

**MEETING OF THE RUSK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 26, 2011
7:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order by Chair Randy Tatur at 7:00 P.M.

Tatur introduced Karl Fisher, the new District #18 County Board Supervisor.

Roll Call. Present - 19. Excused - 2. Present: Boss, Hauser, Svoma, Knops, Roth, Nawrocki, Kaiser, Dixon, Costello, Skogen, Mai, Willingham, Freeman, Platteter, Fisher, Swoverland, Schneider, Gierke, Tatur. Excused: Schultz, Heiden.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Phil Kaiser, District #7 Supervisor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Roth, second by Dixon to approve minutes of March 29, 2011. Motion carried.

RECOGNIZE SPECIAL GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS

Jason Gillis, resident of Big Falls, questioned the resolution on development and repairs of recreational boating facilities on west side of Big Falls. Discussion on date signed, committee minutes and notifying Xcel Energy.

Sister Mary Lucy Daniels spoke on the sisters 50 year history with the health care system in Rusk County.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police week; and

Whereas, the members of the law enforcement agency of Rusk County play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Rusk County; and

Whereas, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

Whereas, the men and women of the law enforcement agency of Rusk County unceasingly provide a vital public service; and

Whereas, it is known that every two days an American Law Enforcement Officer will be killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States and that 162 officers were killed in the line of duty in 2010 and many others were seriously assaulted in the performance of their duties, our community joins with other counties, cities, and towns to honor all law enforcement officers everywhere;

Now, therefore, I, Chairperson of the Rusk County Board of Supervisors, call upon all citizens of Rusk County and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 15 to May 21, 2011, as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves and enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I further call upon all citizens of Rusk County to observe Thursday, May 12, 2011, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

FLOODPLAIN MAPS – NFIP REPORT

CeCe Tesky, Zoning Administrator advised she received a letter from the DNR accepting our map revisions. Rusk County hasn't been reinstated in the flood insurance plan yet, and working on LiDAR project.

RESOLUTION #09-40A AMENDMENT OF THE RUSK COUNTY ADDRESS AND ROAD NAME ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Emergency Services Committee met on March 9, 2011, and approved the amendments recommended to the Rusk County Address and Road Name Ordinance, which was previously approved by the Rusk County Board on December 15, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the health, safety, and well being of the general public of Rusk County by providing a means for physically locating properties. The ability to easily locate properties is a vital asset for emergency services as well as being a convenience for delivery services and citizenry; and

WHEREAS, it is intended that this Ordinance is to establish a method by which address numbers are assigned, as well as how address signs are obtained, installed, and maintained in all areas outside the limits of incorporated municipalities in Rusk County; and

WHEREAS, it is further intended to provide for review and acceptance of all private and public road names in order to ensure compatibility with the county's computer aided dispatch system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Rusk County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt the attached Ordinance as amended.

Submitted by Emergency Service's Committee: S/Skogen, Schneider, Willingham, Knops.

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

RESOLUTION #11-11 CREATE NON-LAPSING CONTINUING APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECT LIFESAVER

WHEREAS, Resolution 11-02 BJA Project Lifesaver was approved by the Rusk County Board of Supervisors at its January 25, 2011, meeting; and

WHEREAS, with passage of this resolution the Rusk County Board of Supervisors accepted the grant and amended the 2011 budget; and

WHEREAS, Project Lifesaver will receive donations to assist in the continuation of this program in future years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors approves creating a non-lapsing continuing appropriation for Project Lifesaver and approves amending the 2011 budget as follows:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name of Account</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Amended</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>
211-46-52196-216	BJA-Contr Serv	250.00	250.00	0.00
211-46-52196-340	BJA-Equip Repl	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
211-46-52196-339	BJA-Training	<u>250.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expense		500.00	2,900.00	2,400.00
211-46-43211-000	BJA-Proj LS Grant	500.00	500.00	0.00
211-46-48500-000	BJA-Donations	0.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
211-46-49990-000	BJA-Pr. Yr. Funds	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-200.00</u>	<u>-200.00</u>
Total Revenues		500.00	2,900.00	2,400.00
LEVY		0.00	0.00	0.00

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Submitted by Emergency Service's Committee: S/Skogen, Willingham, Schneider, Knops.

Motion by Schneider, second by Skogen to adopt. Roll call. Voting yes – 19. Voting no – 0. Voting yes: Swoverland, Schneider, Gierke, Boss, Hauser, Svoma, Knops, Roth, Nawrocki, Kaiser, Dixon, Costello, Skogen, Mai, Willingham, Freeman, Platteter, Fisher, Tatur. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #11-12 DEVELOPMENT AND REPAIRS OF RECREATIONAL BOATING FACILITIES: BIG FALLS (WEST SIDE)

WHEREAS, Rusk County hereby requests assistance for the purpose of improving and repairing recreational boating facilities at Big Falls (West Side) Boat Landing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Rusk County has budgeted a sum sufficient to complete the project and;

HEREBY AUTHORIZES Paul Teska, Rusk County Forest Administrator, to act on behalf of Rusk County to:

Submit an application to the Wisconsin Waterways Commission;
Sign documents; and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rusk County will comply with state and federal rules for the programs; may perform force account work; will maintain the completed project in an attractive, inviting and safe manner; will keep the facilities open to the public during reasonable hours consistent with the type of facility; and will obtain in writing from the Wisconsin Waterways Commission before any change is made in the use of the project site.

Submitted by Land and Forestry Committee: S/Schneider, Nawrocki, Boss.

Motion by Schneider, second by Hauser to adopt. Summerfield recommended postponing until next meeting. Motion by Willingham, second by Mai to postpone resolution to May meeting. Motion carried by aye vote.

RESOLUTION #11-13 ECONOMIC SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION AND THE 2011-2013 BIENNIAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the State 2011-2013 Biennial Budget Bill requires Economic Support Services to be centralized at the State by May 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Economic Support Unit successfully provides services to 4,263 Rusk County residents, assisting them in obtaining needed benefits such as BadgerCare, FoodShare and Family Care in an individualized manner preferred by the resident; and

WHEREAS, a State centralized system as proposed would not save any county dollars; and

WHEREAS, data has shown to date that access, cost effectiveness, timeliness and accuracy in administering a centralized system would not be improved; and

WHEREAS, not having a local Economic Support Unit would result in less effective service delivery of other critical human services such as Child Protective Services, Mental Health, Community Support Programs, Juvenile Justice and Child Support;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rusk County Board of Supervisor's does hereby oppose the initiative in the Governor's Budget that takes the administration of Economic Support Services away from the Counties and creates a statewide centralized Income Maintenance Unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rusk County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rusk County Legislative Delegation.

Submitted by Health & Human Services Board: S/Schneider, Costello, Golat, Dixon, Grzeszkowiak, Mai, Roth.

Motion by Dixon, second by Mai to adopt. Gary Rivers, Executive Director of H& HS explained need to keep local services. Motion carried by aye vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION

County Redistricting Update: Dave Kaiser, Surveyor/Land Information Officer distributed tentative map and explained process for creating it. Revisions will be made and brought back to Committee on Committees.

RCNH Update: Tatur advised there are two inquiries interested in buying or leasing the RCNH facility for a nursing home. Willingham spoke on Rural Development and creating a feasibility study.

Budget Repair Bill: Tatur reported things are still in limbo. Discussion on what is and isn't official, revenue drops, transportation aides and other cuts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tatur advised the Department of Agriculture will be spraying for gypsy moths June through August.

Tatur advised May 5th is National Prayer Day celebrated at noon at Memorial Park.

Knops advised Greater Ladysmith Chamber of Commerce is having an awards social hour and dinner on April 30th. Eldon Skogen is nominated for the Legacy Award.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Knops, second by Hauser to adjourn. Motion carried by aye vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Next meeting May 24, 2011 at 7:00p.m.

Denise Wetzel, Rusk County Clerk
Bonnie Stoneberg, Chief Deputy Clerk