

This meeting of the Vilas County Board of Supervisors was held in the conference rooms located in the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI.

CALL TO ORDER

Vilas County Board Chairman Charles Rayala, Jr. called the assembly to order at 9:04 A.M. and instructed the Clerk to read aloud and insert into the minutes the following: A public meeting notice was given to the public by posting on the bulletin boards in the hall by the main entrance to the Vilas County Courthouse, Olson Memorial Library and Eagle River City Hall. The Vilas County News-Review; the Rhinelander Daily News; the Lakeland Times; the Ironwood Daily Globe; W.E.R.L. Radio; W.R.J.O. Radio; W.L.S.L Radio and Channel 12 TV and News of the North.net were notified on January 13, 2011 more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. The Clerk then requested that all present silence their cell phones and pagers for the duration of the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman asked all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call found the following members present: Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, Maynard Bedish, James Behling, Edward Bluthardt, Jr., Gene Ciszek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Stephen Favorite, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Kathleen Rushlow, Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Charles Rayala, Jr. The Clerk reported 21 Supervisors in attendance, constituting a quorum of the County Board.

The Chairman then called for the following motions:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA TO BE DISCUSSED IN ANY ORDER AT THE CHAIR'S DISCRETION

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by R. Sitzberger to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order at the Chair's discretion. All voted aye. Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 9, 2010 REGULAR MEETING AND 2011 BUDGET MEETING

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by E. Bakka to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2010 meeting and the 2011 Budget meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

OMIT READING OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES BY THE COUNTY CLERK UNLESS REQUESTED

Motion by K. Rushlow, seconded by J. Harrison to omit the reading of all resolutions and ordinances by the Clerk, unless requested from the floor. All voted aye. Carried.

SUSPEND THE RULES TO ACT ON ANY RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES RECEIVED AFTER THE TEN DAY DEADLINE

Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by K. Rushlow to suspend the rules to act on any resolution or ordinance received after the 10 day deadline, but received in time to list to the press and post. All voted aye. Carried.

VILAS COUNTY COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS SURVEY RESULTS – JOAN LeFEBVRE

Beginning at 9:08 A.M., UW Extension Educator Joan LeFebvre presented the results of the Vilas County Community Connections Survey to the County Board. The survey tabulated various data regarding how Vilas County full time and part time residents feel about their local community. Her presentation ended at 9:29 A.M..

The Board then acted on all resolutions and ordinances in the order as posted.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES, IN THEIR ENTIRETY, ARE ON FILE IN THE COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE.

RES. 2011-01

(COUNTY AID CULVERT ON CLOVERLAND DRIVE – TOWN OF CLOVERLAND)

Motion by S. Favorite, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-02

(COUNTY AID CULVERT ON GRASSY CREEK RD. – TOWN OF BOULDER JUNCTION)

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-03

(PURCHASE ¾ TON PICKUP TRUCK)

Motion by S. Favorite, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-04

(CLERK’S JOURNAL ADJUSTMENT OUTSIDE REVENUE ACCOUNT 2011 CARRYOVER)

Motion by L. Kukanich, seconded by R. De Bruyne to adopt. Discussion. Motion by S. Favorite, seconded by R. De Bruyne to amend the resolution at Line #12 and at Line # 16 as follows:

Line #12...a total carryover balance for 2011 in the amount of ~~\$10,439.68~~ \$10,387.99 in the Outside Revenue Account, ...

Line #16 ...journal adjustment to reflect a beginning balance in the amount of ~~\$10,439.68~~ \$10,387.99 in the Outside ...

All voted aye on the amendment. Amendment carried. All voted aye on the resolution as amended. Carried.

RES. 2011-05

(AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE FOR FINAL PHASE OF CONSTRUCTION OF SOUTH PLAYING FIELDS AT OLDENBURG SPORTS PARK)

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by S. Favorite to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-06

(TOWN OF PRESQUE ISLE COMPREHENSIVE SHORELAND DISTRICT AND ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT)

Motion by C. Mayer, seconded by S. Favorite to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-07

(TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN SIGN ORDINANCE)

Motion by C. Mayer, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. F. Radtke announced that he would abstain from any discussion or action on this resolution. Discussion. 16 voted aye. 4 no votes: E. Bluthardt, M. Platner, R. Sitzberger and E. Teichmiller. Carried.

RES. 2011-08

(TOWN OF PRESQUE ISLE ZONING DISTRICT MAP AMENDMENT)

Motion by C. Mayer, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RES. 2011-09

(HIRING ONE FULL-TIME DEPUTY SHERIFF DUE TO VACANCY)

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. A ¾ majority positive vote is required for adoption. The Chairman called for a roll call vote. The following 18 Supervisors vote aye to adopt. Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, James Behling, Edward Bluthardt, Jr., Gene Cizek, Bob Egan, Stephen Favorite, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Kathleen Rushlow, Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller and Linda Thorpe. The following 3 Supervisors voted no. Maynard Bedish, Ronald De Bruyne and Charles Rayala, Jr. Carried.

RES. 2011-10

(HOMELAND SECURITY RADIO REPLACEMENT GRANT)

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by S. Hjemvick to amend the resolution beginning at Line #16 through Line #17 as follows:

WHEREAS, \$26,500.00 the matching in funds shall to be expended for the Vilas County Sheriff's Department equipment purchases and allocated from the Vilas County Communications Budget and \$15,000.00 in grant reimbursement funds shall be deposited back into the Communications Budget for a total fiscal impact of \$11,500.00; and

All voted aye on the amendment. Amendment carried. All voted aye on the resolution as amended. Carried.

**RES. 2011-11
(CANCELLATION OF 2010 TAXES)**

Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by K. Rushlow to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-12
(CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS)**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by L. Thorpe to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-13
(PRESCRIPTION DRUG CENTRALIZED DATABASE)**

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-14
(PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by L. Kukanich, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-15
(VILAS COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING, PROGRAM INCOME, FUND
AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND SUBTRACTIONS 2010 BUDGET)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-16
(SECRETARY B VACANCY)**

Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority positive vote is required for adoption. 20 voted aye. 1 no vote: R. De Bruyne. Carried.

**RES. 2011-17
(ECONOMIC SUPPORT SPECIALIST B VACANCY)**

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by E. Teichmiller to adopt. Discussion. A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-18
(SOCIALS SERVICES AIDE VACANCY)**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-19
(ADULT SOCIAL WORKER VACANCY)**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by K. Rushlow to adopt. Discussion. A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-20
(BUDGET INCREASE AMENDMENT – 2011 REVENUE BUDGET)**

Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by E. Teichmiller to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

CHAIRMAN'S APPOINTMENTS

A. LEPC COMMITTEE

The County Board Chairman recommended the appointment of the following persons to the Local Emergency Planning Committee:

Kathleen Rushlow – Vilas County Board member and LEPC Chair
Leon Kukanich – Vilas County Board member and LEPC Vice-Chair
James Galloway – Civil Defense and Emergency & Information Coordinator
Roger Weber – Citizen at Large
Pat Weber – Fire Department member
Dee Mayo – Elected Tribal Official
Tom Numrich – Transportation representative
Gina Egan – Health representative
John Butler – Law Enforcement representative
John Huppert – Environmental representative
John Helgesen – News Media representative
Michelle Fenske – American Red Cross
Cindy Burzinski – Print Media
Jeff Freese – Hospital/EMS representative

Motion by S. Favorite, seconded by J. Harrison to ratify the Chairman's appointments to the LEPC Committee. All voted aye. Carried.

B. 5142 BOARD

The County Board Chairman recommended the appointment of Denise Wildcat to the 5142 Board. Motion by S. Favorite, seconded by A. Bauman to ratify the Chairman's appointment to the 5142 Board. All voted aye. Carried.

C. 2011 REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

The County Board Chairman recommended the appointment of Supervisors James Behling, Stephen Favorite and Charles Rayala, Jr. to the 2011 Redistricting Committee. Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by A. Bauman to ratify the Chairman's appointments to the 2011 Redistricting Committee. 20 voted aye. 1 no vote: E. Bluthardt. Carried.

D. PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD

The County Board Chairman recommended the appointment of Laura Magstadt to the Public Health Board to replace Dawn Gapko. Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by R. De Bruyne to ratify the Chairman's appointment to the Public Health Board. All voted aye. Carried.

ANNUAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. LAND & WATER CONSERVATION 2010 REPORT

Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by D. Nielsen to accept the 2010 Land & Water Conservation Department 2010 report. All voted aye. Carried.

WISCONSIN COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE CORP. 2009 POLICY YEAR DIVIDEND

The County Board Chairman reported the receipt of an \$8,986.00 insurance dividend paid by the County's liability insurance carrier.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

C. Mayer spoke concerning the December 2010 zoning permit report. Issuance of zoning permit and accompanying fees are running ahead of projections, indicating a rebound in building activity.

E. Teichmiller presented a statistical report highlighting Commission on Aging services provided. He also reported that the ADRC Planning Committee, made up of five Counties and three Tribal governments, was preparing a resolution for presentation to the March 2011 County Board. The resolution would approve of the formation of a Vilas County ADRC.

L. Thorpe reported on and explained the Personnel Committee's employee evaluation policy.

S. Favorite reported on the status of Forestry Dept. administered tax deed properties. He also reported that tree planting occurred on 266 acres of county forest land in 2010. He further reported that the Forestry Dept. would close the 2010 financial year with a \$65,000.00 budget surplus. He then announced that Wayne Oldenburg contributed an additional \$10,000.00 towards development of the County's Oldenburg Sports Park.

B. Egan introduced Bill Lochte, Vice-Chairman of the Vilas County Economic Development Corporation (VCEDC). B. Lochte presented an oral and written report covering 2010 VCEDC activities.

M. Platner asked that UW Extension Agent Kelly Haverkamp is recognized for all of her efforts expended in the successful formation of the VCEDC.

K. Rushlow, reporting for the Finance & Budget Committee, reminded Supervisors and staff that the IRS based mileage reimbursement rate recently increased to .51 cents.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman presented a letter from the Walter Olson Memorial Library, thanking Vilas County for their continuing financial support to area libraries.

R. Sitzberger expressed his opinion that the Committee reports presented at today's County Board were very informative and beneficial.

S. Hjemvick commented on the number of late resolutions listed in today's meeting agenda. He feels that the acceptance of late resolutions adversely reduces the time that Supervisors have to consider and investigate issues presented in those resolutions.

PAY PER DIEM

Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by A. Bauman to approve payment of per diem. All voted aye. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by A. Bauman to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 A.M.

Prepared and submitted by:

David R. Alleman,
Vilas County Clerk

Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to future correction and approval by the Vilas County Board.