

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019**

Chairman Shiloh Ramos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Fourth Floor, Courthouse, 415 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation by Supervisor Locke.

The following Supervisors were present: 28 - Koneczke, Brunn, Borchart, Eisen, Ramos, Defferding, Lenz, Smith, Spellman, Gabert, Binder, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Robl, Singstock, Powers, Locke, Wise, Youngquist, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Joas. Excused: 6 – Albrecht, Schorse, Warnke, Buck, Finch and Farrey. Vacancies: 2

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt the agenda for tonight's meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

No one from the public addressed the board.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

The following correspondence was presented to the board by Susan Ertmer, County Clerk:

- Resolutions from other counties:
  - Columbia County – “Resolution No. 43-18 - SYNOPSIS: Support Increasing the Compensation for Defense Counsel Appointed by the Wisconsin Public Defender’s Office” was referred to the Legislative Committee.
  - Door County – “Resolution No. 2018-87: Requesting the State Law Change Allowing Counties the Use of the Design-Build Construction Method and Update the Statutory Bidding Requirements” was referred to the Legislative Committee.
  - Door County – “Resolution No. 2018-88: Support for Legalization of Medical Cannabis” was referred to the Legislative Committee.
  - Lincoln County – “Resolution No. 2018-10-34: Resolution In Support of Increased County Child Support Funding” was referred to the Legislative Committee.
  - Marathon County – “Resolution No. R-68-18: Resolution To Support Increased Compensation for Defense Counsel Assigned by the State Public Defender” was referred to the Legislative Committee.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS**

Supervisor Paul Eisen commented on the NACo (National Association of Counties) newsletter, “County News”. Winnebago County is featured on page 12 in the word search of the January 7, 2019 edition.

Supervisor Egan reported that there will be a Legislative Committee meeting on January 28, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the JP Coughlin Center. Many interesting topics will be discussed.

Supervisor Egan reported that the Winnebago County Fair Association annual financial reports were handed out to all Supervisors. He announced the new officers for the Fair Board.

Supervisor Powers congratulated the Sheriff Departments from Douglas and Barron County for their assistance in the safe return of Jayme Closs. She also congratulated Outagamie County Sheriff’s Department for providing cupcakes for a little girl’s birthday after hers were ruined during a vehicle accident on her way to school.

Motion by Supervisor Ellis and seconded by Supervisor Brunn to approve the proceedings from the December 18, 2018 county board meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S REPORT**

Executive Mark Harris spoke in support of Resolution No. 105-012019: “Authorize a Transfer of \$41,837 from the Undesignated General Fund Balance to the Miscellaneous Unclassified Operating Grants Expenditures to Reimburse for Winnebago County Resident Library Usage in Adjacent Counties”.

Executive Mark Harris spoke in support of Ordinance No. 104-012019: “Create Section 9.41 of the General Code of Winnebago County Enactment of Boating Regulations Throughout Winnebago County”.

**COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

Chairman Ramos excused Supervisors Albrecht, Schorse, Warnke, Buck, Finch and Farrey from this evening’s meeting.

Chairman Ramos reported that the Executive Capital Improvement Plan from the Finance Department was placed on Supervisor's desks tonight.

Chairman Ramos read a resignation letter from Supervisor Timothy Hogan. Supervisor Hogan and Supervisor Wallin have resigned from the board due to relocating out of their districts. A notice will be posted for two weeks for interested parties to apply for these positions.

**PRESENTATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CHALLENGE WINNER AWARD TO SHERIFF JOHN MATZ FOR DETECTIVE TYLER SLEETER**

Josh Dirkse, Director of Client Services of Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance, congratulated the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department for winning the 2018 A.L.E.R.T (Advanced Law Enforcement Risk Training) program challenge. Mr. Dirkse explained other training systems that are available thru Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance.

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual A.L.E.R.T. event was held October 3, 2018 in Stevens Point. Participants were put thru a very daunting course which includes: 200 yard run, pistol shots of 25 yards, 15 yards and 10 yard shots; the 10 yard shot required using the non-dominant hand; dragging a 160 pound dummy 50 yards; and a rifle shot at 75 yards. All events are timed and tracked.

Congratulations were extended to Detective Tyler Sleeter for finishing in first place for this challenge. Jodi Traas, Senior Risk Management Consultant, presented a check for \$10,000.00 to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department for his accomplishments. Sheriff Matz told the board that this money will be used to purchase additional body cameras for officers.

**ZONING REPORTS & ORDINANCES**

No zoning reports or ordinances this month.

**RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

**RESOLUTION NO. 099-012019: Commendation for Kathy Buffington**

WHEREAS, Kathy Buffington has been employed with the Winnebago County Department of Human Services for the past 21 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Buffington has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Kathy Buffington for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Kathy Buffington.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 100-012019: Commendation for Karla Stark**

WHEREAS, Karla Stark has been employed with the Winnebago County Department of Human Services for the past 32 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Karla Stark has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Karla Stark for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Karla Stark.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 101-012019: Commendation for Michelle Hafemeister**

WHEREAS, Michelle Hafemeister has been employed with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department for the past 30 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Hafemeister has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Michelle Hafemeister for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Michelle Hafemeister.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 102-012019: Commendation for Roger Peters**

WHEREAS, Roger Peters has been employed with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department for the past 27 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Roger Peters has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge his years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Roger Peters for the fine services he has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Roger Peters.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Snider to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 103-012019: Disallow Claim of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS)**

WHEREAS, your Personnel and Finance Committee has had the claim of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS) referred to it for attention; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has investigated the claim and recommends disallowance of same by Winnebago County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the claim of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS), filed with the Winnebago County Clerk on November 30, 2018, be and the same is hereby disallowed for the reason that there is no basis for liability on the part of Winnebago County.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**ORDINANCE NO. 104-012019: Create Section 9.41 of the General Code of Winnebago County: Enactment of Boating Regulations Throughout Winnebago County**

WHEREAS, boaters utilizing high water areas within Winnebago County can cause the risk of flood and other damage to homeowners and provide an unsafe environment for fellow boaters; and

WHEREAS, creating Slow/No Wake zones within these high water areas can limit the damage to homeowners and provide a safe environment for all boaters; and

WHEREAS, authorizing the Winnebago County Sheriff to declare a flood emergency in vulnerable high water areas by creating slow/no wake zones can help limit the chances of damage; and

WHEREAS, your undersigned Committee supports providing the Winnebago County Sheriff with the authority to declare a flood emergency and create slow/no wake zones throughout affected areas within Winnebago County.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORES DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS: Section 9.41 of the General Code of Winnebago County is hereby adopted and shall read as follows:

9.41 ENACTMENT OF BOATING REGULATIONS THROUGHOUT WINNEBAGO COUNTY

(1) Authority: This Section of the General Code is created pursuant to § 30.77, Wis Stats.

(2) Jurisdiction: This Ordinance shall authorize the Winnebago County Sheriff to declare a flood emergency in consultation with the Army Corp of Engineers, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and/or local covenants, and enact a slow/no wake zone throughout Winnebago County waterways in the areas deemed affected. The provisions of this section of the General Code will be in effect only during a flood emergency as declared by the Winnebago County Sheriff. The provisions of this section shall apply to any and all impacted navigable waterways located within Winnebago County. The provisions of this section shall be enforced by officers of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Water Patrol.

(3) Definitions: The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Boat: Any watercraft capable of being used as a means of transportation on water.

(a) Controlled: No individual shall operate a boat faster than slow/no-wake in any impacted navigable waters during such declared flood emergency.

(b) Fishing Raft: As defined in §30.01(1p), Wis Stats.

(c) Flood Emergency: Waters exceeding safe boating levels as determined by the Winnebago County Sheriff.

(d) Intent: Providing safe conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interest.

(e) Posting Requirements: A copy of this Ordinance shall be posted at all boat landing public access points located within Winnebago County.

(f) Public Access: Any boat landing that provides access to the water by means of public property.

(g) Slow/No-Wake: That speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.

(h) State Boating Laws Adopted: Adoption of all boating laws and regulations outlined in Chapter 30, Wis Stats, including any and all amendments or remunerations.

(4) Penalties: State boating penalties as outlined in §30.80, Wis Stats. Deposits as established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule established by the State Judicial Conferences, including any amendments or remunerations, are hereby adopted by reference with all references to fines amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment deleted.

(5) Effective Date: This Ordinance shall become effective as of the date following the date of its publication.

Submitted by:

JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Wingren and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 105-012019: Authorize a Transfer of \$41,837 from the Undesignated General Fund Balance to the Miscellaneous Unclassified Operating Grants Expenditures to Reimburse for Winnebago County Resident Library Usage in Adjacent Counties**

WHEREAS, under the provisions of §43.12, Wis Stats, libraries are entitled to receive reimbursement from adjacent counties for library use by residents of that county living in municipalities which do not maintain libraries (rural residents); and

WHEREAS, the calculated amount of Winnebago County's share for reimbursement for 2019 is \$41,837. This amount is calculated according to a formula specified in §43.12(1), Wis Stats, and is based on 2017 statistics; and

WHEREAS, notice of this amount was not provided at the time the 2019 Budget was drafted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the transfer of \$41,837 from the Undesignated General Fund Balance to the Miscellaneous Unclassified Operating Grant expenditures.

Submitted by:

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Snider to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. NAYES: 1 – Wise.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adjourn until the February 12, 2019 regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted by:

Julie A. Barthels

Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

State of Wisconsin)  
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Julie A. Barthels, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors for their regular meeting held January 15, 2019.

Julie A. Barthels  
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk