

Call to order:

The Legislative & Judicial Committee meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. in the Vilas County Courthouse conference rooms by committee Chairman Mark Rogacki with the following committee members present: Rocky Caffarella, Walt Maciag, Carolyn Ritter and Erv Teichmiller. Other persons present at various times during this meeting: Supervisors Ken Anderson and Ron De Bruyne, Mike Biszak, John Gagnon, Dale Mayo, Martha Milanowski, Deb Bohn, Jason Hilger, Sue Drum, Tom Nitz and David Alleman. Open meeting law complied with and quorum verified

Roll call:

The Clerk called the roll and affirmed that all committee members were present.

Approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair:

Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by C. Ritter to approve the agenda, with the agenda order to be presented at the Chair's discretion. All voted aye. Carried.

Approve July 9, 2014 meeting minutes:

Motion by W. Maciag, 2nd by E. Teichmiller to approve the July 9, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Review and approve committee 2015 budgets:

b. Corporation Counsel:

M. Milanowski presented her department's 2015 budget request. She informed the committee that the Legal Fees expense line would be over budget for 2014 by about \$1,000.00, but she expects other savings to offset that overage. W. Maciag questioned the amount budgeted for 2015 in the Legal Fees expense line, citing the potential to again create a deficit in that line. M. Milanowski responded that the Legal Fees expense line covers the costs of outside counsel, and that those costs are unpredictable. Salary levels and health insurance costs listed in the Corporation Counsel budget were discussed. **Motion by R. Caffarella, 2nd by C. Ritter to approve the Corporation Counsel 2015 budget request. All voted aye. Carried.**

c. Veterans Services:

M. Biszak presented the Veterans services 2015 budget request. He stated that he felt the budgeting process went very well. It was noted that no funds are budgeted for employee health insurance. M. Biszak explained that both he and his assistant carry health plans provided by other sources. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by C. Ritter to approve the Veterans Services 2015 budget request. All voted aye. Carried.**

a. Child Support:

The committee reviewed the Child Support department 2015 budget request. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by C. Ritter to approve the Child Support 2015 budget request. All voted aye. Carried.**

Chapter 7 – Traffic – Ordinance to County Board:

This item was postponed to this meeting at the previous meeting. The ordinance language was reviewed. **Motion by R. Caffarella, 2nd by W. Maciag to approve the ordinance and to send it on to the County Board for their consideration. All voted aye. Carried.**

Chapter 16 – Forest & Land Ordinance – Ordinance to County Board:

Motion by R. Caffarella, 2nd by W. Maciag to approve the ordinance and to send it on to the County Board for their consideration. Discussion. C. Ritter expressed concern that future ATV trail plans are not being set forth. She doesn't know where this is leading, regarding future ATV trails or routes and their locations. R. Caffarella responded that no overall ATV "master plan" exists or is in the offing. He stated that nothing ATV related is being hidden. K. Anderson explained that the revisions set forth in the Chapter 16 language enabled ATV trail planning to occur as part of the Vilas County Forest 15 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan. J. Gagnon and M. Milanowski also explained the intent of the ordinance language. **3 voted aye. 2 voted no: C. Ritter and E. Teichmiller. Carried.**

Chapter 26 – ATV / UTV Ordinance – Ordinance to County Board:

Motion by R. Caffarella, 2nd by W. Maciag to approve the ordinance and to send it on to the County Board for their consideration. Discussion. E. Teichmiller expressed concern with regards to language contained in the ordinance draft, dealing with ATV/UTV taillight requirements and the schedule of fines imposed for violation of the ordinance. This was discussed at length. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by W. Maciag to amend the ordinance language under 26.10 by adding an additional stipulation, to be labeled number 9, stating: Subject to the addition of all applicable court costs. 3 voted aye for the amendment. 2 voted no: R. Caffarella and M. Rogacki. Amendment carried.**

E. Teichmiller expressed the need to "sunset" (auto rescind) this ordinance after a one year period. This was discussed. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by C. Ritter to add language under 26.02 (b)(i) that sunsets the use of the proposed 3 mile ATV route located on CTH A after a period of one year. 2 voted aye for the amendment: C. Ritter and E. Teichmiller. 3 voted no. Amendment failed. 3 voted aye for the ordinance as amended. 2 voted no: C. Ritter and E. Teichmiller. Carried.**

Amendment to Standing Rules – Legislative & Judicial Committee – Resolution to County Board:

Upon this resolution being referred back to the committee at the July County Board meeting, the committee again revised the proposed Standing Rule language by removing the word ~~represent~~ under line 2. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by W. Maciag to approve the resolution and to send it on to the County Board for their consideration. All voted aye. Carried.**

Amendment to Standing Rules – Snowmobile Safety Committee – Resolution to County Board:

Motion by C. Ritter, 2nd by W. Maciag to approve the resolution and to send it on to the County Board for their consideration. Discussion. R. Caffarella repeated his past request, at the behest of the County Board Chairman, to add a third County Board member to the committee list. He cited the need for an odd number of County Board members to allow for possible tie-breaking action when votes are called for to approve expenditures. **Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by C. Ritter to amend the Standing Rules language to require that the third County Board member also be a member of the Public Health Board. 1 voted aye for the amendment: E. Teichmiller. 4 voted no. Amendment failed. Motion by R. Caffarella, 2nd by W. Maciag to amend the Standing Rules**

language to add a third County Board member, appointed by the County Board Chairperson, to the proposed Recreational Trail Safety Committee. 4 voted aye for the amendment. 1 voted no: E. Teichmiller. Amendment carried. 4 voted aye for the resolution as amended. 1 voted no: E. Teichmiller. Carried.

WCA legislative platform:

Chairman Rogacki recommends that the WCA legislative platform is adopted as the Vilas County legislative platform. He wants the committee to study this further. He also recommends department head involvement with this effort.

Vilas County legislative positions:

Discussed under WCA legislative platform above.

Standing Rules & Committee Duties:

Nothing presented.

Letters and Communications:

E. Teichmiller raised questions in regards to which committees the Veterans Services Department is required to report to. R. Caffarella raised some issues concerning the WIPFLi Wage Study.

Future meeting date:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 9:30 A.M, Wednesday, September 10, 2014.

Adjournment:

Motion by W. Maciag, 2nd by M. Rogacki to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
David R. Alleman
Vilas County Clerk.