



# Milwaukee County

## Meeting Minutes

### Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs and Strategic Planning

*Chairperson: Supervisor Shawn Rolland*

*Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones*

*Supervisor Anthony Staskunas*

*Supervisor Deanna Alexander*

*Supervisor Sheldon A. Wasserman*

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Wednesday, November 30, 2022

9:00 AM

Room 203-R & Microsoft Teams  
County Legislative Information Center

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#### HYBRID MEETING

This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

#### Call To Order

Roll Call at 9:03 a.m.

**Present** 4 - Coggs-Jones, Staskunas, Wasserman and Rolland

**Excused** 1 - Alexander

Supervisor Deanna Alexander was not present at the time the roll was called, but appeared virtually shortly thereafter.

Supervisors Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones, Anthony Staskunas, Deanna Alexander, and Sheldon A. Wasserman, appeared virtually for today's meeting.

## APPOINTMENTS - 2

- 1      [22-1086](#)      From the County Executive, appointing Eugene Guskowski to the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging for a term expiring December 15, 2025.

**Attachments:**      [22-1086 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)  
                                 [22-1086 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Schinika Fitch, Director of Community Relations, Office of the County Executive (virtually)

Eugene Guskowski, Appointee, appeared virtually, and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Wasserman that this Appointment be **RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Coggs-Jones, Staskunas, Alexander, Wasserman and Rolland

- 2      [22-1087](#)      From the County Executive, appointing Paula Penebaker to the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging for a term expiring December 15, 2025.

**Attachments:**      [22-1087 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)  
                                 [22-1087 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME \(received 11/16/22\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Schinika Fitch, Director of Community Relations, Office of the County Executive (virtually)

Paula Penebaker, Appointee, appeared virtually, and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Wasserman that this Appointment be **RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Coggs-Jones, Staskunas, Alexander, Wasserman and Rolland

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - 1

- 3      [22-36](#)      From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing an informational report regarding the Mental Health Emergency Center. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [22-36 DECEMBER REPORT \(received 11/10/22\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

David Muhammed, Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services (virtually)

The December 2022 Report for this Reference File, was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE - 1

- 4      [22-1082](#)      From the Office of the County Executive, providing an informational report on current COVID-19 mitigation procedures, and the actions Milwaukee County is continuing to take to ensure it keeps its workforce and the people they serve safe. **(Considered by the Committees on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning; and Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [22-1082 REPORT](#)

[22-1082 POWERPOINT \(11/30/22\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Peter LaBonte, Program Manager, Department of Human Resources, and Coordinator, Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Mitigation Workgroup

Mr. LaBonte provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "22-1082 POWERPOINT (11/30/22)."

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - 3

- 5      [22-994](#)      An informational report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing an update on achieving Racial Equity in contracting processes **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**
- Attachments:*      [22-994 REPORT](#)
- APPEARANCES:**  
David Muhammed, Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) (virtually)  
Dennis Buesing, Contracts Administrator, Management Services, DHHS (virtually)
- This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.
- 6      [22-34](#)      From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing an informational report regarding commitments in the State of Wisconsin Division of Juvenile Corrections. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**
- Attachments:*      [22-34 DECEMBER REPORT \(received 11/16/22\)](#)
- APPEARANCES:**  
David Muhammed, Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) (virtually)  
Kelly Pethke, Administrator, Children, Youth, and Family Services, DHHS (virtually)
- The December 2022 Report for this Reference File, was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.
- 7      [22-35](#)      From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing an informational report regarding the implementation of a Secured Residential Care Center for Children and Youth in Milwaukee County, under 2017 Wisconsin Act 185. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**
- Attachments:*      [22-35 DECEMBER REPORT \(received 11/09/22\)](#)
- APPEARANCES:**  
David Muhammed, Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) (virtually)  
Kelly Pethke, Administrator, Children, Youth, and Family Services, DHHS (virtually)
- The December 2022 Report for this Reference File, was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**E-COMMENTS - 1**

- 8      [22-33](#)      eComments submitted to the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs and Strategic Planning via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC). **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

\*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 22-33 at the conclusion of each meeting.

There were no appearances for Item 8.

There were no eComments submitted for the November 30, 2022, meeting.

The November 30, 2022, record of eComments, was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**Length of Meeting: 9:03 a.m. to 10:06 a.m.**

**Adjourned,**

**Kelsey A. Evans  
Committee Coordinator  
Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk  
Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning is Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before Friday, December 30, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., for the January meeting cycle.