The meeting was held in the Law Enforcement Center meeting room.

Present: Randy Tatur, Eldon Skogen, Jim Platteter, and Dave Solsrud (at 8:37 a.m.). Excused: Cliff Taylor. Also present: Rosemary Schmit.

Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Skogen/Tatur made a motion to approve the February 21, 2007, minutes. Motion carried.

Ed Wundrow and Phil Montwill were present to discuss Highway department pre-approved vouchers. Solsrud/Platteter made a motion to update the pre-approved voucher list to include Highway parts and material vouchers. Motion carried.

Vouchers paid March 1, 2007, to March 20, 2007, were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Vouchers to be paid following the meeting were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Skogen/Platteter made a motion to approve paying the bills. Motion carried.

Skogen/Solsrud made a motion to deny the request made by Flambeau Riders for funds for an equestrian bridge. Motion carried.

Schmit requested approval for out of county travel to attend the Wisconsin Finance Officers Winter Meeting on April 20, 2007, in Stevens Point and for Cassandra McKittrick to attend the Wisconsin County Association Advanced Issues in Personnel Policy and Procedures on April 23, 2007, in Stevens Point and the Department of Workforce Development Labor Law Clinic on April 24, 2007, in New Richmond. Platteter/Skogen made a motion to approve the out of county travel requests as presented by the Auditor’s office. Motion carried.

It was the consensus of the Committee for Schmit to go to the Personnel Committee to request overtime for the Auditor’s office during the family medical leave.

The Johnson tax deed property was discussed.

Contingency fund requests for 2006 were reviewed as follows: Courthouse, $28,813.92; Airport, $11,965.05; Fairgrounds, $1,003.21; County-Owned Buildings, $2,035.36; and Computer Specialist, $183.33. The requests for Airport and County-Owned buildings need to be presented to the County Board for approval. Solsrud/Platteter made a motion to approve the contingency fund requests as presented and forward the requests for Airport and County-Owned Buildings to the County Board for approval. Motion carried.

Andy Albarado was present to discuss the update on the negotiation of the Fine Arts Center debt. Dave Kaiser doesn’t have an assistant, so he has not been able to complete the survey. Mike Shaw offered one of the hospital’s maintenance staff to assist Kaiser.
Kaiser was present to answer questions relating to the survey. Kaiser said that he would try to finish the survey work in the next couple of weeks.

Albarado presented the economic development report which included updates on the buildings. The Joint Management Committee meets Tuesday, March 27, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss building improvements. The new business at the Miner Avenue building should open in April. A resolution was reviewed for Authorizing Submission of a CDBG-MVP-ED Application. A public hearing will be conducted before the March 27 County Board meeting. The new branding campaign is being formulated. There were 30 participants at the initial meeting. Albarado is compiling the PECFA reimbursement claim for contamination cleanup at the Airport. The low bid for the Airport fuel system was $168,000.00. The prime contract for the Wal-Mart has been awarded. The asbestos removal at the Fine Arts Center will begin on April 2. Albarado is considering attending the International Council of Shopping Centers Exchange and Deal Forum April 24 and 25 in Madison.

Albarado distributed a copy of Resolution Designating Official Authorized to Declare Official Intent under Reimbursement Bond Regulations. Skogen suggested that the County start working on a capital projects plan to replace the jail locks, build an evidence storage building, and replace the software in dispatch. Schmit reminded the Committee that the accounting software should be included in this capital projects plan. Brian Brewer from Robert W. Baird would be available to assist with this capital projects plan.

Joanne Phetteplace presented the Treasurer’s report. December sales tax was $121,320.07. A Highway certificate of deposit was cashed in and transferred to savings. Phetteplace asked if we should discount the current plat book, because the new one is coming out this year. **Skogen/Platteter made a motion to discount the current plat book to a sales price of $10.00 including sales tax effective immediately. Motion carried.**

Line item transfers for 2006 were reviewed as follows: Courthouse, Register of Deeds, Fairgrounds, HHS MAPC, and HHS Intoxicated Driver Services. **Platteter/Solsrud made a motion to approve the 2006 line item transfers as presented. Motion carried.**

The Committee reviewed two resolutions to amend the 2007 budget for County-Owned Dams 4-Hill Flowage Dam Abandonment Project and ATV Trail Restroom/Well Development. Skogen asked why the Forestry Committee didn’t take the $5,500.00 from stumpage revenue instead of using Power Line Funds. Solsrud suggested taking $5,500.00 from the contingency fund. The Committee reviewed a resolution to create a non-lapsing continuing appropriation for the Intoxicated Driver Program. The Committee reviewed two resolutions to present to the County Board relating to the Airport and County-Owned Buildings contingency fund requests. **Platteter/Skogen made a motion to forward the resolutions to the County Board. Motion carried.**
Schmit presented the Auditor’s report which included sales tax, collection of back taxes, and the insurance report.

The next meeting is April 18, 2007, at 8:30 a.m.

**Platteter/Skogen made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary