The meeting was held in the Rusk County Government Center third floor (LEC) meeting room.

Present: Randy Tatur, Jim Platteter, Peter Boss, Karl Fisher, and Arian Knops. Also present: Denise Wetzel and Rosemary Schmit.

Vice Chair Platteter called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Fisher/Boss made a motion to approve the September 17, 2012; September 19, 2012; September 27, 2012; and October 2, 2012 minutes. Motion carried.

Brock Geyen, Cassandra Camren, and Melissa Roach were present to review the 2011 financial statements.

The Committee opened tax deed bids as follows:

Town of Flambeau:
012-01023-000-set at $6,000.00
   No bids received.

Town of Rusk:
030-00072-0010-set at $70,000.00
   No bids received.

Village of Conrath:
111-00010-0000 & 111-00010-0001-both parcels together, set at $200.00
   Wayne & Dorothy Linhart, $350.00

Village of Conrath:
111-00220-0000-set at $6,000.00
   No bids received.

Village of Sheldon:
181-00011-0000-set at $2,995.00
   No bids received.

City of Ladysmith:
246-01000-0000-set at $6,995.00
   Christopher Dauer, $7,500.00

City of Ladysmith:
246-02106-0001-set at $200.00
   No bids received.

Boss/Knops made a motion to award the bids on the tax deed properties to the high bidders. Motion carried.

Chair Tatur called for closed session for wage and benefit issues associated with sale of Rusk County Memorial Nursing Home for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, WI Stats. 19.85 (1)(c); for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties or conducted other specified public business, whenever
competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, WI Stat. 1985 (1)(e); for conferring
with legal counsel for the governmental body regarding same, WI Stat. 1985(1)(g).

**Boss/Fisher made a motion to go into closed session. Roll call vote: Tatur, yes;
Platteter, yes; Boss, yes; Fisher, yes; Knops, yes.** The Committee went into closed session
at 9:27 a.m.

The Committee returned to open session at 9:52 a.m.

Ken Pedersen was present to discuss the Fair budget.

Andrea Nodolf was present to request an extra help expense line in the District Attorney’s
budget. **Boss/Platteter made a motion to take $500.00 from expense line 311 Office
Supplies line in the 2013 proposed budget for the District Attorney and to allocate
$500.00 to expense line 115 Overtime. Motion carried.**

Invoices paid October 1, 2012, to October 16, 2012, were reviewed, discussed, and signed.
Invoices to be paid after Finance approval were reviewed, discussed, and signed. **Platteter/Boss
made a motion to approve paying the bills. Motion carried.**

Rusk County has the opportunity to be included in the northern counties wage survey with
Carlson Dettmann & Washburn County at a cost of $5,000. Wetzel and Camren will have more
information on this after the WACPAD conference they will be attending on October 18 and 19.

The Committee discussed the prices for properties adjacent to the Weyerhaeuser property.
**Platteter/Boss made a motion to reduce the price for Lot 2 in Weyerhaeuser to $10,000.00
and Outlot 1 in Weyerhaeuser to $3,750.00. Motion carried.**

Mike Naczas was present to answer questions on Maintenance department invoices that were
presented.

Naczas answered questions regarding the request for steel removal at the Sheldon Creamery
building. It was the consensus of the Committee to leave the steel in the building until
demolition.

Naczas answered questions on the tractor that the Property Committee approved purchasing.
**Fisher/Knops motion to use contingency funds in the amount of $32,900 for the purchase
of the tractor approved until capital projects funds are available to replace contingency
funds. Motion carried.**

**Boss/Platteter made a motion to approve Chapters 10 to 12 of the Financial Procedures
Manual as presented. Motion carried.**

Fisher updated the Committee on Personnel activities.

Camren was present to discuss miPayLine. The cost of this software is $2,000 and $85 per
month for support. It was the consensus of the Committee to reconsider this software purchase
at a later date.

**Knops/Boss made a motion to proceed with the State Trust fund loan for capital projects
that had been approved and for refinancing three state trust fund loans. Motion carried.**
Platteter/Boss made a motion to send the resolution to Adopt 2013 Budget and 2012 Property Tax Levy to be Collected in 2013 to the County Board for approval with the levy in the amount of $5,878,674. Motion carried.

It was the consensus of the Committee to print hard copies of the budget for County Board members.

Wetzel presented the Clerk’s report which included an update of marriage licenses, DNR licenses, elections, and dog licenses.

Tatur updated the Committee on CDBG activities.

Joanne Phetteplace presented the Treasurer’s report which included an update of bank balances and tax deeds.

Phetteplace and Rebecca McEathron Kramer were present to discuss plat books. Prices for plat books were as follows: Rockford, $14.00 including freight; Farm & Home, $13.11 plus freight; and Red Barn, $14.25 including freight. It was the consensus of the Committee to allow the Treasurer’s office to decide which company to contract with for the plat book.

Schmit presented the Finance Director’s report which included the sales tax report, collection of back taxes, insurance report, and county car report.

The next regular Finance meeting is Wednesday, November 28, 2012.

Boss/Knops made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary