

Democratic Caucus COW

Tuesday April 15, 2025

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 17:47

Members present: Locke, Lokshin, Hanauer-Friedman, Vanichtheeranont, Thorsland, Wiggs, Rodriguez, Stohr, Sullard, Greer, Rodgers, Cowart, Fortato.

Members absent Fava, Peugh, Carter

Motion by to approve agenda, Locke, second by Vanichtheeranont

Motion passed

Motion by to approve minutes of 3/11/2025 COW meeting, Thorsland, second by Greer

Motion passed.

Public participation, none

Announcements/ communications: Locke updates the Tax sale issue. Aaron A. adds more detail. Vanichtheeranont talks about some state bills and recall items in the statehouse concerning County gov. Wiggs thanks folks for the baby congratulations gift.

Discussion of Agenda: Finance items, Highway solar funds from grants, more opioid funds distribution, fund balance transfers with explanation from Travis and later Travis has a presentation of financial forecast.

Clerk Ammons talks about agenda item with detail regarding new Voter Reg vendor. Has worked on cost reduction and service improvements. Elly details other items and RPC grants.

Policy items from Stohr, FPD has lots of appointments, HR position upgrade but no new funds needed, Add a child advocate position, proclamations and Board of Health item on agenda.

Justice, Rosecrance (sp?) topic, will have a decision in the future on funding. There is an RFP for DEI study. Emily talks about labor negotiations and paternity leave offer.

Adjourn at 18:28

There were no snacks. This trend continues.