## COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE Minutes – October 25, 2016

<u>Call to Order</u>. Chair Podzilni called the meeting of the County Board Staff Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Supervisors Podzilni, Kraft, Brill, Bussie, Mawhinney, Peer, and Thomas.

**<u>Committee Members Absent</u>**: Supervisors Arnold and Sweeney.

<u>Staff Members Present</u>: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Jeff Kuglitsch, Corporation Counsel; Amy Spoden, Human Resources Manager.

Others Present: Supervisor Yeomans.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u>. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

<u>Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements</u>. Supervisor Bussie informed the Committee that the Public Workk Committee went over the 2017 Public Works recommended budget and will not be asking for anything additional.

Mr. Osborne explained the formula for the Wisconsin Counties Utility Tax Association for counties, towns and municipalities.

<u>Approval of Minutes – October 11, 2016</u>. Supervisor Bussie moved approval of the minutes of October 11, 2016, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Transfers. None.

**Resolution.** 

## **Recognizing Canine Officer Dex and the K-9 Program**

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, does hereby recognize Canine Officer Dex for his over 6 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Canine Officer Dex along with best wishes for the future.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors also recognize the K-9 Program as an important asset to law enforcement."

Supervisor Kraft moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Thomas. ADOPTED.

<u>Update on Health Insurance Changes</u>. Ms. Spoden explained about four upcoming changes to the health insurance that will be implemented in 2017. She said a letter went out to all employees with their paychecks explaining these changes, and that there will be meetings at various locations in the County for the employees to attend if they wish. Ms. Spoden added that the consensus from employees is that they do not want to have a premium share on their insurance and they understand that other changes may need to be made.

## **Budget Review.**

<u>Corporation Counsel</u> Mr. Kuglitsch said the elimination of the second Deputy Corporation Counsel position and additional attorney for Human Services was the main change to his budget.

<u>**Human Resources**</u> Mr. Smith said there was not much change to the Human Resources budget. Funds were carried forward for the classification study; funds included for the cultural competency continuation; WMMIC is offering free trainings and we will be taking advantage of these.

Ms. Spoden added that the costs for the program they use for the hiring process has not gone up in a number of years and it will be going up in 2017.

<u>County Administrator</u> Mr. Smith said there will be more travel budgeted for the Criminal Justice Planner/Analyst, some training funds carried forward from 2016.

<u>County Board</u> Mr. Smith said the IT budget includes funds for the agenda/minutes software and tablets for the County Board Supervisors. He said they projected that this cost will be offset in approximately three years with the decrease in mailings. This software will also have voting capabilities.

**<u>Other</u>** Nothing at this time.

**Executive Session:** Supervisors Peer and Mawhinney moved to go into Executive Session at 4:25 P.M. per Section 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats. – Negotiating the Sale of Public Property. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Mawhinney, Thomas, Brill, Bussie, Peer, Kraft and Podzilni; Supervisors Arnold and Sweeney was absent.

Supervisor Mawhinney moved to go out of Executive Session at 4:59 P.M., second by Supervisor Bussie. ADOPTED.

<u>Adjournment</u>. Supervisor Peer moved adjournment at 4:59 P.M., second by Supervisor Thomas. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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