

**VILAS COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
2011**

**SEPTEMBER 20,**

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 9:00 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 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 September 16, 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, Gene Ciszek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Charles Rayala, Jr., Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. Edward Bluthardt, Jr. and Kathleen Rushlow were excused. The Clerk reported 19 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 D. Nielsen, seconded by J. Harrison 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 AUGUST 16, 2011 REGULAR MEETING**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by R. Sitzberger to approve the minutes of the August 16, 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. De Bruyne, 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 R. Sitzberger, seconded by L. Kukanich 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.

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. 2011-85**

**(ADOPTING A GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. §66.0509(1m))**

Motion by B. Egan, seconded by E. Bakka to adopt. Discussion. 18 voted aye. 1 no vote: F. Radtke. Carried.

**RES. 2011-86**

**(VILAS COUNTY COUNTYWIDE BIKE/PED ROUTE & TRAIL PLAN)**

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. All vote aye. Carried.

At 9:47 A.M. the Chairman suspended further consideration of resolutions, to provide time for an informational presentation regarding the shared employment of a County Highway Commissioner by two Wisconsin Counties. Presenters were Joint Highway Commissioner Randy Anderson of Clark/Jackson Counties and Human Resource Director Tam Burgau of Jackson County.

Their presentation concluded at 10:13 A.M., at which time the Chairman called for a brief recess. The meeting resumed at 10:21 A.M.

**RES. 2011-87**

**(JUSTICE CENTER UPS (UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY) REPLACEMENT)**

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by J. Behling to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-88**

**(AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TEN TACTICAL VESTS FOR SWAT TEAM IN 2012)**

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by J. Harrison to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-89**

**(911 COMMUNICATION CENTER RECORDING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT)**

Motion by B. Egan, seconded by R. De Bruyne to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-90**

**(AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO PURCHASE ONE (1) NEW REPLACEMENT RESPONSE VEHICLE IN 2012)**

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by J. Behling to adopt. Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 19 members voting aye: Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, Maynard Bedish, James Behling, Gene Ciszek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjenvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Charles Rayala, Jr., Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. Carried.

**RES. 2011-91**

**(AUTHORIZATION FOR SHERIFF TO PURCHASE (4) NEW PATROL VEHICLES IN 2012)**

Motion by E. Bakka, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. 18 voted aye. 1 no vote: F. Radtke. Carried.

**RES. 2011-92**

**(HIRING ONE FULL-TIME DEPUTY SHERIFF DUE TO A RESIGNATION)**

*A ¾ majority favorable vote is required for adoption*

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. Discussion. Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by F. Radtke to amend the resolution at Line #10 as follows:

WHEREAS the probationary starting wage for a full-time Deputy Sheriff's position...

9 voted aye on the amendment. 10 voted no: A. Bauman, E. Bakka, G. Ciszek, B. Egan, S. Favorite,

S. Hjenvick, C. Mayer, D. Nielsen, L. Thorpe and R. Sitzberger. Amendment failed.

14 voted aye on the resolution. 5 voted no: M. Bedish, R. De Bruyne, M. Platner, F. Radtke and E. Teichmiller. Adoption failed due to not attaining the required favorable majority vote.

**RES. 2011-93**

**(VACANT GENERAL HIGHWAY WORKER POSITIONS)**

*A ¾ majority favorable vote is required for adoption*

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by J. Harrison to amend the resolution at Line #7 as follows:

~~these three (3)~~ positions be filled; and...

All voted aye on the amendment. Amendment carried. Discussion. Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by F. Radtke to amend the resolution at Line #7 and Line #16 as follows:

Line #7 ~~three (3)~~ two (2) positions be filled; and...

Line #16 ~~three (3)~~ two (2) individuals for the General Highway Worker...

Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 12 members voting aye on the amendment: E. Bakka, J. Behling, R. De Bruyne, B. Egan, S. Hjenvick, C. Mayer, M. Platner, F. Radtke, C. Rayala, R. Sitzberger, E. Teichmiller and L. Thorpe. The following members voted no: A. Bauman, M. Bedish, G. Ciszek, J. Harrison, L. Kukanich, D. Nielsen and S. Favorite. Amendment carried.

Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 13 members voting aye on the resolution as amended: E. Bakka, B. Egan, J. Harrison, S. Hjemvick, L. Kukanich, C. Mayer, D. Nielsen, M. Platner, F. Radtke, C. Rayala, R. Sitzberger, E. Teichmiller and L. Thorpe. The following 6 members voted no: A. Bauman, M. Bedish, J. Behling, G. Ciszek, R. De Bruyne and S. Favorite. Adoption failed due to not attaining the required favorable majority vote.

Motion by F. Radtke, seconded by R. De Bruyne to reconsider the adoption of Resolution 2011-92. Upon determining that F. Radtke previously voted against adoption of this resolution, the Chairman ruled that the motion and second were in order and allowed a vote to reconsider the adoption of resolution 2011-92 to proceed.

14 voted aye to allow resolution 2011-92 to be reconsidered for adoption. 5 voted no: A. Bauman, G. Ciszek, C. Rayala, R. Sitzberger and E. Teichmiller. Reconsideration of Res. 2011-92 approved.

**Reconsideration of  
RES. 2011-92**

**(HIRING ONE FULL-TIME DEPUTY SHERIFF DUE TO A RESIGNATION)**

*A ¾ majority favorable vote is required for adoption*

Motion by F. Radtke, seconded by R. De Bruyne to amend the resolution. Motion to amend withdrawn. Discussion. A roll call vote found the following 13 members voting aye on the resolution: E. Bakka A. Bauman, J. Behling, G. Ciszek, B. Egan, S. Hjemvick, L. Kukanich, C. Mayer, D. Nielsen, M. Platner, F. Radtke, L. Thorpe and S. Favorite. The following 6 members voted no: M. Bedish, R. De Bruyne, J. Harrison, C. Rayala, R. Sitzberger and E. Teichmiller.

Adoption failed due to not attaining the required favorable majority vote.

**RES. 2011-94**

**(CREATING THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN)**

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

**RES. 2011-95**

**(AUTHORIZING VILAS COUNTY TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A REGIONAL INCOME MAINTENANCE SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM)**

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

**RES. 2011-96**

**(APPLY FOR PROJECT LOAN TO PURCHASE PICKUP TRUCK)**

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

**RES. 2011-97**

**(OLDENBURG SPORTS PARK: INSTALLATION OF SPORTS LIGHTING)**

Motion by L. Kukanich, seconded by C. Mayer to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-98**

**(SALARY INCREASE FOR CORPORATION COUNSEL)**

Motion by E. Teichmiller, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. 17 voted aye. 2 no votes: M. Bedish and F. Radtke. Carried.

**RES. 2011-99**

**(SALARY INCREASE FOR ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL)**

Motion by C. Mayer, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. 16 voted aye. 3 voted no: M. Bedish. R. De Bruyne and F. Radtke. Carried.

**RES. 2011-100**

**(UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN – EXTENSION COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENT VACANCY)**

Motion by G. Ciszek, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**RES. 2011-101**

**(2011 – 2012 PROJECTS FOR REDACTION AND CONVERSION OF VILAS COUNTY PUBLIC RECORDS FOR INTERNET ACCESS)**

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by S. Hjemvick to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

**General Code of Vilas County**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2011 – 2A**

**(MAINTENANCE AND BOARD FOR COUNTY JAIL PRISONERS)**

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

**CHAIRS APPOINTMENTS**

**a. ADRC of the Northwoods**

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by C. Rayala to accept the Chair's appointment of Erv Teichmiller as Vilas County Board Representative. All voted aye. Carried.

**b. Land Information Council**

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by M. Platner to accept the Chair's appointment of Edward Bluthardt, Jr. as Vilas County Board Representative. All voted aye. Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

E. Teichmiller reported that ADRC of the Northwoods board members would meet in October to organize a Board of Directors. He thanked County Board members involved with the creation of the ADRC.

L. Thorpe announced that the Personnel Committee hired Janna Kahl to fill the recently created position of Human Resource Director. Ms Kahl will begin her employment on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

C. Mayer announced that SchenckSC provided the Finance & Budget Committee with a preliminary report regarding the soon to be completed efficiency study.

J. Behling gave an update of Transition Committee activities. He thanked committee members for the work and dedication involved in creating grievance policy.

B. Egan reported that the Vilas County Economic Development Corporation was assisting with up to eleven possible new business start-ups. Grow North, the five county business development consortium, has been recognized by the State for their efforts in the northern economic development zone.

S. Favorite reported that Forestry Dept. sales of tax deed properties had increased. He also announced that Board Members must attend an entire day of the upcoming budget hearings, to be eligible to collect mileage and per diem for that day. He also reminded Board Members attending the upcoming WCA Annual Conference, that a written report of their conference activities must be submitted to him personally, or per diem and other conference reimbursements may be denied.

### **LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

R. De Bruyne commented on a communication tower issue in Conover.

S. Favorite asked the Clerk to speak regarding the insertion of a constituent letter, addressed to each individual Supervisor and included in each board packet. The Clerk gave his reasons for inserting the letter.

S. Hjemvick spoke about the Vilas County Board sponsored memorial ad in the Vilas News-Review supplement, honoring local EMS, Police, Firefighter and Military personnel on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attack. He is asking Supervisors to donate their personal funds to help pay the cost of the memorial ad.

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

Motion by C. Rayala, seconded by S. Hjemvick 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. Cizek \$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 A. Bauman, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:18 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.