

**MEETING OF THE RUSK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
December 16, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order by Chair Randy Tatur at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call. Present - 18. Present: Boss, Biller, Nawrocki, Hauser, Knops, Stout, Lieffring, Fillion, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Mai, Willingham, Hraban, Platteter, Tatur. Corporation Counsel, Rich Summerfield.

Invocation by Dave Willingham of Island Lake Church of Christ.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Dave Willingham, District #17 Supervisor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fillion, second by Gierke to approve minutes of November 12, 2014. Motion carried by aye vote.

RECOGNIZE SPECIAL GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS

Sheriff David Kaminski was recognized for years of service and retirement, a certificate of appreciation plaque was presented by Chair Tatur. A statement of gratitude was conveyed by Sheriff Kaminski.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REVISIONS TO THE ANIMAL WASTE STORAGE FACILITIES ORDINANCE

Public Hearing on the ordinance opened at 7:06 p.m. Presentation on proposed revisions and changes in ordinance by John Krell, Rusk County Conservationist.

Public Hearing closed at 7:18p.m.

RESOLUTION # 14-35 REVISION TO THE RUSK COUNTY ANIMAL WASTE STORAGE FACILITIES ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Land and Water Conservation Committee has met and reviewed the Rusk County Animal Waste Storage Facilities Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance was originally adopted in 1987 and last revised in 1989; and

WHEREAS, the committee recognizes the need to update the ordinance in order to continue to protect the health of county residents, livestock and the environment, as well as the property tax base of Rusk County. 10

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Rusk County Land and Water Conservation Committee recommends repealing the entire existing ordinance and replacing it with the following language - subject to a public hearing to be held December 16, 2014. See attached.

Submitted by Rusk County Land and Water Conservation Committee. S/Knops, Gierke, Nawrocki, Lieffring, Biller, Cicha.

Motion by Knops, second by Nawrocki to adopt. Resolution adopted by aye vote.

RESOLUTION # 13-08A REVISIONS TO THE RUSK COUNTY CORNER MONUMENTS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Land Information/Zoning Committee has met and reviewed the Rusk County Corner Monuments Ordinance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Rusk County Land Information/Zoning Committee recommends the following amendments to the Rusk County Corner Monuments Ordinance:

Sec. 12-24. - Monuments.

The county shall provide *the* monuments *for perpetuating government corners*.A county issued warning sign and post shall be placed next to the monumentThe participating surveyor shall furnish *their* own irons for the witness monuments required. *Of the four required witness monuments, at least two shall be iron monuments. The other two can be either iron monuments or bearing trees (or other suitable fixed post) as described in Sec 12-27.* Witness monuments are to be sledge driven until flush with the ground, except in cultivated areas where they must be at least 12 inches below ground. Witness monuments should be at least 50 feet from the corner where possible to protect them from whatever accident may befall the corner and shall be kept out of highway rights-of-way whenever possible.

Sec. 12-27. - Supplementary reference monuments.

Warning signs shall be provided by the county. Signs shall be attached to bearing trees on the side of the tree facing the corner and situated so the bearing to the sign will be the same as to the center of the tree at the root crown. A bearing tree shall be measured to a nail driven into the side of the tree with the nail so situated that the distance to the nail will be the same as to the tree center at the root crown. Bearing to these trees are to center of the tree at the root crown, measured to the nearest degree with a compass. Distances to nearby features such as road centerline or fences will be required.

Sec. 12-28. - Application for payment.

The surveyor wishing to collect county payment for corner perpetuation must furnish a completed standard U.S. Public Land Survey Monument Record form along with a copy of the private survey which required these corners to be located to *LCDD Personnel* for *their* approval. Monument record forms must be completed in ink and be legible. *The surveyor shall provide coordinates of the corner in Wisconsin County Coordinates, Rusk County Zone, Feet NAD 83/2007.*

Sec. 12-29. - Form approval.

Upon receipt of the corner form *LCDD Personnel* will examine it and may make spot checks of the monumentation and measurements. *They* may require additional information which may require the surveyor to recheck notes, revisit the corner or do other additional work. A disapproval by the *LCDD Personnel* does not indicate the corner location or any survey related to it is faulty, but means the corner will not be perpetuated at county expense until further information is provided. In case of disapproval, *LCDD Personnel* will return the form, indicating the additional information required, and the private surveyor can obtain the information and resubmit the form for automatic approval.....

Sec. 12-31. - Payment.

For approved corner perpetuation forms, the county will pay the private surveyor such amounts as the county board may from time to time determine by resolution. Payment amounts shall be \$200.00 per corner. The above amounts will be paid by the county for approved corner forms during the year until the amount determined by the county board for this payment has been exhausted. This payment policy will apply to all corners perpetuated on or after January 1, 1991.

Submitted by Rusk County Zoning/Land Information Committee. S/Willingham, Fisher, Schmitt, Knops, Stout.

Motion by Willingham, second by Hraban to adopt. Explanation by CeCe Tesky, Zoning Administrator. Resolution adopted by aye vote.

RUSK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Phil Montwill, Highway Commissioner reviewed the 2014 road projects and prospective 2015 projects.

RUSK COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Chair Tatur recommend the renewal of three year terms currently held by Julie Hauser, Ed Tomasovich & Jim Edming as all have indicated a willingness to continue to serve. Chair Tatur called for additional nominations three times. Motion by Platteter, second by Biller to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Hauser, Tomasovich & Edming. Motion carried by aye vote.

RESOLUTION #14-36 WISCONSIN ACT 377 – IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY (IoH) OPT-IN FOR CATEGORY B-IoHS TO COMPLY WITH THE TABLE OF STATUTORY WEIGHT LIMITS UNDER Sec. 348.15 (3) (g)

WHEREAS, 2013 Wis. Act 377 under Sec. 348.15(9)(f) 1. Provides that there is no weight limitation per wheel, axle, or group of axles for Category B implements of husbandry as defined in Sec. 340.01 (24) (a) 1.b., but does apply gross vehicle weight limitations to these vehicles, and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. §348.15(9)(f) 1. Authorizes the County to require compliance with axle weight limitations established under Sec. 348.15 (3)(g) for Category B implements of husbandry defined in Sec. 340.01 (24)(a) 1.b. on all highways under its jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Rusk County, that pursuant to Sec. 348.15 (9)(f) of Wis. Statutes, all implements of husbandry (including Category B implements of husbandry defined in Sec. 340.01 (24)(a) 1.b.) may not exceed the weight limits imposed by Chapter 348.15 (3)(g) of Wis. Statutes.

FURTHER, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that to exceed the length and/or weight limitations on highways under this jurisdiction a no-fee permit may be applied for from the Rusk County Highway Department.

FURTHER, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that pursuant to Sec. 348.27 (19)(b) 4 m.a. in the event an application for a no-fee permit is made for a Category B implement of husbandry as defined in Sec. 340.01 (24)(a) 1.b., the Rusk County Highway Department is required to provide an approved alternate route, which may include highways that are not under this jurisdiction if prior approval has been given by the jurisdiction over the alternate routes not under this entity's jurisdiction for operation of Category B implements of husbandry as defined in Sec. 340.01 (24)(a) 1.b.

FURTHER, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that this resolution shall be in effect for the calendar year of 2015.

FURTHER, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to be posted on the state DOT website.

Submitted by Rusk County Highway Committee. S/Boss, Platteter, Nawrocki, Gierke & Lieftring.

Motion by Lieftring, second by Platteter to adopt. Explanation by Montwill. Resolution adopted by aye vote.

RESOLUTION # 14-37 INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES FOR COUNTY HIGHWAY PROJECTS

WHEREAS, Rusk County, Wisconsin (the "County") is in need of an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for the public purpose of financing County highway projects; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to authorize the issuance of general obligation promissory notes for such purpose pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rusk County Board of Supervisors that the County borrow an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 by issuing its general obligation promissory notes for the public purpose of financing County highway projects. There be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the County a direct, annual tax in such years and in such amounts as are sufficient to pay when due the principal and interest on such notes.

Submitted by Rusk County. S/Boss, Hraban.

Motion by Stout, second by Lieftring to adopt. Brian Brewer of Robert W Baird & Co., gave explanation of process following tonight and current interest rates. Roll call: Voting yes-18. Voting no -0. Voting yes: Nawrocki, Hauser, Knops, Stout, Lieftring, Fillion, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Mai, Willingham, Hraban, Platteter, Boss, Biller, Tatur. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION # 14-38 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF \$8,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors of Rusk County, Wisconsin (the "County") has adopted an initial resolution, by a vote of at least 3/4 of the members-elect of the County Board, authorizing the issuance of general obligation promissory notes in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for the public purpose of financing County highway projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The County shall issue its General Obligation Promissory Notes (the "Notes") in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for the purpose above specified.
2. The County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the officers of the County to take all actions necessary to negotiate the sale of the Notes with Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated. At a subsequent meeting, the County Board of Supervisors shall take further action to approve the details of the Notes and authorize the sale of the Notes.
3. The County Clerk shall cause an Official Statement concerning this issue to be prepared by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated. The appropriate County officials shall determine when the Official Statement is final for purposes of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2 12 and shall certify said Statement, such certification to constitute full authorization of such Statement under this resolution.

Submitted by Rusk County. S/Boss, Hraban.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Hraban to adopt. Roll call: Voting yes-18. Voting no -0. Voting yes: Hauser, Knops, Stout, Lieftring, Fillion, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Mai, Willingham, Hraban, Platteter, Boss, Biller, Nawrocki, Tatur. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION # 14-39 HIGHWAY WAGE ADJUSTMENTS

WHEREAS, during the Point Factor Evaluation process many individual positions were found to have a wide range of pay rates within them, and;

WHEREAS, the Highway Department was found to have only pennies between individual employees pay rates in the Foreman, Mechanic, Operator, Driver, and Labor positions, and;

WHEREAS, after reviewing recommendations of the Highway Committee and Highway Commissioner, the Personnel Committee recommends that the following 2014 pay rates be adjusted in order to bring rates into balance; Foreman \$20.86, Night Mechanic \$20.19, Mechanic \$20.09, Operator \$20.09, Driver \$20.09, Laborer \$19.37.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors does adopt the proposed pay adjustments in the Highway Department as recommended by the Personnel Committee.

Submitted by Rusk County. S/ Fisher.

Motion by Fisher, second by Knops to adopt. Motion by Boss, second by Platteter to amend driver wage from \$19.79 to \$20.09. Discussion on wages and proposed amendment. Motion to amend carried by aye vote. Resolution as amended adopted by aye vote.

APPOINTMENTS

Rusk County Veterans Service Commission – Kerm Morgan

Motion by Nawrocki, second by Willingham to approve appointment. Ron Moser, Veteran Service Officer, explained on choice for appointment. Appointment approved by aye vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION

Hospital Board of Trustees selection process – discussion on possible changes to election process to include: public notice, applications, interviews/review. Will be placed on next month's agenda for further discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tatur informed Board of Notice of Violations for building and grounds received and opened today. Denise Wetzel, County Clerk, stated the Maintenance Department has already corrected all violations.

Tatur announced two cars sold on surplus website today.

Tatur informed Board of request from Jim Edming to possibly use board room for mock swearing in, board members will be noticed if this does take place.

Knops requested for anyone who knows of someone in Bruce interested in the District 15 Supervisor Position to contact him so the position can be filled ASAP.

Platteter reported remodel of LEC room is progressing and furniture is being made.

Boss announced the Highway Department is having a Christmas luncheon on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the county highway shop.

Pederson informed Board that the Animal Shelter building plans are progressing and he had drafts if anyone was interested.

Wetzel announced there will be an Employee Appreciation Christmas Lunch on December 23 starting at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Knops, second by Hauser to adjourn. Motion carried by aye vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting: January 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Denise Wetzel, Rusk County Clerk
Danielle Zimmer, Chief Deputy Clerk