

FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

October 16, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors was held on October 16, 2018, in the County Board Room at the Courthouse in Crandon, Wisconsin. Chairman Tallier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and turned the meeting over to 1st Vice Chair Steve Bunda because he was having problems with his hearing. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present. The Clerk, Nora Matuszewski, read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: (19) Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Absent: (2) Chaney & Otto

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Berg, seconded by Stamper to approve the agenda as presented. All present voting (AYE) (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried. Agenda approved as presented.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 21, 2018 MEETING

Motion by Dehart, seconded by Goode to approve the August 21, 2018 minutes as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

John Hochkammer from WCA went through a PowerPoint presentation on County Government Authority, Administrative Structure Options, and the Roles and Responsibilities of County Board Members.

COMMUNICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE BOARD

None

APPOINTMENTS OR ELECTIONS

None

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 29-2018 Offered by the Building and Public Property Committee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said funds be paid from the General fund. Motion by Dehart, seconded by Huettl to amend the resolution to change the wording in the paragraph that reads, "that the Forest County Board Chair shall enter into a contract" to read "that the Forest County Board Chair shall pay the", all present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukas, seconded by Houle to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

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Resolution 30-2018 Offered by the Forestry and Recreation Committee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Forestry and Recreation Committee is hereby authorized to apply for and utilize Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant funding, if available, to reimburse Forest County up to 50% of the cost of acquiring the Bonack Block of forestland; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Forestry and Recreation Committee and the Forest County Forest Administrator is hereby authorized to sign and complete any and all loans, grants and documents to complete the land acquisition and enrollment of the land into the County Forest Program pursuant to Section 28.11(4) Wis. Stats.

Motion by Karl, seconded by Goode to table the resolution until it goes through the Forestry Committee. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

Resolution 31-2018 offered by the Child Support Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$1.5 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2019-21 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$3 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and State Representatives representing Forest County, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Berg to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 32-2018 Offered by the Land Conservation-Agriculture-UW Extension Committee

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Forest County requests grant funding and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the "Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grant Program" and hereby authorizes Tracy Beckman, Executive Director, Lumberjack (RC&D) Council, Inc. to act on behalf of Forest County to:

- Submit an application to the State of Wisconsin for financial aid for aquatic invasive species control purposes;
- Sign documents;
- Take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete an approved aquatic invasive species control grant; and
- Submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within six months of project completion date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Forest County, in cooperation with Lincoln and Langlade Counties and the Lumberjack RC&D, Inc., will meet the obligations of the aquatic invasive species control project including timely publication of the results and meet the financial obligations of an aquatic invasive species grant, including prompt payment or reporting of our financial or in-kind commitment to aquatic invasive species control project costs.

Motion by Tauer, seconded by Stamper to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE

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RESOLUTION 33-2018 Offered by Land Conservation-Agriculture-UW Extension Committee

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Forest County Board of Supervisors approves the following program changes:

The current Land & Water program will officially be split into two separate programs to be known as follows:

- A. Zoning, Land Use and Recycling Department with the Department Head being the current Zoning Administrator- Jeannie Fannin
- B. The Land Conservation-Land Information/GIS Department with the Department Head to be established as the County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director position delegated to the current Land Conservation Technician- Al Murray as per committee action.
- C. The Land & Water program title will be discontinued.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Forest County Board of Supervisors approves the following committee changes:

- A. The current title of the Land & Water Committee will be changed to the Zoning, Land Use and Recycling Committee with the membership remaining the same. That committee will oversee the Zoning, Land Use and Recycling Department.
- B. The current Land Conservation-Agriculture-UW Extension Committee and the current Land Information Committee shall be combined with a title of the Land Conservation-Land Information Committee. That committee will oversee the Land Conservation-Land Information/GIS Department and the UW-Extension Program. Membership of this committee will be combined membership from the current committees. When required for Land Information items, the Land Information Advisory Council will also be part of the meeting as required by State regulation.

Motion by Tauer, seconded by Berg to approve resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 34-2018 Offered by the Commission on Aging Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the Forest County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Board Chairman and County Clerk to execute a contract with the Greater Wisconsin Agency for Aging Resources for funds allocated for the Forest County Office on Aging under the 2019 Budget for Older Citizens.

Motion by Dehart, seconded by Berg to approve resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 35-2018 Offered by the Highway Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, that the County Highway G roadwork and new bridge will be completed at a cost to Forest County in an amount not to exceed the sum of \$378,000.00, and the bridge in the Town of Crandon shall be replaced at a cost not to exceed \$46,235.00, and the bridge in the Town of Popple River shall be replaced at a cost not to exceed \$34,810.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-mentioned expenses and costs associated with the road work and bridges referred to above will be paid by Forest County from borrowed funds.

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Motion by Kettlewell, seconded by Miller to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 36-2018 Offered by the Finance Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that a sum of money not to exceed \$23,100 shall be taken from the General Fund and used to pay employee/administrative support staff as approved by the Personnel Committee.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Gretzinger approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 37-2018 Offered by Land Sales and Delinquent Tax Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Forest County Treasurer shall have the authority to request the preparation of the necessary paperwork to Tax Deed the properties listed above.

Motion by Stamper, seconded by Karl to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 38-2018 Offered by Forest County Commission on Aging

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors in session this 16th day of October, 2018, that the Coordinator for the Office On Aging, namely Tammy Queen, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and submit to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, an application for assistance to provide transportation services to the elderly and handicapped during 2019, all pursuant to Sec. 85.21 of Wisconsin Statutes and further, in conformation with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Forest County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the obligation of county funds in the amount not to exceed 20% of that amount allocated to the county by the grant referred to above, in order to provide the required local matching funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the County Board Chairman and the County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a State Aid Contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, all pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Sec. 85.21 in order to accomplish the foregoing.

Motion by Berg, seconded by Tauer to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

None

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Motion by Lukas to table the 2017 Financial Report until the November County Board meeting, second by Goode. All present voting AYE (19); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer; Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Shaffer, seconded by Kettlewell to adjourn. All present voting AYE, (19); Absent (2); Chaney & Otto. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 P.M.

The foregoing is a condensed version of the minutes from the October 16, 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.

Nora Matuszewski
Forest County Clerk