



## Columbia County Executive Committee Minutes April 7, 2008

Members Present: Harlan Baumgartner, Susan Martin, Barry Pufahl, Andy Ross, Deb Wopat

Member Absent:

Also Present: Sue Moll, Erik Pritzl

Meeting called to order by Chair Baumgartner at 9:02 am. The meeting was properly noticed as required by the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Martin to approve the agenda with the deletion of the item "Annual Vacation Allocation for Emergency Management" as this item was settled in the Human Resource Committee. Second by Pufahl. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Martin to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2008 Executive Committee regular meeting and March 19 Executive Committee meeting prior to County Board. Second by Wopat. Motion carried.

### **Replacement Position Requests**

Motion by Ross to approve Erik Pritzl's request to replace the Public Health Nurse position in the Health and Human Services Department. Second by Wopat. Motion carried.

Motion by Pufahl to approve Erik Pritzl's request to replace the Social Worker position in the Health and Human Services Department. Second by Martin. Motion carried.

### **Operational Review – Veterans Service Officer**

Motion by Martin to approve payment of the March 2008 expenditures for the Veterans Service office. Second by Ross. Motion carried.

### **Operational Review – County Clerk**

Motion by Ross to approve the payment of the March 2008 expenditures for the County Clerk's office. Second by Wopat. Motion carried.

Moll reported that the Spring Election ran very smoothly, with approximately 27% of the registered electors in Columbia County voting. The State average was expected to be at 20%. Moll also asked for the committee's input on forming an Election Advisory Committee, consisting of 6 to 8 municipal clerks, to review current election procedures and make necessary changes to meet the state requirements. The committee was very supportive of the Election Advisory Committee.

### **Committee Appointments**

Motion by Martin to nominate Andy Ross to the TIF District #5 in Poynette. Second by Wopat. Motion carried. Ross abstained from voting.

### **Compensatory Time Payout**

A request has been made by a Health and Human Services employee asking for payout of banked compensatory time in excess of the 80 allowable hours. Joe Ruf will review the union contracts to see what the allowable payout is for compensatory time. Ruf also indicated that there are additional county employees who have compensatory hours banked in excess of the allowable hours.

Motion by Martin that this request be discussed at the Finance Committee with a recommendation that compensatory time is paid down to the allowable 80 hours. Second by Pufahl. Motion carried.

The committee would like to remind department heads to limit the compensatory time hours and encourage the hours be used.

### **County Supervisor District #5 Position**

There was one write-in candidate for the County Supervisor District #5. However, there are two registered voters in District 5 with the same "write-in" name. The Board of Canvass could not determine the voter's intent; therefore, the position remains vacant.

### **Building Space Needs Ad Hoc Committee**

Sue Martin would like to send out a modified Request for Proposal (RFP) on the County's space needs issues to determine an estimated figure on costs of various proposals.

Martin will meet with the Finance Committee to discuss a request for funds to proceed with sending out a modified RFP.

### **Chair's Comments**

Chair Baumgartner shared resolutions passed in Brown, Langlade and Vilas counties. He also shared correspondence received on the upcoming WCA conference, the Wisconsin Way update, Historical Society, and a report from the Corrections Department on the jail inspection.

Motion by Ross to adjourn at 10:23 am. Second by Wopat. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barry Pufahl  
Executive Committee Secretary

*These minutes were recorded by Susan M. Moll, Columbia County Clerk.*