

PROCEEDINGS OF WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

June 18, 2019 - 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 June 18, 2019.

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

Supervisors present were: Ashbeck, Breu, Clendenning, Curry, Feirer, Fischer, Hahn, Hamilton, Hokamp, Holbrook, LaFontaine, Leichtnam, Machon, Pliml, Polach, Rozar, Winch, Zaleski, and Zurfluh.

Supervisor Hahn gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Rozar/Zaleski to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to approve the following appointments: *CDBG Housing Committee – 2 yr. term – Supervisor Hahn; CDBG Housing Committee – 1 year term – Supervisor Breu; Wildlife Area Advisory Committee – 3-year term – Scott McAuley, Mike Wipfli, & Leo Kiedrowski; Renewable & Sustainable Committee – term ends April 2020 – Supervisors Hahn & Leichtnam. (Appointments in red added by amendment at 7/16/2019 County Board Meeting.)* Motion carried by voice vote.

Michelle Boernke, Campus Administrator of UWSP at Marshfield invited board members to an Economic Impact Presentation being held at the campus on June 19th. She highlighted the topics to be covered. Vice Chair Rozar was recognized and informed the board of the passing of Bonnie Jaecks. Jaecks served as a citizen member of the Unified Services Board and subsequent Health & Human Services Committee from 1991-2015. The board stood for a moment of silence in respect of her passing.

There were no referrals.

Committee minutes presented: Executive, Wellness Board.

RESOLUTION 19-6-1

Introduced by: Executive Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: Initial resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation promissory notes in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 for Highway Projects and Capital Improvement Projects

FISCAL NOTE: Proceeds from general obligation promissory notes not to exceed \$6,000,000 designated as follows: Highway Projects - \$2,300,000; Capital Improvement - \$3,700,000.

Motion by Clendenning/Feirer to adopt Resolution 19-6-1. Discussion on borrowing amount and status of CIP approval. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 19-6-2

Introduced by: Executive Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To amend the 2019 budget to include monies that were amended in Resolution 19-5-6 from the wrong function for the market review wage adjustments.

FISCAL NOTE: No additional cost to Wood County. The monies were amended from the wrong function in Resolution 19-5-6.

<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
51435	Human Resources		\$18,739
51436	Human Resources Programs	\$18,739	

Motion by Hamilton/Cledenning to adopt Resolution 19-6-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Machon asked to take the next 2 resolutions together as one vote. No objections were heard.

RESOLUTION 19-6-3

Introduced by: Executive Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To accept offer of sale of tax deed property.

FISCAL NOTE:	Offered Amount	\$4,200.00
	R.E. Taxes	(2,420.56)
	Tax Deed Expense	(324.18)
	<u>Special Charges</u>	<u>(919.40)</u>
	GAIN	\$535.86

Motion by Breu/Fischer to adopt Resolution 19-6-3. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 19-6-4

Introduced by: Executive Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To accept offer of sale of tax deeded property.

FISCAL NOTE:	Offered Amount	\$111,859.00
	R.E. Taxes	(30,743.48)
	Publication fees	(931.50)
	Tax Deed fees	(1,764.76)
	<u>Special Charges</u>	<u>(2,549.60)</u>
	GAIN	\$75,869.66

Motion by Breu/Fischer to adopt Resolution 19-6-4. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 19-6-5

Introduced by: Executive Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To approve the policies contained in the revised Wood County Employee Policy Handbook, effective July 1, 2019, superseding all previous policies contained therein.

FISCAL NOTE: None. Printing of the Handbooks is budgeted for in the Human Resources 2019 budget.

Motion by Feirer/Hamilton to adopt Resolution 19-6-5. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee minutes presented: Health & Human Services, North Central Community Action Board of Directors, Public Safety.

Supervisor Fischer was recognized and questioned the Public Safety Committee minutes (page 121) discussing the Communications Director job description and reorganization of the Communications Dept. Motion by Fischer/Clendenning to refer this reorganization back to the Public Safety Committee for them to bring back a resolution to reorganize the Communications Dept. Motion carried. Voting no were Feirer, Zaleski, Polach, & Zurfluh.

Committee minutes presented: Civil Service Commission, Conservation, Education, & Economic Development, Golden Sands RC&D, Judicial & Legislative.

RESOLUTION 19-6-6

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To obtain consent of the Wood County Board of Supervisors to create a Criminal Justice Department and hire a Justice Coordinator to oversee the current Wood County Drug Court as well as research and define other Diversion Courts that would benefit Wood County residents by focusing on the importance of treatment and reduction of recidivism.

FISCAL NOTE: None in 2019. The department and position would be created and budgeted for commencing January 1, 2020.

Motion by Feirer/LaFontaine to adopt Resolution 19-6-6. Motion by Hamilton/Clendenning to postpone Resolution 19-6-6. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESOLUTION 19-6-7

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To encourage the Wisconsin Counties Association, the state legislature, and the Governor to support Medicaid Expansion in Wisconsin for the benefit of Wood County residents and residents throughout the state.

FISCAL NOTE: Unknown cost savings to the County by the State's acceptance of federal dollars to assist residents of the County and alleviating some of the myriad financial consequences to the County in having certain of its residents receiving this higher level of assistance.

Motion by Hamilton/Feirer to adopt Resolution 19-6-7. Lengthy discussion ensued. Motion carried. Voting no were Rozar, Zaleski, Fischer, Breu, Winch, Pliml, & Zurfluh.

RESOLUTION 19-6-8

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To go on record in supporting enactment of AB21, a state legislative bill, which assists private well owners who have groundwater contamination from nitrates and other sources.

FISCAL NOTE: Unknown. Enactment of the proposed legislation requires the local unit of government to

match economic assistance provided by the State to property owners in Wood County with contaminated wells.

Motion by LaFontaine/Clendenning to adopt Resolution 19-6-8. Motion by Pliml/Feirer to amend the resolution as follows:

The current Intent & Synopsis would be stricken and replaced as follows, “To go on record in supporting those provisions in both SB137 and AB21 which are most beneficial to Wood County in combatting the contamination of groundwater by nitrates and other sources.”

The second Whereas of the resolution would be stricken and replaced as follows: “Whereas the Wood County Board of Supervisors has studied both SB137 and AB21 that generally supports legislation that protects groundwater from all sources of contamination.”

The numbered points in the Now, Therefore the Wood County Board of Supervisors Hereby resolves section would be stricken and replaced as follows:

1. State that it supports enactment of current provisions of both SB137 and AB21 and any effort to address groundwater contamination from nitrates and other sources that would be most beneficial to the residents of Wood County.
2. To request legislators of Wood County and central Wisconsin to work together to draft comprehensive legislation to address this issue.

Lengthy discussion on the amendment ensued. Motion to amend Resolution 19-6-8 carried. Voting no were Hahn, Winch, Holbrook, Hokamp, Zurfluh, & Leichtnam. Motion to adopt amended Resolution 19-6-8 carried. Voting no were Winch & Holbrook.

RESOLUTION 19-6-9

Introduced by: Judicial & Legislative Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To communicate with the state legislators directly and via the WCA the opposition of the residents of Wood County to legislation that would legalize the recreational use of marijuana.

FISCAL NOTE: Significant but unknown amount of cost savings to Wood County.

Motion by Hamilton/Feirer to adopt Resolution 19-6-9. Motion carried. Voting no were Hahn, Hokamp, and Clendenning.

Committee minutes presented: Highway Infrastructure & Recreation, Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of Directors, Fairgrounds Commission, South Central Library System Board of Trustees.

Motion by Hamilton/Breu to adjourn. Motion carried at 10:30 a.m. Next scheduled county board meeting is July 16, 2019.

Trent Miner
County Clerk