

Meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Mayer at 9:30A.M., at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Room 2, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

The following members were present: Chris Mayer, Mary Kim Black Jim Behling, Erv Teichmiller, Ed Bluthardt, Jason Hilger and Kris Duening.

Motion by Jim Behling, seconded by Erv Teichmiller to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chair. All voting aye. Carried.

Motion by Jim Behling, seconded by Mary Kim Black to approve the previous minutes from January 16, 2013. All voting aye. Carried.

Affidavit of Canceled Tax Certificates – Jerri Radtke appeared before the Committee to discuss this matter. Ms. Radtke explained that taxes that are 11 years old can be canceled and the total for this year is \$45.68. A check will be issued to clear up this matter.

County Board Per Diem vs Salary – The Committee was given a handout regarding a survey on how other counties pay their supervisors and the number of committees that each county has. The Committee discussed that any changes would have to be done by December 1 when nominations papers are taken out for the next election.

Ed Bluthardt arrived at the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

The Committee also discussed the idea of reducing the number of County Board members. This would have to be done through a referendum.

Finance Report – The January Finance report was discussed.

Total Receipts	5,911,133.35	Uncollected Taxes	20,000,619.08
Total Disbursements	2,362,438.14		
Outstanding Checks	36,783.96		
Investments	6,342,156.33		
Total Cash and Investments	14,358,506.20		

Approval of Bills and Payroll –Motion by Erv Teichmiller, seconded by Jim Behling to approve the paid bills report and the payroll report for January. All voting aye. Carried.

Overtime Report – The Committee reviewed the January report. Mr. Hilger received a report from the Highway Department explaining that they received more in revenue then spent.

Line Item Transfers – Nothing at this time.

Funding for Circuit Court Wellness Treatment Court Training – This item was discussed at the January County Board meeting, but could not be acted on. Erv Teichmiller told the Committee that he contacted the Judge to explain that through Community Mental Health there may be money available for this training. The cost to the County is \$4,000 for expenses to attend this training. Motion by Jim Behling, seconded by Mary Kim Black to approve the funding for this training and have the money come from the Contingency Fund not to exceed \$4,200.00. Motion was withdrawn. Motion by Erv Teichmiller, seconded by Mary Kim Black to approve the funding contingent upon all other potential funding sources has been exhausted. All voting aye. Carried.

Wheel Tax – The Committee discussed the idea of a Wheel Tax. The registration fee is a local registration fee added to the state registration fee each time a vehicle is registered. County registration fee revenues are collected by the Department of Transportation and remitted to counties and municipalities after a 10¢ per registration administrative fee is retained by DOT. While both a county and municipality can assess a local fee,

revenue must be used for transportation related purposes. Currently only 5 governments assess the fee. The city of Milwaukee imposes a \$20 fee, the Cities of Beloit, Mayville and Janesville impose a \$10 fee and St. Croix County imposes a \$10 fee. The Committee discussed whether they could impose this tax on the Reservation. The Committee wondered what the expected revenue would be if imposed. Mr. Hilger will contact the State to get registration figures for Vilas County.

Highway Department 2013 Purchase – The Highway Department would like to purchase 14 tailgate spreaders at a cost of \$54,000 from their Capital Equipment line item. The Committee decided that this must go to County Board for approval due to the total cost.

County Board Committee Individual Budgets – The Committee considered having each Committee Chair draft a budget for 2013 and possibly having a trial run for this year. A reorganization of the Committees would impact the budget.

2014 Budget Process – Mr. Hilger explained that he is still looking at the 2014 budget. Mr. Behling has been working with the Economic Development Corporation for a revolving loan fund. This will be placed on the next agenda for a presentation.

Approval of Seminars and Lodging – Motion by Ed Bluthardt, seconded by Erv Teichmiller to approve Joan Hansen attending the WCCO conference, March 3 - 6 in Madison. All voting aye. Carried.

Out of State Travel – Nothing at this time.

Letters and Communications – Nothing at this time.

Motion by Erv Teichmiller, seconded by Jim Behling to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c), for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body had jurisdiction or exercise responsibility (Department Head Performance Evaluation). All voting aye. Carried.

Motion by Erv Teichmiller, seconded by Ed Bluthardt to return to open session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §(1)(c). All voting aye. Carried.

Motion by Mary Kim Black, seconded by Erv Teichmiller to approve the Department Head Performance Evaluation. All voting aye. Carried.

Future meeting dates – Next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.

There is nothing more on the agenda therefore; the meeting is adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes reflect the recorders notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.

Submitted by: Kris Duening