

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING
June 6, 2011

The meeting of the Personnel Committee was called to order by Chair Joanne Guden at 3:00 PM on Monday, June 6, 2011 in the County Board Room, Green Lake County, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Joanne Guden
Maureen Schweder
Dan Priske
Gene Henke
John Zelenski

Also Present: Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk
John Selsing, Corp Counsel
Dan Borowski, Phillips Borowski
Tom Traxler, Supervisor
Sheriff Mark Podoll
Mark Putzke, Chief Deputy
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal

AGENDA

Motion/second (Priske/Maureen) to approve the amended agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RETAINING OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO RENDER ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNTY REGARDING THE POSITION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL, THE COUNTY ORDINANCE RELATING TO CORPORATION COUNSEL, THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR CORPORATION COUNSEL AND THE STRUCTURE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL POSITION IN GREEN LAKE COUNTY.

Guden made the following statement: This personnel committee meeting is being called for the purposes of considering the retention of outside counsel to render advice and recommendations to the County regarding the corporation counsel position.

The County is presently considering various proposals regarding the structure of the corporation counsel's office including creating a full time position in the courthouse. In this regard, the County needs legal advice as to its options in structuring the office of the corporation counsel including the terms and conditions of employment of the corporation counsel office.

At the present time, the County does not have independent counsel that can provide advice on the corporation counsel position. The County's current corporation counsel, John Selsing, has a conflict of interest in providing advice on matters which involve his employment with the County and the terms and conditions of that employment.

Discussion was held: Henke and Zelenski stated that Selsing has been corporation counsel for 30 years and should not be replaced. Henke stated that County Board should decide if corporation

counsel should be replaced.

Bostelmann explained that the Phillip Borowski would only advise the Committee on the corporation counsel position eliminating any conflict John Selsing would have in advising on the position that he holds..

Selsing stated that the County Mutual only gets involved in litigation and reviewing the position does not fall under litigation. This is the discussion of the corporation counsel position not litigation.

Borowski stated that he is here to render advice to the County to avoid litigation and conflict.

Motion/Second(Priske/Guden) to approve outside legal counsel as appointed by the County Mutual to advise the County related to the corporation counsel position. Roll call vote: Priske, aye, Guden, aye, Henke, no, Schweder, no; Zelenski, no. Motion failed.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future meeting date: June 23, 2011
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second(Henke/Priske) to adjourn at 3:35 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Marge Bostelmann
County Clerk