

Minutes of the January 21st meeting of the Sawyer County
Board of Supervisors
Large Courtroom; Sawyer County Courthouse/Virtual



Voting Committee

Members Present (X)	District	Wards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dale Schleeter	01	T Lenroot W-1, T Hayward W-7, C Hayward W-5 & 6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jesse Boettcher	02	T Lenroot W-2, T Round Lake W-1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tweed Shuman	03	T Hayward W-1 & 2
<input type="checkbox"/> vacant	04	T Hayward W-1 & 3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> James H. Schlender, Jr.	05	T Hayward W-5 & 6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marc D. Helwig - Virtual	06	C Hayward W-1 & 2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thomas W. Duffy	07	C Hayward W-3 & 4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Paulsen - Virtual	08	T Bass Lake W-1 & 2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian Bisonette	09	T Bass Lake W-3 & 4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chuck Van Etten	10	T Sand Lake, T Edgewater W-1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dale Olson - Virtual	11	T Edgewater W-2, T Bass Lake W-5, T Hayward W-8, T Meteor, T Couderay, V Couderay
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dawn Petit - Virtual	12	T Spider Lake, T Round Lake, W-2, T Winter W-1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Kinsley	13	T Hunter, T Radisson W-1, T-Ojibwa W-1, V Radisson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Buckholtz	14	T Radisson W-2, T Ojibwa W-2, T Weirgor, V Exeland, T Meadowbrook
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Peters - Virtual	15	T Winter W-2, T Draper, V Winter

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance– Chair Tweed Shuman called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Roll Call taken.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met.

Recognition of Service to Sawyer County – County Board Supervisor, Troy Morgan was recognized by Mr. Schleeter, Mr. Paulsen, Sheriff Mrotek and Judge Yackel for his valuable contributions to the County Board of Supervisors. Thomas W. Duffy was recognized for his 60+ years of service in law by Judge Yackel.

Public Comments

Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2020, meeting; second by Mr. Duffy. Motion carried.

Appointments – A motion was made by Mr. Kinsley, second by Mr. Schlender to appoint Brian Bisonette to the vacant seat in District 9. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Olson, second by Mr. Buckholtz to appoint Kevin Sheptick as Farm Service Agent Representative. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz to renew the appointment of Dian Delong to the Northern Waters Library System as representative, second by Mr. Duffy. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Schleeter, second by Mr. Duffy to accept Angie Ruid as the board representative for the Sawyer County Housing Authority. Motion carried.

Covid-19 Update – Julia Lyons presented the most current county figures regarding Covid-19 and responded to questions.

Zoning Committee Chair Report – Mr. Buckholtz presented an update from the Zoning Department and thanked Jay Kozlowski and staff for their work.

Public Safety Committee Chair Report – Mr. Schlender reported the key items from the Public Safety Committee meeting, stating that 2020 was a year of high traffic fatalities with no common theme.

Public Works Committee Chair Report – Mr. Kinsley reported that the airport hanger leases are currently under review.

Land, Water, and Forest Resources Committee Chair Report – Written reports were provided. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz, second by Mr. Peters to approve the 2021 Work Plan. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz, second by Mr. Kinsley to approve the 2020-21 Annual Partnership Minutes. Motion carried.

Health and Human Services Board Chair Report – Written reports were provided. A motion was made by Mr. Kinsley, second by Mr. Buckholtz to approve Resolution 2021-55 (Resolution Supporting Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers). Motion carried.

Finance Committee Chair Report – Mr. Paulsen reported that at the Finance Committee meeting, the Committee decided to accept less on one of the Housing Authority home sales to help the property sell.

Economic Development and UW-Extension Committee Chair Report – Mr. Schlender advised that the Committee is exploring expanding the relationship with the Sawyer County Historical Society.

County Administrator's Report – A written report was provided. Mr. Hoff reported on new projects currently underway, the reviewing of our agenda/public notices and codification of County ordinances. He advised that the airport terminal will be undergoing remodeling this spring on the inside of the building.

Sawyer County Board/Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Council Joint Committee Update – Mr. Schlender advised that a meeting date will be set up soon.

Correspondence, Reports from Conferences and Meetings, Other Matters for Discussion --

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the County Board of Supervisors will be Thursday, February 18, at 6:30 pm in the Large Courtroom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk