

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2017

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

Committee Members Present: Chair Paul Decker, Supervisors Dave Swan, Dave Zimmermann, Jim Heinrich, Larry Nelson, and Christine Howard. **Absent:** Peter Wolff

Others Present: Chief of Staff Mark Mader, Engineering Services Manager Gary Evans, Corporation Counsel Erik Weidig, and Director of Parks and Land Use Dale Shaver. Minutes Recorded by Beth Schwartz, County Board Office.

Approve Minutes of December 12, 2016

MOTION: Howard moved, second by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting Approvals

Motion: Nelson moved, second by Howard to approve attendance at the Wisconsin Workforce Development Association meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion: Swan moved, second by Zimmerman to approve expenses for Howard to lobby at the State for Health and Human Services. Motion carried 6-0.

Correspondence

- County appropriation fund transfer request for providing budget authority additional costs associated with the recount of the 2016 presidential election, not anticipated in the 2016 budget. These above budget costs include payments for tabulator workers, supplies and equipment, which will be accounted for in the Non-Departmental budget. All recount costs are expected to be reimbursed by the State with revenues from the Green Party, who requested the recount.
- County appropriation fund transfer request from the Federated Library System. The department is projecting to need \$3,500 of additional operating expense appropriations due to higher than anticipated library system cataloging license and maintenance expenses due to the additional costs associated with the migration of Jefferson County libraries onto the CAFÉ system in 2016. The exact amount in 2016 was unknown, but has been properly accounted for in the 2017 budget.

Future Meeting Date: February 20, 2017

Legislative Update

Spaeth reported the legislature is back in session and committees were assigned. Legislation has begun circulating. One proposed bill is for those not compliant with child support payments would not be eligible for FoodShare benefits. During an ambassador day hosted by the Wisconsin Counties Association, the County is lobbying for Child Welfare Services who faces

overdosing opiate addicted parents, in turn affecting their children in need of placement and support. To remedy this, the County will ask the Legislature to look at funding flexibility and remove strings on how the money is spent. The County is also asking the State to provide more flexible spending for Veteran's Services with a block grant. Another lobbying item is for home rule authority over boards and commissions and the flexibility to combine boards or decrease their size to better recruit appointments. Spaeth also mentioned the Governor's Taskforce on Opiate Abuse, which includes 11 bills, 19 agency actions and \$125 million annual spending.

Closed Session

MOTION: Heinrich moved, second by Howard to go into closed session at 8:54 a.m. pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin Statutes, to confer with Corporation Counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending litigation, MMFHC vs. Waukesha County; FHEO Case No. 05-11-1467-8. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION: Swan moved, second by Zimmermann to return to open session at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussed and Considered Ordinance 171-O-072: Delegation Of Authority To Approve Functional Executive Classification Changes For Highways In Rural Areas

Evans said this ordinance will delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to approve Highway Functional Classification changes for highways in rural areas. He explained that a comprehensive highway functional classification system review is conducted across the state of Wisconsin after the decennial census update. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT), Bureau of Planning and Economic Development (BPED) and Division of Transportation Systems Development (DTSD) conducts the functional classification review with the cooperation of county stakeholders. The county stakeholder provides a qualified individual to review proposed functional classification changes.

Evans said that this is not a change. The process would remain the same by way of administrative approval through Bussler and the Public Works Department staff, then approved by the County Board. As boundaries change in rural areas because of constant development, the functional classifications are reevaluated whenever funding is received. The County has the most arterial highways besides Milwaukee County. Heinrich asked if Bussler dictates the look and shape of a road going through a community. Evans said when it comes to decisions about our highways it lies in the director's hand.

MOTION: Swan moved, second by Howard to approve Ordinance 171-O-072. Motion carried 6-0.

Update on Regional Transit Leadership Council Executive Committee

Decker said the committee includes leaders across several counties such as Milwaukee, Wauwatosa, and Oak Creek. Members include city mayors and CEOs or directors of workforce programs. The inclusive group represents diverse political and industry backgrounds and is committed to advancing connectivity across the region through innovative and effective solutions in order to increase quality of life and economic competitiveness. This is an unprecedented public-private platform for collaboration across jurisdictions and sectors. The

goal of the committee is to create jobs and build wealth in communities. Decker said the region is vibrant and has many job opportunities, and that connecting people to these jobs will enhance the livability and global competitiveness of the area. The council identified several problems that transit solutions could positively affect such as labor competition, modern and efficient transportation options, traffic on local streets and parking costs. Several initiatives are underway including the Commission Public Policy Forum's research and development of pilots to bridge the "Last Mile" employment barrier, ongoing East/West Bus Rapid Transit decision-making process to ensure the best outcome, and collaboration of the Strategic Action Agenda with VISION 2050 as a framework.

Update on Wisconsin Workforce Development Association Board

Decker reported this board formed to develop solutions to prepare local workers and businesses to be successful in the competitive global market. The board is comprised of experts in workforce development, economic development, training, education, public policy, human resources, business management, and strategic development. The board focuses on an array of services. For businesses, they act as a connection to the public workforce system by finding skilled workers, teaching employers how to engage in continuous training, and provide layoff aversion and assistance. Industry partnerships include agriculture, biotechnology and life sciences, construction trades and utilities, manufacturing and healthcare. The board also works to develop the South Central Wisconsin Job Center system, a partnership of government agencies and community-based organizations that provide access to career services. Another program the board facilitates is Windows to Work, designed to help inmates about to be released search for and secure employment to ensure successful reintegration into the community after release.

Decker will provide updates on the Regional Transit Leadership Council Executive Committee and Wisconsin Workforce Development Association Board at future Executive Committee meetings.

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

Judiciary and Law Enforcement of January 13- Mader reported the committee discussed an ordinance, heard updates on Circuit Court services and the Patrol Division.

Health and Human Services (HHS) of January 12- Howard reported the committee discussed the HHS Board's review of needs for 2018. The committee heard an overview of the Clinical Services Division's employment requirements and privileging of medical staff, a truancy task force update, and an overview of the Older American's Act. The committee also discussed the transportation and meals programs.

Finance of December 14- Heinrich reported the committee considered several ordinances and a resolution and considered a contract procurement process on a Capital Project. The committee also discussed several fund transfers and the 2016 tax foreclosure process results.

Human Resources of December 13- Nelson reported the committee considered an ordinance to approve 2017 salaries for seasonal and temporary classifications and an ordinance for 2017 salary and benefit modifications for non-represented employees.

MOTION: Swan moved, second by Zimmermann to adjourn the meeting at 10:51 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Wolff

Secretary