



Minutes
Waukesha County Board
Executive Committee Meeting
February 15, 2016

Chair Decker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Members Present

Paul Decker (Chair)	David W. Swan	David D. Zimmermann	Pauline Jaske
James A. Heinrich	Gilbert Yerke	Peter M. Wolff	

Others Present

Chief of Staff Mark Mader	Director of Administration Norm Cummings
Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth	Director of UW-Extension Jerry Braatz
Senior Financial Analyst Steve Trimborn	Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel Eric Weidig
Director of Parks and Land Use Dale Shaver	County Board Supervisory Candidate Michael Starrich

Correspondence

A list of correspondence was distributed.

Approve Executive Committee Minutes of January 18, 2016

Motion: Swan moved, Jaske second, to approve the minutes of January 18, 2016. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 170-O-090: Walter J. Tarmann Fund Management and Use of Funds in Excess of a \$4 Million Cap

Cummings, Trimborn and Shaver presented this ordinance which reduces and limits the Tarmann Fund to \$4 million for the next five years. Cummings provided historical information on the Tarmann fund and described how the ordinance was developed and the \$4 million limit was selected both with help from county board supervisors. Funds currently in excess of \$4 million will be applied to parks and land use capital projects in the 2016-2020 capital plan. Cummings said using Tarmann funds in the capital plan will reduce net capital expenditures and result in future reductions in borrowing and tax levy. Investment income previously budgeted in the Tarmann Fund will be moved to the treasurer's budget to directly offset county tax levy. Shaver explained how Tarmann funds are used in conjunction with state stewardship funds to purchase park and greenway lands. The committee talked about the importance of parklands and greenways to the county.

In response to Yerke's question, Shaver said there should be adequate funding available for the ongoing Mukwonago Park land acquisition. Swan said he is hopeful there will be enough money in the fund for all future purchases the county would like to make.

Heinrich said though the finance committee has not voted on this item yet, members were in favor of the plan when it was presented earlier this month to the committee.

Motion: Jaske moved, Heinrich second, to approve Ordinance 170-O-090. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 170-O-091: Authorize Waukesha County University of Wisconsin Extension (UW-Extension) Office to Accept and Appropriate the City of West Allis Revenue for the Strategic Planning Services

Braatz presented the ordinance which authorizes UW-Extension Waukesha to accept and appropriate \$57,108 to provide strategic planning services to the City of West Allis. UW-Extension Waukesha will fulfill one of its strategic goals by partnering with UW-Extension Milwaukee to provide the service which will include public involvement, extensive data analysis of growth development, a random sample household survey, focus groups with key informants in the city, businesses, residents, non-profits, etc. Funds left over after expenses will help UW-Extension Waukesha reach a favorable budget balance at the end of the year.

Motion: Zimmermann motion, Yerke second, Ordinance 170-O-091. Motion carried 7-0.

Update on the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) Legislative Exchange Conference

Decker and Spaeth reviewed the sessions they attended at the conference including a round table discussion, infrastructure funding, economic development, upcoming budget challenges for UW-Extension statewide, state investments and the economy, etc. Featured speakers included two supreme court candidates, Governor Walker, Milwaukee Bucks President Peter Feigin, Marquette University Professor of Law and Public Policy Charles Franklin, Polk County Administrator Dana Frey and WCA staff. Decker suggested visiting the [Wisconsin Counties Association](#) and the [WisconsinEye](#) websites for more information.

Discuss and Consider the Following Appointments:

170-A-031: Robert W. Merry as Waukesha County Surveyor

Motion: Heinrich moved, Jaske second, to approve Appointment 170-A-031. Motion carried 7-0.

170-A-032: Vicki Braden to the Pauline Haass Public Library Board

Motion: Swan moved, Heinrich second, to approve Appointment 170-A-032. Motion carried 7-0.

170-A-033: Erik Weidig as Waukesha County Corporation Counsel

Motion: Wolff moved, Zimmermann second, to approve Appointment 170-A-033. Motion carried 7-0.

County Board Committee Reports by Committee Chairs for the Following 2016 Meetings:

Land Use – January 19 – Jaske said the committee approved two ordinances and had a presentation on electronic recycling.

Public Works – February 11 – Swan said the committee approved an ordinance and had presentations on county and local bridge conditions and the Wisconsin Highway Convention Winter Road School.

Judiciary – February 12 – Wolff said the committee approved two ordinances.

Finance – February 3 – Heinrich said the committee approved a contract procurement process and heard updates on the Lev Loan Program and Tarmann Fund.

Health and Human Services – February 11 – Yerke said the committee heard reports on public health recertification, the June 2016 preparedness exercise, Lad Lake shelter care services, short term detention renewal ordinance, Lincoln Hills and the Netsmart project.

Legislative Update

Spaeth discussed county-related state legislation pertaining to dementia, mental health, counties' treasurers' publication of unclaimed property notices, medical examiners' fees, use of sales tax for road repairs, jail fees for probation and parole holds, heroin and opiate abuse prevention and funding, recycling grants, shoreland zoning, fuel tax, etc. Spaeth said once the 2016 session ends, the state will be studying

ADRCs (April 2016), hosting study committees (summer 2016) and developing budgets (summer 2016). Spaeth distributed and reviewed a letter from Allison Bussler to Waukesha County state representatives regarding the federal “swap” bill.

Motion: Wolff moved, Swan second, to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 a.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Wolff
Committee Secretary