

### MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### AMENDED NOTICE OF MEETING

**COMMITTEE: ADMINISTRATION &** 

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

**Monroe County Justice Center** 

**Monroe County Board Assembly Room** 

\*South Side/Oak Street Entrance\*

1st Floor – Room #1200 112 South Court Street

Sparta, WI 54656

DATE:

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

202 SOUTH K STREET, RM 1 SPARTA, WISCONSIN 54656 PHONE 608-269-8705 FAX 608-269-8747 www.co.monroe.wi.us

\*\*PUBLIC: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, you may access this meeting remotely:

Tuesday, Mar. 9, 2021 9:00 am | 3 hours | (UTC-05:00) Central Time (US & Canada)

Meeting Number: 187 316 3394

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#### SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED

- 1 Call to Order/Roll Call
- 2. Next month's Meeting Date/Time
- 3. Minutes Approval of February 9, 2021
- 4. Veteran Services
  - a. Resolution for Proclamation Recognizing the Vietnam War and Honoring Those Who Served During the Vietnam Era - Discussion/Action
- 5. Child Support Director Report
- 6. County Board Request for Line Item Transfer - Discussion/Action
- 7. Information Technology
  - a. Notice of Budgetary Adjustment Discussion/Action
  - b. Director Report
- Personnel Director 8.
  - a. Director Report
  - b. Personnel Policy Update Resolution Authorizing Changes to the Monroe County Personnel Policy Manual for April 2021 - COVID-19 Policy - Discussion/Action
  - Personnel Policy Update Resolution Authorizing Changes to the Monroe County Personnel Policy Manual Paid Time Off (PTO) - Discussion/Action
- 8. County Administrator Report
- 9. Next Month's Agenda Items
- CLOSED SESSION per WI Statutes 19.85(1)(C), considering employment promotion compensations or performance evaluation data of any public employee which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility - to complete County Administrator's Performance Evaluation - Discussion/Action
- 11. Adjournment

Wallace Habhegger, Committee Chair Date notices mailed: March 3, 2021

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## Administration & Personnel Committee February 9, 2021

Present: Wallace Habhegger, Sharon Folcey, Mark Halverson, Mary Von Ruden, Brett Larkin

Others: Tina Osterberg, Rick Folkedahl, Ed Smudde, Hannah Olsen, Adrian Lockington, Wes Revels

WebEx: Pamela Pipkin

The meeting was called to order in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Wallace Habhegger.

- Next Month's Meeting Date/Time The next meeting is Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room.
- Minutes Approval Motion by Mary Von Ruden second by Mark Halverson to approve the January 12, 2021 minutes. Carried 5-0.
- Rick Folkedahl provided the Information Technology Director Report.
- Personnel
  - a. Request for Line Item Ed Smudde explained the 2020 line item transfer in the amount of \$120.00 for Section 125 administrative costs. Motion by Mark Halverson second by Sharon Folcey to approve line item transfer. Carried 5-0.
  - b. Request for Budget Adjustment Ed Smudde explained the 2021 budget adjustment in the amount of \$3,861.00 for HRA reimbursement expenses. Motion by Mark Halverson second by Brett Larkin to approve budget adjustment. Carried 5-0.
  - c. Resolution Authorizing Changes to the Monroe County Personnel Policy Manual, Paid Time off (PTO) Ed Smudde asked that at this time, the resolution be an informational standpoint. Committee members agreed. Ed provided and explained in detail the PTO proposal draft and survey results and answered questions. Discussion. The PTO proposal will be brought to the full board for review only. This item will be re-visited next month.
  - d. COVID Policy Ed Smudde explained that he will be meeting with the Health Director, Tiffany Giesler regarding the Covid Policy. Any future policy changes will be brought back to the committee.
  - e. Ed Smudde provided the monthly Personnel Director Report.
- Tina Osterberg provided the Monthly Administrators Report.
- Next Month's Agenda Items PTO Policy, Covid Policy.
- Wallace Habhegger adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Carried 5-0.

Shelley Bohl, Monroe County Clerk Recorder

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

# PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE VIETNAM WAR AND HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED DURING THE VIETAM ERA

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2012, National Vietnam War Veterans Day was proclaimed a national day of observation and in 2017 it was introduced as an annual day of observation; and
WHEREAS, Monroe County men and women were among the over one hundred thousand Wisconsinites who served in the Vietnam War from 1964 until 1972; and
WHEREAS, their patriotism, commitment and sacrifice, in pursuit of the preservation of the Republic of South Vietnam and the ideals of freedom of the United States of America, demand recognition; and
WHEREAS, six Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans received the Medal of Honor, and 1,239 gave their lives and 26 remain Missing in Action; and
WHEREAS, Monroe County wishes to honor those individuals who served faithfully and honorably during the Vietnam Era and wishes to recognize the sacrifices made by their families; and
WHEREAS, the Monroe County Board of Supervisors acknowledges the veterans' devotion to Monroe County as well as their service to the State of Wisconsin and salutes the sacrifices they made.
<b>NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</b> , that the Monroe County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the board and the people of the County, takes this opportunity to commend all Monroe County Vietnam Veterans for all their outstanding service and dedication; and
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Monroe County Board of Supervisors proclaims:
March 29, 2021, as: "Monroe County Vietnam Veteran's Day"
And calls upon all citizens of Monroe County to observe this day and the legacy of Monroe County Vietnam Veterans.
Offered this 24 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021 by the Administrative & Personnel Committee
Purpose: To commend Monroe County Vietnam Veterans for outstanding service and dedication to Monroe County, Wisconsin, United States of America.
Fiscal note: none.
Drafted by: Charles E. Weaver Jr., Monroe County Veterans Services Officer

Finance Vote (If required):	Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on:, 20
YesNoAbsent	YesNoAbsent
Approved as to form on	Committee Chair:
Andrew C. Kaftan, Corporation Counsel	
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	I, SHELLEY R. BOHL, Monroe County Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution # acted on by the Monroe
	County Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on
1 11	SHELLEY R. BOHL, MONROE COUNTY CLERK A raised seal certifies an official document.

### REQUEST FOR LINE ITEM TRANSFER

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# MONROE COUNTY Notice of Budgetary Adjustment

Unanticipated Revenue or Expense Increase or Decrease Not Budgeted

			March 8,	2021				
Department: Sheriff / Information Technology								
Amount:			\$414,2	66.00				
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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO THE MONROE COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL FOR APRIL 2021 – COVID-19 POLICY

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe County Board adopted Resolution No. 03-20-01, Resolution Declaring State of Emergency in Monroe County due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, Resolution 09-20-04 Adopting Covid-19 Personnel Policies, and Resolution 12-20-21 Authorizing changes to the COVID-19 Policy; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic continues and polices created under Resolution No. 03-20-01, Resolution No. 09-20-04, and Resolution 12-20-01 are set to expire on March 31, 2021, Monroe County wants to ensure personnel are given a proper policy in response to COVID-19 related events; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Administration and Personnel Committee recommends the County approve the revisions to the Monroe County Personnel's COVID-19 Response Policy as proposed by the Personnel Director as referenced by the attached document; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Monroe County Administration and Personnel Committee recommends flexibility to address changes coming from the state or federal administrations.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Monroe County Board of Supervisors, that as of April 1, 2021, they do hereby adopt the attached Personnel Policies created pursuant to Resolution No. 03-20-01, Resolution No. 09-20-04, and Resolution 12-20-21 through September 30, 2021; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that nothing within this resolution should be construed in any way which limits the constitutional and statutorily granted powers of the Judiciary, the Sheriff, the District Attorney or any other county office which is granted authority by the Constitution or Statute; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monroe County Board of Supervisors acknowledges the authority of the County Administrator and Personnel Department to adapt the Personnel Policies in accordance with evolving state and federal rules, regulations and policies and directs that any substantive changes shall be presented to the Administration and Personnel Committee and County Board for consideration for ratification as soon as is practical.

Offered by the Administration & Personnel Committee this 24th day of March 2021.

Purpose: To ratify Personnel Policies created to address the Covid-19 county operations and health, safety and welfare concerns for the county employees and residents for April 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021.

Fiscal note: No direct budget impact. Any budget impact will be addressed by a separate action or resolution.

Finance Vote (If required):	Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on:, 20
☐ ADOPTED ☐ FAILED ☐ AMENDED	STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF MONROE
OTHER	I, SHELLEY R. BOHL, Monroe County Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution #acted on by the Monroe
County Board Vote on:20	County Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on
YesNoAbsent	SHELLEY R. BOHL, MONROE COUNTY CLERK
	A raised seal certifies an official document.



# Monroe County Personnel Department

124 North Court Street Sparta, WI 54656 (608) 269-8719

### Monroe County Personnel's COVID-19 Response Policy

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this plan is to provide guidance to Monroe County Department Heads and employees on Monroe County's plan for responding to the rapidly evolving coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) public health emergency. This plan will be reviewed by the Monroe County Administrator and Personnel Director weekly or more often as needed.

This plan is to provide clarity and guidance regarding taking time off during the COVID-19 public health emergency. With new laws enacted we are looking to give our staff a few options to help them navigate through this difficult time.

Due to Governor Evers Executive Orders throughout 2020 declaring a public health emergency for the state of Wisconsin we have adopted a policy to address changes to the workplace and other policies given the current COVID-19 pandemic. Previous executive orders were given and we had developed new policy in order to remain compliant while providing guidance for our employees. As a precautionary measure in response to the emergency orders and the COVID-19 pandemic the following updated rules will be in effect as of **Thursday**, **April 1, 2021:** 

#### What does this mean?

- Everyone must wear a mask or cloth face covering to cover the mouth and nose, when entering the building and moving about common areas (hallways, waiting rooms, conference rooms, public rest rooms, courts, common office areas, etc.) and while visiting offices, attending a meeting, gathering or court hearing (exceptions will be made for members of the public who may have a health condition that may not allow for a mask).
- Staff in an enclosed office will be able to remove their mask. If another staff member or a member of the public comes into the office the mask would need to be put back on.
- Staff in a cubicle setting will be required to wear a mask.
- Staff working outdoors with the ability to social distance from other individuals will not be required to wear a mask.
- Those who fail to comply with the masking policy will be subject to discipline per the Monroe County Personnel Policy.
- Some departments may have additional requirements above and beyond the requirements of the Emergency Order #1, which stated face coverings are required (example: Rolling Hills).

\*\*If employees have a medical reason they cannot wear a face covering, they are to privately let the Personnel Department know. Employees may be required to provide information from their physician confirming their medical condition and why not wearing a mask is necessary to accommodate this condition. Employees are not

expected to disclose those reasons to others. All employees should be respectful of their co-workers' right to privacy. Because some employees are unable to wear a face covering, it is important that those who can, do.\*\*

#### Staffing

• Department Heads that wish to continue with the alternate scheduling are authorized to do so. Due to these measures staff may still be working rotating schedules with a combination of telework and office time. It is recommended that you contact the Personnel Department regarding the need to take any of the leave due to COVID-19 related circumstances.

Employee – defined as a Monroe County staff member that works full-time (40 hrs. /wk.) or at least part-time status (20 hrs. /wk. or more) that are currently benefit eligible per Monroe County's Personnel Policy Manual.

#### **Leave Options**

For those who have to take time off due to COVID-19 related circumstances whether it be personal illness or child care will have the following options to consider.

Compensation during any COVID-19 related leave will be through the use of earned vacation, sick leave, floating holiday, comp time or leave without pay. Employee's will have the choice of the accrual bank or leave without pay during any circumstances directly related to COVID-19, whether it is a quarantine order, positive test result, or care for an immediate family member. During this process the required certification from a health care facility will be waived unless there is a cause to believe the employee falsified the request and this will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Determination if telework would be an alternative to accrual usage would be dictated by the Department Head. Certain departments may have more strict enforcement to adhere to state and other guidelines for a health care or other type of facility. \*\*Dates of quarantine time frames could be reduced under advisement of Monroe County Health Department.\*\*

Employees shall notify their manager of any leave being taken. All employees taking leave must contact their manager or the Personnel Department for accrual bank usage wishes. If staff do not specifically communicate accrual bank usage to their manager or the Personnel Department their time will be charged as such:

1. Vacation

- 2. Floating Holiday
- 3. Sick Leave

- 4. Comp Time (if applicable)
- 5. Leave without pay (LWOP)

#### **Process**

All requests for any leave options must be completed on the attached COVID-19 Personnel Leave Request Form (revised 4/1/2021).

To access the form please visit the Monroe County Personnel Department webpage:

https://www.co.monroe.wi.us/departments/personnel

All forms and COVID materials are listed under COVID-19 Response Plan and Policies.

#### **Vaccination Information**

During 2021 members of the public and staff will be eligible for the COVID-19 vaccines. Our Monroe County Health Department encourages all staff to take part in this process and get vaccinated. If you have any questions regarding this process or resources on where you can find more information or where Monroe County has vaccination clinics being held please use the following links:

http://healthymonroecowi.org/vaccine

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine.htm

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-map.htm

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html

To contact the Monroe County Health Department directly you can call 608.269.8666.

#### When to Stay Home from Work

Anticipating the spread of COVID-19 to Monroe County, we will have staff who will need to stay home; either because they are ill, have been exposed, are caring for an ill family member, or are watching children due to school or daycare closures.

The most important message we can send is to stay home if you have any symptoms or have any reason to believe you may have been exposed to COVID-19. As we plan for ways to continue to provide necessary, and in some cases, life-saving services to our clients at a time we anticipate potential staffing shortages, the last action we want you to take is to come to work ill and potentially spread COVID-19 to your coworkers and clients.

To help manage the distribution of staffing resources county-wide and plan for more significant interventions, we will be implementing a protocol so that we can centrally track staff that are out due to flulike symptoms or potential COVID-19 exposure. Specifically, when you communicate to your normal department contact that you are sick or concerned about coming to work, you will be asked to report the following types of information:

- 1) Are you staying home because you are sick, or because you are caring for someone else who is sick?
- 2) Does the illness present flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, headache/body aches), or something else?
- 3) If it is flu-like symptoms, do you have any reason to believe you may have contracted COVID-19?
- 4) Have you or a member of a party you have been traveling with come into contact with someone contagious with COVID-19?
- 5) Have you or a member of your household traveled to a state or country with "community spread/transmission" in the past 15 days?

If you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, please call and consult your medical provider. If you are exhibiting some symptoms but not sure whether you should stay home, please stay home and consult your physician via telephone for additional guidance.

Given the potential seriousness and magnitude of the situation, our goal is to remove as many barriers as possible for staff to be able to stay home if they are exhibiting symptoms or otherwise have reason to believe they may have been infected. In addition, a Department Head, in consultation with the Monroe County Health Department may send an employee home who reports to work exhibiting signs of illness as described below.

- The employee is exhibiting flu-like symptoms.
- Someone in the employee's family or household is exhibiting flu-like symptoms.
- The employee has been exposed to someone who is being quarantined due to suspicion of or potential exposure to COVID-19.
- A diagnosed case of COVID-19 by receiving a positive test result. An employee diagnosed with COVID-19 should contact the County Personnel Department to determine FMLA eligibility.

If staff are sent home by a supervisor they will have the option to use earned vacation, sick leave, floating holiday, comp time or leave without pay.

#### **Travel Restrictions**

- 1) It is recommended that employees postpone or cancel personal travel outside of Wisconsin, domestic and international.
- 2) Those who choose to travel are strongly encouraged to monitor their symptoms before, during, and upon return from travel, to ensure their safety as well as those around them during travel and their coworkers upon return to the workplace. Prior to traveling anywhere we recommend you check the travel regulations at <a href="https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel">https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel</a> to ensure you're adhering to all laws and guidelines established.
- 3) Staff will be required to self-quarantine should they meet the requirements listed on the next page with the chart titled **Travel Self-Monitoring Questionnaire.** 
  - a. Based on the answers to the guide staff may be required to remain out of the office for up to 14 calendar days. Telework alternative options may be allowed with department head's approval if staff are required to self-quarantine.
  - b. Please review the questionnaire below if you or anybody in your immediate household are traveling.

Travel Self-Monitoring Questionnaire					
#1) In the past 24 hours have you experienced:  If employee has experienced any of the symptoms listed, they should <b>NOT</b> go to work.	<ul><li>Fever</li><li>Cough</li><li>Feeling Feverish</li></ul>				
<ul> <li>Self-quarantine for 10 calendar days and must remain symptom free for the last 72 hrs. before returning to work.</li> <li>Recommend employee to contact health care provider for further guidance.</li> <li>Accrual banks required to supplement work time if telework options are unavailable.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sore throat</li> <li>Loss of sense of taste/smell</li> <li>Chills</li> <li>Muscle/body aches</li> <li>Congestion/runny nose</li> <li>Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing</li> <li>Diarrhea/abdominal pain</li> <li>Nausea/vomiting</li> </ul>				
POTENTIAL CONTACT: If employee answers "yes" to #2 calendar days and potentially longer under guidance of your #2) Have you had close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 patient while that person was ill?	they will be sent home and required to self-quarantine for 14  local Health Department.**  Yes  No				

In these circumstances, self-quarantine means remaining away from work and other public areas, typically in one's home, for a minimum of 10 calendar days. If employee remains symptom free for the last 72 hours they will be eligible to return to work. Compensation during the 10 day self-quarantine period will be through the use of earned vacation, **sick leave**, floating holiday, comp time or leave without pay. Employee's will have the choice of the accrual bank or leave without pay during any of the circumstances listed on pg. 4. During this process the required certification from a health care facility will be waived unless there is a cause to believe the employee falsified the request and this will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Determination if telework would be an alternative to accrual usage would be dictated by the Department Head. Certain departments may have more strict enforcement to adhere to state and other guidelines for a health care or other type of facility. \*\*Dates of quarantine time frames could be reduced under advisement of Monroe County Health Department. \*\*

Employees shall notify their manager of any leave being taken. All employees taking leave as a result of travel outside of the country must contact their manager or the Personnel Department for accrual bank usage wishes. If staff do not specifically communicate accrual bank usage to their manager or the Personnel Department their time will be charged as such:

1. Vacation

- 2. Floating Holiday
- 3. Sick Leave

- 4. Comp Time (if applicable)
- 5. Leave without pay (LWOP)
- 4) County travel shall be limited to essential purposes to conduct County business or operations.
- 5) County travel required for a court proceeding, a bona fide law enforcement purpose, or by the medical examiner for a death investigation, is exempt from the restriction under "Travel Restrictions".

#### School or Daycare Closure

Any employee that must miss work due to school or daycare closures will be required to use their accrued vacation, sick leave, floating holiday, comp time, or leave without pay within the guidelines established within this policy.

Taking leave without pay under this section will not affect accruals of benefits provided by the county.

For tracking purposes, the Department Head or Supervisor shall have the employee complete the proper form and report the time on the timesheet accordingly for approval.

We are asking departments to be flexible, if possible, with hours of work for staff members to continue to complete tasks. We ask all staff to be in communication and ensure approval through their manager before taking time off.

#### Reporting to Work

- 1) Employees should continue to report to work unless directed otherwise as reflected in the Monroe County Personnel Policy Manual. A copy of the Personnel Policy Manual can be found on the Monroe county website at <a href="http://www.co.monroe.wi.us/departments/personnel/">http://www.co.monroe.wi.us/departments/personnel/</a>. As county employees, we have obligations to maintain services to the extent possible during an emergency. We will be making every effort to reduce exposure in our workplace.
- 2) If an employee is confirmed to have COVID-19, the Health Department will inform fellow employees of their possible exposure to COVID-19 in the workplace but <u>maintain confidentiality as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</u>. Employees exposed to a co-worker with confirmed COVID-19 should refer to CDC guidance at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html</a>.
- 3) Employees who fail to come to work without supervisor approval in a pandemic will be treated as if they failed to come to work at any other time and may be subject to disciplinary action.
- 4) Employees may request leave time and it will be reviewed, and approved or denied, in accordance with the leave provisions in the Monroe County Personnel Manual and listed above in this document. In general, our objective is to ensure the health and safety of our county employees while continuing the County's critical services. At this time, our goal is to encourage healthy employees that are able, to report to work.
- 5) Employees must work as assigned unless granted leave. Employees may be required to assist in performing work for absent or ill co-workers to ensure that the County is able to provide essential services. The County will make an effort to provide the appropriate protective measures to employees assigned to work in a situation that would put them at greater risk of exposer than the typical interactions encountered in conducting usual life activities.

#### **Social Distancing**

Social distancing includes any action to limit contact with others. General actions we are directing departments to take:

• Limiting face-to-face meetings: To the greatest extent possible, you should be considering how to limit face-to-face meetings, including using email, phone conferences, or videoconferencing when possible. Consider whether any meetings, either within the department or within the community, can be cancelled/rescheduled or conducted remotely with the use of technology. Our default position should be

that in-person meetings will be cancelled unless there is a compelling need. If additional technology conferencing tools are needed please reach out to the IT Director and County Administrator for approval of such need.

#### **Emergency Declaration**

As a result, all department heads shall begin tracking all expenses relating to COVID-19 planning and preparedness. This declaration has since expired at the county level, but all departments are still recommended to track expenses for potential reimbursement.

#### Office Closure

Complete county department/office closure will only be authorized by the County Administrator, with the guidance of Public Health Officials.

Exceptions to Monroe County Policies and Procedures and this COVID-19 Plan may be considered and approved by the County Administrator on a case by case basis.

#### Response Coordination

The Public Health Director for Monroe County shall be responsible for coordinating Monroe County's response to COVID-19. The scope of that coordination shall include, but is not limited to:

- 1) Consulting with federal, state, and local emergency management and public health officials concerning the County's overall response to COVID-19;
- 2) Distributing official communications concerning the virus, its spread, and the County's response to it;
- 3) Providing recommendations on office closures, and travel limitations and restrictions; and
- 4) Consulting with, and providing recommendations to, department heads on service delivery as it relates to COVID-19.

#### **Communication Protocol**

- 6) External Communication: All e-mails, public health bulletins, and press releases concerning the County's overall response to the pandemic shall be issued by the Health Director.
- 7) Internal Communication: Communication to the County employees shall be through County Administration or Personnel in consultation with Health.
- 8) With the exception of the Health Director and Emergency Management Coordinator, all employees shall refrain from distributing group e-mails, notices, pamphlets, brochures or other forms of correspondence concerning the pandemic so as not to confuse, contradict or in any other way interfere with official communications issued by Health or County Administration. Employees concerned with receiving the most recent and credible information concerning the pandemic should go to the CDC website: <a href="http://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-NCOV/cases-in-us.html">http://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-NCOV/cases-in-us.html</a>.
- 9) At the department level, Department Heads may continue to provide information to their employees concerning the manner in which services will be provided to the public in light of the pandemic.

- 10) Communication to clients, vendors and other business partners regarding changes to business practices, due to the response to a pandemic, will be at the Department Head level.
- 11) Employees are urged to remain vigilant for e-mail scams related to pandemic.
  - a. Avoid clicking on links in unsolicited emails and be wary of email attachments;
  - b. Use trusted sources such as legitimate, government websites for up-to-date, fact-based information about the pandemic;
  - c. Do not reveal personal or financial information in emails, and do not respond to email solicitations for this information.

#### Cleaning and Disinfecting

- 1) Monroe County Maintenance is primarily responsible for cleaning and disinfecting all county facilities utilizing standards proven effective against COVID-19, and for coordinating with custodians on the proper cleaning and disinfecting standards related to COVID-19.
- 2) To the extent that employees are capable of doing so safely, they shall assist maintenance and housekeeping staff with disinfecting porous and non-porous surfaces.
- 3) Maintenance and/or housekeeping personnel shall provide soap and water and alcohol-based hand rubs in the workplace, ensure that adequate supplies are maintained, and place hand rubs in multiple locations or in conference rooms to encourage hand hygiene.

#### **Future Communications**

Given the extent of the COVID-19 pandemic and the fluidity of the situation, this plan may be revised and/or updated frequently. Please ensure you are referring to the most recent version of this plan.

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO THE MONROE COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL – PAID TIME OFF (PTO)

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Administration and Personnel Committee, recommends approval of the Personnel Policy Manual changes proposed by the Personnel Director to sections 4.31 Vacations and 4.40 Sick Leave as attached and set out below; and

WHEREAS, the Committee also recommends approval of newly created section 4.315 Paid Time Off (PTO) which is a significant change from the current employee categories of accruals, vacation, sick leave and floating holiday, to an a single accrual bank which offers staff greater discretion, autonomy and flexibility regarding their use of accrued time off; and

WHEREAS, this would convert all of Monroe County employees' (except Wisconsin Professional Police Association (WPPA) employees under contract) vacation and floating holiday accruals into Paid Time Off (PTO), and modify, as of the 3/26/2021 pay day, how current sick leave balances may be used.

WHEREAS, the accrual methods and all language referencing vacation, sick leave and floating holiday are to be amended, as set out in the attached document, to reflect the conversion to PTO.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that they do hereby approve the proposed Personnel Policy Manual changes as set out in the attached document amending the language in sections 4.31 Vacation and 4.40 Sick Leave, and the addition of section 4.315 Paid Time Off (PTO).

Offered this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021 by the Administration & Personnel Committee

Purpose: To convert from a vacation and sick leave category system to a PTO system by making changes to Personnel Policy Manual sections 4.31 Vacation, 4.40 Sick Leave, and all references of vacation, sick leave, and floating holiday, and adding section 4.315 Paid Time Off (PTO).

Fiscal note: No direct budget costs.

Drafted by: Personnel Director, Ed Smudde

Finance Vote (If required):	Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on:, 20, 20
YesNoAbsent	YesNoAbsent
Approved as to form on	Committee Chair:
Andrew C. Kaftan, Corporation Counsel	
□ ADOPTED □ FAILED □ AMENDED	STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF MONROE
□ OTHER	I, SHELLEY R. BOHL, Monroe County Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution # acted on by the Monroe
County Board Vote on:20	County Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on
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