The meeting was held in the Rusk County Government Center third floor conference room.

Present: Randy Tatur, Pete Boss, Karl Fisher, Tony Hauser, and Mike Hraban. Also present: Arian Knops, Denise Wetzel, and Rosemary Schmit.

Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Boss, second by Fisher to approve the July 15, 2015, minutes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Jeff Wallace and Deb Flater were present to discuss the Sheriff’s department related items. Wallace explained the need for additional patrol officers.

The Committee discussed the memorandum of understanding related to the Sheriff’s department doing background checks. Motion by Fisher, second by Hraban to approve the Memo of Understanding between the County of Rusk and the Rusk County Sheriff’s Office. Motion carried.

Verna Nielsen was present for the review and setting of minimum bid prices on tax deed properties. The Committee reviewed tax deed properties to be taken in REM in September. It was the consensus of the Committee to take all tax deed properties but to have Nielsen talk to Corporation Counsel regarding the Sorensen property. Properties and suggested minimum bids were as follows:

Town of Dewey 010-00861-0000; minimum bid $449.

Town of Dewey 010-00951-0000 combined with 010-00952-0000; minimum bid $1,999.

Town of Hubbard 020-00096-0000 combined with 020-00103-0000; minimum bid $4,999.

Town of Rusk 030-00072-0076; minimum bid $4,999.

Town of Thornapple 038-00116-0000; minimum bid $2,999.

Town of Thornapple 038-01112-0000; minimum bid $99.

Town of Thornapple 038-01154-0000; minimum bid $999.

Town of Washington 042-00114-0000; minimum bid $3,999.

Village of Bruce 106-00108-0000; minimum bid $3,499.

Village of Bruce 106-00206-0000; minimum bid $14,999.
Village of Glen Flora 131-00026-0000; minimum bid $999.

Village of Tony 186-00267-0000; minimum bid $599.

Town of Hawkins 018-00619-0001; minimum bid $44,900.

Town of Stubbs 036-00626-0010; minimum bid $25,900.

Town of Willard 046-00521-0000; minimum bid $11,900.

Village of Sheldon 181-00240-0000; minimum bid $21,900.

Town of Atlanta 002-00613-0000; minimum bid $2,499.

City of Ladysmith 246-01432-0000; minimum bid $1,499.

Motion by Fisher, seconded by Hauser to set the minimum bid prices as listed above. Motion carried.

Nielsen presented the Treasurer’s report which included an update of bank balances.

Invoices paid August 1, 2015, to August 18, 2015, were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Invoices to be paid after Finance approval were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Motion by Hauser, second by Boss to approve paying the bills. Motion carried.

Fisher updated the Committee on Personnel issues.

Paul Teska was present to explain the Road Aids line item transfer request. Motion by Boss, second by Hraban to approve the Road Aids line item transfer as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Hraban, second by Fisher to approve Rosemary Schmit, Stacy VanHeesch, Elizabeth Schmidt, and Kitzie Nelson attending the Civic System Symposium on September 24 and 25 in Wisconsin Dells. Motion carried.

Motion by Hraban, second by Fisher to approve the Denise Wetzel and Stacy VanHeesch attending the Essentials in HR Law 2016 on November 3 in Eau Claire. Motion carried.

Andy Albarado presented the economic development report which included an update of activities and buildings.

Wetzel presented the Clerk’s report which included an update of marriage licenses, DNR licenses, elections, and dog licenses.
Schmit presented the Finance Director’s report which included the county car report, sales tax, and collection of back taxes.

The next regular Finance meeting is Wednesday, September 19, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary