MINUTES

Legislative Committee July 18, 2017

Present: Boyd Frederick, Dayvin Hallmon, Andy Berg, John Franco, John Poole, Michael Skalitzky, Erin Decker YIG: Isabella Ricker, Aubriana Maedke

6:00PM

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Boyd Frederick in the 2nd floor committee room at the Administration Building. Emily Bruno did roll call.

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2. Citizen Comments:

Jodi Muerhoff; 121 68th Pl., Kenosha stated that she is in favor of the redistricting resolution. Voting maps in WI should be drawn fairly so everybody's votes count. This lawsuit is a use of taxpayer money that she does not agree with. 19 other counties have passed similar resolutions.

Sarena Miller: 6328 95th Ave., Kenosha stated that she thinks that voting is extremely important. Doesn't think that we should be dealing with a system that disadvantages other voters.

Pat Klein: 616 79th St., Kenosha stated that she has been following redistricting information and is tired of Republicans and State Legislature writing blank checks to law firms in orders to carry this to the Supreme Court. Just have the districts be where they are so they are drawn fairly.

Esther Roberts-Ancahas; 923 Wood Rd., Kenosha stated that she is in favor of the redistricting resolution and that she agrees with the previous citizen comments.

Robert Chmiel; 4808 25th Ave. Apt. 1, Kenosha stated that he is in favor of the redistricting resolution.

Terrance Warthen; 7832 14th Ave., Kenosha stated that the last time this came up, one of the comments was that this is irrelevant because the County Board has no authority to change or fix the problem. He thinks that the Federal and State governments are not doing anything so it will fall on the local officials to be our voice in government. It's about representing the citizens and being our voice.

Karen Kempinen; 2223 23rd Ave., Kenosha spoke about Election day and the right of voting. She hopes that the County Board would support the resolution to maintain democracy.

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3. <u>Chairperson Comments:</u> Chairperson Frederick stated that Governor Walker is coming to talk about flooding on Thursday, July 20th at 2:00 p.m. at the County Center. He handed out articles on Senator Fitzgerald's press conference on the budget. The articles will be emailed to the Supervisors.

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4. <u>Supervisor Comments:</u> Supervisor Franco introduced the new Youth In Governance members, Isabella Ricker and Aubriana Maedke.

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5. Communications: None

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6. <u>Approval of May 16, 2017 minutes:</u> Supervisor Hallmon made a motion to approve. Seconded by Supervisor Franco. All aye. Motion carried.

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7. <u>Possible Discussion with State Legislator-</u> Chairperson Frederick stated that it was difficult to schedule a Legislator so there will be no discussion tonight.

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8. Resolution calling on the Wisconsin Legislators to Protect Homeowners from "Dark Store" Assessing Practices: Chairperson Frederick stated that Supervisors Gillmore and Wamboldt submitted this resolution and neither of them are in attendance. Supervisor Hallmon stated that this resolution was time sensitive. Supervisor Hallmon made a motion approve. Seconded by Supervisor Decker. YIG: all aye. Supervisors: all aye. Motion carried.

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9. Resolution Supporting the Ruling Invalidating State Legislative maps and Ordering New Ones: Blough reintroduced the resolution. Supervisor Poole made a motion to table. Seconded by Supervisor Skalitzky. Discussion on tabling. Roll call vote to table resolution: YIG: no. Aye: Supervisors Decker, Poole, Skalitzky; No: Supervisors Frederick, Hallmon, Berg and Franco. Aye: 3; Nay: 4. Motion failed. Discussion continues. Supervisor Decker questioned points in the resolution. Supervisor Hallmon makes a motion to amend the first "Be it Further Resolved" and proposes to strike "and that it prohibit the consideration of voting patterns, party information and incumbents' resident information or demographic information." Seconded by Supervisor Franco. Discussion on the amendment. Supervisor Franco retracts his second. Amendment motion dies due to lack of second. Discussion on original resolution. Supervisor Franco makes a motion to call a roll call vote. YIG: aye. Aye: Supervisors Hallmon, Berg, Franco, Frederick; No: Supervisors Decker, Poole, Skalitzky. Aye: 4; Nay: 3. Discussion ends. Chairperson Frederick brings the original resolution to a vote. YIG: aye. Aye: Supervisors Hallmon, Berg, Franco, Frederick; No: Supervisors Decker, Poole, Skalitzky. Aye: 4; Nay: 3. Motion carried.

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10. Other matters: None

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11. <u>Adjourn:</u> Supervisor Decker made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Poole. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Bruno
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