

## **VILAS COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

**MARCH 15, 2011**

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 Vice-Chairman Stephen Favorite called the assembly to order at 9:00 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 March 11, 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 Vice-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, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Charles Rayala, Jr., Kathleen Rushlow, Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. The Clerk reported 21 Supervisors in attendance, constituting a quorum of the County Board.

The Vice-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 JANUARY 18, 2011 MEETING.**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by J. Harrison to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

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

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by E. Bakka 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 K. Rushlow, seconded by F. Radtke 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.

**2010 MUSKY MARATHON AWARD PRESENTATION**

At 9:05 A.M., Cindy Burzinski and Janet Christianson of the Tourism & Publicity Department began the 2010 Musky Marathon award presentation. A short video was shown prior to the presentation of award plaques to the various recipients. It was noted that 47 more muskys were registered in the Musky Marathon than the previous year.

**HIGHWAY SERVICE RECOGNITION**

Vilas County Highway Committee Chairman Jack Harrison presented a highway service recognition award to Highway shop foreman Bud Slizewski. The award recognizes 20 years of service to the traveling public, and was issued by the Wisconsin State Foreman's Association.

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. 2011-21**

**(CREATION OF ONE FULL-TIME CORRECTIONAL OFFICER ASSIGNED TO JAIL RECORDS SPECIALIST DUTIES)**

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by J. Harrison to adopt. Discussion. A  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority positive vote is required for adoption. The Chairman called for a roll call vote. 14 voted aye: E. Bakka, A. Bauman, J. Behling, E. Bluthardt, Jr., G. Ciszek, B. Egan, J. Harrison, S. Hjemvick, C. Mayer, D. Nielsen, M. Platner, K. Rushlow, L. Thorpe and S. Favorite. 7 voted no: M. Bedish, R. De Bruyne, L. Kukanich, F. Radtke, C. Rayala, Jr., R. Sitzberger and E. Teichmiller. 16 aye votes were needed for adoption. Adoption failed.

**RES. 2011-22**

**(OPERATIONS CAPTAIN AND SUBORDINATE POSITION IN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT)**

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. A  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority positive vote is required for adoption. The Chairman called for a roll call vote. 21 voted aye: E. Bakka, A. Bauman, M. Bedish, J. Behling, E. Bluthardt, Jr., G. Ciszek, R. De Bruyne, B. Egan, J. Harrison, S. Hjemvick, L. Kukanich, C. Mayer, D. Nielsen, M. Platner, F. Radtke, C. Rayala, Jr., K. Rushlow, R. Sitzberger, E. Teichmiller, L. Thorpe and S. Favorite. Carried.

**RES. 2011-23**

**(SHERIFF CIVIL PROCESS FEE INCREASE)**

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by R. De Bruyne to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-24**  
**(YOUTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT IS CRITICAL IN BUILDING CIVIC  
CAPACITY AND LONG-TERM COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY IN VILAS  
COUNTY)**

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by M. Platner to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-25**  
**(MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT 2010 BUDGET – TRANSFER FROM GENERAL  
FUND)**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by R. De Bruyne to adopt. Discussion. A  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-26**  
**(ELECTION OF A VILAS COUNTY BOARD CHAIRPERSON)**

This resolution was withdrawn from consideration by the Supervisor who submitted it.

**RES. 2011-27**  
**(AMEND 2010 BUDGET AND RESCIND RESOLUTION 2011-04)**

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-28**  
**(SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-29**  
**(PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-30**  
**(AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION GRANT)**

Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by L. Thorpe to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-31**  
**(HIRING ONE PART-TIME JAIL RECORDS SPECIALIST DUE TO VACANCY)**  
Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. A  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-32**  
**(VILAS COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES/TRADES)**  
Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-33**

**(AUTHORIZING THE AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER, (ADRC), OF THE NORTHWOODS TO APPLY FOR FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR OPERATIONS OF A REGIONAL ADRC SERVING FOREST, ONEIDA, TAYLOR AND VILAS COUNTIES AND FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY, LAC DU FLAMBEAU BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA INDIANS, AND SOKAOGON CHIPPEWA COMMUNITY)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**2010 DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**A. CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**B. CHILD SUPPORT**

**C. FORESTRY & LANDS**

**D. ZONING & POLLUTION CONTROL**

Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by K. Rushlow to accept the Corporation Counsel, Child Support, Forestry & Lands and Zoning & Pollution Control Department 2010 reports. All voted aye. Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

D. Nielsen reported that the Restorative Justice program continues to provide benefits to the County. E. Teichmiller reported that Vilas County Commission on Aging programs provided greater benefits to local seniors than are provided in many other counties. He pointed out that the higher level of local service was due to the diligence of Commission on Aging staff and committee members. He also reported his membership on the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR). He then reported that the Human Service Center was on track to end the year without a fund deficit. L. Thorpe reported on the joint Personnel Committee / Finance & Budget Committee meeting. One of the results of that meeting was the memo sent to all County staff in regards to Budget Repair bill issues.

B. Egan reported that the Economic Development Committee continued to move forward in their efforts to grow the county's economy.

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Vice-Chairman announced that a special County Board meeting would be held next Monday, March 21, 2011 per the joint recommendation of the Personnel Committee and the Finance & Budget Committee. The object of the meeting will be the appointment by the Vice-Chairman of a Transition Committee, made up of the following seven members and one alternate.

James Behling, Committee Chair

Kathleen Rushlow, Committee Vice-Chair

Emil Bakka

Ed Bluthardt

Bob Egan

Sig Hjermvick

Linda Thorpe

Chris Mayer (alternate)

The Transition Committee will be charged with implementing the law changes contained in the Budget Repair bill and the development of future employment policies and procedures.

The Vice-Chair also announced that an election to fill the vacated position of County Board Chairperson would be held at the April 19, 2011 meeting.

C. Rayala asked that two different Wisconsin Counties Association handouts be reproduced and provided to all Board members.

### **PAY PER DIEM**

E. Bakka \$77.60, A. Bauman \$96.47, M. Bedish \$54.65, J. Behling \$49.04 Bluthardt \$52.10, G. Cizek \$83.72, R. De Bruyne \$77.60, B. Egan \$56.18, S. Favorite \$53.12, J. Harrison \$96.98, S. Hjemvick \$66.38, L. Kukanich \$52.10, C. Mayer \$87.19, D. Nielsen \$68.42, M. Platner \$58.22, F. Radtke \$62.30, C. Rayala \$86.78, K. Rushlow \$50.57, R. Sitzberger \$72.50, E. Teichmiller \$73.01, L. Thorpe \$47.00.

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by J. Harrison to approve payment of per diem. All voted aye. Carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:04 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.