



**COMMISSION ON AGING
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 5, 2023**

The Executive Committee members convened virtually on Monday, June 5, 2023. Members and attendees joined the virtual meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams with video and call options.

Members Present

Janice Wilberg, *Chairwoman*
Elliott Moeser, *Legislative Officer*
Terrence Moore Sr., *Secretary*

Milwaukee County Staff Present

Daniel Idzikowski, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*
Schinika Fitch, *County Executive's Office*
Vonda Nyang, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*

Members Excused

Amber Miller, *Vice-Chair*

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL

Chair Janice Wilberg called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. Agenda item II. Review and Approval of minutes skipped and moved for later in the agenda until Secretary Moore is in attendance. Secretary Moore will be late for today's meeting.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MAY 1, 2023, AND MAY 18, 2023, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES.

The minutes were approved later in the meeting once a quorum was established.

MOTION: To approve the May 1, 2023, and May 18, 2023, Executive Committee meeting minutes.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moore Moved, Moeser Second).

III. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Item: Update on Commission on Aging Vacancies, Schinika Fitch, Director of Community Relations, County Executive's Office. George Banda's appointment is being reviewed this week by the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning. If approved, his

appointment will go before the County Board for final review and approval later this month. Chair Wilberg informed the Executive Committee that Commissioner Sandra Pasch has resigned from the Commission on Aging (COA). She sent an email to the Chair stating her resignation. The Chair asked if Mr. Banda could fill the Commission's requirement for a Health Care representative serving on the Commission. Director Fitch submitted Mr. Banda appointment to fill a different requirement. Brian Peters candidacy is moving forward in the appointment process. Director Fitch requested a copy of Mr. Brian Peter's resume so his paperwork would be complete, and the appointment process could proceed. Director Idzikowski will forward his resume to Director Fitch. Also, Director Fitch asked the Chair to forward Ms. Pasch's resignation letter/email to her for the County Executive's Office records.

- B. Discussion / Action Item:** Livable Communities: Chair Wilberg informed the Executive Committee that Mary Jo Meyer requested Louise Hernandez to plan a meeting with some of the County's Directors to discuss the feasibility and possibilities of the AARP Livable Communities/Age Friendly initiative. Last week Thursday, Chair Wilberg, Vice-Chair Amber Miller, and Secretary Terrence Moore met with the Wisconsin State Director of AARP, Martha Cranley; Bill Armbruster, Senior Advisory of AARP Livable Communities; the Directors of Health and Human Services; the Parks Department, Transportation Department, and the County Strategic Planning Director all met to discuss the challenges seen in communities and how collaboration can be done. Bill Armbruster led the discussion by presenting a PowerPoint presentation on Livable/Age-Friendly Communities.

Chair Wilberg mentioned that the initiative doesn't require a lot of money or staff time, but it requires much discussion around mindset and philosophy. She believes this initiative should be housed within the County Executive's Office, with the assistance of AAA staff. Director Fitch raised a concern that if this initiative were to be housed in the County Executive's Office, it could be lost if a new County Executive is elected in the County Executive's Office. The Executive Committee agreed there is a lot to discuss and sort through before any decisions can be made.

- C. Discussion / Action Item:** New Committee and Council Members: Director Idzikowski discussed that the Senior Center Committee Chair needs to appoint members to form the committee. Mr. Idzikowski stated he had not received any resumes from Commissioner Guskowski. The Aging Director will follow up with Commissioner Guskowski to see where he is on this process. Also, the Aging Director reminded the Chair that all Commissioners must be appointed to a Committee or Council to serve. Director Idzikowski informed the Chair of the process for appointing Commissioners.

D. Action Item: To move the Executive Committee meeting to a new date and time: Chair Wilberg added a new agenda to today's agenda to discuss moving the Executive Committee's meeting date. Moving the Executive Committee's meeting date and time would allow the Commission's Committees and Councils to request agenda items to be added to the Executive Committee and the Commission on Aging's agendas in time. The Executive Committee decided to hold its meetings on the third Friday of every month from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The meetings will now be held the Friday before the COA meetings. The next Executive Committee meeting will be held **on Friday, August 18, 2023.**

MOTION: To schedule the Executive Committee meetings for the third Friday of every month from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. except for July and December.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moeser Moved, Moore Second).

E. Action Item: Setting the June 23, 2023, Commission on Aging meeting: The Executive Committee reviewed the draft agenda and made changes during the meeting to finalize the June 23, 2023, agenda. The Executive Committee discusses the possibility of Supervisor Taylor providing a report on her behalf or having her aide present for her when she's unavailable to attend the COA meetings. Aging Director Idzikowski will follow up with Supervisor Taylor.

MOTION: To accept the June 23, 2023, COA Agenda

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moeser Moved, Moore Second).

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Terrence Moore and seconded by Elliott Moeser to adjourn the meeting at 12 p.m.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 18, 2023, at 9 a.m. (virtual and audio) on Microsoft Teams and a teleconference phone.

Respectfully submitted,

Vonda Nyang,
Executive Assistant