

SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

July 17, 2023

The special meeting of the Administrative Committee was called to order by Chairman Dave Abendroth at 4:30 PM on Monday, July 17, 2023 in person and via remote access at the Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Dave Abendroth
Ken Bates
Brian Floeter
Dennis Mulder

Absent: Gene Thom

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; County Administrator Cate Wylie; Corporation Counsel Jeff Mann

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TRADEMARK OF GREEN LAKE COUNTY SEAL

County Administrator Cate Wylie provided information on filing the necessary forms to trademark the Green Lake County logo. This has been recommended to prevent infringement of the use the county's logo by other organizations. The cost would be a \$15.00 filing fee for a 10 year term. Corporation Counsel Jeff Mann stated that filing with the state only is fine – there is no need to file for a federal trademark. *Motion/second (Mulder/Floeter)* to move forward with the trademark process. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLISHING OF MINUTES IN THE NEWSPAPER

County Administrator Cate Wylie explained the operational decision to publish in one paper within the county at a cost savings to the county. County Clerk Liz Otto provided input regarding current charges to publish. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Mulder/Floeter)* to suspend the rules and allow input from Berlin Journal editor Scott Mundro. Motion carried with no negative vote. Mundro answered questions from committee members. Wylie will work with Mundro going forward to negotiate pricing. General consensus from the committee is to publish minutes as before for the remainder of 2023 and review during the 2024 budget process.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CLARITY OF PARTNERSHIP WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC)

County Administrator Cate Wylie and Corporation Counsel Jeff Mann reviewed the current EDC bylaws. Wylie stressed the need to clarify the county's participation in the organization.

RESOLUTION

- **Resolution Regarding State of Wisconsin Innovation Grant for County Collaborations**

County Administrator Cate Wylie stated that Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) is promoting collaboration between counties and provide services in the future. This resolution is the first step in those efforts.

Motion/second (Floeter/Mulder) to approve and forward to County Board for final approval. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Future Meeting Dates: TBD**
- **Future agenda items for action & discussion:**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Abendroth adjourned the meeting at 5:13 PM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
County Clerk