PROCEEDINGS OF WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS April 20, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.

The Wood County Board of Supervisors composed of nineteen members convened at the Wood County Boardroom in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on April 20, 2021.

Chairman Pliml called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Supervisors present were: Ashbeck, Breu, Clendenning, Curry, Feirer, Fischer, Hahn, Hokamp, Hamilton, LaFontaine, Leichtnam, Pliml, Polach, Rozar, Thao, Valenstein, Wagner, Winch, and Zurfluh.

Vice Chair Fischer gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by LaFontaine/Zurfluh to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Wagner/Zurfluh to approve the appointment of Fran Cherney & Susan Feith to the Wood County Library Board. Motion carried by voice vote.

A citizen provided public comment requesting the County Board to enact a mask order to help combat COVID-19, and pointed out that surrounding counties/municipalities had already done so.

Referrals were noted.

Committee minutes presented: Operations.

Chairman Pliml declared his intention to take the first three resolutions with one vote. No objection heard.

RESOLUTION 21-4-1

Introduced by: Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2021 budget to include monies that were amended in Resolution 21-3-2 from the wrong function for Provider Relief Funding related to compensatory time payout.

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The monies were amended from the wrong function.

Account	Account Name	Debit	Credit
48301	Edgewater Misc. Revenue		\$26,195
43240	Provider Relief Funding	\$26,195	

Motion by Wagner/LaFontaine to adopt Resolution 21-4-1. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-4-2

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development and Operations Committees

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the Land and Water Conservation Department (LWCD) 2021 Budget - function (56121) for the purpose of carrying over funds for the County-wide Nitrate sampling effort of private wells in 2021 and beyond until all funds are used.

FISCAL NOTE: To transfer \$3,698 from the 2020 Land & Water Conservation Department budget to the 2021 Land & Water Conservation Department budget function (56121).

Motion by Wagner/LaFontaine to adopt Resolution 21-4-2. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-4-3

Introduced by: Operations Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: The intent of this resolution is to transfer the funds previously budgeted in the Branch III Drug Court budget to be part of the Criminal Justice Coordinator budget. There will be no change to the amount of budgeted funds or the use of the funds; however, budgeted funds will move within expenditure categories as outline at the end of this resolution.

FISCAL NOTE: None.

Motion by Wagner/LaFontaine to adopt Resolution 21-4-3. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, North Central Community Action Program.

Upon query, Health Officer Kunferman discussed the county's COVID numbers and vaccinations rates. She clarified that mask advisories had been issued by other entities, but nobody had issued an actual order.

Committee minutes presented: Public Safety, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, North Central ITBEC.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Planning & Zoning Director Grueneberg discussed how the proposed plan is the first economic development strategy ever implemented in Wood County and how the process was initiated. Extension Educator Turyk presented a detailed PowerPoint on the process, participants, and how it should proceed into the future. Questions and answers followed.

RESOLUTION 21-4-4

Introduced by: Conservation, Education, & Economic Development Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To adopt the Rural Economic Development Plan for Wood County, Wisconsin.

FISCAL NOTE: Improves eligibility for Wood County to apply for state and federal economic development grant funding opportunities.

Motion by LaFontaine/Clendenning to adopt Resolution 21-4-4. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Judicial & Legislative, Criminal Justice Task Force.

RESOLUTION 21-4-5

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To support increases in the 2021-23 state biennial budget to ensure access to critical services provided by ADRCs to Wisconsin's aging and disability populations.

FISCAL NOTE: None.

Motion by Clendenning/Zurfluh to adopt Resolution 21-4-5. Motion carried. Voting no was Fischer.

Committee minutes presented: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation, Property & Information Technology, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin, Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of Directors. It was noted that the Fair Board did not properly notice or document a closed session. Corp Counsel Kastenholz & County Clerk Miner will follow up with them.

Committee minutes presented: Jail Study Adhoc, South Central Library Board of Trustees.

Chairman Pliml presented a letter address to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from the County Board requesting intervention and correction of a land conveyance due to non-compliance in the Village of Biron. Discussion ensued. Motion by Pliml/Zurfluh to send this letter. Motion carried by voice vote.

Without objection, Chairman Pliml adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Next scheduled county board meeting is May 18, 2021.

Trent Miner County Clerk