

MINUTES

BROWN COUNTY CITIZENS DRAFTING AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING #2

BROWN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY
(2198 GLENDALE AVENUE
GREEN BAY, WI 54303)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021
5:30 PM

ROLL CALL:

David Atkins	<u>Present</u>
Robert Cook	<u>Present</u>
Randy Griswold	<u>Present</u>
Stan Kaczmarek	<u>Present</u>
Timothy Kneeland	<u>Present</u>
Christine Seidl	<u>Present</u>
Terri Trantow	<u>Present</u>

Others Present: Brown County Planning Director Cole Runge, Brown County Senior Planner Devin Yoder, and Brown County Planner Ker Vang.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson S. Kaczmarek at 5:30 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the December 17, 2020 committee meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by R. Griswold and seconded by T. Kneeland. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Census data status update.

C. Runge updated the committee on the estimated release date for the US Census data needed to develop the new Brown County supervisory district maps. He stated that staff was informed today that the data will not be available until after July 31, 2021.

A question was asked about how this delayed released date will affect the work of the committee.

C. Runge stated that it will not affect the committee's work. The committee can continue its work as scheduled, and staff will utilize the committee's guidance when the data are released and the mapping work begins.

A question was asked about the committee's responsibilities after the maps are developed and submitted to the Brown County Board of Supervisors.

C. Runge stated that he believes the committee's responsibilities will be completed after the committee submits the draft district maps and preferred map recommendation to the Brown County Board of Supervisors Chairperson.

3. Establishment and weighting of criteria for developing Brown County's supervisory district maps.

D. Yoder presented the following information from the State of Wisconsin:

- *Local Redistricting in Wisconsin* (Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau)
- *2020 Census & Redistricting: Data, Geography, and More* (UW-Madison/Extension)

During and after the presentations, D. Yoder and C. Runge answered questions from the committee members.

Following the presentations and question/answer session, the committee members identified criteria staff will utilize when developing the supervisory district maps. After the criteria were identified, the committee discussed how the criteria should be weighted.

T. Kneeland left the meeting at 7:05 p.m. T. Trantow left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Following this discussion, the remaining committee members decided they want additional time to think about the weighted criteria before they are established. The committee members stated that they would like to meet again in February to continue discussing the weighted criteria.

C. Runge asked the committee members if Thursday evenings are preferable.

S. Kaczmarek directed staff to poll the members to determine the members who are available for a meeting on February 18 or February 25.

A question was asked about allowing public input during committee meetings.

S. Kaczmarek stated he was told by the Brown County Board Chairperson that the county's corporation counsel indicated that the public is invited to observe the committee's discussions but that the public should not provide input to the committee.

4. Discussion of next steps.

Staff stated it will send the following information to the committee before the next meeting:

- The list of weighted criteria developed by the committee during the meeting.

Staff also stated it will poll the committee members to determine the members who are available for a meeting on February 18 or February 25.

5. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.