

MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: February 3, 2023
 TIME: 9:00 a.m.
 PLACE: Room 105, Wood County Courthouse
 TIME ADJOURNED: 9:22 a.m.
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Bill Clendenning, Bill Leichtnam,
 Ed Wagner, William Voight
 MEMBERS EXCUSED: Joseph Zurfluh
 OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz. See attached list.

1. At 9:00 a.m., the meeting was called to order.
2. Public comments. Steve Abrahamson spoke about there being an old boys club between judges, attorneys, and law enforcement. He wants this investigated and for policies and procedures to be developed to prevent it from happening.
3. The minutes for the January 6, 2023, meeting were reviewed. **Moved by Wagner, seconded by Voight, to approve the minutes. All ayes.**
4. The Committee reviewed the claim of Jerry & Janet Meddaugh. This claim will be provided to the county board.
5. There were no new animal claims against the County. County Clerk Trent Miner advised that the dog license fund ended 2022 slightly in the red but the Finance Department did not see a need for action.
6. The Committee reviewed monthly voucher and department reports of the departments it oversees. **Moved by Leichtnam, seconded by Voight, to approve the reports and payment of department vouchers. All ayes.**
7. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues.
 - a. Citizens Groundwater Group. Supervisor Leichtnam reported that the Groundwater Group met on January 6, 2023, and Representative Scott Krug presented on groundwater protection legislation and help that is available to citizens with groundwater problems.
 - b. Winnebago County resolution on U.S. land ownership by foreign entities. No action taken.
8. Formation of a Nepco Lake District. Supervisor Leichtnam spoke on the proposal to create a Nepco Lake District. Both the Village of Port Edwards and the Town of Saratoga have approved resolutions to create this entity. No action taken.

9. Criminal Justice Department Budget Resolution. Supervisor Wagner spoke in favor of the Criminal Justice Coordinator budget resolution. **Moved by Voight, seconded by Wagner, to approve the resolution. All ayes.**
10. County Board rules. No requests for action.
11. Attendance at meetings. Supervisor Wagner explained there is a slot open for legislative days.
12. Agenda items for the March 2023 meeting:
 - Nothing specified at this time.
13. The next committee meeting will be March 3, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
14. Meeting adjourned without objection by the Chairperson at 9:22 a.m.

Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz and are in draft format until approved at the next meeting.

Judicial & Legislative Committee Meeting

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NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	REPRESENTING
Jeff Penkaers	WCB#11
Steve Abrahamson Jalle Hahn	Wood County Citizens WCB
Ed Neuten	Finance
Kim Stimac	Clerk of Courts
Tiffany Ringer	ROD
Lance Purnell	WCB
Bryan Peterson	WOSO
Brent Verwilt	CSA
C. LAMBERT	D.A.
AV attendees	
Trent Miner	County Clerk
Mary Anderson	Register in Probate
Caitlin Saylor	Criminal Justice Coord.