

FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

April 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The organizational meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors was held on April 17, 2018, in the County Board Room at the Courthouse in Crandon, Wisconsin. 1st Vice Chairman Lukas called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present. The County Clerk, Nora Matuszewski, read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Zagar (20); Absent, Tauer (1).

OATH OF OFFICE

Honorable, Judge, Leon Stenz, Administered the Oath of Office to the members present. Let the record show, the oath has been accepted by all supervisors present and they are hereby verified to hold office.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

1ST Vice Chairman Lukas congratulated the new County Board members and asked them to introduce themselves. The following new board members introduced themselves: Tom Tallier, Randy Burl, Judy (Tackes) Savard, Scott Goode, Jill Zagar, Cindy Gretzinger, & Mike Miller.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Berg, seconded by Stamper to approve the amended agenda as presented. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried. Amended Agenda approved as presented.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 20, 2018 MEETING

Motion by Chaney, seconded by Dehart to approve the February 20, 2018 minutes as presented. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE BOARD

A letter from the Laona Rescue Unit asking for the formation of a Broadband Committee was read.

Motion by Chaney, seconded by Campbell to put the communication on file with the County Clerk. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS OR ELECTIONS

CHAIRMAN

Motion by Karl to nominate Tom Tallier as the County Board Chair, seconded by Savard. Lukas called three (3) times for any other nominations. None were given. Motion by Shaffer, seconded by Karl to close the nominations. Motion by Berg, seconded by Huettl to nominate Tom Tallier as the new County Board Chairman by unanimous vote. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

1ST VICE CHAIR

Motion by Berg to nominate Stephen Bunda as 1st Vice Chair, seconded by Karl. Chairman, Tallier called three (3) times for any other nominations. None were given. Motion by Chaney to close the nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Bunda, seconded by Campbell. All present voting

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AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

2nd VICE CHAIR

Motion by Karl to nominate William Chaney as 2nd Vice Chair, seconded by Stamper. Chairman, Tallier called three (3) times for any other nominations. None were given. Motion by Berg to close the nominations and cast a unanimous vote for William Chaney. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE- (3) MEMBERS

The Clerk read 5 letters of interest from Dave Campbell, Larry Berg, Terry Lukas, Mike Miller, & Ron Karl.

There was discussion about the vote having to be cast by signed ballot and that the top three vote receivers would be placed on the committee.

Motion by Dehart to close the nominations, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

Motion by Chaney to suspend the rules from the Rules and Regulations handbook to not have to sign the ballots for the Highway appointments, seconded by Berg. All present voting AYE (17); NAY (3); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

The board members were asked to vote for three (3) of the five (5) members with interest for the job, and the three (3) members with the highest votes would be appointed to the Highway Committee.

The three with the highest votes were: Dave Campbell (19), Mike Miller (14), and Ron Karl (11). They are appointed for the next two years.

APPOINTMENTS TO ITBEC BOARD & TOURISM-BILL CHANEY & MELINDA OTTO

Motion by Karl to appoint Chaney & Otto, seconded by Berg. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT- 1 ALTERNATE LANCE LAABS

Motion by Bunda to appoint Lance Laabs as the alternate for the Board of Adjustment, seconded by Savard. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO THE HUMAN SERVICES BOARD- DAVID CAMPBELL

Motion by Berg to appoint David Campbell for reappointment to the Human Services Board for another 2-year term, seconded by Dehart. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer, (1). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There was much discussion on the Executive Committee and the thought of Supervisors on the board now. Some felt the Executive Committee became too powerful, while others felt it was a good committee, others felt that if it did stay as a committee that the committee was not allowed to make decisions without coming to the full county board first.

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PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Chairman Tallier would like to remove the name Chairman's report under Personal Appearances and change the name to something else. He started out with the need to have open and transparent government, wanting to have Public comment on all agendas, and more communication with the public. Working together as a team is important and he put self-assessment sheets in the County Board packets for board members to share their interests, strengths, and abilities. He feels there are too many committees for such a small community and is wondering if they really need that many. Budget-Treasurer's report, money spent on Attorney fees need to be for the right reason. Forest County needs to be more pro-active on managing our forests. In reference to maintenance and Capital improvement projects the county needs to establish priorities.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 15-2018 Offered by PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the emergency system for Forest County is in need of upgrades to maintain a safe and efficient system allowing reasonable safety in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, various bids (quotes) for the cost of maintaining and improving the system were completed with the Zuerker Company having the lowest bid of \$146,721.87 plus an annual maintenance fee for a five (5) year period; and

WHEREAS, the above mentioned contract with Zuerker Company requires a first year payment of \$146,721.87 with the balance of the contract requiring an annual maintenance fee over an additional four (4) year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, that the Personnel and Finance Committee shall accept the bid from Zuerker Company in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the first year payment to maintain and upgrade the Emergency 911 system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the annual maintenance fee for the Emergency 911 system with Zuerker Company shall be paid from the annual budget for Forest County each year for a period of four (4) additional years.

Motion by Shaffer, seconded by Miller to approve the resolution as presented. All Present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

Resolution No. 16-2018-Offered by COMMISSION ON AGING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the world; and,

WHEREAS, individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and,

WHEREAS, during this week all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment to service; and,

WHEREAS, the giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient; and,

WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and,

WHEREAS, Commission on Aging Programs could not provide many of the services it offers without volunteers; and,

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WHEREAS, our county/nations volunteer force of more than 63 million, including hundreds in Forest County, is a great treasure; and,

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 17th day of April, 2018, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim April 15-21, 2018, as

National Volunteer Week in Forest County

IN Forest County, we urge our fellow citizens to volunteer in their respective communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can come together to make a difference.

Motion by Dehart, seconded by Berg to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

Resolution No. 17-2018 – Offered by COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN

WHEREAS, the Forest County Board of Supervisors by Resolution adopted an Executive Committee on the 15th day of February, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Committee are set forth in the Forest County Board of Supervisors Rules and Regulations handbook; and

WHEREAS, the County Board Chair believes that it is in the best interest of Forest County to abolish the Executive Committee and transfer the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Committee to the full County Board or in certain cases to specific committees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, that the Executive Committee shall be abolished and the duties and responsibilities handled by the full County Board or the appropriate standing committee.

Motion by Berg, seconded by Stamper to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (15); NAY (5); Absent (1), Tauer. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 18-2018 – Offered by FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Forest County, Wisconsin, that WHEREAS, Forest County owns certain property located in the SW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 27, Township 35 North, Range 13 East in the Town of Lincoln, Forest County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, a cabin has been located on the property owned by Forest County for a number of years and Darrell Weber claims ownership to said cabin and the adjoining real estate; and

WHEREAS, in order to resolve the land dispute with Darrell Weber Forest County would sell a parcel of land which has been surveyed creating a parcel approximately 3.83 acres which includes the cabin structure; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Forest County to sell the 3.83 acres for the sum of \$10,000.00 plus \$2,500.00 for the cost of the survey, as well as closing costs estimated at \$850.00 for a total sale price of \$13,350.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS hereby approve the sale of Lot One of Certified Survey Map No. 224841 which is located in the SW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 27, Township 35 North, Range 13 East in the Town of Lincoln, Forest County, Wisconsin, and which consists of 3.83 acres for the total sum of \$13,350.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-described parcel shall be removed from the County Forest Program.

Motion by Karl, seconded by Dehart to approve the resolution as presented. All presented voting

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AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 01-2018- Offered by the Land and Water Resources

The Shoreland Zoning Ordinance has been adopted and is 58 pages long; a copy can be obtained from the Zoning Administrator or the County Clerk in the Forest County Courthouse. The document is also available on the Forest County Website under the General Information Tab.

www.forestcounty.wi.gov

Motion by Chaney to bring the ordinance to the floor, seconded by Dehart. All present voting AYE (16), NAY (4); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Treasurer's Report:

Motion by Huettl to place the report on file in the County Clerk's Office, seconded by Bunda. All present voting AYE (20); Absent, Tauer (1). Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Huettl, seconded by Bunda to adjourn. All present voting AYE, (20); Absent, Tauer, (1). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

The foregoing is a condensed version of the minutes from the April 17, 2018, meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors. The complete proceedings are on file and available for inspection in the office of the Forest County Clerk.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the June 19, 2018 Forest County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Nora Matuszewski
Forest County Clerk