

Minutes of Langlade County Executive Committee

The meeting in the Law Library of the Courthouse was called to order at 8:00 a.m., March 4, 2014, by Chairman Dave Solin and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Pat McKinney-Rice, Doug Nonnenmacher, Mike Klimoski, Ron Nye, and Dave Solin.

Members Absent: Doug Below, Kim Van Hoof, and Mark Desotell.

Others Present: Robin Stowe, Gary Olsen, Sandy Fischer, and Willie Bostwick.

Agenda Item #3 Approve/amend Minutes of February 4th and 18th, 2014.

Ron Nye asked that the minutes from February 18th be amended to show he was absent from the meeting. Motion by Klimoski, second by Nonnenmacher, to approve the minutes of the February 4th and 18th, 2014 meeting, all ayes, and motion carried.

4. Discuss feasibility study for a wood manufacturing business incubator: Bob Benishek had put together a meeting including people from the City, County, and Economic Development to discuss a feasibility study for a wood manufacturing business incubator. Public Property discussed this issue at their March meeting. They appointed four members of the County Board to serve on an Ad Hoc Committee to complete the feasibility study and have requested that the City also appoint four representations. Informational only, no action taken.

5. Update on meal site and meeting place for seniors: Robin Stowe gave an update regarding utilizing the Antigo Community Church Quest Center for a meal site and an area for the seniors in the community to meet. Doug Below completed a tour of the facility. Doug said that the facility is exceptional, but there is a potential problem. A potential problem with this site is there is not a place available for the ADRC to leave the supplies for the meal site and to have a few tables and chairs always set up to serve meals. The Committee would like Robin and Doug to continue looking at other options for a space for a senior center location. The Committee also requested that Mark Desotell take a request to the City to see what funding they would be willing to help with for a senior center in the City. The Committee will continue to study this issue.

6. Discuss report from the Economic Development Corporation and Agreement for Provision of Economic Development Services: Motion by Klimoski, second by McKinney-Rice, to approve the Economic Development Corporation report, all ayes, motion carried. The County has approved funding for the Economic Development Corporation through 2016. There was also an agreement that was done in 2011 for provision of economic development services that ended 12/31/13. This agreement will need to be redone for the new three year commitment. There are some changes to the document, so the Committee would like Chris Berry to be present to discuss these changes with them. Motion by McKinney-Rice, second by Nonnenmacher to hold this item over until the April meeting when Chris Berry can be present, all ayes, and motion carried.

Motion by Klimoski, second by Nye, to have Dave Solin sign a letter encouraging the Federal Surface Transportation Board to continue to work with the Canadian National Railway Company to increase the level and quality of service to the businesses of Wisconsin, all ayes, motion carried.

7. Discuss Human Service Model Task Force Feasibility Study and proposed Resolution: *During this agenda item, the Chairman was excused for a temporary break and relinquished the*

chair to the Vice-Chair (Ron Nye) to preside over the meeting. The Chair returned during the vote. Robin Stowe and Kim Van Hoof had given a presentation to the County Board regarding the Human Service Model Task Force Feasibility Study. The feasibility study portions of the process are completed and now the three counties need to determine if they would like to continue the process and complete the business plan phase. Robin presented a resolution to the Committee that would approve the feasibility study and authorize one joint task force to develop the RFP and finish the business plan. Marathon, Lincoln, and Langlade County would all have to pass a similar resolution. The cost of the business plan would be around \$135,000 shared between the three counties. The funding for Langlade County would come from the County's reserves at North Central Health Care. Motion by McKinney-Rice, second by Klimoski, to send the proposed resolution to develop a joint task force to complete the Human Services business plan, and approve the feasibility study, all ayes, motion carried.

8. Discuss possibility of holding County Board meetings during the evening hours. Supervisor Bostwick had requested that the County Board consider holding County Board meetings during the evening hours. Supervisor Bostwick was unable to attend this meeting and shared the following information with Robin: Willie had contacted 21 Town Board members and reported that 18 are strongly in favor of evening County Board meetings. The Committee members mentioned that County Board has tried this in the past and the attendance by the public did not increase. The Committee decided to take this under advisement. No action taken.

9. Discuss a special County Board meeting to be held after the April reorganizational meeting for training/orientation, followed by a social event: It was suggested by some County Board members that they would like to have a special County Board session for the sole purpose of training/orientation after the Reorganizational meeting in April, followed by a social event. Dave Solin had talked to the Knights of Columbus and they could hold this event on a Tuesday or Thursday night and the cost would be \$13 plus tax and gratuities per plate. The date for the meeting would be April 22, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6:00 p.m. County Board members will be responsible to pay for their meal for them and their spouse. The purpose of the social event is simply to provide an opportunity to Board members to meet and greet newly elected members and the spouses and build camaraderie (i.e., a spirit of good fellowship). Robin advised the Committee of the importance of not discussing any County Board business at the social event following the County Board meeting.

10. Review resolution received from other Counties: No resolutions were referred to the County Board.

11. Set date for next meeting: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

At 9:45 a.m. motion by Nye, second by Nonnenmacher, to adjourn the meeting, all ayes, motion carried; meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,
Gary D. Olsen, Recording Secretary