

**LABOR RELATIONS & EMPLOYEE SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, Oneida County Courthouse**  
**June 25, 2015**

**LRES COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ted Cushing/Chairman, Carol Pederson, Sonny Paszak

**LRES COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Billy Fried, Dave Hintz (both excused)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lisa Charbarneau (Labor Relations/Employee Services); Brian Desmond (Corporation Counsel); Jenni Lueneburg (secretary)

**CALL TO ORDER AND CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Cushing called the LRES Committee to order at 12:00 p.m. in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Oneida County Courthouse. It was noted that this meeting had been properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and meets the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Paszak to approve the agenda for today's meeting. Second by Pederson. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

**UW EXTENSION AGENTS' CONTRACTS**

Cushing says it's his understanding that the deadline for the new contract will be July 1, 2015 due to the 2014/2015 contract ending. Discussion held on rumors of UW-Extension budget cuts and the county's costs of supporting the UW-Extension program. Cushing feels a letter should be sent to the UW-Extension administration and committee, asking for their contract intentions for 2015/2016. Currently the county pays 40% of staff wages and benefits. Cushing discussed his concerns with UW-Extension possibly asking for an increase of the percent that Oneida County pays for the program. Cushing feels the letter should be drawn up and sent by Corporation Counsel. Discussion held on what the letter should say and fiscal responsibility with Cushing noting that the 2014/2015 contract was never signed. The committee also discussed directions to take in the event a contract is not signed. The committee agreed that the letter should note in the event no contract is finalized by the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, the department may be closed. Corporation Counsel will send the letter to UW-Extension Regional Director Tom Schmidt and UW-Extension Committee Chairman Tom Rudolph. The letter will ask for recommendations from UW-Extension administration and committee on how to alleviate the situation and the committee is open to other options. Desmond will get the letter sent today. Motion by Pederson for Corporation Counsel to draft a letter to UW-Extension regarding the fact that we are coming up on the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline and asking what we can do about it (the contract). Second by Paszak. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

Discussion held on when the Annual Employee Appreciation Ice Cream Social will be held. The committee agreed to hold the Ice Cream Social after the August 12<sup>th</sup> LRES Committee meeting. Motion by Pederson to ask Lisa Charbarneau to hold the Ice Cream Social on August 12, 2015. Second by Cushing. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Paszak to adjourn. Second by Cushing. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

  
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Ted Cushing, Chairman

  
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Jennifer Lueneburg, Committee Secretary