

**VILAS COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
2011**

**AUGUST 16,**

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 Stephen Favorite called the assembly to order at 9:07 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 Northwoods River News; the Lakeland Times; the Ironwood Daily Globe; W.E.R.L. Radio; W.R.J.O. Radio; W.C.Y.E. Radio; Channel 12 TV and News of the North.net were notified on August 12, 2011 more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. The Clerk 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, 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 Chairman then called for the following motions:

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

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by A. Bauman 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 JUNE 10, 2011 REGULAR MEETING**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by L. Thorpe to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2011 regular meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

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

Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by C. Rayala 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 R. Sitzberger 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.

At 9:11 A.M., Supervisor B. Egan introduced Vilas County Economic Development Corporation board member G. Steven Burrill, who presented the Board with an update of Vilas County Economic Development Corporation activities. Highlights of Mr. Burrill's report included progress made on countywide wireless internet access, business expansion and retention activities and recruitment of new employers to Vilas County.

At 9:34 A.M., Vilas County Tourism & Publicity Department Director Cindy Burzinski began a power point presentation. The presentation highlighted the positive results of a recent Facebook based advertising campaign.

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. 2011-71**

**(ADOPTION OF A FINAL REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE VILAS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS)**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. Motion by R. Sitzberger, seconded by D. Nielsen to amend the attached 2011 Final Redistricting Plan map as follows:

Per A. Faust's recommendation, adjust the boundary separating Supervisory Districts #1 and #4 as pertaining to Sayner, Town of Plum Lake, Wisconsin. A census block containing 26 residents, located in District #1, shall be moved into District #4. A census block containing 6 residents, located in District #4, shall be moved into District #1.

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

**RES. 2011-72**

**(2011 WAGE INCREASE FOR NON-REPRESENTED/MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by J. Behling to amend the resolution as follows:

Freeze the 2011 wages of the Corp. Counsel Confidential Sect., Confidential Financial Manager (Soc. Serv.) and Sheriff's Dept. Confidential Sect. Amend line 6 amount to \$18,750.19; line 8 to \$115,365.24 and line 9 to \$76,092.29. Discussion. Motion to amend withdrawn by its maker.

Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 16 members voting aye: Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, James Behling, Edward Bluthardt, Jr., Gene Cizek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Kathleen Rushlow, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. The following 5 members voted

no: Maynard Bedish, Leon Kukanich, Fred Radtke, Charles Rayala, Jr. and Ralph J. Sitzberger. Carried.

**RES. 2011-73**

**(2011 WAGE INCREASE FOR NON-REPRESENTED/NON-PUBLIC SAFETY  
SUPERVISORY STAFF IN SHERIFF'S OFFICE)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by E. Bluthardt to adopt. Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 16 members voting aye: Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, James Behling, Edward Bluthardt, Jr., Gene Cizek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Kathleen Rushlow, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. The following 5 members voted no: Maynard Bedish, Leon Kukanich, Fred Radtke, Charles Rayala, Jr. and Ralph J. Sitzberger. Carried.

**RES. 2011-74**

**(CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL SECRETARY)**

This resolution was withdrawn from consideration by the Chair of the Personnel Committee

**RES. 2011-75**

**(VACANT GENERAL HIGHWAY WORKER POSITIONS)**

This resolution was withdrawn from consideration by R. Sitzberger.

**RES. 2011-76**

**(MID-WISCONSIN BEVERAGE COMMUNITY GRANT)**

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

**RES. 2011-77**

**(TOWN OF LAC DU FLAMBEAU'S COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE 93-4  
AMENDMENTS)**

This resolution was withdrawn from consideration by the Chair of the Zoning & Planning Committee.

**RES. 2011-78**

**(AUTHORIZATION TO PLAN FOR A REGIONALIZED INCOME MAINTENANCE  
SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM)**

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

**RES. 2011-79**

**(BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-80**

**(BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by K. Rushlow, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-81**

**(STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, SHIP, FUNDS AND BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

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

**RES. 2011-82  
(FUNDS AND BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

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

**RES. 2011-83  
(FUNDS AND BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by M. Platner to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-84  
(MOBILE DATA COMPUTER EQUIPMENT GRANT / FUNDS AND BUDGET AMENDMENT)**

Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**2010 DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- a. Tourism & Publicity**
- b. Social Services**
- c. Veteran's Services**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by A. Bauman to accept the 2010 Tourism & Publicity, Social Services and Veteran's Services department reports. All voted aye. Carried.

**CHAIRS APPOINTMENTS**

- a. Board of Adjustment**

Motion by C. Mayer, seconded by S. Hjemvick to accept the Chair's appointment of John Barron as a regular member. All voted aye. Carried.

Motion by S. Hjemvick, seconded by B. Egan to accept the Chair's appointment of Fred Indermuehle as 1<sup>st</sup> alternate member. All voted aye. Carried.

- b. Community Options Program (COP)**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by Ralph Sitzberger to accept the Chair's appointments of Mary Kapke and Nikki Reed to the COP Committee. All voted aye. Carried.

- c. Veteran's Service Commission Member**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by R. De Bruyne to accept the Chair's appointment of Merton Jensen to the Veteran's Service Commission. All voted aye. Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

J. Behling reported that the Health Department was very busy. He spoke about local sanitary issues and future equipment needs for the animal control officer.

J. Behling reported that the Transition Committee was planning to introduce a Grievance Policy resolution at the September meeting.

E. Teichmiller reported that a recent report ranked Vilas County senior nutrition programs as excellent.

E. Teichmiller announced that the ADRC application was completed and forwarded to the State. The first ADRC is projected to open in Forest County next January.

L. Thorpe reported that the Personnel Committee would soon begin interviewing Human Resource Director position applicants.

L. Thorpe showed an example of laser engraved name badges, available to County Supervisors for \$7.25 each. Badges are ordered in the Tourism & Publicity offices.

C. Mayer, Chair of the Finance & Budget Committee, presented a number of current financial reports.

J. Harrison presented a map of County Highway road patrol/snow plowing routes. He also urged the board to consider the labor situation at the Highway Department.

B. Egan reported that the current drop in Jail revenues was due to the fact that Vilas County is housing more county prisoners, allowing less space to house State inmates. State inmate costs are reimbursed to the County.

B. Egan reported on recent Economic Development Committee activities.

### **LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

S. Favorite reported ten Supervisors registered to attend the 2011 WCA Fall Conference. He is requiring all attendees to submit a written report detailing their conference activities.

S. Hjemvick spoke concerning an upcoming newspaper supplement honoring the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attack. He is asking Supervisors to donate personal funds to sponsor an advertisement from the Vilas County Board honoring local EMS, Police, Firefighter and Military personnel.

### **PAY MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by J. Harrison to approve payment of mileage and per diem. All voted aye. Carried. Mileage and per diem shall be paid as listed below.

E. Bakka \$80.30, A. Bauman \$100.84, M. Bedish \$55.33, J. Behling \$49.22 Bluthardt \$52.55, G. Ciszek \$86.96, R. De Bruyne \$80.30, B. Egan \$56.99, S. Favorite \$53.66, J. Harrison \$101.39, S. Hjemvick \$68.09, L. Kukanich \$52.55, C. Mayer \$90.73, D. Nielsen \$70.31, M. Platner \$59.21, F. Radtke \$63.65, C. Rayala \$90.29, K. Rushlow \$50.89, R. Sitzberger \$74.75, E. Teichmiller \$75.31, L. Thorpe \$47.00.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 P.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.