

**PETER L. HANSEN COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS
AT IVES GROVE OFFICE COMPLEX
14200 WASHINGTON AVENUE, STURTEVANT 53177
September 26, 2023**

The meeting of the Government Services Committee was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Chairman Melissa Kaprelian.

Meeting attended by: Supervisors Trottier, Rutkowski, Kelly, and Demske. Youth in Governance representative Reddy. Supervisors Harmon and Wishau attended virtually. Also attending were Amy Vanderhoef, Clerk of Circuit Court, Lt. Luell from the Sheriff's office and Maria Gaytan-Martinez from the UW-Extension office.

Excused: YIG Representative Turek.

Absent: None.

#1 – Public Comments

None.

#2 – Chairman Comments

None.

#3 – Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)

Action: To approve the minutes from the August 22, 2023, Government Services Committee meeting, as printed. **Motion passed.**

Moved: Supervisor Kelly. Seconded: Supervisor Demske. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth vote: Aye.

#4A – Questions from committee related to presentation at prior meeting by Sheriff's Office

Committee members asked about illegal drugs and the effect on the community. Lt. Luell responded to the questions and noted that the judges collaborate well with different phases of the initiative to reduce violent crimes. The committee members also expressed support for the first responders that deal with these situations on a regular basis and thanked the Lieutenant for the information.

#5A – The Youth in Governance Report for Group 9

Ms. Gaytan-Martinez updated the committee about the evaluations from the new youth representatives who attended the bus tour, as well as an idea they had for a possible group service project. A proposed timeline was being developed for the next group that would be installed in 2024. The balance of the Youth in Governance report would be taken up at the next meeting in October.

#5B – Ordinance No. 2023-xx By Government Services Committee Amending the Racine County Code of Ordinances – Chapter 16, Article III, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 16-46. – Closing Hours. Possible action: Request 1st Reading at the September 26, 2023 County Board meeting

Discussion was held that this ordinance change would apply to the Clerk of Courts office.

Action: To approve Ordinance No. 2023-39 by Government Services Committee Amending the Racine County Code of Ordinances – Chapter 16, Article III, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 16-46. - Closing Hours and forward it to the County Board for 1st Reading at the September 26, 2023 meeting. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Demske. Seconded: Supervisor Kelly. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth vote: Aye.

#5C - Discussion regarding Wisconsin Assembly Bill 277 related to revenue transfer fees

This item would be taken up at the next meeting in October.

#5D - Discussion reviewing the date and time for the Government Services Committee meetings

Chairman Kaprelian polled the committee members regarding the timing for meetings. Further information would be shared in the future regarding a more fixed schedule.

#6A – Resolution No. 27-23 Supporting a Restitution Court for Polk County

#6B – Resolution request the State of Wisconsin Review and Revise the Compensation Rate for State Public Defenders and Require the State of Wisconsin to Reimburse Winnebago County the Hourly Rate that has been appropriated by Wisconsin to Provide Required Counsel Coverage in Criminal Cases from Winnebago County

Action: To receive and file. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Trottier. Seconded: Supervisor Kelly. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth vote: Aye.

#7 - Adjournment

Action: Adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m. **Motion Passed.** Moved: Supervisor Demske. Seconded: Supervisor Trottier. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.