

**LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING – SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**

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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 meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

On call of the roll, all Supervisors reported present, except Supervisors Hardin, Dahms, Novak, and Matucheski, who had asked to be excused. Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to excuse them. All ayes, the motion carried. Members of the public were also in attendance. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence.

Approve or amend the minutes of the August 19, 2014 meeting as printed and published:
Motion was made by Supervisor Cahak, seconded by Supervisor Jansen, to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2014 meeting as printed and published. All ayes, the motion carried.

Approve or amend the agenda as printed:
Motion was made by Supervisor Bonacci, seconded by Supervisor Burby, to approve the agenda as printed. All ayes, the motion carried. The agenda is approved.

Citizens and Delegations:
Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, seconded by Supervisor Nonnenmacher, to allow Robert Zoretich, President of the Langlade County Humane Society, to address County Board. All ayes, the motion carried. Mr. Zoretich stated they provide many services to the community. They are in need of financial support and seek donations from the public and from businesses, and they are involved with many fund raising projects. They also apply for grants, and are doing all they can to keep the shelter open.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski, 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:
Confirm the appointments of the Local Emergency Planning Committee Representatives
 2. Letters, Petitions and Communications:
A letter was received from the Langlade County Humane Society requesting financial support.

3. RESOLUTIONS:
RESOLUTION # 43-2014
INTRODUCED BY: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
INTENT: SUPPORT SCENIC BYWAYS DESIGNATION
WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislature in s.84.106 Wisconsin Statutes, created a statewide scenic byways program in an effort to identify, promote, and preserve Wisconsin's scenic roads; and
WHEREAS, the subject road meets the guidelines for Scenic Byways as set forth in Trans 202, the formal rules of the Wisconsin Scenic Byways Program; and
WHEREAS, the Scenic Byways Advisory Committee has evaluated the application materials for State Highway 55 and made the recommendation that the overall route has medium to high scenic or historic characteristics needed for designation as a Wisconsin State Scenic Byway; and
WHEREAS, Langlade County supports the designation of the candidate corridor as a Wisconsin State Scenic Byway; and
WHEREAS, Langlade County acknowledges and recognizes that per Trans 202.05 (3a) that a proposed scenic byway route does not include a section of highway that traverses a business area as defined in Trans 202.05 (3) (c) to mean contiguous abutting parcels of land zoned for business, commercial, or industrial activities or unzoned and used for same activities as defined in 84.30 (2) (d) of statutes; and
WHEREAS, Langlade County acknowledges and recognizes that per Trans 202.05 (3a), that in order to include business areas as defined in Trans 202.05 (3) (c) as part of the formally designated scenic byways route, the local government must specifically include said areas as part of this resolution. In unincorporated areas where county zoning is also in effect, a resolution of the county board is also required.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the subject road has met all of the requirements for designation as a State Scenic Byway. We, the undersigned members of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors, do support and request approval for the designation of the subject road as a Wisconsin State Scenic Byway.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
David J. Solin
Ronald M. Nye
Michael P. Klimoski

Douglas Nonnenmacher

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact.

RESOLUTION # 48 -2014

INTRODUCED BY: FINANCE AND LAND SALES COMMITTEE

INTENT: SALE OF COUNTY OWNED TAX DEED PROPERTIES - Parcels #004-1419, #034-0806.004, AND #034-2146

WHEREAS, North Central Sales Auction, LLC successfully sold the parcels, with Langlade County realizing the following amounts on the sales:

#004-1419	\$ 100.
#034-0806.004	\$ 250.
#034-2146	\$ 500.

WHEREAS, the proceeds of these sales will be distributed in accordance with Sec. 75.36 (3) of Wisconsin Statutes, including the distribution of any remainder (after payment of all applicable costs, taxes, interest and penalties) to the former owner if the property was used as the owner's homestead at any time during the previous 5 years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors that these bids to purchase be accepted and that the potential purchasers have 30 days to complete recording the deeds.

FINANCE AND LAND SALES COMMITTEE

Vernon Cahak
Ronald Nye
William Bostwick
Douglas Nonnenmacher
Don Scupien

FISCAL NOTE: Total amount of the sales will be \$850.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION # 44-2014

INTRODUCED BY: FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

INTENT: Approve creating full-time Recreation Coordinator/Forest Technician position for the Forestry and Recreation Department

WHEREAS, the County's recreation program has grown substantially in the last twelve years and there have been more demands by clubs and the public to add more recreational trails and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, tourism and recreation is an important economic asset to Langlade County and the County is marketing its recreation program as the "County of Trails"; and

WHEREAS, the department has added miles to the ATV trail program, cross-country ski trails, horse trails, and continues to develop the snowmobile program, Bow and Gun Range, and is in the process of developing the Wolf River State Trail in the White Lake area and a nature trail in the Mills Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the full-time Recreation Coordinator position in the Forestry and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the County's recreation program, the demands upon the County's timber program have also increased with the addition of the GIS program, forest certification, and with the acquisition of approximately 3,264 acres of land, and therefore, the Department is also in need of additional support to assist with timber sale set up; and

WHEREAS, to replace the vacant Recreation Coordinator position, it is recommended by the Committees that the County Board approve the creation of a new position entitled Recreation Coordinator/Forest Technician with a starting wage (Step 1) between \$15.39 - \$17.00 to be determined by the Forestry and Recreation Committee (hiring body); and

WHEREAS, the duties of this new position would include both acting as the County snowmobile/ATV coordinator and overseeing the cross-country ski trails, dog sled trails, horseback riding trails, Bow and Gun Range, Summit Lake Park, Post Lake Dam Park, Kettlebowl Ski Hill, and overseeing the wayside casual employee, etc., as well as assisting with County forest related duties as may be assigned (see attached revised job description), and

WHEREAS, approximately \$10,000 annually from State snowmobile and ATV maintenance grants will be used to fund this position.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by a three-fourths (3/4th) vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to approve the full-time Recreation Coordinator/Forest Technician position, with the wages and fringes for the position to be allocated from the Forestry and Recreation Department 2015 budget.

FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Ronald M. Nye
Michael P. Klimoski
Don Scupien

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

David J. Solin
Ronald M. Nye
Michael P. Klimoski

FISCAL NOTE: Cost to create a Recreation Coordinator/Forest Technician position in the Forestry Department will be (based on \$17.00 an hour):

	<u>October to December 2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Salary	\$ 8,976	\$ 35,360
Fringe Benefits	<u>2,992</u>	<u>25,893</u>
Total Annualized Cost	\$11,968	\$ 61,253

Hourly wage range for this position based on a starting wage of \$15.39, will be \$15.39 to \$18.27
 Hourly wage range with fringe benefits included based on a starting wage of \$15.39, will be \$27.60 to \$30.91

Hourly wage range for this position based on a starting wage of \$17.00, will be \$17.00 to \$20.18
 Hourly wage range with fringe benefits included based on a starting wage of \$17.00, will be \$29.45 to \$33.10

\$10,000 annually will come from the snowmobile and ATV maintenance grants. The remainder of the cost for this position will come from the Forestry budget. The compensation range for this position will be determined based upon the hiring wage.

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

Supervisor Pennington made a motion to amend this resolution to start at an hourly wage of \$15.39 with an Associate Degree, or better, instead of the \$15.39 to \$18.27 pay range, seconded by Supervisor Burby.

Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe explained at the Forestry & Recreation Committee and Executive Committee meeting, the job description, the qualifications, and the compensation for the position were changed. Since the Recreation Coordinator position is vacant, the goal is rather than just refill that position, to hire someone to grow the recreation program and to assist with forest management activities, as needed. Discussion followed.

On call of the roll to approve the amendment to Resolution #44-2014 with a starting wage of \$15.39 with an Associate Degree or better, Supervisors Benishek, Nonnenmacher, Gottard, Cahak, Bonacci, Pennington, Schuh, Burby, Bostwick, Jansen, and Solin voted aye, and Supervisors Hurlbert, Poltrock, Schreiber, Nye, Scupien, and Klimoski voted no. The amendment passed.

Supervisor Nye made a motion to amend this to start at an hourly wage of \$15.39 and up to \$18.27, to give the Oversight Committee some leeway to hire the most qualified candidate, seconded by Supervisor Schreiber.

Chairman Solin ruled that the motion was the same. Supervisor Nye challenged that ruling.

On call of the roll to agree with the Chairman's ruling, Supervisors Benishek, Nonnenmacher, Gottard, Poltrock, Cahak, Bonacci, Pennington, Schuh, Burby, Jansen, and Solin voted aye, and Supervisors Hurlbert, Schreiber, Nye, Scupien, Bostwick, and Klimoski voted no. The Chairman's ruling stands.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #44-2014 as amended, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #44-2014 is adopted as amended.

RESOLUTION # 45-2014

INTRODUCED BY: VETERANS, PERSONNEL AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

INTENT: REFILL VACANT FULL-TIME NON-UNION POSITION OF COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 45.80(1) of Wisconsin Statutes, the County Board shall elect a County Veterans Service Officer who shall be a Wisconsin resident who served in the U.S. armed forces for at least two consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, the current County Veterans Service Officer will retire at the end of this year and there exists a need to elect a successor; and

WHEREAS, the Committees recommend refilling this position to provide services to Veterans of Langlade County, as outlined in Section 45.80 of Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans Committee hopes to present a candidate for election to the position by the County Board meeting on November 18, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Committees recommend that the candidate selected to become the next County Veterans Service Officer start effective December 1, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to refill the vacant full-time non-union position of County Veterans Service Officer effective December 1, 2014.

VETERANS COMMITTEE

James R. Jansen
 Larry Poltrock
 Richard Schuh

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Richard H. Hurlbert
 Arlene C. Bonacci
 James R. Jansen

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

David J. Solin
 Ronald M. Nye
 Michael P. Klimoski

FISCAL NOTE: Cost to refill the County Veterans Service Officer in the Veterans Department:

	<u>2014 December</u>	<u>2015</u>
Salary	\$ 3,539	\$40,004
Fringe Benefits	<u>2,375</u>	<u>28,132</u>
Total Annualized Cost	\$ 5,914	\$68,136

Hourly wage range for this position will be \$21.98 to \$26.09

Hourly wage range with fringe benefits included will be \$37.44 to \$42.30

The Finance Committee only approved funding for one week in 2014 and not for the whole month of December. If the Board decides to allow this position to start on December 1st, a funding source will need to be determined. The funding for this position in 2015 will come from the Veteran's 2015 budget.

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

Supervisor Cahak made a motion to amend the resolution from a starting date of December 1, 2014, to 5 training days in December, seconded by Supervisor Bostwick. Questions and discussion followed.

Veterans Service Officer Dale Oatman thanked the County Board members that hired him 7 years ago. There are programs that require the signature of the CVSO. He feels there is a level of knowledge needed to learn the programs and state and federal benefits for the veterans. A full 30 days training would help get the new CVSO on board to represent the veterans. He does have \$3,000 in his budget to help cover the early training for this position.

Supervisor Cahak then withdrew his motion to amend, and Supervisor Bostwick withdrew his second to the motion.

Motion was made by Supervisor Klimoski to amend the resolution to take the remaining funds needed for a one month training period from the Contingency Fund, seconded by Supervisor Hurlbert.

On call of the roll to approve the amendment to take \$3,000 from the Veterans budget and the remaining funds needed for the training period from the Contingency Fund, all Supervisors present voted aye. The motion to amend has passed.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #45-2014 as amended, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #45-2014 is adopted as amended.

The Board took a short break and then returned to open session.

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Hurlbert, to excuse Supervisor Nye at 10:00 a.m. All ayes, except three noes, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION #46 -2014

INTRODUCED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

INTENT: TO APPROVE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP) PLAN, AND DESIGNATE FUND BALANCE AMOUNTS FOR THE 2015 PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, since 2003 the County has completed a five year Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) plan, consisting of projects that total over \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing policy requires that the plan be adopted by the Board; and

WHEREAS, that a copy of the entire CIP plan was distributed to County Board members, and copies are on file in the Finance Department, and a copy will be on the County web site for public viewing; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the CIP projects have come from the General Fund since 2003, and since these projects are all one time expenses, and non-operational, or on-going, they qualify for the use of fund balance per the County's policy; and

WHEREAS, for 2015 there is a total of \$4,175,190 in projects. Most of the funding for these projects has been set aside from previous budgets or from other funding sources such as grants. Of the total amount, \$171,440 is needed for the approved projects, and the Finance Committee recommends setting this amount aside from the General Fund, and designating these funds for CIP projects.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by a two-thirds vote of the Lantlade County Board of Supervisors to approve the 2015 to 2019 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Plan, and to approve the 2015 projects, and to designate \$171,440 of General Fund monies for the 2015 projects in the plan.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Vernon Cahak

William Bostwick

Douglas Nonnenmacher

Ronald Nye

Don Scupien

FISCAL NOTE: The projects for 2015 will total \$4,175,190, but most of the funding for these projects will come from grants or previously designated funds. \$171,440 is the amount that is needed for the 2015

projects. These funds would be designated from the General Fund for the projects listed in the CIP plan for budget year 2015.

Motion was made by Supervisor Benishek, seconded by Supervisor Cahak, to adopt.

Finance Director Gary Olsen explained details of the Five Year Capital Improvement Program. County Board will be taking action on the 2015 Projects and approving the funding sources. Discussion followed.

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #46-2014, all Supervisors present voted aye, except Supervisor Burby voted no. Resolution #46-2014 is adopted.

RESOLUTION # 47-2014

INTRODUCED BY: Highway Committee

INTENT : The Langlade County Highway Committee requests the commitment of County bridge/culvert aid to the Township of Rolling.

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute 82.08(1) provides that any Town may file a petition for County bridge or culvert aid for spans greater than 36 inches, on a 50% County, 50% local matching funds basis, and

WHEREAS, in the interest of safety, convenience and general welfare, it is necessary to replace the culvert carrying Old 26 Road over Elmhurst Creek, in the Township of Rolling, and

WHEREAS, Section 82.08 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that the County and Township share the construction costs of bridge or culvert replacement (but not design or other costs); with the City of Antigo and the Village of White Lake being exempt from taxation for this purpose,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Langlade County Board of Supervisors, that funds allocated for County bridge and culvert aid be used to construct the above mentioned culvert in 2016. Also, that Langlade County bridge aid be used to fund Langlade County’s share of the matching funds. The estimated cost for Langlade County’s share for 2016 to be \$3,800.00 (50% of construction costs).

FISCAL NOTE: \$3,800.00 will be available in 2016 in the Accounts Payable – Bridge Aid account, with the City of Antigo and Village of White Lake already exempted from the tax.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

- William Bostwick
- Richard H. Hurlbert
- Arlene C. Bonacci
- James R. Jansen
- Peter Pennington

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

On call of the roll to adopt Resolution #47-2014, all Supervisors present voted aye. Resolution #47-2014 is adopted.

Administrative Coordinator’s Report:

Corporation Counsel Robin Stowe reported the Finance Committee will be meeting September 22nd and 23rd to finalize the 2015 Budget. It will be presented to County Board on October 28th.

THE NEXT COUNTY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 5:00 P.M. ON OCTOBER 28, 2014, IN THE COUNTY BOARD ROOM OF THE SAFETY BUILDING.

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

I, Kathryn Jacob, 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 September 16, 2014.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2014.

Kathryn Jacob
Langlade County Clerk
