

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018**

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: 35 - Konetzke, Brunn, Borchart, Eisen, Ramos, Defferding, Lenz, Smith, Hogan, Spellman, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Schorse, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Buck, Powers, Locke, Wise, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Joas. Excused: 1 - Wallin

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The following persons spoke in favor of Resolution No. 047-062018: "Support the Creation of a Nonpartisan Procedure of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans"; and Resolution No. 048-062018 "Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum on Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans:

- Susan Curran – 8726 County Road K, Omro
- Ann Marshall – 1120 Olson Avenue, Oshkosh
- Julie Lizotte – 448 Jefferson Street, Oshkosh

The following persons spoke in favor of Resolution No. 050-062018: "Authorize the Winnebago County Clerk to Publish a Notice of a Referendum Regarding the Legalization and Decriminalization of Marijuana and the Implementation of a Tax on the Sale of Marijuana in the State of Wisconsin":

- Mark Kelderman – W2457 Lomira Drive, Brownsville
- Caroline Panske – 1069 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Oshkosh
- Brian Berg – 1040 Brookwood Drive, Neenah
- Dan Schierl – 7529 Sunburst Lane, Neenah
- Shawn Kelderman – W2457 Lomira Drive, Brownsville
- Logan Luker – 223 N. Main Street, Oshkosh
- Sandra Handel – 230 Brook Drive, Omro
- Cindy Kerwin – 130 Stoney Beach Road, Oshkosh

The following person spoke in favor of Resolution No. 041-062018: "Appropriate \$3,480,000 to a Capital Project to Construct a Sixteen (16) Bed Behavioral Health Adult Community-based Residential Facility for the Winnebago County Department of Human Services":

- Donna Lohry – 511 W. Bent Avenue, Oshkosh

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

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

- Notice of Claim:
  - Notice of Claim from American Family Insurance for Daniel & Maitrang Strong for damage to their vehicle caused by a county snow plow was referred to the Personnel and Finance Committee.
  - Notice of Claim from Mega Rentals, Inc. for damage to traffic safety materials caused by a county snow plow was referred to Personnel and Finance Committee.
- Letter from the Town of Vinland regarding night visibility on Lake Winnebago was read into the record and referred to the Parks Committee.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS**

Supervisor Norton announced that the Winnebago County Public Health Department and the ADRC Committee are supporting a project position that will provide classes on healthy aging. A list of the classes is available in the County Clerk's office.

Supervisor Norton reminded the Board of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Wheelchair Wash to be held on Friday, June 22, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Oshkosh North High School, 1100 Smith Avenue, Oshkosh.

Supervisor Egan announced that there will be a Legislative meeting on Monday, June 25, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. at the James P. Coughlin Center. He encouraged supervisors to attend.

Supervisor Egan encouraged Supervisors to attend the Winnebago County Fair, August 1 – 5, 2018.

Supervisor Snider reported that on Saturday, August 11 they will be celebrating Butte des Morts bi-centennial; and, because on July 16, 1845 Butte des Morts was named the Winnebago County seat, he would like to have a short county board meeting held in Butte des Morts on that day in commemoration of the event. More information will be provided at the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Supervisor Finch reported on the County Parks tour of boat landings and parks.

Motion by Supervisor Ellis and seconded by Supervisor Finch to approve the proceedings from the May 1, 2018 special orders meeting and the May 15, 2018 county board meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

Executive Mark Harris spoke in favor of the following resolutions:

- Resolution No. 041-062018: Appropriate \$3,480,000 to a Capital Project to Construct a Sixteen (16) Bed Behavioral Health Adult Community-based Residential Facility for the Winnebago County Department of Human Services.
- Resolution No. 043-062018: Authorize a Transfer of Funds of \$58,000 from the General Fund Contingency Account to the Sheriff's Department 2018 Budget for a Jail Expansion Study.
- Resolution No. 044-062018: Amend the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Information Systems Department and Authorize the Transfer of \$45,448 from the General Fund Contingency Account to Cover Labor and Operating Expenses for the Addition of a Cyber Security Architect Position
- Resolution No. 046-062018: Amend the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Department of Human Services to add a Dementia Care Specialist Position and Authorize the Department to Accept \$43,324 Grant Funding for this Position.

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S APPOINTMENTS**

#### **WINNEBAGO COUNTY CORPORATION COUNSEL**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment of Mary Anne Mueller as Winnebago County Corporation Counsel.

Motion by Supervisor Albrecht and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

#### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment and re-appointments of Larry Kriescher, 5251 Grand View Road, Larsen; Thomas E. Tuschl, 5184 Ciscel Drive, Oshkosh; and Jerry Braasch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate, 3482 Lone Elm Avenue, Van Dyne. Mr. Kriescher will replace Tom Verstegen whose term has expired. These are three-year terms which will expire June 30, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Konetzke and seconded by Supervisor Finch to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment and re-appointments of Shiloh Ramos, Thomas J. Egan, W. Thomas Ellis, Mike Norton, Rachel A. Youngquist; Serah Muinde, 2080 Dickinson #C, Oshkosh; Ann W. Marshall, 1120 Olson Avenue, Oshkosh; and Paula McNeil, 800 Algoma Boulevard, Oshkosh to the Board of Health. These are two-year terms which will expire July 1, 2020.

Motion by Supervisor Snider and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

#### **FOX VALLEY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, INC.**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointments of Larry Lautenschlager, Winnebago Area Labor Council; James Nitz, Forward Service Corporation; Patti Andresen-Shew, Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce; Jose Martinez, UMOS; Carol Karls, Wisconsin Public Service; Russ Haase, Aurora Health Center; Mark Westphal, Fox Valley Area Labor Council; Ron Grahn, Silver Star Brands; Margaret Winn, Lakeside Packaging Plus; Patty Milka, Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce; Bob Pedersen, Apple Nape; Dale Walker, Fox Valley Technical College; Trevor Martin, UA Local 400; Jodie Larsen, Oshkosh Corporation; and Jessica Maple, Office of Veterans Service to the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, Inc. Mr. Lautenschlager, Mr. Haase, Mr. Pedersen and Mr. Nitz will serve one (1) year terms which will expire June 30, 2019. Mr. Westphal, Mr. Walker, Ms. Andresen-Shew and Mr. Grahn will serve two (2) year terms which will expire June 30, 2020. Mr. Martin, Mr. Martinez, Ms. Winn, Ms. Larson, Ms. Karls, Ms. Milka and Ms. Maple will serve three (3) year terms which will expire June 30, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded by Supervisor Snider to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

#### **UW-FOX VALLEY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment of Michael A. Brunn (Alternate) to the UW-Fox Valley Board of Trustees. This is a two-year term which will expire April 21, 2020.

Motion by Supervisor Ellis and seconded by Supervisor Lautenschlager to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

## **COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Ramos congratulated Mary Anne Mueller on her appointment to Winnebago County Corporation Counsel.

Chairman Ramos recognized Supervisor Farrey and Vice-Chairman Egan for their appointments to Wisconsin Counties Association committees.

Chairman Ramos sincerely thanked all supervisors for their interactions with him. Everyone has been very supportive.

## **COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Ramos asked for the Board's approval of his appointment of Paul Sundquist, 222 Hudson Avenue, Oshkosh and Justin DeJager, Marketing Manager, Oshkosh Convention and Visitors Bureau, 100 North Main Street, Oshkosh to the International Trade, Business and Economic Development Council (ITBEC) Board.

Motion by Supervisor Finch and seconded by Supervisor Albrecht to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

## **PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO GEORGE SCHERCK**

Chairman Ramos presented George Scherck with a plaque for his service to Winnebago County as Supervisor for District 10. George was appointed to the board in 2015 and served until April 2018.

## **PRESENTATION ON THE JAIL STUDY / JAIL POPULATION UPDATE**

Sheriff John Matz and Chief Deputy Todd Christopherson presented to the board the possibility of the need for jail expansion or how to direct people to diversion programs to keep them from being incarcerated. Sheriff Matz touched on the personnel that is currently running the jail and the current design of the building. He explained the different classifications of the inmates that are incarcerated at the jail.

Sheriff Matz explained the capacity of the jail and provided graphs with information regarding admissions to the jail. He provided charts showing the different crimes that inmates were incarcerated for. He explained the different programs that are available for inmates such as: Huber, Electronic Monitoring, 24/7 Alcohol Monitoring and 24/7 Drug Monitoring. There are also diversion programs that are available instead of incarceration. Sheriff Matz explained the different contracted services and the correct care solutions that are available at the jail.

In 2011, a Kimme Study was done to determine the need and projected space that would be required for the jails population in the future. Sheriff Matz provided a graph to show how much space would be needed in the future. He touched on other related costs that would need to be considered as part of the expansion.

Sheriff Matz then took questions from the board. A copy of this presentation is available in the County Clerk's office.

## **ZONING REPORTS & ORDINANCES**

No zoning for this month.

## **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 036-062018: Commendation for John A Bodnar**

WHEREAS, John A Bodnar has been employed with the Office of Corporation Counsel for Winnebago County for the past thirty-six (36) years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, John A Bodnar 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 John A Bodnar 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 John A Bodnar.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 037-062018: Commendation for Connie Rothe**

WHEREAS, Connie Rothe has been employed with the Winnebago County Highway Department for the past thirty-seven (37) years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Connie Rothe 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 Connie Rothe 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 Connie Rothe.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 038-062018: Commendation for Joan Martzahl**

WHEREAS, Joan Martzahl has been employed with the Winnebago County Department of Human Services for the past twenty-seven (27) years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Joan Martzahl 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 Joan Martzahl 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 Joan Martzahl.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 039-062018: Commendation for Naimesh Ringwala**

WHEREAS, Naimesh Ringwala has been employed with Park View Health Center for the past twenty-five (25) years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Naimesh Ringwala 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 Naimesh Ringwala 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 Naimesh Ringwala.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 040-062018: Disallow Claim of Progressive Insurance Company o/b/o Heather Akstulewicz**

WHEREAS, your Personnel and Finance Committee has had the claim of Progressive Insurance o/b/o Heather Akstulewicz 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 Progressive Insurance o/b/o Heather Akstulewicz, filed with the County Clerk on April 27, 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 Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 041-062018: Appropriate \$3,480,000 to a Capital Project to Construct a Sixteen (16) Bed Behavioral Health Adult Community-Based Residential Facility for the Winnebago County Department of Human Services**

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Department of Human Services currently rents two separate facilities to provide mental health crises services and to house mental health clients; and

WHEREAS, the landlords of these rental properties are increasing the annual rent for both facilities at rates that far exceed the new money Winnebago County can levy based on increases in net new construction; and

WHEREAS, the new facility would be a 16 bed facility owned by Winnebago County and staffed by County employees (current facilities are staffed by Winnebago County employees); and

WHEREAS, a cost benefit analysis was prepared and shows that the facility would pay for itself after 16 years (the savings over that period would equal the facility cost); and

WHEREAS, this information was presented to the Winnebago County Board at its November 15, 2016, and May 15, 2018, meetings; and

WHEREAS, estimated costs for construction and equipment for this facility is \$3,480,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby approves the appropriation of \$3,480,000 to a capital project fund to account for the costs of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that funds to pay for the project will be transferred from the General Fund and be reimbursed by subsequent bond issues.

Submitted by:

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Lautenschlager and seconded by Supervisor Gordon to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 042-062018: Authorize a Transfer of \$31,000 From the UW Extension Department's Labor and Fringe Accounts to the Other Contracted Services Account Due to a Current Winnebago County Employee Transferring to State Employment**

WHEREAS, a Winnebago County employee currently holds a position in which payroll expenses are being recorded in the UW Extension's Labor and Fringe Accounts; and

WHEREAS, this position will be transferring from a Winnebago County position to a State of Wisconsin position and will continue to conduct Family Living programming for Winnebago County's UW Extension Office; and

WHEREAS, as is current practice with other UW Extension Educators in the Department, the UW-Extension/State of Wisconsin will bill Winnebago County for labor and fringe costs paid, and this expense will be recorded in the Other Contracted Services Account in the UW Extension's 2018 Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the transfer of \$31,000 from the UW Extension Department's Labor and Fringe Accounts to the Department's Other Contracted Services Account.

Submitted by:

UW EDUCATION EXTENSION AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 043-062018: Authorize a Transfer of Funds of \$58,000 From the General Fund Contingency Account to the Sheriff's Department 2018 Budget for a Jail Expansion Study**

WHEREAS, there has been a steady increase in the jail population, which has resulted in functional overcrowding; and

WHEREAS, this increase has occurred even as Winnebago County, through the Sheriff's Department and the Safe Streets Committee have taken steps to reduce the jail population by implementing programs to provide alternatives to incarceration; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, an independent Jail Expansion Study to address jail overcrowding was completed; and

WHEREAS, due to an estimated shortfall of 173 beds by 2020, the 2011 Study recommended additional bed capacity be built at the current jail location; and

WHEREAS, your undersigned Committees recommend that an updated independent Jail Expansion Study be completed to determine the number and type of bed space required and/or other alternatives to incarceration; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the Jail Expansion Study is \$58,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes a transfer of \$58,000 from the General Fund Contingency Account to the Sheriff's Department's 2018 Budget to cover the cost of an independent Jail Expansion Study.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolution was withdrawn by Supervisor Wingren.

**RESOLUTION NO. 044-062018: Amend the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Information Systems Department and Authorize the Transfer of \$45,448 from the General Fund Contingency Account to Cover Labor and Operating Expenses for the Addition of a Cyber Security Architect Position**

WHEREAS, the complexity of the networks administered by the Winnebago County Information Systems Department has increased enormously over the past seventeen (17) years, without an increase in the regular full-time staff assigned to the Department; and

WHEREAS, as more and more sensitive information is being stored on Winnebago County electronic systems, and the danger of hacking and other forms of cyber-attacks increases, the demand for increased efforts devoted to cyber security is imperative; and

WHEREAS, current staff do not possess the specialized training required to combat cyber attacks; and

WHEREAS, adding a highly-trained employee who specializes in cyber security would help fortify Winnebago County's network and reduce workload pressures that are straining current staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors, that the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Information Systems Department is hereby amended, effective immediately, to add one full-time Cyber Security Architect position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the sum of \$45,448 be appropriated from the General Fund Contingency Account to Information Systems Department as follows: \$43,068 to the Labor Expense Account; and \$2,380 to the Other Operating Expense Account.

Submitted by:  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Wojciechowski and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. Vote on Resolution: AYES: 35; NAYES: 0; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Wallin. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 045-062018: Authorize Two-Year Contract with US Cellular (Wireless Service)**

WHEREAS, Winnebago County wishes to renew its contract with US Cellular for wireless services pursuant to the same pricing charged to the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, your undersigned Committee has reviewed said contract and recommends its approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the two-year service contract with US Cellular for Wireless Services as is indicated in the contract, herewith attached to this Resolution.

Submitted by:  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 046-062018: Amend the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Department of Human Services to Add a Dementia Care Specialist Position and Authorize the Department to Accept \$43,324 Grant Funding for this Position**

WHEREAS, there is a need for specialized dementia support and coordination among Winnebago County residents, their families and caregivers, the Winnebago County Department of Human Services, medical providers, and many different community services and businesses, with one goal being to keep individuals with dementia in their homes for longer periods of time; and

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Department of Human Services has received a grant to fully fund a full-time position which addresses this need, the grant being sufficient to fully fund salary and benefits for this position without any County levy funds being needed; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding will be available beginning July 1, 2018, and is expected to continue indefinitely, with no need to reapply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors, that the Table of Organization for the Winnebago County Human Services Department, Long Term Support Division, is amended to add one full-time Dementia Care Specialist position to become effective July 1, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Winnebago County Department of Human Services to accept \$43,324 of grant funding for this position.

Submitted by:  
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 047-062018: Support the Creation of a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Wisconsin Constitution, the Legislature for the State of Wisconsin is directed to redistrict state legislative districts "according to the number of inhabitants" at its next session following the decennial federal census. The Wisconsin Legislature also reapportions congressional districts at the same interval pursuant to Federal Law; and

WHEREAS, because state and federal legislative redistricting is controlled by the majority party at the time of the redistricting, legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have been subject to partisan influence that places the desires of politicians ahead of the electoral prerogative of the people. Redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is done by a Republican-controlled or a Democratic-controlled legislature; and

WHEREAS, a panel of federal district court judges has ruled that redistricting in the State of Wisconsin in 2011 was unconstitutional. Legal costs in defense of redistricting in 2011 have already cost taxpayers in excess of \$2.1 million, and litigation is still ongoing; and

WHEREAS, the state and congressional districts belong to the citizens of Wisconsin and not to any legislator, interest group, or political party. The redistricting process should not be a tool used by those in power to protect and bolster their power, but should be designed with the best interests of Wisconsin's democracy and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, historically, Wisconsin's practice of redistricting by the majority party in each legislative chamber is an outdated practice that stifles political competition, discourages compromise, ensures continued control by the party in power, and lacks the transparency necessary to reinforce citizens' faith in the democratic process; and

WHEREAS, at this time, there is a critical need to restore trust, compromise, and fair competition to Wisconsin politics.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that before the start of the next redistricting process following the 2020 federal census, it hereby calls upon the Wisconsin State Legislature to pass legislation that creates a fair, nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans, that promotes more accountability and transparency, prohibits 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby advocates for an amendment to the Wisconsin Constitution giving the responsibility of legislative redistricting to a nonpartisan commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Office of Governor Scott Walker, and all state senators and assembly members representing Winnebago County constituents.

Submitted by:  
JULIE GORDON, District 17  
MICHAEL NORTON, District 20

Motion by Supervisor Gordon and seconded by Supervisor Norton to adopt. Motion by Supervisor Schorse and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to refer to the Legislative Committee. Vote on motion to refer: AYES: 22; NAYES: 13 – Eisen, Lenz, Smith, Spellman, Binder, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Lautenschlager, Norton, Buck, Powers, Locke, and Snider; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Wallin. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 048-062018: Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum on Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans**

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution 047-062018 on June 19, 2018, urging the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans; and

WHEREAS, historically, legislative and congressional plans in the State of Wisconsin have been subject to partisan influences that places the desires of politicians ahead of the electoral prerogative of the people. Redistricting that achieves partisan gains is improper; and

WHEREAS, in order to determine whether the citizens of Winnebago County support the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors may conduct a county-wide advisory referendum pursuant to § 59.52(25), Wis Stats, to be placed on the ballot for the Fall Election on November 6, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes that the following county-wide advisory referendum be placed on the November 3, 2018, ballot:

The question to appear on the ballot is as follows:

“Should the Wisconsin State Legislature create a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans?”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Office Governor Scott Walker, and all state senators and assembly members representing Winnebago County constituents.

Submitted by:

JULIE GORDON, District 17

MICHAEL NORTON, District 20

Motion by Supervisor Gordon and seconded by Supervisor Norton to approve.

Motion by Supervisor Gordon and seconded by Supervisor Norton to substitute new language for the first “WHEREAS” paragraph. WITHDRAWN.

Motion by Supervisor Gordon and seconded by Supervisor Norton to amend the resolution by deleting Lines 8-10. Ayes: 30. Nays: 4 – Smith, Albrecht, Gabert and Keller. Abstained: 1 – Schorse. Excused: 1 – Wallin. CARRIED.

Motion by Supervisor Schorse and seconded by Supervisor Keller to refer to the Legislative Committee. Ayes: 16 – Konetzke, Brunn, Albrecht, Gabert, Schorse, Wingren, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Wise, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller and Ellis. Nays: 19. Absent: 1 – Wallin. LOST.

Vote on Resolution as amended: Ayes: 30. Nays: 4 – Brunn, Albrecht, Rasmussen and Keller. Abstain: 1 – Gabert. Excused: 1 – Wallin. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 049-062018: Request Sheriff to Read Declaration of Independence on Courthouse Steps on July 4, 2018**

WHEREAS, the Continental Congress, by a Declaration of Independence dated July 4, 1776, declared the inhabitants of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, were no longer colonial subjects to be exploited arbitrarily by servants of the King and Parliament of Great Britain, but were free citizens of their own territories, and that free citizens should constitute the governments for those territories; and

WHEREAS, the Continental Congress provided that same day, by orders of their House, that their Declaration should be proclaimed aloud and published to the free citizens of the territories represented in their Congress; and

WHEREAS, the notification of the Declaration to responsible citizens was then done by sheriffs who proclaimed it on the courthouse steps, by clergymen who read it from their pulpits, and by printers who printed it in their gazettes; and

WHEREAS, the Continental Congress thus initiated a process that has created the constitutions and state governments of our Union including the Constitution and government of the State of Wisconsin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby requests Sheriff John Matz to read the Declaration of Independence from the steps of the Courthouse at 8:00 a.m. on the morning of July 4, 2018, as this was the custom in the early history of our country.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that we ask Sheriff John Matz to read the document without further comment or speech. This event is intended for those present to hear the words of the Declaration as we begin to celebrate our Day of Independence.

Submitted by:

JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



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

**RESOLUTION NO. 050-062018: Authorize the Winnebago County Clerk to Publish a Notice of a Referendum Regarding the Legalization and Decriminalization of Marijuana and the Implementation of a Tax on the Sale of Marijuana in the State of Wisconsin**

WHEREAS, criminalizing marijuana use has failed to curb its use, and more than 100 million Americans say they have used marijuana; and

WHEREAS, in a 2016 poll, 59 percent of Wisconsinites said that marijuana should be "fully legalized and regulated like alcohol," and recent polls show a majority of Americans favor legalization of adult recreational use of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin State Legislature has failed to act on legislation to legalize and regulate marijuana, and has not allowed hearings on such legislation; and

WHEREAS, legalizing and taxing marijuana could significantly increase state and local revenues; and

WHEREAS, an estimate by the Congressional Research Service suggests that replacing marijuana prohibition with a system of taxation and regulation could yield \$6.8 billion in Federal excise taxes alone; and

WHEREAS, Alaska, California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington have legalized adult personal use of marijuana, and regulate the production, distribution, and sale of marijuana, while Vermont and the District of Columbia have legalized limited personal possession and cultivation of marijuana by adults; and

WHEREAS, the time law enforcement spends enforcing existing marijuana laws and ordinances negatively impacts the time available to solve more serious crimes and apprehend more dangerous criminals; and

WHEREAS, marijuana prohibition makes product quality control and sales regulation impossible, leaving marijuana sellers free to target children as potential customers and to peddle potentially adulterated products.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes Winnebago County to conduct a county-wide advisory referendum to appear on ballots during the November 6, 2018, general election, and that a concise statement of the question be given and shall read as follows:

Question: Should the Wisconsin State Legislature enact proposed legislation that allows individuals 21 years of age and older to engage in the medical and recreational use of marijuana, while also regulating commercial marijuana-related activities including, but not limited to, imposing a tax on the sale of marijuana, and expunging marijuana-related crimes for those convicted in Wisconsin?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Corporation Counsel to prepare a Notice of Referendum to be published by the Winnebago County Clerk in accordance with statutory requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that this Resolution and the Referendum shall be filed with the Winnebago County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the election. The question will appear on the ballot of the November 6, 2018, general election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the Winnebago County Corporation Counsel and the Winnebago County Executive in accordance with statutory requirements.

Submitted by:

AARON WOJCIECHOWSKI, District 16

MICHAEL NORTON, District 20

ANDY BUCK, District 24

TOM SNIDER, District 35

STEVE LENZ, District 7

JULIE GORDON, District 17

Motion by Supervisor Wojciechowski and seconded by Supervisor Norton to adopt.

Motion by Supervisor Wise and seconded by Supervisor Gabert to refer to the Legislative Committee and the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee. Vote on motion to refer to Committees: AYES: 13 – Konetzke, Brunn, Eisen, Albrecht, Gabert, Schorse, Wingren, Robl, Singstock, Wise, Rasmussen, Keller and Snider; NAYES: 22; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Wallin. LOST.

Motion by Supervisor Eisen and seconded by Supervisor Gabert to postpone until the July 17, 2018 meeting. : AYES: 18; NAYES: 16 – Borchart, Defferding, Lenz, Smith, Hogan, Binder, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Buck, Powers, Finch, Farrey and Snider; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 2 – Wallin and Robl. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adjourn until the July 17, 2018 meeting at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 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 June 19, 2018.

Julie A. Barthels  
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk