

**LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ANNUAL RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD – APRIL 16, 2024**

These Board proceedings are posted as prescribed by Section 59.14(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes at County Government expense.

The Langlade County Board of Supervisors met in the County Board Room, Safety Building. Temporary Chair Robin Stowe called the April 16, 2024 Meeting of the County Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

Oath of Office and Certificate of Election: Clerk Nagel read the Oath of Office for each of the 19 Supervisors present. The Supervisors signed their Oath of Office and returned them to the Clerk. Oath of Office is on file in the County Clerk's Office. Each Supervisor was given their Certificate of Election.

Roll Call:

- District No. 1 –
City of Antigo – 1st Ward Benjamin Baumgartner
- District No. 2 –
City of Antigo – 2nd Ward..... Roy Dieck
- District No. 3 –
City of Antigo – 3rd Ward Chet Haatvedt
- District No. 4 –
City of Antigo – 4th Ward Todd Mayr
- District No. 5 –
City of Antigo – 5th WardCarol Bardo
- District No. 6 –
City of Antigo – 6th WardJoel Wagner
- District No. 7 –
City of Antigo – 7th WardChris Below
- District No. 8 –
City of Antigo – 8th Ward Reinhardt Balcerzak
- District No. 9 –
City of Antigo – 9th WardTeresa Poltrock
- District No. 10 –
Town of Antigo Ward 2 and Town of Rolling Ward 1Zach Zagar
- District No. 11 –
Town of Rolling Ward 2 Andrew Bauknecht
- District No. 12 –
Town of Norwood Justin Sorano
- District No. 13 –
Town of Antigo – Ward 1 and Town of Polar Ward 2 Bruce McDougal
- District No. 14 –
Towns of Ackley, Parrish, Summit, Vilas, and Town of Peck Ward 2Rick Bina
- District No. 15 –
Town of Elcho Ward 1 and Town of Upham Ward 2..... Warren Wagner
- District No. 16 –
Town of Ainsworth, Town of Elcho Ward 2, and Town of Langlade Ward 2 and
Town of Price Ward 2..... Roger Buck
- District No. 17 –
Town of Langlade Ward 1, and Town of Wolf River Ward 2 Ben Pierce
- District No. 18 –
Town of Evergreen, Town of Wolf River Ward 1 & Village of White Lake Jeff Wickersheim
- District No. 19 –
Town of Polar Ward 1 John Medo
- District No. 20 –

Town of Neva and Town of Price Ward 1.....Doug Curler
District No. 21 –
Town of Peck Ward 1 and Town of Upham Ward 1..... Steve Maier

Roll Call: All Supervisors were present, except Supervisors Zagar and Bauknecht were absent. Motion by Supervisor Pierce, second by Supervisor Medo to excuse Supervisors Zagar and Bauknecht. All ayes, motion carried. 19 present and 2 absent.

Appoint a Temporary Chairman: Motion by Supervisor Pierce, second by Supervisor Balcerzak to appoint Corporation Counsel Stowe as Temporary Chairman. All ayes, motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence was observed.

Distribution of the Tablets to the Supervisors – IT Department Thomas Eldredge, IT Director: IT Director Eldredge distributed the Tablets to the four new Supervisors. The Electronic Communication Policy was signed and returned to the Clerk. Eldredge reminded the Board on email safety, providing the Board members the contact information to the IT Department.

Review Procedural Options for the Reorganization meeting and Adopt Temporary Board Rules until the Rules of the Board (2024-2026 term) are finalized and adopted by the Board: Motion by Supervisor Balcerzak, second by Supervisor McDougal to temporarily use the 2022-2024 Board Rules until the 2024-2026 Board Rules are finalized and adopted. All ayes, motion carried.

Approve or Amend the Agenda: Motion by Supervisor Haatvedt, second by Supervisor J. Wagner to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Approve or Amend the Minutes of the March 25, 2024 meeting as printed: Motion by Supervisor W. Wagner, second by Supervisor Mayr. All ayes, motion carried.

Recognition of County Employees: Milestones: no milestones. Retirements/Resignations: Luke Williams, Forester, 11 years; James Zimmerman, Corrections, 1 year; and Jasmin Ingersoll, GIS Tech, 5 months. New Hires: Jamie Brandlin, Dispatcher, Transfer; Takiya Husnick, Dispatcher; Tamara Mengel, Dep. Register in Probate, Clerk of Court/Register in Probate Office.

Public requests for items to be added to future meeting Agendas: No public requests.

Citizens and Delegations: Temporary Chairman Stowe welcomed those in attendance for this meeting.

Review Procedural Options for Elections: Temporary Chairman Stowe reminded the Board of voting options: secret ballot process, ballots need not be signed and instructing the Clerk to destroy the ballots; election by majority vote of the Board; nominations may be seconded but a second is not required; more than two candidates, vote taken, no majority winner, lowest candidate withdraws.

Elections:

Chairman of the Board: Supervisor McDougal nominates Supervisor Pierce, Supervisor Maier second. Temporary Chairman Stowe called three times for any other nominations. Roll Call vote: All ayes, except Supervisor Curler, nay. 18 ayes, 1 nay, and 2 absent Supervisor Pierce will be Chairman of the Board.

Chairman Pierce assumed the Chairmanship.

Vice-Chairman: Supervisor Medo nominates Supervisor Maier, Supervisor J. Wagner second. Chairman Pierce calls three times for nominations. Roll Call vote: All ayes. 19 ayes, 2 absent. Supervisor Maier is the County Board Vice-Chairman.

Second Vice-Chairman: Supervisors Bardo and McDougal declined nominations. Supervisor McDougal nominates Supervisor Medo, second by Supervisor J. Wagner. Chairman Pierce calls three times for nominations. Roll Call vote: All ayes. 19 ayes, 2 absent. Supervisor Medo is the County Board's Second Vice-Chairman.

Highway Committee Elections:

Highway Committee Chairman: Supervisor Buck nominates Supervisor W. Wagner, second by Supervisor Balcerzak. Supervisor Maier nominates Supervisor Pierce, Supervisor McDougal second. Chairman Pierce called three times for nominations. Paper ballots were distributed, voted, signed, and collected. The Treasurer's Office tallied the votes. Supervisor W. Wagner: 7 votes. Supervisor Pierce: 12 votes. Supervisor Pierce is the Highway Committee Chairman.

Vice-Chairman of the Highway Committee: Supervisor Pierce nominates Supervisor Mayr, Supervisor Medo second. Supervisor Buck nominates Supervisor W. Wagner. Chairman Pierce called three times for nominations. Paper ballots were distributed, voted, signed, and collected. The Treasurer's Office tallied the votes. Supervisor Mayr: 11 votes. Supervisor W. Wagner 8 votes. Supervisor Mayr is the Highway Committee Vice-Chairman.

Secretary of the Highway Committee: Supervisor W. Wagner nominates Supervisor Buck. Supervisor McDougal nominates Supervisor Maier. Chairman Pierce called three times for nominations. Paper ballots were distributed, voted, signed, and collected. The Treasurer's Office tallied the votes. Supervisor Buck: 10. Supervisor Maier: 9. Supervisor Buck will be Secretary of the Highway Committee.

Two additional members for the Highway Committee:

4th Member of the Highway Committee: Supervisor McDougal nominates Supervisor Maier. Supervisor Balcerzak nominates Supervisor Medo. Chairman Pierce called three times for nominations. Paper ballots were distributed, voted, signed, and collected. The Treasurer's Office tallied the votes. Supervisor Maier: 9. Supervisor Medo: 10. Supervisor Medo will be the 4th Member of the Highway Committee.

5th Member of the Highway Committee: Supervisor Buck nominates Supervisor W. Wagner. Supervisor McDougal nominates Supervisor Maier. Chairman Pierce called three times for nominations. Paper ballots were distributed, voted, signed, and collected. The Treasurer's Office tallied the votes. Supervisor W. Wagner: 8. Supervisor Maier: 11. Supervisor Maier will be the 5th Member of the Highway Committee.

Old Business: Committee Assignments will be forthcoming.

New Business: Review the process of revising and adopting Board Rules: Supervisor Curler discussed County Board Rule 4.2, changing an "or" to "and", approved in the 2022 rules. No action was taken. Supervisor Haatvedt motions to delay and postpone to a future County Board Meeting, even June, the review, revising, and adoption of the Board Rules, Supervisor Pierce second. Voice vote: All ayes, motion carried. Chairman Pierce will put on the May 20, 2024, County Board Agenda the Revising and Adopting the Board Rules.

Consent Agenda: Letters: Clerk Nagel read a letter dated April 11, 2024, from District Attorney Kelly Hays regarding the Open Meeting Law and Amendments to the Agenda. Clerk Nagel also reminded the Board of the letter they received from the Wisconsin Counties Association regarding the 2024 WCA District Meetings.

Review process to "lock in" Board Rules such as former Rule 18.1: "These Rules of the Langlade County Board may not be rescinded, changed or suspended, except by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the members present.": Corporation Counsel Stowe discussed the Board Rules, locking in 18.1. No action was taken.

Committee Referrals: Referral of any matters to committees having proper jurisdiction with no discussion or action taken on the referral: Supervisor Haatvedt refers to the Administrative Committee for the discussion of official postings of Agendas and Minutes. Supervisor McDougal refers to the Highway Committee for the discussion of brushing along County and Town Roads and cleaning up the debris left after brushing. Supervisor J. Wagner refers to Public Property the inspection of County Buildings, checking structurally on each County-owned building.

County Administrator's Report: County Administrator Hilger reviewed his report with the Board, which report was emailed to the Supervisors on April 15, 2024. The report is available from the County Administrator.

Any other business that may lawfully come before the Board: Next County Board meeting is May 20, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the County Board Room.

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Haatvedt to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. No second, no vote. Corporation Counsel Stowe reminded the Board that Standing Rules and Parliamentary Procedure require a vote to adjourn a meeting. The County Board Chairman did not adjourn the meeting. Motion by Supervisor Maier, second by Supervisor

Baumgartner to excuse Supervisor Haatvedt at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call vote: Supervisors Baumgartner, Dieck, Poltrock, Buck and Curler ayes. Supervisors Mayr, Bardo, J. Wagner, Below, Balcerzak, Sorano, McDougal, Bina, W. Wagner, Pierce, Wickersheim, Medo, and Maier nay. 5 ayes, 13 naves, and 3 absent. Motion failed.

The Board started the review process of the County Board Rules, making only suggested changes, with no action taken.

Chairman Pierce recessed at noon. The Board had lunch in the County Board Room.

Motion by Supervisor W. Wagner, second by Supervisor McDougal to adjourn the April 16, 2024 County Board Meeting at 12:23 p.m. All ayes, motion carried. The Board is adjourned.

I, Judy Nagel, Langlade County Clerk, Antigo, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors Re-Organizational Meeting of April 16, 2024. Note: These minutes are not official until they are approved by the County Board at their next meeting. A complete copy of the minutes is available in the County Clerk's Office.

Judy Nagel
Langlade County Clerk

Dated this 19th day of April 2024.
