisors, the name of Connie Beyersdorff, 158537 Buck Trail Road, Wausau, for appointment by the Board, pursuant to §17.21(3), Wis. Stats., to the position of Treasurer for Marathon County for the residue of the unexpired term, effective November 2, 2020 through the end of the current term of office, January 2, 2021.

Connie Beyersdorff will be compensated at \$73,351 annually.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2020.

Kurt Gibbs
Marathon County Board Chair

Fiscal Impact: \$73,351 annually (salary only).

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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COUNTY OF MARATHON)

I, Kim Trueblood, County Clerk in and for Marathon County, Wisconsin, hereby certify that the above appointment was confirmed by the Marathon County Board of Supervisors at their Adjourned Organizational meeting which was held October 20, 2020.

S E A L

Kim Trueblood
Marathon County Clerk

RESOLUTION #R- 62- 2020

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Whereas, August 26, 2020 marks the 100th Anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution allowing women in the United States the right to vote. It states, "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." After its passage, 26 million women voted in the 1922 presidential election; and

Whereas, voting is sometimes called "suffrage" which comes from the Latin "suffragium" which means "approval" and "the right to vote". The fight for women's suffrage, how U.S. female citizens fought for and won the right to vote is one of the great stories about the growth of our nation; and

Whereas, the political fight for women's right to vote began on July 19th in 1848 in Seneca Falls, NY. A Convention was called by Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton to "discuss the social, civil and religious conditions and rights of woman". Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote of twelve ways to foster equality for women in religion, education, law, labor and morality. She wrote "A Declaration of Rights and Sentiments" modeled after the Declaration of Independence and added the words "woman" to the phrase, saying that all men and women are created equal and that they have certain inalienable rights and that they were entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

Whereas, it is right to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment to honor the many women suffragists who for 72 long years organized, wrote letters, signed petitions, stood as sentinels at the White House, gave speeches, met with legislators and the President, lobbied Congress, donated their time, money and suffered great opposition to get a women's right to vote for themselves, their daughters and granddaughters, and future female generations; and

Whereas, political organizations were formed by suffragists to further enfranchisement: The National Women Suffrage Association (NWSA) headed by Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA) formed by Lucy Stone, and the two organizations later combined into The National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA) under Carrie Chapman Catt and had millions of women members. The National Women's Party (NWP) created by suffragist leader Alice Paul was the action backbone of the women's suffrage movement; and.

Whereas, the Wisconsin Woman Suffrage Association (WWSA) was formed in 1869 during a standing-room-only convention at Milwaukee City Hall with Theodora Youmans born in Ashippun, WI as President. Youmans Park in Waukesha is named after her; and

Whereas, suffragists took to forming newspapers and writing. Olympia Brown, the first female physician in WI and the first female ordained minister in the US, founded the first suffragist newspaper in WI in 1880 called "*The Wisconsin Citizen*". Emma Brown ran the '*Wisconsin Chieft*' in Fort Atkinson and Theodora Youmans, wrote a weekly column in the "*Waukesha Freeman*". Lucy Stone and Henry Blackwell published the weekly newspaper "*The Woman's Journal*" and Ida B. Wells in Memphis wrote for the city's black newspaper, "*The Free Speech*" among many other writers and newspapers; and

Whereas, to bring attention to their demands to vote, the suffragists held huge parades in Washington DC and around the country with thousands of spectators and thousands of women participants. It is right to commemorate their dedication and leadership for political liberty; and

Whereas, suffragists were unfairly arrested, fined, jailed, beaten, choked and chained, denied medical care, put in isolation and force fed. It was this abuse that reached newspapers and created a huge scandal that finally caused President Woodrow Wilson in January 1918 to back the issue of women's suffrage. Through the Appeals Court, the false charges, arrests and convictions against the suffragists were overturned; and

Whereas, President Wilson appreciated the efforts of the eight million women who worked during World War I and advanced the war effort. President Wilson's approval of women's suffrage shifted public behavior to allow women's right to vote and the legislature's acceptance of it; and

Whereas, Wisconsin Richland Center Suffragist Ada James and her parents organized and worked for women's suffrage in Wisconsin. The WI legislature was the first state to ratify the 19th Amendment. Suffragist Ada James's

father, former State Senator David G. James was selected by the WI legislature to travel to Washington DC to the U.S. State Department with papers of the WI June 10th, 1919 ratification; and

Whereas, just a few months before the passage of the 19th Amendment at the 50th NAWSA Convention in 1919, Carrie Chapman Catt, a Ripon native, proposed creation of a “league of women voters to finish the fight and aid in the reconstruction of the nation”. Carrie Chapman Catt became the first president of the League of Women Voters and Oshkosh native Jessie Jack Hooper became the first president of the Wisconsin League of Women Voters; and

Whereas, with having the right to vote, women began to run for political office across the US. In Wisconsin, 3 women were elected to the WI State Assembly in 1924 and 1 woman was elected to the WI State Senate in 1975. WI elected its first woman US Senator in 1999. Nationally in 1965 there were 11 women in the US House of Representatives and 2 women in the Senate. Today there are 101 women serving in the US House of Representative and 26 women serving in the US Senate. In the most recent elections, 26,000 women ran for elected office and 68 million women voted; and

Whereas, each January in the US, women participate in marches for expanded rights in all areas of life. The suffragists Alice Paul and Crystal Eastman proposed an Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the Constitution to Congress in December 1923. The ERA states “Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex”. There were over 835 peaceful protest marches in US cities in January 2020 for expanding rights for women through the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment; and

Whereas, residents of Marathon County are asked not only to remember and recognize what changed with the passing of the 19th Amendment, but also what did not; and

Whereas, Marathon County recognizes the fact that although the 19th Amendment granted women the right to vote, Native American women still could not vote until 1948, Asian American women still could not vote until 1952, Latinx and Black women did not gain voting equality until 1965, and non-English speaking American women finally achieved voting equality in 1975.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Marathon does hereby celebrate and recognize the 100th Anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution providing for women’s suffrage, promoting the core values of our democracy as set forth in the Constitution of the United States, and reaffirms our desire to continue strengthening democratic participation, and to inspire future generations to cherish and preserve the historic precedent established by the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2020

DIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMISSION

/s/Supervisor Yee Leng Xiong, Chair /s/ Lada Xiong-Vang, Vice Chair /s/ Supervisor Alyson Leahy
/s/Supervisor Bill Conway /s/Julia Stavran /s/Ann Saris /s/ La'Tanya Campbell
/s/Jonathan Miller /s/ Idowu Odedosu

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

/s/Kurt Gibbs, Chair /s/Craig McEwen, Vice Chair /s/Sara Guild /s/Jacob Langenhahn
/s/Matt Bootz /s/John Robinson /s/Tim Buttke /s/Randy Fifrick /s/EJ Stark /s/Alyson Leahy

Fiscal Impact: None.

Note: Drafted by Supervisor Donna Krause