

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Annual Organizational Meeting * Wednesday, January 02, 2014

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Clerk Richardson.

Roll call: Present – Commissioners Robert Colvin, Leslie Housler, Robert Hilty, Mark Howie, Gideon Mitchell, Alan Devereaux, Gary Taylor, John Fuscone, and Bill Goodwill; Absent – None.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Election of Board Chairperson

The Clerk explained under 46.11, a secret ballot motion is allowed for the election of Board chair. The Clerk will call for nominations which must receive a second. Ballots will be provided to Board members with their name and date of the meeting. At least five votes are needed to become Chairperson. If that does not occur the ballots shall be sealed in an envelope and nomination will be called for again.

MOTION by Comm Housler, seconded by Comm Taylor to elect the Board Chairperson by secret ballot.

Roll call: Motion passed eight to one with Comm Howie voting against the motion.

The Clerk called for nominations:

Comm Devereaux nominated Comm Housler and it was seconded by Comm Goodwill;

Comm Fuscone nominated Comm Devereaux and it was seconded by Comm Taylor;

Comm Taylor nominated Comm Mitchell and it was seconded by Comm Howie;

Comm Howie nominated Comm Taylor and it was seconded by Comm Mitchell;

No other nominations were made and the nominations were closed. Board members received their ballots and after the clerk counted them, no one received five votes.

The Clerk opened the floor again for nominations for Chairperson:

Comm Howie nominated Comm Mitchell and it was seconded by Comm Mitchell;

Comm Devereaux nominated Comm Housler and it was seconded by Comm Goodwill;

Comm Fuscone nominated Comm Devereaux and it was seconded by
Comm Mitchell;

No other nominations were made and the nominations were closed again. Board members were provided ballots with their name and date of the meeting and after the clerk counted them, Comm Housler was elected as Chairperson.

Election of Board Vice Chairperson

Chair Housler called for nominations for Vice Chair.

Comm Howie nominated Comm Devereaux, and it was seconded by
Comm Goodwill;

Comm Colvin nominated Comm Goodwill, and it was seconded by Comm
Housler;

Nominations were closed and the vote was called for.

A roll call vote was taken and Comm Devereaux was elected seven to two
with Comm Colvin and Comm Hilty voting against the nomination.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

5. Adoption of Board and Committee policies and procedures for the calendar year – *Added*
6. Establishment of the Board and Committee meeting schedule for the calendar year – *Added*

Approval of the Agenda

**MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Fuscone to approve
the agenda, as amended.**

All in favor.

Public Comments

Shari Spoelman, District Coordinator of MSUE, provided the board with a copy of an article on Jill O'Donnell who provides information to the tree farmers in the area. Ms. O'Donnell was also recently awarded a Meritorious Service award from MSUE.

Michael MacCready of Manton addressed the Board with some of his concerns.

Susanne Slack reminded the Board of the fundraiser they are having at the K of C Hall to benefit the Animal Shelter. She encouraged Board members to attend, as well as donate.

Employee Recognition – None

Presentations and Reports - None

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the December 18, 2013, Regular Meeting Minutes
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Mitchell to approve the minutes from December 18, 2013, Regular Meeting, as presented.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Board Organization Matters
 - a. Designation of Committee Chairs
Finance and Appropriations Committee – Comm Taylor, Chair
Human Resources/Public Safety Committee – Comm Hilty, Chair
Recreation and Building Committee – Comm Devereaux, Chair
 - b. Assignment of Committee Members
Comm Fuscone, Howie, and Devereaux – Finance and Appropriations Committee;

Comm Colvin, Housler, and Goodwill – Human Resources/Public Safety Committee;

Comm Hilty, Howie and Mitchell - Recreation and Building Committee;

MOTION by Comm Devereaux, seconded by Comm Colvin to accept the decision made by the Board Chairman designating the committee chairs and committee members to the Finance and Appropriation Committee, the Human Resources and Safety Committee, and the Recreation and Building Committee, as presented.

All in favor.

The Executive Committee is made up of the Chairpersons of each Committee and the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners.

2. Liaison Appointments
Liaison appointments will be announced at the next meeting. Those interested in staying on the Boards/Committees they are on or those wanting to step back should CONTACT the Chairman.

3. Resolution 14-01, Wexford County Depository
MOTION by Comm Devereaux, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve Resolution 14-01, Wexford County Depository, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

4. Resolution 14-02, Reaffirming Policy No. E-1.0, Investment Policy
MOTION by Comm Devereaux, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve Resolution 14-02, Reaffirming Policy No. E1.0, Investment Policy, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

5. Adoption of Board and Committee policies and procedures for the calendar year – *Added*
MOTION by Comm Howie, seconded by Comm Mitchell for the adoption of the Board and Committee policies and procedures as stated under A-1.0, 7.d.

All in favor.

6. Establishment of the Board and Committee meeting schedule for the calendar year - *Added*

Board members discussed keeping the Committee meetings at 4:00 p.m. and maybe moving the Board meetings to 4:00 p.m. After further discussion it was decided to change the Board meetings to 5:00 p.m.

MOTION by Comm Colvin, seconded by Comm Howie to keep the Committee meetings at 4:00 p.m. and move the Board meetings to 5:00 p.m.

All in favor except for Comm Mitchell voting against the motion.

Administrator's Report

Adm. Hinton touched on the following:

- RFPs have been sent out as to cash flow for the Jail financing. Results should be back by 01/16/2014 and presented at the second Finance Committee meeting.
- A database will be set up in the Administrator's Office to track all applications for Standing & Special Committees and the Boards/Committee the applicants are applying for.
- Computers have been purchased in 2013 and will be installed soon.
- Adm. Hinton is looking forward to working another year with this Board.

Correspondence

Comm Colvin received a letter from Carolyn Baker to inform him that it takes 3 months for criminal lab information to be returned to the County on criminal matters. She suggested that the county look at creating a County Lab. This shall be passed on to the Human Resources Committee for further review.

Public Comments

Michael MacCready addressed the Board. He hopes the County will break ground for a new jail facility in early spring as well as solve the problem at the Wex by early spring.

Liaison Reports - None

Board Comment

Comm Devereaux is looking forward to working as a Commissioner to get the job done.

Comm Fuscone believes this Board will work together as a team.

Chairman's Comments

Comm Housler stated that as Chair of this Board he will make things work.

Adjourn

**MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Devereaux to
adjourn at 6:32 p.m.
All in favor.**

Leslie D. Housler, Chairperson

Elaine L. Richardson, County Clerk