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

Present: Randy Tatur, Eldon Skogen (at 9:40 a.m.), Jim Platteter, and Art Dixon. Excused: Phil Kaiser. Also present: Denise Wetzel (at 10:10 a.m.) and Rosemary Schmit.

Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Dave Kaiser and Rich Summerfield were present to review tax deed properties. Gary Rivers presented pictures of a condemned property in the Village of Bruce.

Paul Teska was present to review the Forestry budgets.

610—County Forest Operations- No changes at the present.
611—State Aid Forestry Operations- No changes at the present time.
612—County Forest Road Aids Program- No changes at the present time.
613—Land Acquisition Fund- No budget for 2012.
614—County Conservation Aids Program- No changes at the present time.
615—Snowmobile Trails Maintenance Grant- No changes at the present time.
616—Development of Habitat- No changes at the present time.
617—ATV Trail Grant- No changes at the present time.
620—County Parks and Recreation- No changes at the present time.
621—County Owned Dam Repairs- No budget for 2012.
623—Park Development Fund- Redo figures to eliminate the levy request.
624—Boat Landing Repairs- No changes at the present time.
659—Power Line Fund- No changes at the present time.

Platteter/Skogen made a motion to tentatively approve the Forestry and Power Line budgets as amended. Motion carried.

CeCe Tesky was present to review the Zoning budgets.

690—Zoning- No changes at the present time.
692—Zoning Septic Maintenance- No changes at the present time.

Skogen/Platteter made a motion to tentatively approve the Zoning budgets. Motion carried.

Carol Lynn Arndt was present to review the Animal Shelter budgets.

281—City/County Animal Shelter Operation- No changes at the present time.
282—Building Fund- No changes at the present time.
284—Spay/Neuter Fund- No changes at the present time.
285—Gift Fund- No changes at the present time.
286—Endowment Fund- No changes at the present time.

Platteter/Dixon made a motion to tentatively approve the Animal Shelter budgets. Motion carried.
Tim Bablick was present to review the Information Technology budget.

142—IT Department—No changes at the present time.

Skogen/Dixon made a motion to tentatively approve the IT budget as presented. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed tax deed properties as follows:

Big Bend 004-00913-0000-mobile home is over property line; not taking title to this property.

Dewey 010-00948-0000-set minimum bid at $2,000.00

Grant 014-02560-0010-set minimum bid at $500.00

Grant 014-00199-0000-set minimum bid at $1,200.00

Rusk 030-00072-0010-taking title but not listing this property at the present time.

Rusk 030-00629-0100-road
Rusk 030-00629-0020-road

Skogen/Dixon made a motion to recommend to the County Board to write off Rusk 030-00629-0100 and Rusk 030-00629-0020 as illegals. Motion carried.

Thornapple 038-00814-0001-not taking title to this property.

Washington 042-00024-0000-minimum bid set at $20,000.00

Washington 042-00821-0009-taking title; not listing this property at the present time.

Willard 046-00593-0000-minimum bid set at $4,000.00

Bruce 106-00237-0000-condemned property; minimum bid set at $600.00

Bruce 106-00183-0000-The Finance Committee had previously granted an extension for paying the back taxes on this property.

Conrath 111-00010-0000-list with property 111-00011-0001
Conrath 111-00011-0001-list with property 111-00010-0000; minimum bid set at $400.00

Conrath 111-00220-0000-taking title; County Clerk should send deputy out to property to see who is living in house.
Glen Flora 131-00173-0002-old school building; not taking title at present time.

Tony 186-00083-0000-minimum bid set at $500.00

Weyerhaeuser 191-00345-0000-minimum bid set at $1,000.00

Ladysmith 246-00398-0000-street

**Dixon/Skogen made a motion to recommend to the County Board to write off Ladysmith 246-00398-0000 as an illegal. Motion carried.**

Ladysmith 246-01000-0000-taking title; County Clerk should send deputy to property to see who is living in house.

Ladysmith 246-02106-0001-taking title; Platteter volunteered to talk to the City of Ladysmith about this property.

**Dixon/Platteter made a motion to list nine of the tax deed properties with the minimum bids set as listed above. Motion carried.**

The next Finance budget meeting is Wednesday, September 7, 2011, at 8:30 a.m.

**Platteter/Dixon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary