

RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD

February 12, 2020

The Rules and Resolutions Committee and Ethics Board met on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room, located on the third floor of the Courthouse, 181 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Committee members present included: David Turk, Donald Seep, Ed Pulvermacher, Chad Cosgrove and Jayme Walsh.

Others present included: Victor Vlasak, County Clerk; Jeanetta Kirkpatrick, County Board Chair; Julie Keller, County Treasurer; Sue Triggs, Register of Deeds; Ben Southwick, Corporation Counsel; Tom Rislow, Pine Valley Administrator; and Cathy Cooper, County Conservationist.

Committee Chair Turk called the meeting to order.

The Clerk verified that the meeting was properly noticed. Copies of the agenda were emailed to all Rules and Resolutions Committee members; a copy was posted on the Courthouse Bulletin Board and County web site; a copy was faxed to The Richland Observer; and a copy was emailed to Fruit Broadcasting, LLC.

Motion by Cosgrove, second by Pulvermacher for approval of the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Pulvermacher, second by Walsh for approval of the printed copies of the minutes for the December 11, 2019, meeting of the Rules and Resolutions Committee and Ethics Board. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Structure – Possible changes to the Committee Structure were discussed to bring it into line with the authority of the County Administrator. It was noted that some Committees, such as the Land Conservation Committee, have statutory duties. Changes will be made as the County Administrator becomes more familiar with County operations.

Code of Ethics – The County Administrator will be involved in discussions regarding any changes to the Code of Ethics.

Board Rules – Grants and Initiatives – The Rule states that no department of County Government may undertake a program initiative, or contract with, or apply and accept a grant with, the State of Wisconsin or with the Federal Government or with any other entity, without approval by the County Board. Motion by Walsh, second by Seep to amend the Rules to state that the County Administrator must grant the approval. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Cosgrove, second by Pulvermacher to adjourn to Wednesday, March 11th at 9:30 a.m. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk