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


Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

**Skogen/Platteter made a motion to approve the March 18, 2009, and March 31, 2009, minutes. Motion carried.**

Dave Kaiser was present to discuss the Sheldon tax deed properties. D. Kaiser presented a survey map of the old creamery building. It was the consensus of the Committee to ask Andy Albarado about possible funding for cleaning up this site and then get an estimate of removal cost from Haus.

Carolyn Forde, John Pohlman, and Ruth Meszaros were present to discuss the lower level library committee. Forde discussed some of the problems with the lower level of the library and reminded the Committee that additional staff would be needed at the library if they were to assume responsibility of the lower level.

Brett Gerber was present to discuss the housing grant. Indianhead Community Action Agency and Rusk County were both awarded portions of a housing grant that would provide funds to purchase foreclosed houses. ICAA was awarded $1,000,000.00 for its region, and Rusk County was awarded $350,000.00 for five units.

Rich Summerfield was present to further discuss the lower level library committee. An item will be placed on the next Property Committee agenda to discuss library issues.

Indianhead per diems were discussed. **P. Kaiser/Platteter made a motion to amend Chapter 2 of the County Code to allow Rusk County to reimburse per diems for the Rusk County representatives of the Indianhead Community Action Agency board.** Motion carried with Skogen abstaining.

Carolyn Martin was present to discuss the housing grant.

The Committee recessed for lunch from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Vouchers paid April 1, 2009, to April 14, 2009 were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Vouchers to be paid following the meeting were reviewed, discussed, and signed. **Platteter/Skogen made a motion to approve paying the bills. Motion carried.**

Per diem for attending committee meetings when attendance is requested by the committee was discussed. **Platteter/P. Kaiser made a motion to amend**
Chapter 2 of the County Code by adding “unless authorized by the County Board chair” to item 11B. Motion carried.

Skogen asked the Committee members to make a list of suggestions for the 2010 budget.

The continuing appropriations list was reviewed.

Platteter/Skogen made a motion to approve Nancy Hahn attending the 2009 Annual Spring Conference for Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professional in Wisconsin Dells on May 12 to 15, 2009. Motion carried.

P. Kaiser/Skogen made a motion to approve Denise Wetzel and Cassandra Mc Kittrick attending the WGFOA/IGFOA Conference in Janesville on May 14 and 15, 2009. Motion carried.

Line item transfers and a contingency fund request for 2008 were reviewed as follows: Airport with $1,432.95 from the contingency fund, Sheriff, and Health and Human Services WISACWIS. Platteter/P. Kaiser made a motion to approve the line item transfers and contingency fund request as presented. Motion carried.

Platteter/Skogen made a motion to forward the Highway Safety Project—B & B Equipment 2009 resolution to the County Board. Motion carried.

Joanne Phetteplace presented the Treasurer’s report. Platteter/Skogen made a motion to approve Joanne Phetteplace attending the Summer Seminar in La Crosse on June 9 to 12, 2009. Motion carried.

Wetzel presented the Clerk’s report. Back taxes for 2005 are due by April 30. Wetzel is working with Land Information to review properties prior to taking tax deed. There have been six marriage licenses sold so far this year. The April 2 election training went well. The Clerk’s office is working on the new county directory.

Andy Albarado presented the economic development report. The Property Committee approved donating fencing for the dog park in Weyerhaeuser if the Village is on board with the project. The Village of Hawkins project is moving ahead. PECFA work in Sheldon could begin June 1. Airport fuel sales are down. Albarado is planning a fly in at the Airport the last weekend in September.

The government center sign was discussed. Albarado is getting an estimate on a proposed sign.

Schmit presented the Auditor’s report which included sales tax and the county car report.
The Committee scheduled a meeting on Monday, April 20, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. to review and approve Power Line applications.

The next regular Finance Committee meeting is Wednesday, May 20, 2009, at 8:30 a.m.

**Platteter/P. Kaiser made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary