

# **FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS**

**November 13, 2018**

## CALL TO ORDER

The annual meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors was held on November 13, 2018, in the County Board Room at the Courthouse in Crandon, Wisconsin. Chairman Tallier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present. The Clerk, Nora Matuszewski, read the agenda.

## ROLL CALL

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

Absent:

## APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

## APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 16, 2018 MEETING

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Miller to approve the October 16, 2018 minutes as presented. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

## PUBLIC HEARING-2019 BUDGET

Chairman Tallier opened the Public Hearing on the 2019 –Budget. There were no questions or concerns from the Public, so Chairman Tallier closed the Public Hearing.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Tallier congratulated Forest County Voters for getting out and voting. He was happy to report that the Zoning office had a record year for new homes, and he thought the gap between November and February was too long to go without a meeting.

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COMMUNICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE BOARD

Chairman Tallier had three (3) items that he wanted to personally bring up; Bill Connors Jr. resigned from the NCR Planning Commission, he encouraged anyone interested to get ahold of him.

The County Ambassador Program: Chairman Tallier let the Board know that this program is on-your-own expense, and if anyone is interested to let him know.

His last item was his resignation as the chair of the FSFC Committee.

APPOINTMENTS OR ELECTIONS

Library Board – 3 Appointments – Term – January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020

Christy Janczewski

Pete Davison

Linda Harter

Motion by Tauer to approve appointing all three (3) candidates for the term listed, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution – 39-2018 Offered by the Forestry Department

Motion by Chaney to table the resolution, second by Miller. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

Resolution – 40-2018 Offered by the Finance Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that a short-term loan for the sum of not more than \$184,738.00 shall be borrowed from a local financial institution for payment of the road construction and bridge work on the Highway G project with the balance to be paid from the General Fund.

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

Resolution – 41-2018 Offered by the Finance/Public Property Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the County Board hereby accepts the recommended budget of the Finance Committee, a true and correct copy of which has been received by the members of the Forest County Board of

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Supervisors and which is on file in the County Clerk's office and which shall be published in the Forest Republican pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter 59.60.

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

Resolution – 42-2018 – Offered by the Forestry and Recreation Committee  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Forestry Committee and the Forest County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses their desire to participate in the County Forest Administrator Program for calendar year 2019 and years subsequent as it pertains to the position of County Forest Administrator.

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

Resolution – 43-2018 – Offered by the Forestry and Recreation Committee  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Forestry and Recreation Committee is hereby authorized to utilize County Forest Project Loan funding from the Department of Natural Resources to purchase the Bonack Block of forestland within Forest County for the purpose of adding to the Forest County Forest.

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

Resolution – 44-2018 - Offered by the Forestry and Recreation Committee  
consideration of meeting the needs identified in our County Forest 15 Year Plan hereby request the Department of Natural Resources to provide the 2019 payment to the County under ss 28.11(8)(b)1 on the basis of .50 cents for each acre of our County Forest Lands  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file this request with the Department of Natural Resources prior to December 31 preceding the year in which said payment is being requested to be made.

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

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Resolution – 45-2018 – Offered by Forestry and Recreation Committee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Forest County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Forestry and Recreation Committee and hereby accepts and approves the 2019 Forest County Forestry Department Annual Work Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Chapter 2000 of the 15 Year Comprehensive Land-Use Plan 2006-2020 be amended as set forth in Chapter 2000, paragraph 2100.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Forestry and Recreation Committee is directed to forward said amendment to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for their approval.

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

Resolution - 46-2018 – Offered by the County Board Chairman

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that this document is intended to serve as the enabling resolution required under Section 46.2895 (1), Wisconsin State Statutes, to form a Long-Term Care District.

1. Forest County declares that a need continues to exist for a Long-Term Care District to fulfill the functions of an ADRC as enumerated in Section 46.283, Wisconsin State Statutes.
2. The purpose of the Long-Term Care District is to operate, under contract with the Department, an ADRC under Section 46.283, Wisconsin State Statutes.
3. The Long-Term Care District Governing Board shall be comprised of 9 voting members of which 6 members represent the target populations served by the ADRC and one (1) member is appointed by each of the Counties and Tribe. Forest County shall appoint the County Chair to the Long-Term Care District Governing Board. The Long-Term Care District Governing Board shall have the ability to exercise the powers granted herein and by statute upon passage of a resolution substantially similar to the Resolution by all Counties and Tribes.
4. The members of the Long-Term Care District Board shall serve the terms established in the District's by-laws, policy and/or resolution, subject to any requirements established by statute. The length of the terms and methods of staggering shall be communicated to the Counties and Tribes.
5. The District shall be authorized to undertake all actions necessary to complete the District's formation and organization. Such activities shall include, without limitation, authorization to enter into a contract with the Department to operate an ADRC and enact by-laws consistent with statute and this Resolution.
6. This resolution shall replace any prior or inconsistent resolution relating to the ADRC described herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to the Secretaries of the State Departments of Administration, Health Services, and Revenue as required under Section 46.2895 (1)(a)(2), Wisconsin State Statutes.

Motion by Stamper, second by Karl to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle,

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Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer.  
Motion carried.

Resolution – 47-2018 - Offered by Act 184 Reintegration Committee  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, opposes any violent sex offender being placed in Forest County that are not Forest County residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Scott Walker, Assemblyman Rob Swearingen, Assemblyman Jeffrey Mursau, State Representative Sean Duffy, U.S. Senator Ron Johnson, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin, Senator Tom Tiffany, and to the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

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

Resolution – 48-2018 - Offered by Land Sales and Delinquent Tax Committee  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the sum of not greater than \$25,000.00 shall be placed in an account, maintained and carried at all times at the \$25,000, as funds become available through the tax deed process, for use by the Land Sales and Delinquent Tax Committee on an as needed basis to pay for the maintenance and repairs of tax deeded parcels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any funds above the \$25,000.00 used from the above-mentioned account shall initially be used for maintaining courthouse repairs and updates that may be needed available from the sale of tax deeded property.

Motion by Lukas, second by Berg to amend the resolution to include “that the sum of not greater than \$25,000.00 shall be placed in an account, maintained and carried at all times”, all present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, second by Berg to approve the resolution with the amendment, all present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

Resolution – 49-2018 - Offered by the Finance Committee  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that the sum of \$1,715,000.00 be removed from the General Fund and placed in a Capital Projects account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the money in the Capital Projects account shall be used for the following projects but said amount shall not exceed the sum allocated for each project.

Motion by Lukas, second by Stamper to approve the resolution as presented. All present voting AYE (20); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. NAY(1); Kettlewell. Motion carried.

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Resolution – 50-2018 – Offered by the Forest County Board Chairman  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS in session this 13th, day of November, 2018 that an application be made to the State of Wisconsin for aid as provided for in Wis. Stats. 20.455(kt), (ku) and (kw) and law enforcement duties of the Sheriff arising by reason of federal legislation transferring jurisdiction over Indian criminal matters to the State of Wisconsin. Said expenses are anticipated to be incurred as a result of providing law enforcement and protection to the two (2) federally recognized Indian Reservations located within the corporate boundaries of Forest County, Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the application be for the year beginning January 1, 2019 through and including December 31, 2019, and that the agreements of the Sheriff and Forest County be incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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

ORDINANCES

Ordinance – 02-2018 – Presented by the Land Sales and Delinquent Tax Committee  
WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin allows counties to assess a 0.5% penalty on all unpaid property taxes in accordance with WI Stat. 74.47(2); and  
WHEREAS, Forest County Treasurer has developed a recommendation to enact this penalty as a means of promoting more responsible property ownership and said penalty is estimated to generate approximately \$60,000.00 annually; and  
WHEREAS, the revenue is critically needed in face of tax levy limits, increased health insurance, courthouse and jail upgrades, new construction of jail and buildings needed, property continuously being removed from tax rolls and declining funds from the State, all of these factors impact the funding of necessary county services; and  
WHEREAS, the County Treasurer found that over half of the counties in the state implement a similar penalty.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS as follows:

SECTION I. A penalty of 0.5% per month or fraction of a month shall be imposed on any real estate taxes, special assessments, special charges and special taxes that become delinquent after January 1, 2019. This penalty shall be imposed as provided for in Sec. 74.47 (2), Wis. Stats., on all delinquent real estate taxes, special assessments, special charges and special taxes overdue or delinquent on or after January 1, 2019.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

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

ANNUAL REPORTS

Treasurer's Annual Report

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Motion by Chaney, second by Gretzinger to place the Treasurer's Annual report on file in the County Clerk's office. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Shaffer, second by Berg to adjourn. All present voting AYE (21); Berg, Bunda, Burl, Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gallion, Goode, Gretzinger, Houle, Huettl, Karl, Kettlewell, Lukas, Miller, Otto, Savard, Shaffer, Stamper, Tallier, & Tauer.

The foregoing is a condensed version of the minutes from the November 13, 2018 annual 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 February 19, 2019 Forest County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Nora Matuszewski  
Forest County Clerk