

**LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING – DECEMBER 15, 2015**

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The Langlade County Board of Supervisors met at the County Board Room in the Safety Building. Chairman David Solin called the December 15, 2015 Meeting of the County Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

District #9 and District #17 are vacant at this time. 19 Supervisors present.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence.

Approve or amend the minutes of the November 17, 2015, meeting as printed and published:

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Benishek to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2015 meeting as printed and published. All ayes, the motion carried. The minutes are approved.

Approve or amend the December 15, 2015 Agenda as printed:

- A. Chairman Solin moves to move up agenda item :
 1. C. Confirm the appointment of Dale Dahms to fill vacant seat for District 9 on the Langlade County Board of Supervisors, term to end April 18, 2016.
- B. Chairman Solin moves to remove agenda item:
 - Q. Any other business that may lawfully come before the Board. Review and discuss Public Reprimand of County Board Supervisor.
- C. Supervisor Klimoski moves to refer Resolution 84-2015 back to Public Property Committee for further review. Seconded by Supervisor Jansen. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Nonnenmacher, to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes, the motion carried. The amended agenda is approved.

Confirm the appointment of Dale Dahms to fill vacant seat for District 9 on the Langlade County Board of Supervisors, term to end April 18, 2016.

Motion was made by Supervisor Hurlbert, seconded by Supervisor Burby to confirm the appointment of Dale Dahms to the vacant seat for District 9. All ayes, motion carried. There are now 20 Supervisors present, District 17 is still vacant at this time. Supervisor Dahms was given the Oath of Office by County Clerk Judy Nagel.

Public comment on agenda items and consideration of requests for items to be added to future meeting agendas: No comments.

Old Business: No old business brought to the Board.

New Business: No new business brought to the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Jansen to approve the Consent Agenda. All ayes, the motion carried. The Consent Agenda is adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Elections or Appointments:
 - A. Re-elect John Zenkovich as the Langlade County Veterans' Service Officer, effective date January 1, 2016.
 - B. Confirm the re-appointment of Randy Adair to the Langlade County Veterans' Service Commission for another three year term.
 - C. Confirm the appointment of Dale Dahms**Moved up on the Agenda
2. Letters, Petitions and Communications:
 - A. The 2014 Statistical Report available in the County Clerk's Office
 - B. Excerpt of a letter from State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services acknowledging Langlade County Public Health Department Staff and Ron Barger, Health Services Director
 - C. Correspondence from Langlade County Dispatchers thanking the County Board of Supervisors for the staff changes.
3. Resolutions:

RESOLUTION #78-2015

INTRODUCED BY: HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

INTENT: RECOGNITION OF RONALD MEYER FOR DEDICATED SERVICE TO LANGLADE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Ronald Meyer retired from his position as State Patrolman at the Highway Department, as of December 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Meyer has been a faithful, conscientious and dedicated County Employee providing skilled services for Langlade County for over 21 years; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that Ronald Meyer be recognized for his years of service to County Government;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors, that the Board as a whole wishes to commend Ronald Meyer for his many years of dedicated service at the Langlade County Highway Department, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to him at his home address.

LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

David J. Solin, Chairman
Ronald M. Nye
Richard Schuh
Larry Poltrock
Pete Pennington
Arlene Bonacci
Joseph Novak III

Michael P. Klimoski
Holly Matucheski
James R. Jansen
Douglas Nonnenmacher
Robert Benishek
Vernon Cahak

Richard H. Hurlbert
Richard Burby
Don Scupien
Samuel E. Hardin
Carol Feller Gottard
Angela Schreiber

Committee Reports: A summary of information contained in recent committee minutes on file in the County Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTIONS and ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTION #82-2015

INTRODUCED BY: WATER & LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE

INTENT: TO AMEND THE 2014 LANGLADE COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN MAPS AS AN AMENDMENT TO THE LANGLADE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2009

WHEREAS, the County Board has previously adopted a Farmland Preservation Plan (Resolution #56-2014 and Ordinance # 1-2014); and

WHEREAS, the Farmland Preservation maps are being amended to eliminate conflicts with the existing zoning and future land use maps associated with the state required Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Farmland Preservation Plan Maps are being amended as required by DATCP and Wis. Stats. 91.10(3) and 91.18(2); and

WHEREAS, DATCP has issued an order (15-F-70-34-PMA) certifying the Plan Map amendment as an amendment to the Farmland Preservation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Water and Land Use Planning Committee has the authority to recommend that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors amend a comprehensive plan under Section 66.1001(4), Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the farmland preservation plan must be amended to the comprehensive plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Water and Land Use Planning Committee hereby recommends that, following a public hearing held on December 1, 2015, the County Board adopt an ordinance to constitute official approval of the amended Farmland Preservation Plan maps as an amendment to the Langlade County Comprehensive Plan 2009 under Section 66.1001(4), Wis. Statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Water and Land Use Planning Committee hereby recommend that the County Board adopt an ordinance to amend the Farmland Preservation Plan Maps to the Langlade County Comprehensive Plan.

WATER & LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Michael Klimoski, Chairman
Richard Schuh
David J. Solin
Ronald Nye
Don Scupien

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adopt.

Duane Haakenson, Langlade County Zoning Administrator and Marie Graupner, Land Conservation, explained this resolution to the Board, required by DATCAP, opening up acreage up for farmland preservation tax credits.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #82-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #82-2015 is adopted.

ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE #13-2015

INTENT: Approve Amendments to the Langlade County Farmland Preservation Plan Maps and Amend the 2009 Comprehensive Plan to Include the Farmland Preservation Plan Map Amendments.

WHEREAS; the County Board has previously adopted a Farmland Preservation Plan (Resolution #56-2014 and Ordinance #1-2014); and

WHEREAS; the Farmland Preservation maps are being amended to eliminate conflicts with the existing zoning and future land use maps associated with the state required Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS; the Farmland Preservation Plan Maps are being amended as required by DATCP and Wis. Stats. 91.10(3) and 91.18(2); and

WHEREAS; DATCP has issued an order (15-F-70-34-PMA) certifying the Plan Map amendment as an amendment to the Farmland Preservation Plan; and

WHEREAS; the Water and Land Use Planning Committee has the authority to recommend that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors amend a comprehensive plan under Section 66.1001(4), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS; the Farmland Preservation Plan must be amended to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS; the Water and Land Use Planning Committee hereby recommends that, following a public hearing held on December 1, 2015, the County Board adopt an ordinance to constitute official approval of the amended Farmland Preservation Plan maps as an amendment to the Langlade County Comprehensive Plan 2009 under sec. 66.1001(4), Wis. Stats.

WHEREAS; copies of the amended maps and/or Langlade County Comprehensive Plan and the Farmland Preservation Plan 2014 are available for public inspection at:

- During normal business hours at the Langlade County Land Records & Regulations Department; and
- Online at <http://www.ncwrpc.org/langlade/langladecp.html>

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors that the amended Farmland Preservation Plan Maps be made part of the 2009 Langlade County Comprehensive Plan, is hereby formally and officially adopted as required by Wis. Stat. Chapter 91.10, 91.18 and 66.1001.

WATER & LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Michael Klimoski, Chairman
Richard Schuh
David J. Solin
Ronald Nye
Don Scupien

Approved: David J. Solin, County Board Chairman
Attest: Judy Nagel, Langlade County Clerk

ADOPTED: December 15, 2015
APPROVED: December 15, 2015

Motion was made by Supervisor Hardin, seconded by Supervisor Schreiber, to adopt.

On call of the roll to adopt Ordinance #13-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Ordinance #13-2015 is adopted.

RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION #83-2015

INTRODUCED BY: Water and Land Use Planning Committee

INTENT: TO REVISE CHAPTER 17 LANGLADE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCLUDE FARMLAND PRESERVATION OVERLAY DISTRICTS AND NEW LANGUAGE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO OBTAIN DATCP CERTIFICATION TO CONTINUE AND EXPAND THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, in order for a county and its residents to participate in the farmland preservation tax credit program, a county must have a state-certified farmland preservation plan and ordinance pursuant to Wis. Stat. Chapter 91.10; and

WHEREAS, agriculture has a significant economic impact in Langlade County with over 113,000 acres under production or reserved for future production and sales of farm products total over \$103 million annually; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the required revisions to Chapter 17 of the Zoning Code by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors and certification by DATCP will allow Langlade County farms and agricultural property owners to continue to qualify for farmland preservation tax credits and will expand the amount of acreage that qualifies; and

WHEREAS, the new revisions to the ordinance create a Farmland preservation overlay district over lands zoned A-2 and Forestry which allow landowners to qualify for tax credits along with lands already zoned A-1; and

WHEREAS, DATCP has issued an order (# 15-F-83-34-OTMA) certifying the ordinance text and maps pursuant to s. 91.36 and s. 91.38, Wis. Stats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Water and Land Use Planning Committee hereby recommends that, following a public hearing held on October 27, 2015, the County Board adopt an ordinance and maps containing revisions to the zoning code in order to comply with DATCP certification requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Water and Land Use Planning Committee hereby recommend that County Board adopt ordinance text amendments and maps as certified by DATCP pursuant to Wis. Stats. Chapter 91.

WATER & LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Michael Klimoski, Chairman
Richard Schuh
David J. Solin
Ronald Nye
Don Scupien

Fiscal Note: no fiscal impact.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adopt.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #83-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #83-2015 is adopted.

ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE #14-2015

The Langlade County Board of Supervisors do hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1

REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 17 LANGLADE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

(3) DEFINITIONS. The following words, phrases and terms wherever they occur in this chapter shall be interpreted as herein provided:

(a) includes all definitions listed in 91.01 Wis. Stats for defining and clarification in the Agricultural zoning districts.

Accessory Structure or Use. A facility, structure, or building or use which is accessory or incidental to the principal use of a property, structure or building and including all uses listed in 91.01(1). Wis. Stats.

Agricultural Production. Includes all activities in Major Groups 0-4 01 of the SIC manual and all uses listed in 91.01(2)(a) (4), Wis. Stats., and specifically includes production of ginseng, except in the A-1 District which is limited to the following activities conducted for the purpose of producing an income or livelihood: crop or forage production, keeping livestock, beekeeping, nursery, sod or Christmas tree production, floriculture, aquaculture, fur farming, forest management, enrolling land in a federal agricultural commodity payment program or a federal or state agricultural land conservation payment program, or any other use that the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, by rule, identifies as an agricultural use.

Agricultural Use. See Agricultural Production.

Base Flood. A flood having a 1% chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year, as published by FEMA as part of a FIS and depicted on a FIRM.

Base Flood Elevation. An elevation equal to that which reflects the height of the base flood. p. 5

Certified Farmland Preservation Plan. A farmland preservation plan that is certified as determined under 91.12 Wis. Stats. p. 7

Family. One or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption or a group of not more than 5 persons not so related, maintaining a common household in a dwelling unit.

Farm. All land under common ownership that is primarily devoted to agricultural use. p. 9

Livestock. Includes cattle, hogs, sheep, goats, horses, ponies and mules, poultry and other fowl. Means bovine animals, equine animals, goats, poultry, sheep, swine, farm-raised deer, farm-raised game birds, camelids, ratites, and farm-raised fish. p. 12

17.381 CONSERVANCY BUFFER DISTRICT (C-2).

(1) PURPOSE. This district provides for the conservation and protection of natural resources as well as sets a distance buffer for any structures from incompatible land uses. This district is applied as an overlay in addition to the underlying district requirements.

(2) PERMITTED USES.

- (a) Agricultural production; crops, livestock or both use.
- (b) Forestry, forestry services, logging operations, sawmills (portable only), and planing mills (portable only).

17.39 FOREST DISTRICT (F). Subject to s.17.423 Farm Preservation Overlay District Requirements, where applicable

(2) PERMITTED USES.

- (a) Agricultural production; crops, livestock or both, and includes activities listed under 91.01(2) Wis. Stats.
 - (i). Permitted uses as authorized in the A-1 District.

(3) CONDITIONAL USES.

- (k) Shooting ranges.
- (l) Conditional uses as authorized in the A-1 District. P. 61-63

17.42 EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (A-1).

(1) PURPOSE. This district is designed for large scale agricultural uses of land devoted to the growing of crops and the raising of livestock.

(2) PERMITTED USES.

- (a) Agricultural production crops, livestock, forestry (see SIC manual) including activities listed under 91.01(2), Wis. Stats.

(b) Parking of travel trailers for noncommercial purposes only. Unoccupied trailers may be parked indefinitely. Those occupied may only park on a temporary basis, not exceeding 30 days.

~~(c) Structures for uses associated with an accessory to permitted or approved conditional uses.~~ Accessory Uses, as follows:

1. A building, structure, or improvement that is an integral part of, or is incidental to, an agriculture use.
2. An activity or business operation that is an integral part of, or incidental to, an agricultural use.
3. A business, activity, or enterprise, whether or not associated with an agricultural use, that is conducted by the owner or operator of a farm, that requires no buildings, structures, or improvements other than those described in 1. Or 3., that employs no more than 4 full-time employees annually, and that does not impair or limit the current or future agricultural use of the farm or of other protected farmland.
4. Any other use that the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, by rule, identifies as an accessory use.

(d) Auctions, temporary, that meet the provisions of section 17.42(2)(c).

(e) Christmas tree sales and roadside stands limited to one stand or sales site per farm use solely for the sale of products on the premises or nearby premises.

(f) Residences; single family, manufactured homes, 2 family and mobile homes, provided that the dwelling unit is occupied by a person who or a family at least one member of which earns a substantial part of his livelihood from farm operations (at least 50% of his/her gross income) on the parcel and/or is a parent, child or spouse of the farm operator and includes migrant labor camps that are certified under s.103.92. Preexisting residences located, prior to January 1, 2014, in areas subject to zoning under this section which do not conform to this paragraph may be continued in residential use and exempted from any limitations imposed or authorized under 59.69(10), Wis. Stats., and 17.12 of this chapter.

(g) Maple syrup processing facilities which produce not more than 2,000 gals. per season.

(h) A transportation, utility, communication, or other use that is required under state or federal law to be located in a specific place or that is authorized to be located in a specific place under a state or federal law that preempts the requirement of a conditional use permit for that use.

~~(i) Other uses identified by the department by rule.~~

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(3) CONDITIONAL USES.

(a) Institutional Uses subject to standards listed under Sec. 91.46(5)(a-e).

- ~~1. Communication facilities. Reserved (Rev.Ord. # -2015)~~
2. Correctional facilities.
3. Fire protection facilities.
4. Hospitals and clinics.
5. Nursing homes and personal care facilities.
6. Schools.
- ~~7. Non-farm residences subject to density requirements as defined in Wis. Stats. Sec. 91.46 (2)~~

(b) Governmental Uses subject to standards listed under Sec. 91.46(5)(a-e).

1. Airports.
2. Community buildings, garage and storage facilities.
3. Parks.

(c) Religious uses to standards listed under Sec.91.46(5) (a-e).

1. Churches.
2. Religious schools.

(d) Agriculturally Related Business and Service Establishments defined as the following:

1. Agricultural services. A facility, whether or not located on a farm, that has a primary purpose providing services directly to farms including but not limited to farm management, agricultural consultation, crop consulting, inspection, testing and/or grading.
- ~~2. Housing for migrant workers~~
2. Manufacture or processing of foods and beverages where the operation is substantially related to the agricultural production of the area and is consistent with 91.01(3) Wis. Stats. and ATCP 49.01(2).
3. Maple syrup processing facilities which produce in excess of 2,000 gals. per season.
4. Mixing and manufacturing of feeds and feed ingredients.
5. Sales, rental and servicing of farm supplies and equipment.
6. Sawmills, portable and permanent.

(e) Farm Dwellings and Related Structures. Farm dwellings and related farm structures may be separated from the farm plot, provided that the parcel created conforms with all regulations in the Agricultural/Forest/Residential District and is greater than 5 acres but less than 10 acres, and meets the requirements of Chapter 18, Land Division. (Rev. Ord. #2-2007). If a separated farm dwelling is not maintained under common ownership, then a rezone is required. dwelling becomes a nonfarm residence subject to section 17.42(3)(g).

(f) Transportation, communications, pipeline, electric transmission, utility, or drainage uses that qualify under 91.46(4) Wis. Stats. if the use does not qualify as permitted under section 17.42(2)(h).

(g. Other agricultural-related, religious, utility, institutional or governmental uses similar to those listed in s 17.42(3) which meet an applicable provision of Ch 91 Wis Stats, and which are compatible with the purposes of this district, and which do not conflict with agricultural uses and found necessary in light of alternative locations available for such uses.

(4) STANDARDS.

(a) Permitted Uses. The minimum parcel size to establish a non-farm residence or a farm operation is 35 contiguous acres. A parcel is not contiguous if separated by land owned by other persons, unless the intervening land is a river or stream, a transportation corridor or a utility corridor. Lands in rivers and streams, within utility corridors or rights-of-way are not subtracted from the required acreage of the parcel. Lands within transportation corridors or rights-of-way are not subtracted from the required acreage of the parcel. Lands within transportation corridors or rights-of-way are subtracted from the required acreage only if the fee title to such corridor or right-of-way is vested in a governmental entity and only if the adjoining farmland is not liable for property taxes on such corridor or rights-of-way. Those dwelling units that are permitted uses in the district must have lots of at least two acres and be at least 150' in width except as provided in Section 18.23(2)(c) and except on navigable water bodies, the minimum lot standards of Section 17.30(12) shall apply. Adding land to a pre-existing parcel when the acreage of the additional land is less than one acre is permitted and does not require a rezoning. (Rev. Ord. #2-2007 & #3-2009)

(b) Conditional Uses. Conditional uses may be approved only if the Board of Adjustment finds that the use will not conflict with agricultural uses on surrounding lands and that the location is necessary after consideration of possible alternative locations.

(c) Standards for Rezoning of Lands Out of the A-1 District. The County shall by March 1 of each year provide to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection a report on the number of acres that it has rezoned out of the A-1 District during the previous year including a map that shows the location of those acres. The County Board may approve petitions for rezoning lands out of the Exclusive Agricultural District only upon a finding of the following factors 10, 11, 12 and 13 after a public hearing and that such a rezoning is in the public interest after consideration of the following factors:

10. The land is better suited for a use not allowed in the farmland preservation zoning Exclusive Agricultural district.

11. The rezoning is consistent with any applicable comprehensive plan.

12. The rezoning is substantially consistent with the county certified farmland preservation plan.

13. The rezoning will not substantially impair or limit current or future agricultural use of surrounding parcels of land that are zoned for or legally restricted to agricultural use.

17.422 GENERAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (A-2). (Adopted 11-17-09 Ord. #5-2009) Subject to s.17.423 Farm Preservation Overlay District Requirements where applicable

(2) PERMITTED USES.

(a) Agricultural production crops, livestock, forestry (see SIC manual) and includes activities listed under 91.01(2) Wis. Stats.

(i) Permitted uses as authorized in the A-1 District.

17.423 FARM PRESERVATION OVERLAY

(1) PURPOSE. This district provides for the conservation and protection of lands planned for farmland preservation in the Langlade County Farmland Preservation Plan. This district is an overlay district applying the provisions of the A-1 district in addition to the underlying district requirements. This overlay will only be applied within areas planned for farmland preservation in the Langlade County Farmland Preservation Plan and zoned Forestry (F) or General Agriculture (A-2).

(a) This overlay will only be mapped over an underlying base Agricultural (A-2) and Forestry (F) zoning districts.

(b) Note: all properties that receive a rezoning will be automatically taken out of the certified Farm Preservation zoning district and will be tracked to provide DATCP an annual audit by March 1 of every year pursuant to Wis. Stats. 91.48(2).

(2) PERMITTED USES.

(a) Any permitted use authorized in the Exclusive Agricultural District (A-1). See 17.42(2).

(3) CONDITIONAL USES.

(a) Any conditional use authorized in the Exclusive Agricultural District (A-1). See 17.42(3).

(4) STANDARDS.

(a) Permitted and Conditional Uses: As authorized and regulated in the Exclusive Agricultural District (A-1). See 17.42 (4)(a-b).

(b) Standards for Rezoning Lands out of the Farm Preservation Overlay: As authorized and regulated in the Exclusive Agricultural District (A-1). See 17.42(4)(c). p. 80-87

(14) SHORELAND AND FLOODPLAIN ZONING. All provisions of Ch. 59.69, Wis. Stats., apply to this chapter and any amendment, but the provisions enumerated in Ch. 17.30, 17.38 and 17.41 of this chapter and their amendments shall not require approval or be subject to disapproval of a town board.

(15) STANDARDS FOR REZONING.

(a) Decisions on petitions for rezoning of areas in the Exclusive Agriculture District and Farm Preservation Overlay to other districts shall consider the standards listed in Sec 91.48 (1) (a-d) Wis. Stats and the following:

(f) The County shall by March 1 of each year provide to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection a report on the number of acres that it has rezoned out of the A-1 District and Farm Preservation Overlay during the previous year including a map that shows the location of those acres.

ADOPTED: December 15, 2015
APPROVED: December 15, 2015

Approved: David J. Solin
County Board Chairman
Attest: Judy Nagel
Langlade County Clerk

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Nye, to adopt.

On call of the roll to adopt Ordinance #14-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Ordinance #14-2015 is adopted.

RESOLUTION #77-2015

INTRODUCED BY: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

INTENT: WITHDRAWAL FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROPERTY INSURANCE FUND

WHEREAS, the Local Government Property Insurance Fund (LGPIF) has notified the County of a premium rate increase as follows: an increase in the Loss Cost Multiplier from 1.413 to 2.288 and an increase in the premium for its automobile physical damage by 35%; and

WHEREAS, the future of the LGPIF remains in doubt as the 2015-2017 State Budget included a provision to discontinue the LGPIF and although this provision was removed just prior to the adoption of the budget, the management for the LGPIF have proposed an overall rate increase of 85% (individual policyholder rate change will vary); and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Company (WCMIC) has announced that they will make property insurance available to its members; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends withdrawing from the LGPIF in favor of obtaining property insurance coverage from WCMIC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors by a majority vote to withdraw from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund and cancel its property insurance policy effective December 31, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to obtain property insurance from the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Company.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Vernon Cahak, Chairman
Douglas Nonnenmacher
Ronald Nye
Pete Pennington
Don Scupien

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

David J. Solin, Chairman
Ronald M. Nye
Michael P. Klimoski
Douglas Nonnenmacher
Holly Matucheski

FISCAL NOTE: The quote from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund for property insurance for 2016 was \$94,389. The quote from Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Company for property insurance for 2016 was \$76,704. Switching providers will save the County \$17,685 in 2016.

Motion was made by Supervisor Jansen, seconded by Supervisor Klimoski, to adopt.

Finance Director Gary Olsen explained to the Board the need for the change from Local Government Property Insurance Fund (LGPIF) to Wisconsin County Mutual, as LGPIF will be done at the end of 2016. A Resolution is needed to withdrawal from LGPIF.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #77-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #77-2015 is adopted.

RESOLUTION #79-2015

INTRODUCED BY: Forestry & Recreation Committee

INTENT: Adopt 2016 Langlade County Forest Annual Work Plan

WHEREAS, the annual work plan functions as a planning guidance tool and further defines and supplements the county's fifteen-year comprehensive land use plan; and

WHEREAS, this work plan also fulfills the DNR requirement to meet with Langlade County annually and evaluate whether both parties have met their partnership obligations; and

WHEREAS, the plan covers timber harvest, reforestation, forest protection, wildlife management, other forest uses, land purchases/sales/exchanges, recreation, time standards, forest certification, special projects, grants, funding & partners; and

WHEREAS, having the Langlade County Board of Supervisors approve the annual work plan is a requirement of eligibility to apply for the forest administrator grant, which reimburses Langlade County for wages and fringe benefits of the forest administrator approximately \$45,000 annually;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors adopt the 2016 Langlade County Forest Annual Work Plan and a copy be forwarded to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

LANGLADE COUNTY FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Ronald M. Nye, Chairman
Michael Klimoski
Samuel Hardin
Donald Scupien
Joseph Novak III

Fiscal Note: Langlade County has received \$48,176.88 in 2014 and \$48,636.21 in 2015 for the Forest Administrator Grant. We are anticipating \$45,700.00 in 2016 for this grant. The grant is used to help cover the Forest Administrator's wages and benefits. Because of a change in the State Budget, a portion of the WCFA dues is no longer reimbursed, which is why we are anticipating less grant funds in 2016.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Nye, to adopt.

Erik Rantala, Forest Administrator, explained the Resolution for 2016.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #79-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #79-2015 is adopted.

RESOLUTION #80-2015

INTRODUCED BY: Forestry & Recreation Committee

INTENT: Financial Aid for County Fish and Game Projects

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin enacted legislation providing for allocation to the respective counties in that state on an acreage basis for the county fish and game projects on the condition that the counties match the state allocation, and

WHEREAS, Langlade County desires to participate in county fish and game projects pursuant to provisions of s.23.09(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes, and

WHEREAS, Langlade County would use these funds to improve and protect trout habitat, critical wildlife habitat, or wildlife improvements; such as, hunter walking trails and flowages from beaver activity, which is part of the larger APHIS ADS beaver control project in Langlade County,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors having budgeted for these aids, will hereby authorize Erik Rantala, Forest Administrator of the Langlade County Forestry and Recreation Department to act on behalf of Langlade County to submit applications, sign the documents and take the necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the projects.

LANGLADE COUNTY FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Ronald Nye, Chairman
Michael P. Klimoski
Samuel Hardin
Donald Scupien
Joseph Novak III

FISCAL NOTE: Standard resolution to allow the Forestry & Recreation Department the capability of applying for county conservation fund grants. The County has received county conservation grants amounting to \$4,700 in 2014 and 2015.

Motion was made by Supervisor Nye, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adopt.

Erik Rantala, Forest Administrator, explained that this Resolution is needed as Langlade County has County Forests and the Grant funds are available.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #80-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #80-2015 is adopted.

RESOLUTION #81-2015

INTRODUCED BY: Forestry & Recreation Committee

INTENT: Approving Entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Natural Resources to Implement Good Neighbor Authority on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service may enter into a cooperative agreement with a State to carry out authorized forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services, including timber sales, on federal land and non-federal land under the authority of the Agricultural Act of 2014, Pub. L. 113-79, section 8206, (Good Neighbor Authority); and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources may conduct forest management activities on federal lands under a cooperative agreement, as permitted by federal law and pursuant to s. 28.15(2), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources may contract with a county for the purpose of conducting forest management activities on federal land under a cooperative agreement pursuant to s. 28.15(3), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources have entered into a cooperative Good Neighbor Authority agreement; and

WHEREAS, completing authorized restoration services shall provide forest products to our local economy and improve the health and resiliency of forestlands and watersheds within Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County has lands enrolled as County Forest pursuant to s. 28.11, Wis. Stats. and may be eligible to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of conducting forest management activities on federal land pursuant to s. 28.15(3), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County would be eligible to be reimbursed for costs incurred while conducting authorized forest management, forest restoration, and watershed restoration activities; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County must enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to define the criteria for participating in a cooperative Good Neighbor Authority sub-agreement with the State; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors approves entering into a MOA with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of conducting forest management activities on federal land;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Langlade County Board of Supervisors grants the authority to sign County Good Neighbor Authority Program Contract agreements and any County Good Neighbor Authority Program Contract agreement work plan addendums, pursuant to the MOA, to the County Forest Administrator;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Langlade County Forest Administrator is directed to forward the signed MOA to the Department of Natural Resources;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Langlade County recognizes and acknowledges that if financial reimbursement is received in accordance with the MOA, the County will comply with state and federal rules for the program under the agreement.

LANGLADE COUNTY FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Ronald Nye, Chairman
Michael Klimoski
Samuel Hardin
Donald Scupien
Joseph Novak III

FISCAL NOTE: Langlade County would be eligible to be reimbursed for costs incurred while conducting authorized forest management, forest restoration, and watershed restoration activities. The reimbursements will be based on the amount of time spent by staff members who will be performing these activities.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Nye, to adopt.

Erik Rantala, Forest Administrator, explained to the Board the Good Neighbor Authority, allowing DNR to subcontract to Langlade County to coordinate timber sales in Langlade County. This is a 10-year agreement. Discussion held. Fall Timber Sales for Langlade County was \$1.14 million in sales.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #81-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye

RESOLUTION # 85-2015

INTRODUCED BY: PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

INTENT: ENTER INTO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH LANGLADE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR ONE YEAR (2016)

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee recommends entering into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Langlade County Law Enforcement Association for one year (2016);

WHEREAS, a summary of the revisions to the existing contract with the Law Enforcement Association (copy on file) is as follows:

(a) **1.5% Cost of Living Adjustment effective January 1, 2016.**

(b) **Agreement to the changes made to the Langlade County Group Health Insurance Plan, effective 2016.**

- (c) Agreement to “grandfather” retiree health insurance coverage.
- (d) Enter into side letter agreement on pay out of portion of sick leave balance upon separation of employment.
- (e) Reference to County’s return to work policy under Article 19 – Sick Leave.

WHEREAS; the funds to cover the estimated total cost of the one year Agreement in the amount of \$14,540 was included in the Sheriff Department budget for 2016.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by a majority vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors that, on behalf of Langlade County, the Chairman of the County Board, the Chairman of the Personnel Committee and the Langlade County Clerk be authorized to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement for calendar year 2016 between Langlade County and the Langlade County Law Enforcement Association, beginning on January 1, 2016 and terminating on December 31, 2016.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- Douglas Nonnenmacher
- Richard H. Hurlbert
- David J. Solin
- Arlene C. Bonacci
- James R. Jansen

FISCAL NOTE: The estimated total annual cost for the Agreement will be \$14,540 for the 1.5% COLA increase. The funds for this increase have been included in the Sheriff Department’s 2016 budget.

Motion was made by Supervisor Burby, seconded by Supervisor Hurlbert, to adopt.

Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe explained the 2016 agreement for those that are still under the Collective Bargaining.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #85-2015, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #85-2015 is adopted.

Committee Referrals: Referral of any matters to committees having proper jurisdiction with no discussion or action taken on the referral. Supervisor Nye updated the Board as to the hiring process that North Central Health Care (NCHC) is taking to fill the position of CEO for NCHC. Supervisor Burby expressed concerns for the jail mental health services.

Administrative Coordinator’s Report:

Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe explained to the Board the position that the Personnel Committee has taken regarding employee requests for extra compensation. There is a temporary suspension of compensation requests until the Committee and Human Resources can review the process. Robin has requested Human Resources Director RJ Weitz to publish a monthly employee newsletter, which could be shared with County Board. Robin also shared a letter from Antigo School District inviting the Board to a special presentation on the Fab Lab.

Any other Business:

Supervisor Novak requested an explanation of the majority, two-thirds and three-fourths voting. Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe explained the Board Rules that control the voting percents.

Supervisor Benishek mentioned the TV screen that has been mounted on the wall in the County Board Room.

John Zenkovich, Veterans Officer was recognized by the Board.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. All ayes, the motion carried.

I, Judy Nagel, Langlade County Clerk, Antigo, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting of December 15, 2015.

Dated this 15th day of December, 2015.

Judy Nagel
Langlade County Clerk
