

**REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

1. Chairman Chiarelli Called to Order the Regular Adjourned Meeting of the Winnebago County Board for Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pastor Sonji Collins from the House of God Church gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Agenda Announcements: None
4. Roll Call: 18 Present. 2 Absent. (Board Members Arena, Booker, Crosby, Fellars, Goral, Guevara, Hanserd, Hoffman, Lindmark, McCarthy, McDonald, Nabors, Salgado, Scrol, Sweeney, Tassoni, Thompson and Webster. (Board Members Butitta and Penney were absent.)

Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to allow remote access. Board Member Thompson made a motion to allow remote access for Board Member Penney, seconded by Board Member Nabors. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Members Butitta and Penney were absent.)

Board Member Penney joined remotely at 6:03 p.m.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, and PROCLAMATIONS

5. Awards - None

Presentations- None

Public Hearings - None

Public Participation – John Tac Brantley, Renewal Turning Point Program, Community Concern, Pro

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6. Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to approve the Minutes. Board Member Thompson made a motion to approve County Board Minutes of August 22, 2024 and layover County Board Minutes of September 5, 2024, seconded by Board Member Lindmark. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for September 26, 2024. Board Member Thompson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Raffle Report and Auditor's Report, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

APPOINTMENTS

8. **Appointments (Per County Board rules, Board Chairman Appointments shall lay over until the second board meeting after they are first introduced)**

Board Member made Penney made a motion to suspend the rules on Agenda Item B. 1. (as listed below), seconded by Board Member Sweeney. Motion to suspend was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.) Board Member Scrol made a motion to approve the New Appointment, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

Chairman Chiarelli held out Agenda Item B.2. (as listed below).

A. New Milford Fire Protection District

1. Walter Anderson (New Appointment), Rockford, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a 3-year term vacated by Robert Sickler expiring May 2027

B. Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board, Annual Compensation: None

1. Amanda Penney (New Appointment), Rockford, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a four-year term (Linda Sandquist) expiring January 2027
2. Terri Hitzke (New Appointment), Loves Park, Illinois, to serve the remainder of the four-term (Mohammad Yunus) expiring January 2028

C. Winnebago County Health Department, Annual Compensation: None

1. Penelope M. Lechtenberg (New Appointment), Rockford, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a three-year term (Louise (Luci) Hoover) expiring October 2025
2. Lori Thompson (New Appointment), Loves Park, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a three-year term (Patricia Lewis) expiring October 2027

D. New Milford Fire Protection District, Annual: Not to exceed \$1,000

1. Walter Anderson (New Appointment), Rockford, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a three-year term (Robert Sickler) expiring May 2027

E. RAVE-Rockford Area Venues and Entertainment Authority, Annual Compensation: None

1. Megan McCoy (Reappointment), Rockford, Illinois, to serve a five-year term expiring June 2029

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

9. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Pending Litigation (Peyton Pitter v. Winnebago County, et al.), seconded by Board Member Hoffman. Discussion by Board Member Salgado. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

ZONING COMMITTEE

10. Board Member Webster spoke an upcoming email regarding of the number of chickens allowed in zoning districts.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

11. Board Member Sweeney made a motion to approve a Resolution Approving Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) from Host Fees to the Rockford Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB) to Support the 2024 Stroll on State Event, seconded by Board Member McCarthy. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
12. Board Member Sweeney made a motion to approve a Resolution Granting Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) from Host Fees to the Winnebago County Rail Authority (WCRA) for Professional Services to Support the Revitalization of the WCRA and Regional Economic Growth, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Discussion by Board Members Sweeney and Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

13. Board Member McDonald made a motion to approve a Resolution Establishing the Date, Time, and Location of Each Meeting of the Winnebago County Board, seconded by Board Member Hoffman. Motion was approved by unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
14. Board Member McDonald made a motion to approve a Resolution Awarding Purchase of Winnebago County Animal Services Transit Van Using CIP 2024 Funds, seconded by Board Member Booker. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

15. No Report.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

16. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Chairman of the County Board to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the North Park Fire Protection District for Fire and EMS Dispatch Services, seconded by Board Member McDonald. Discussion by Board Members Scrol, Fellars, Arena, and Sweeney. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 11 yes and 8 no votes. (Board Member Fellars, Goral, Hanserd, Hoffman, Nabors, Salgado, Scrol, and Tassoni voted no.) (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
17. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Chairman of the County Board to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Northwest Fire Protection District for Fire and EMS Dispatch Services, seconded by Board Member McDonald. Discussion by Board Members Booker, Fellars, Hanserd, McDonald, and Webster. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 11 yes and 8 no votes. (Board Member Fellars, Goral, Hanserd, Hoffman, Nabors, Salgado, Scrol, and Tassoni voted no.) (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
18. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Agreement with Lexipol, LLC d/b/a LEFTA Systems (“LEFTA Systems”) for Office of Professional Standards Software, seconded by Board Member Thompson. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
19. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Winnebago County Chairman to Execute an Agreement with Roup, LLC to conduct Online Auctions for Winnebago County Sheriff’s Office Court-Ordered Foreclosure Sales, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
20. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Accepting BJA FY24 Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding and Authorizing the Agreement between the County of Winnebago, Illinois, and the U.S Department of Justice, seconded by Board Member McDonald. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
21. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Independent Contractor Agreement for Services with Tommy Meeks as a Winnebago County Liaison, seconded by Board Member McCarthy. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)
22. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Agreement Between the County of Winnebago, Illinois, the 17th Judicial Circuit Court and Remedies Renewing Lives, Inc., seconded by Board Member Hoffman. Discussion by Board Member Arena. Motion failed by a roll call vote of 10 no and 9 yes votes. (Board Members Arena, Booker, Guevara, Lindmark, McCarthy, McDonald, Penney, Sweeney, Thompson, and Webster voted no.) (Board Member Butitta was absent.) Board member Arena made a motion to reconsider the Resolution, seconded by Board Member Sweeney. Motion to reconsider was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.) Board Member Arena made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Board Member

Fellars. Discussion by Board Members Sweeney, Lindmark, and Nabors. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

23. Board Member Lindmark made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Agreement Between the County of Winnebago, Illinois, and Rosecrance, Inc. for Court-Ordered Assessments Program, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Discussion by Director of the Chairman's Office of Criminal Justice Initiatives Dokken and Board Members Salgado, Nabors, Goral, Arena, Guevara, and Hanserd. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

LEGISLATIVE AND LOBBYING COMMITTEE

24. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Winnebago County Board Chairman to Execute Amendment No. 1 to a Consulting Services Agreement by and between Highstake 35 LLC d/b/a Mercury Public Affairs and the County of Winnebago, Illinois for Federal Lobbyist/Consulting Service, seconded by Board Member Guevara. Discussion by Board Member Salgado and Goral. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25. **Appointments read in on August 22, 2024**

Board Member Webster made a motion to approve the Appointment (as listed below), seconded by Board Member McCarthy. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

A. Otter Creek Lake Utility District, Annual Compensation: None

1. Jeff Wishop (New Appointment), Rockton, Illinois, to serve the remainder of a 5-year term vacated by J. Ronald Waldschmidt expiring May 2027

Finance Committee

- A. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve an Annual Appropriation Ordinance Fiscal Year 2025 Laid Over from September 5, 2024 Meeting, seconded by Board Member Goral. Discussion by Chief Financial Officer Schultz and Board Member Salgado. Motion was approved by a roll call sheet of 16 yes and 3 no votes. (Board Members Fellars, Guevara, and McDonald voted no.) (Board Member Butitta was absent.)

NEW BUSINESS

26. **(Per County Board rules, passage will require a suspension of Board rules).**

Board Member Fellars spoke of an incident at Auburn High School and thanked all involved in finding the underlying issues that led to the incident.

Board Member Penney announced an upcoming motorcycle event on October 19th.

Board Member Hanserd thanked Shawn Franks for installing a handicap parking space in front of the County Administration Building and the Sheriff's Department for providing officers for a fund raiser event.

Board Member Fellers thanked the Sheriff's Department for proving security at the round-about while landscaping the circle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATION

27. County Clerk Gummow gave an update on the upcoming Election.

County Clerk Gummow submitted the Items Listed Below as Correspondence which were "Placed on File" by Chairman Chiarelli:

- A. County Clerk Gummow submitted from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission the following:
 - a. Federal Register/Vol. 89, No. 170/Tuesday, September 3, 2024/Notices
 - b. Updated Inspection Plan and Assessment Follow-Up Letter for Byron Station, Units 1 and 2 (Report 05000455/2024005 and 05000454/2024005)
 - c. Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, and Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 -Audit Plan Support of Review of License Amendment Request Regarding Deletion of Technical Specification 5.6.b.5 (EPID L-2024-LLA-0055)
 - d. Byron Station, Units 1 and 2 – Notification of an NRC Biennial Licensed Operator Requalification Program Inspection and Request for Information
- B. County Clerk Gummow submitted a Monthly Report from the Winnebago County Clerk and Winnebago County Recorder's Office for August, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

28. Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to adjourn. County Board Member Webster moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Board Member Thompson. Motion was approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Gummow
County Clerk
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