

REGULAR SESSION
September 18, 2017

The Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Government Center in the City of Whitehall, County of Trempealeau and State of Wisconsin on Monday September 18, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. with Chair Richard Miller presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

Call

Dear Supervisor,

Please be advised that the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors will meet at 7:00 P.M. on September 18, 2017 in the County Board Room. All County Board Member's claims are due in the County Clerk's office by Noon on September 6, 2017 so they can be prepared for Audit Committee approval.

Sincerely,
/s/ Paul L. Syverson
County Clerk

Clerk Syverson read the call.

Roll was called. A quorum was met with 17 supervisors in attendance. John Aasen arrived at 7:12pm.

Chair Miller announced the open meeting law requirements have been complied with through postings and notifications to the members and media.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: It was moved by Jeanne Nutter and seconded by Michael Nelson to adopt the 11 item agenda. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST REGULAR SESSION MINUTES: It was moved by Richard Frey and seconded by Beth Killian to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to approve.

APPEARANCES:

A. UPDATE- DISTRICT ATTORNEY QUARTERLY UPDATE-TAAVI MCMAHON: The Trempealeau County District Attorney as well as other regional offices are assisting the Jackson County District Attorney's office after the passing of Gerald Fox. Everyone is invited to attend recovery court graduation on Wednesday September 20th around 10:30am.

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stated that ADG did a survey of employees as well as citizens and asked them what was good about the county and the county government as well as what needed improving. The issue of county administrator or the change in the form of government did not come up in any of the survey results. John Aasen stated that if it isn't broke, don't fix it. Why waste money on an administrator if they are not needed. Jon Schultz did not see how hiring an administrator would directly serve the citizens of Trempealeau County. Sally Miller said that she could not justify a position to make her job as County Board Supervisor easier when that money could be used to help citizens in need. Roll call vote was taken; motion declined with 6 yes votes and 11 no votes; resolution not adopted. The no votes were Richard Frey, Sally Miller, Jon Schultz, George Brandt, Beth Killian, Michelle Haines, John Aasen, Chuck Walek, Olin Fimreite, Michael Nelson, and Curt Skoyen.

RESOLUTIONS: FIRST READING CONTINUED:

C. RESOLUTION 2017-09-03 CREATING A NONPARTISAN PROCEDURE FOR THE PREPARATION OF LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING PLANS:

WHEREAS, currently under the state constitution, the legislature is directed to redistrict legislative districts according to the number of inhabitants at its next session following the decennial federal census by the majority party; and at the same intervals, the legislature also reapportions congressional districts pursuant to federal law; and

WHEREAS, legislative and congressional redistricting plans enacted pursuant to this procedure are used to elect members of the legislature and members of Congress in the fall of the second year following the year of the census; and

WHEREAS, historically legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have been viewed by many to be subject to partisan influence; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 process to draw the maps and fight litigation contesting those maps cost taxpayers nearly \$1.9 million; and

WHEREAS, a panel of federal district court judges has ruled that the redistricting that was done in Wisconsin in 2011 was unconstitutional, and that case is now on appeal to the United States Supreme Court, and redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is done by Republicans or Democrats.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors insists upon the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the process chosen must promote accountability and transparency and prohibit the consideration of voting patterns, party information, and incumbents' residence information or demographic information in drawing the maps, except as necessary to ensure minority participation as required by the U. S. Constitution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the

Wisconsin Towns Association, the Wisconsin League of Municipalities, all members of the state legislature, and to each Wisconsin County.

Introduced by: Executive & Finance Committee

Tim Zeglin, Chair
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John Aasen
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Dick Miller
_____/S/_____

Sally Miller
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Doug Winters
_____/S/_____

Committee Approval Date: September 6, 2017

Committee Vote: 5 - 0

Resolution Drafted by: Paul L. Syverson

Reviewed by Corporation Counsel: YES

Fiscal Impact: (Fiscal Statement – as set forth in Project Initiation form) No fiscal impact

It was moved by John Aasen and seconded by Michael Nelson to waive the second reading. Voice vote was taken; motion carried with 17 ayes. It was moved by Tim Zeglin and seconded by Jeanne Nutter to adopt the resolution. Voice vote was taken; motion carried with 17 ayes; resolution adopted.

D. RESOLUTION 2017-09-04 MEMBERS CLAIMS:

WHEREAS, The Audit Committee has audited the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows.

NAME	PER DIEM	EXPENSES	TOTAL
John Aasen	\$245.00	\$54.57	\$299.57
George Brandt	\$175.00	\$53.50	\$228.50
Olin Fimreite	\$175.00	\$16.59	\$191.59
Richard Frey	\$175.00	\$163.71	\$338.71
Michelle Haines	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Beth Killian	\$210.00	\$79.20	\$289.20
Dick Miller	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sally Miller	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Michael Nelson	\$315.00	\$138.03	\$453.03

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Executive & Finance Committee – Budget/General Fund/Sales Tax Update

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

CLOSING: It was moved by Jeanne Nutter and seconded by Richard Sacia to instruct the Clerk to pay mileage and per diem; roll call vote was taken; motion carried with 17 yes votes.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Miller declared the meeting adjourned at 9:32 P.M. until October 16, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. for the next regular meeting and October 30, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. for a special meeting.

Recording Secretary,
Samantha Tetzlaff