

**ORGANIZATIONAL/ORIENTATION SESSION  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2010**

County Clerk Sue Ertmer called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Supervisors' Room, Fourth Floor, Courthouse, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an Invocation by Supervisor Lennon.

Present: Konezke, Barker, Griesbach, Eisen, Ramos, Miller, Roh, Smith, Widener, Hamblin, Albrecht, Gabert, Swanson, Thompson, Lennon, Reynolds, Hall, Wingren, Jacobson, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Eichman, Neubauer, Kline, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Sievert, Farrey, Diakoff, Brennand, Egan, Ellis, Rengstorf and Reinert.

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE REPORT**

Executive Harris congratulated the supervisors on their election to the Board and explained the importance of their roll in county government. Executive Harris stated that they will discover that the county's annual budget is greatly influenced by the State of Wisconsin. He presented a chart showing the Board that the two primary sources of revenue for the county are the tax levy and intergovernmental money from the state and federal governments.

Executive Harris explained that the county is facing "financial constraints" because of diminishing intergovernmental money and because of restrictions from the state on how the county can assess property taxes.

Executive Harris stated that he looks forward to working with the Board for the benefit of the citizens of the county.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Judge Karen Seifert and Judge Scott Woldt administered the oath of office to the supervisors.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

No one addressed the Board.

**ELECTION OF COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN**

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to nominate Supervisor David Albrecht as Chairman.

Motion by Supervisor Eichman and seconded to close nominations for Chairman. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion by Supervisor Norton and seconded to cast a unanimous motion for Chairman. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Chairman Albrecht thanked the Board for re-electing him as their Chairman.

**ELECTION OF COUNTY BOARD VICE CHAIRMAN**

Chairman Albrecht called for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Motion by Supervisor Diakoff and seconded to nominate Supervisor Patrick Brennand as Vice Chairman.

Motion by Supervisor Eichman and seconded to close nominations for Vice Chairman. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion by Supervisor Norton and seconded to cast a unanimous motion for Vice Chairman. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Albrecht explained that there is zoning business that must be completed before next week's approval of the Committee on Committees appointments, so a temporary committee is necessary. He asked that the members of the previous Planning & Zoning Committee be approved as members of a temporary committee until next week's official committee appointments.

Motion by Supervisor Albrecht and seconded that Supervisors Brennand, Thompson, Diakoff, Sievert and Egan be appointed as members of the Temporary Planning and Zoning Committee. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**ORIENTATION SESSION**

Sue Ertmer, Winnebago County Clerk, explained the County Board voting system to the supervisors.

John Bodnar, Winnebago County Corporation Counsel, discussed his role as the attorney for Winnebago County

in all civil matters. Mr. Bodnar told the Board that if they have any legal questions about their role as a county board supervisor they should contact him.

Mr. Bodnar distributed copies of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors Ethics Handbook and went over some of the more common situations that county supervisors should be aware of and avoid.

Mary Polishinski, Payroll and Benefits Manager, explained what forms and paperwork the newly elected supervisors needed to file in the Payroll Department before they can receive their per diem checks. Ms. Polishinski also explained the proper way to fill out the per diem sheets. She stated that per diem checks are processed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month, so the supervisors need to submit their per diem sheets for processing by the end of the previous month. She asked that the supervisors fill out the forms legibly so that they can be properly processed.

Chairman Albrecht administered the Oath of Office to Claud Thompson who arrived at the meeting after the swearing in ceremony.

## **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1-42010: Amend Section 7.5 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Section 7.5 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors should be amended to read as follows:

- 7.5 Every resolution having monetary implications shall have a fiscal note attached or included and, if applicable, shall contain a cost/benefit analysis.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rengstorf and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 28. Nays: 6 – Widener, Swanson, Reynolds, Hall, Diakoff and Reinert. Excused: 2 – Ramos and Hamblin. CARRIED.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2-42010: Create Section 20.8 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Section 20.8 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors be created to read as follows:

- 20.8 All Board members shall be paid by electronic funds transfer unless the Board member provides a signed affidavit to the County Clerk that he or she does not own or possess a bank account so as to allow such electronic payment.

Submitted by:  
DAVID ALBRECHT, DIST. #11  
COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR

Motion by Supervisor Albrecht and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 30. Nays: 4 – Griesbach, Wingren, Rengstorf and Reinert. Excused: 2 – Ramos and Hamblin. CARRIED.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 3-42010: Amend Section 3.9 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Section 3.9 of the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors be amended to read as follows:

- 3.9 After the adoption of the Rules of the Board and other activities as noted in 3.0 through 3.8, the County Board Chairman may make interim appointments to County Board Committees, pending the recessed Organization Meeting, if the business of government so requires. The Board shall then recess the Organization Meeting to the following Tuesday.

Submitted by:  
DAVID ALBRECHT, DIST. #11  
COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR

Motion by Supervisor Albrecht and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 33. Nays: 1 – Reinert. Excused: 2 – Ramos and Hamblin. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 4-42010: Adopt the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby adopts the Rules of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors, as amended.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rengstorf and seconded to adopt.

Motion by Supervisor Eisen and seconded to amend the rules by granting permission to the County Board Chairman to hire a legislative assistant for research and analysis purposes.

After an explanation from the Corporation Counsel that Supervisor Eisen's motion may not be appropriate as a rule change, but would be best brought as a separate resolution, Chairman Albrecht called Supervisor Eisen's motion out of order. Supervisor Eisen withdrew his motion and the second was also withdrawn.

Supervisor Reinert asked that Rule 24.1 be corrected to include high school students attending schools in Winnebago County. The Chairman explained that that has been the county's policy and that Rule 24.1 will be corrected.

Supervisor Hall asked about Rule 6.4 and his recollection that it had been amended by deleting the words, "no earlier than 15 minutes after the Call to Order and". Chairman Albrecht stated that this rule will be updated.

Supervisor Hall asked about Rule 5.11 and his recollection that it had been amended by adding some type of wording pertaining to having received applications. Chairman Albrecht stated that this rule will also be updated.

Supervisor Farrey asked that Rule 24.11 be corrected to show that only two of the seven members of the Land Conservation Committee have to be members of the University of Wisconsin Education, Extension and Agricultural Committee. (This amendment to Rule 24.11 had been made on April 25, 2006.) Chairman Albrecht stated that this will be corrected.

Motion by Supervisor Eisen and seconded to amend Rule 22.5 by adding the following wording after "...shall be": "...published in a timely manner not to exceed ten days to permit supervisors time to read the minutes prior to any action being taken on resolutions for funding and action of the Board."

John Bodnar, Corporation Counsel, explained that changing this rule to "published" will require the minutes to be published in the newspaper, which will be a huge expense for the county. Mr. Bodnar also stated that this type of amendment to the County Board's rules should really be brought before the Board as a separate, noticed resolution.

Supervisor Eisen withdrew his motion and Supervisor Farrey withdrew his second.

Vote on Resolution as presented – Ayes: 34. Nays: 0. Excused: 2 – Ramos and Hamblin. CARRIED.

At 7:13 p.m., Chairman Albrecht called for a brief recess. The Board reconvened at 7:23 p.m.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

Chairman Albrecht appointed himself and the following people to the Committee on Committees: Supervisors Patrick Brennand, Jeanette Diakoff, Stan Kline and Tom Widener. They will meet sometime on Thursday, April 22.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adjourn until 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27, 2010. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan T. Ertmer  
Winnebago County Clerk

State of Wisconsin)  
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Susan T. Ertmer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors for their organizational meeting held April 20, 2010.

Susan T. Ertmer  
Winnebago County Clerk