

FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

May 7, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Forest County Board of Supervisors was held on May 7, 2024, in the County Board Room at the Courthouse in Crandon, Wisconsin. Chair, Ron Skallerud called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present. Clerk, Nora Matuszewski, read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Augustin, Chaney, Decorah, Dehart, Karl, Landru(Teams), Lukas, Marvin, Miller, Moravec, Peterson, Piasini, Skallerud, Tallier, Weber, Wirtz.

Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Vacant Seats: (1).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weber to approve the agenda, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE (16).

Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 16, 2024 MEETING

Motion by Miller to approve the April 16, 2024 minutes with one amendment under resolution 25, page 5, number (5.) change “sing to sign”, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE (16).

Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

COMMUNICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE BOARD

Wisconsin DOT Project

Old Growth Cooperation letter – Director Ecosystem Management Coordination

Motion by Karl to place all communications on file with the County Clerk’s Office, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE (16). Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode Gretzinger. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS OR ELECTIONS

Commission on Aging Committee – Tim Tauer and Donna Pfeifer

Motion by Weber to appoint Tim Tauer to the Aging Commission for a three (3) year term, second by Miller. All present voting AYE (16). Motion carried.

Motion by Marvin to appoint Donna Pfeifer to the Aging Commission for a three (3) year term, second by Tallier. All present voting (AYE) (16). Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Public Health Director – Amy Gatton

Motion by Weber to approve the appointment of Amy Gatton as the Public Health Director, second by Peterson. All present voting (AYE). Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

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Alex Seifert was present as he was appointed by the Governor to the District Attorney position with Forest County. He introduced himself and the Board congratulated his appointment.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Paul Payant -Board of Supervisor rules of order and committee responsibility updates
Payant walked through the rules of order and member responsibility for all new board members and as a refresher for existing members.

Jeff Belongia- Financial Advisor bonding update
Belongia was present to explain the Parameters Resolution being brought forward and to answer any questions the board members may have pertaining to the bonding.

FCEDP- Chris Shafer

Shafer extended a reminder invitation to the Partnership Social they are hosting tomorrow night at Wild Rose between 4:30-7:30pm. He updated on the Visit Forest County Scholarships that were out for applicants; there were 6 in total and only 3 applied. They have several projects they are working on with an announcement coming at the end of the month.

Chairperson Report

Chaney – Forestry - There are quite a few jobs coming up that they will be putting out. The Park is doing very well so far this year.

Karl – Zoning – The department is up again this year on permits and the staff is very busy.

Marvin - Sheriff & Justice – There are grants available the department is working on and he is new to the committee as Chair for this first month and he received a roster of employees from the Sheriff.

Building & Finance – Lukas – A lot of work is hinging on the passing of the Parameters Resolution tonight. Finance will be starting to meet with Department Heads to start reviewing costs.

Miller – Aging – The Alvin meal site is losing their manager and the Crandon site as well. The committee is working on some solutions to retain employees, one is asking Finance to raise salaries for them and the drivers.

Dehart – Fair – Nothing happening as of right now.

District Attorney – Seifert – He is looking at making some cuts to his budget of items not needed, with one being cell phones. He said with cases moving the services fees are going through the roof.

Skallerud – Chair report – Skallerud updated the Board on the transition they are working on with the Human Service Center and now ADRC. They are hiring a consultant to help with the work and are asking for the funding to come from LATCF funds. He explained the process and

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what is happening with the buildings in Oneida County and their plans for the buildings. He moved on to the ADRC and how the direction may be to combine the Social Services, Aging and ADRC under one Human Services Department. He also explained the change for the ADRC is a much shorter timeline for completion, with a lot of work ahead of the County.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution – 26-2024 Offered by Finance

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$3,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors of the County that:

Adopted, approved and recorded May 7, 2024.

Motion by Weber to bring the resolution to the floor to approve the resolution as presented, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE (16). Absent (4); Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Motion by Chaney to forego reading of the resolution, second by Marvin. All present voting AYE (16). Motion carried.

2nd vote on the motion by Weber to approve the resolution as presented, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution – 27-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt the Budget Carryover Documentation attached hereto as an amendment to the Financial Management Policy.

Motion by Piasini to approve the resolution as presented, second by Peterson. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution - 28-2024 Offered by Personnel

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that a part-time Court Security/Transport position with the duties and pay structure as set forth in the job description shall be employed by Forest County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the salary and expense associated with the above-mentioned position shall be paid from the Sheriff's budget (budget funds for part-time employees).

Motion by Marvin to approve the resolution as presented, second by Weber. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution 29-2024 Offered by Forestry and Recreation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forest County Board of Supervisors that said Board hereby approves amending Section 6.5 of the Forest County Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan adding "Refurbishing of recreational playing areas, including ball field,

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basketball court, tennis courts, pickleball court and playground” pertaining to the Town of Wabeno.

Motion by Chaney to approve the resolution as presented, second by Tallier. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution 30-2024 Offered by Commission on Aging

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the fees for transportation as well as meals with the Commission on Aging shall be the following:

- Congregate meals would be increased from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per meal.
- Home-delivered meals would be increased from \$4.25 to \$5.00 per meal.
- Transportation cost would be increased from \$4.00 to \$5.00 per ride.

Motion by Miller to approve the resolution as presented, second by Peterson. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution 31-2024 Offered by Rules and Regulations

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt the above-mentioned changes to the existing Rules and Regulations Handbook. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the existing Rules and Regulations of the Forest County Board of Supervisors not otherwise affected by the above-mentioned changes shall remain in full force and effect.

Motion by Dehart to approve the resolution as presented, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution 32-2024 Offered by Finance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that Patrick Cork shall be retained by Forest County as a consultant pertaining to the Department of Human Services at a fee not to exceed \$5,175.00; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above cost pertaining to the consultant shall be taken from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency fund.

Motion by Marvin to approve the resolution as presented, second by Miller. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

Resolution 33-2024 Offered by Land Information

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the existing Forest County Comprehensive Plan as revised is approved in its entirety.

Motion by Moravec to approve the resolution as presented, second by Tallier. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 01-2024 – Offered by Land Conservation

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Comprehensive Plan as modified is hereby approved and adopted.

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Motion by Weber, second by Dehart to adopt the ordinance as presented. All present voting AYE (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Good, Gretzinger. Motion carried.

ANNUAL REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Chaney, second by Peterson to adjourn. All present voting (AYE) (16); Absent (4) Dailey, Dewing, Goode, Gretzinger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the June 18, 2024 Forest County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Nora Matuszewski
Forest County Clerk