# LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING – JANUARY 19, 2016

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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 January 19, 2016 Meeting of the County Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

On call of the roll, all Supervisors reported present, except Supervisor Bonacci, who had asked to be excused. Motion was made by Supervisor Hurlbert seconded by Supervisor Nonnenmacher to excuse Supervisor Bonacci. All ayes, on the motion to excuse. The motion carried.

District #17 is vacant at this time. 19 Supervisors present.

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

Confirm the appointment of Duff Leaver 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 Nye, seconded by Supervisor Schuh to confirm the appointment of Duff Leaver to the vacant seat for District 17. All ayes, motion carried. There are now 20 Supervisors present. Supervisor Leaver was given the Oath of Office by County Clerk Judy Nagel.

Approve or amend the minutes of the December 15, 2015, meeting as printed and published:

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting as printed and published. All ayes, the motion carried. The minutes are approved.

Approve or amend the January 19, 2016 Agenda as printed:

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to approve the agenda as printed. All ayes, the motion carried. The agenda is approved.

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

Citizens and Delegations:

- A. Recognized others in Attendance.
- B. RJ Weitz, Human Resources, presented to the County Board information regarding Worker's Compensation and suggestions on how to keep the costs down. Managers must get claims turned in within twenty-four hours. RJ Weitz suggested the possibility of the formation of a Safety Committee, video training and County Mutual safety training.

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Burby to have Executive Committee do a study on a Safety Committee. All ayes, motion carried.

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 Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Nonnenmacher to approve the Consent Agenda. All ayes, the motion carried. The Consent Agenda is adopted.

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1. Elections or Appointments:
  - A. Confirm the Appointment of Karen Hegranes as Health Officer effective date February 16, 2016. Ron Barger addressed the Board regarding Karen Hegranes appointment as Health Officer for Langlade County.
- 2. Letters, Petitions and Communications:
- 3. Resolutions:

# **RESOLUTION #1-2016**

**INTRODUCED BY: HIGHWAY COMMITTEE** 

INTENT: RECOGNITION OF JOHN COOK FOR DEDICATED SERVICE TO LANGLADE COUNTY.

**WHEREAS**, John Cook retired from his position as Paint Machine Operator at the Highway Department, as of December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, John Cook 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 John Cook 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 John Cook 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 Michael P. Klimoski Richard H. Hurlbert Holly Matucheski Richard Burby Ronald M. Nye Richard Schuh James R. Jansen Don Scupien Larry Poltrock Douglas Nonnenmacher Samuel E. Hardin Pete Pennington Robert Benishek Carol Feller Gottard Arlene Bonacci Vernon Cahak Angela Schreiber Joseph Novak, III Dale Dahms

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

Supervisor Feller Gottard informed the Board that the Airport Committee has received a monetary donation from the Stasek Foundation. Supervisor Novak informed the Board that the Library Foundation has also received a monetary donation from the Stasek Foundation. Supervisor Klimoski informed the Board that he was given a monetary donation for the Honor Flight. Supervisor Nye informed the Board that Marathon County is looking to withdraw from the North Central Health Care, a tri-county agreement. Supervisor Hurlbert spoke to the Board regarding the changes that ADRC is going through.

#### **RESOLUTIONS and ORDINANCES:**

#### **RESOLUTION #2-2016**

INTRODUCED BY: EXECUTIVE, PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEES
INTENT: APPROVE CASUAL EMPLOYEE POSITION SHARED BETWEEN THE
CORPORATION COUNSEL OFFICE AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT.

**WHEREAS**, during times with the Corporation Counsel Legal Secretary is on a leave of absence (i.e., vacation, FMLA, sick leave, etc.), the Committees recognize the benefit of having back-up clerical support available to the Corporation Counsel's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committees also recognize the benefit of making some clerical support services available to the new Human Resources Director position on an as needed basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committees recommend creating a casual employee position shared between the Office of Corporation Counsel and the Human Resources Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committees recommend allocating a maximum of 500 work hours for this position in 2016, at a maximum hourly wage of \$15 per hour, with funding allocated from the Contingent Account; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that funding for this casual employee (clerical support services) position be included in the 2017 budget process.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by an three-fourths (3/4<sup>th</sup>) vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to approve a casual employee position shared between the Corporation Counsel's Office and the Human Resources Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2016 wages for the casual employee position shall be allocated from the Contingent Account.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Douglas Nonnenmacher, Chairman David J. Solin, Chairman Vern Cahak, Chairman Ronald Nye Richard H. Hurlbert Pete Pennington Arlene C. Bonacci Douglas Nonnenmacher Douglas Nonnenmacher James R. Jansen Michael P. Klimoski Ronald Nye David J. Solin Holly Matucheski Don Scupien

**FISCAL NOTE**: Cost for this casual employee position will be \$7,500 for salary and \$574 for fringe benefits for a total of \$8,074 with funding coming from the Contingency Account.

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

Discussion with the Board as to the background of Resolution #2-2016.

Motion was made by Supervisor Burby, seconded by Supervisor Scupien to Amend Resolution #2-2016 to create a temporary One-Month Casual Employee allocating a maximum of 40 hours, to allow further research on the particulars of this position.

On call of the roll to Amended Resolution #2-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisors Hardin, Nye, Klimoski, Matucheski, Solin and Jansen. Resolution #2-2016 is amended.

On call of the roll to adopt Amended Resolution #2-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisors Matucheski, Solin, Jansen, Nye, Feller Gottard and Benishek voted no. Amended Resolution #2-2016 failed since it did not receive the 3/4 vote for approval.

Motion was made by Supervisor Burby to hire an employee for one month, ten hours per week. Motion withdrawn.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski to refer Resolution #2-2016 back to the Executive Committee. This motion withdrawn.

Only the prevailing side can bring this Resolution back to the floor. Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Matucheski to bring back Resolution #2-2016, as Amended. On call of the roll to bring Amended Resolution #2-2016 back, all ayes except Supervisors Hurlbert, Klimoski, Solin and Jansen voted no. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Hurlbert to refer Amended Resolution #2-2016 back to Executive Committee for further study. On call of the roll to refer Amended Resolution #2-2016 back, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisors Cahak and Scupien voted no. Motion passed.

## **RESOLUTION #3-2016**

INTRODUCED BY: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

INTENT: CHANGE PER DIEM STRUCTURE FOR COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

**EFFECTIVE APRIL 19, 2016** 

**WHEREAS**, Langlade County has become a self-organized County and pursuant to Section 59.10(1)(c), the compensation for Supervisors is determined by the County Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the current per diem structure was initially established in 1995 and effective with the next County Board term on April 19, 2016, the compensation structure will change as follows: \$50 for the first meeting and \$30 for any meeting thereafter in the same day; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recognizes that Committee Chairmen have additional responsibilities, including but not limited to the development and approval of committee agendas, and conducting the committee meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee recommends that effective April 19, 2016, in recognition of additional responsibilities, the Chairperson of committees authorized by the County Board receive additional compensation of \$10 per meeting.

**NOW THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, by a majority vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to provide additional compensation for Committee Chairperson in the amount of \$10 per meeting, effective April 19, 2016.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

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

**FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated cost for increasing the per diem amount by \$10 a meeting for Committee Chairpersons will be \$1,800. The Finance Committee denied funding for this resolution.

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

Discussion held. Possibly looking at consolidating Committees at the re-organization meeting in April, 2016.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #3-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisors Poltrock, Schreiber, Novak and Burby voted no. Resolution #3-2016 is adopted.

# **RESOLUTION #4-2016**

**INTRODUCED BY: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** 

INTENT: REVISE THE RULES OF THE COUNTY BOARD REGARDING MINIMUM NUMBER OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR MEETING ABSENCES

**WHEREAS**, the Committee recommends revising the Rules of the Board to clarify the expectations for maintaining a minimum number of committee assignments and the expected notification procedure for meeting absences; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee recommends revising Rule 13.2 to include the following language: "Each member shall be appointed to at least two committees (listed under Rule 14.1) and each member is expected to maintain at least two committee appointments during each term of office."; and

WHEREAS, the Committee also recommends creating a new Rule 3.5 to establish the notification process for meeting absences as follows: "A member's absence at a meeting shall be unexcused unless the member provides prior notification to any of the following: Committee Chairman, County Clerk or respective Department Head."; and

WHEREAS, the Committee also reminds all members that failure to maintain a minimum number of

**WHEREAS**, the Committee also reminds all members that failure to maintain a minimum number of committee assignments or failure to provide prior notification of absences may result in a sanction for violating the County Board Rules (Rule 17).

**NOW THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, by a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to revise the Rules of the County Board (as contained herein) regarding committee assignments and the notification procedure for meeting absences.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

David J. Solin, Chairman Ronald M. Nye

Michael P. Klimoski Douglas Nonnenmacher Holly Matucheski

FISCAL NOTE: No Fiscal Impact.

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

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski to allow the Chairman the authority to set up all Committees, with the assistance of Executive Committees. Motion withdrawn. Discussion held as to County Board Rules regarding Committee Assignments, attendance at Committee Meetings and Excused/Unexcused Absences.

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Dahms to excuse Supervisor Klimoski early from the January 19, 2016 County Board Meeting. On call of the roll to excuse Supervisor Klimoski, all Supervisors present voted aye.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #4-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisor Schreiber voted nay. Resolution #4-2016 is adopted.

## **RESOLUTION #5-2016**

INTRODUCED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

INTENT: Authorization to Contract with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue for the Collection of Debt

WHEREAS, the Langlade County Finance Department and the Clerk of Circuit Courts currently contract with the Stark Agency to collect unpaid debt owed the County; and

WHEREAS, the Langlade County Clerk of Circuit Court collects court-ordered financial obligations and has employed legal means to collect unpaid amounts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk of Circuit Court for Langlade County employs several methods of collection including, but not limited to payment plans, judgments and tax refund intercept; and

WHEREAS, §59.40(4), Wis. Stats., allows the Clerk of Circuit Court, if authorized by the County Board under §59.52(28), Wis. Stats., to contract with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) for the collection of unpaid debt; and

WHEREAS, any agreement entered into with the DOR shall indicate that any collection fees incurred by the DOR shall be in addition to the debt owed the County and charged by the DOR directly to the debtor; and

**WHEREAS**, the proceeds received by the County from the DOR shall be the entire amount of debt collected for purposes of distribution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors that the board hereby authorizes the Finance Department and Clerk of Circuit Court to contract with the DOR for the collection of unpaid debt pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to execute a contract to effectuate this purpose, subject to the review and approval of the Corporation Counsel.

# FINANCE COMMITTEE:

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

**FISCAL NOTE:** By contracting with the Department of Revenue for handling the County's collection of bad debts, the County will no long be paying 21% commission on all collections. The County will be able to collect 100% of what is owed.

Motion by Supervisor Burby, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adopt.

Gary Olsen, Finance Director, explained to the Board the reason for the change in Collection Agencies for Langlade County.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #5-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #5-2016 is adopted.

# RESOLUTION #6-2016

INTRODUCED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE AND FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE

INTENT: INTENT: Support Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) 2016-2020 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Award Cycle – City/County Bike-Ped Plan

WHEREAS, the Langlade County Board of Supervisors recognizes the benefits of multimodal transportation choices for its residents and visitors such as bicycle and pedestrian options; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County is a member of the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (NCWRPC), which provides the County with access to professional staff and other resources to plan for such options; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County supports the TAP application prepared and submitted to WisDOT by NCWRPC for the 2016-2020 award cycle. The application is to develop a detailed county-wide bicycle and pedestrian alternative transportation plan to include the City of Antigo; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County recognizes that WisDOT reimburses project sponsors for the federal share of 80% of the approved TAP project costs, up to the limit of the federal award amount. In light of the minimum twenty (20) percent match requirement, the County has secured a commitment of matching funds from the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, if Langlade County is awarded funding by WisDOT for the 2016-2020 TAP award cycle the Langlade County Forestry Department is authorized to and agrees to accept the award and enter into all necessary agreements with WisDOT and NCWRPC for the above-referenced project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Langlade County agrees to comply with all applicable laws, requirements, and regulations as outlined in the WisDOT 2016-2020 TAP application materials, the state-municipal agreement between WisDOT and Langlade County, and any other program and/or project documentation.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Vernon Cahak, Chairman Douglas Nonnenmacher Ronald Nye Donald Scupien Pete Pennington **FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE:** 

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

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact to Langlade County.

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

Erik Rantala, Forestry Department, explained the Resolution to the Board.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #6-2016, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #6-2016 is adopted.

Committee Referrals: No referrals.

# **Administrative Coordinator's Report:**

Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe stated that the 2016 Law Enforcement Agreement has been signed. The Board was advised of the monies coming from State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact Fees Agreement being donated to Langlade County.

In order to prepare for the April re-organization meeting, ideas/suggestions should be submitted in writing to either the Board Chairman, Corporation Counsel or the County Clerk to forward onto the Executive Committee.

Robin Stowe explained the history make-up of North Central Health Care with Marathon and Lincoln Counties, as there could be major future changes to North Central Health Care. Robin is asking the County Board for direction to how Langlade County should proceed.

A Facility Study is going to be completed by Public Property at the Highway Department to determine what projects should be budgeted in the Capital Improvement Program, for short term repairs and long repairs.

# **Any other Business:**

A premiere showing of Discover Wisconsin Wolf River episode will be previewed on March 1, 2016 in White Lake.

Motion was made by Supervisor Hardin, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 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 January 19, 2016.

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Dated this 20th day of January, 2016.

Judy Nagel Langlade County Clerk