

## MINUTES

Executive and Legislative Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 4, 2011; 5:00 P.M.

Sauk County West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Room B30, Baraboo, WI

Members Present: Krueger, Alexander, Bach, Wenzel, and Fordham

Members Absent:

Others Present: K. Schauf, B. Mielke, S. Pate, T. Liebman, P. Murray, R. Sinklair, A. Lombard, T. Kriegl, J. Scherneck, and news media representative

Chair Krueger called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. and compliance with the Open Meetings Law was verified.

Motion by Bach, seconded by Fordham to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Bach, seconded by Fordham to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2011 meeting with the following corrections: remove the word "special" from the meeting title; change the wording in the third paragraph on page two to read: "Supervisor Peter Murray distributed copies of an article from *Smithsonian.com* relative to establishment of a bike trail in Lanesboro, Minnesota. Mr. Murray addressed the Committee and encouraged a change to Board structure for the addition of a committee for Recreation Trail Development. Considerable discussion followed and Committee members agreed the creation of a subcommittee of the Economic Development Committee would best serve the intended purpose relative to future issues related to multi-use trail development in Sauk County". Motion carried.

### **Public Comment:**

None

### **Communications:**

Chair Krueger distributed copies of the following:

- \* Letter from WCA regarding submission of WCA conference resolutions.
- \* Letter from Supervisor Robert Sinklair distributed at the April 19, 2011 County Board meeting.
- \* Letter from DNR regarding determination of site feasibility, Badger Army

Ammunition

- Plant contiguous horizontal expansion of construction and demolition landfill #3646.
- \* Notice of land acquisition application from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, re: Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin.
- \* Email from Sauk County Real Property Lister regarding parcel #'s & information relating to the Ho-Chunk Nation land acquisition application.
- \* Email from a Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal member employed in the Department of Business concerning the State budget.

County Clerk Mielke distributed registration packets for the annual WCA conference to be held in Sauk County on September 25 - 27, 2011.

### **Consideration of a Resolution Supporting the University of Wisconsin Regents' Wisconsin Idea Partnership:**

Draft copies of the resolution were distributed and reviewed with Committee members. Motion by Fordham, seconded by Wenzel to forward the resolution to the County Board for consideration at the May 17, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

**Consideration and Discussion of Action on Board Member Conduct, Referred from the Board of Supervisors:**

Supervisor Sinklair addressed the Committee stating he felt the choice of words used by Supervisor Hartje to describe a recent County transaction was hate speech, fostering a hostile work environment. Committee members, plus a number of other Supervisors present, expressed their opinion on the incident. The Committee took no action, however, Chair Krueger noted the issue could next be taken before the Ethics Inquiry Board.

**Discussion and Consideration of the Notice of Land Acquisition Application by the Ho-Chunk Nation:**

Todd Liebman, Corporation Counsel, addressed the Committee regarding the current application and history of previous Ho-Chunk trust land property issues. Considerable discussion followed with Committee consensus being the Corporation Counsel is to construct a response in such a manner as to relay Sauk County not being in favor of the acquisition. Committee members chose to schedule a special meeting with Liebman to review the actual, formal response prior to its delivery (also noting a resolution from the County Board will be drafted). A special meeting was set for Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 8:00 A.M. in the EMBS Conference Room.

**Review of Board Mid-term Assessment; Consideration of Final List of Strategic Issues for Board Ranking (beginning @ 6:00 pm):**

The Administrative Coordinator distributed forms and spoke regarding the use of strategic issues and Board ranking relative to the 2012 budget process. Discussion and consideration of strategic planning for 2012 budget compilation followed for the Offices of Administrative Coordinator and Management Information Systems. Due to the length of discussions, Chair Krueger suggested, and Committee members agreed, to postpone this process for the Office of County Clerk and Corporation Counsel to the regular June E&L Committee meeting.

**MIS Department:**

S. Pate, MIS Director, presented the monthly report and list of bills for his department. Motion by Wenzel, seconded by Fordham to receive the report and list of bills in the amount of \$67,372.99. Motion carried.

Pate reviewed a draft resolution with Committee members entitled, "Authorizing the Purchase of a Disk to Disk Backup Storage System". Motion by Wenzel, seconded by Bach to forward the resolution to the County Board for consideration at the May 17, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

**County Clerk:**

B. Mielke, County Clerk, presented the monthly report and list of bills for her department. Mielke advised a special project account # has been established by the Accounting Department to track costs associated with the ongoing Justice of Supreme Court recount proceedings; if required, an appearance before the Finance Committee will be made to advise the possible over expenditure in the elections portion of the County Clerk's departmental budget for 2011. Motion by Bach, seconded by Wenzel to receive the report and list of bills in the amount of \$8,345.59. Motion carried.

**Corporation Counsel:**

Todd Liebman, Corporation Counsel, presented the monthly report and list of bills for his department. Motion by Fordham, seconded by Wenzel to receive the report and list of bills in the amount of \$927.41. Motion carried.

**Administrative Coordinator:**

K. Schauf, Administrative Coordinator, presented the monthly report and list of bills for her department. Schauf, as the Sauk County representative, attended a recent TID#1 review meeting for the expansion of district boundaries in the Village of North Freedom and subsequently voted “no”, based on the “but for test”. Motion by Wenzel, seconded by Alexander to receive the report and list of bills in the amount of \$75.00. Motion carried.

**County Board Chair:**

Chair Krueger reported on his monthly activities, specifically noting:

- \* Joint meeting of Planning & Zoning/Land Conservation Committees.
- \* Meetings with the Baraboo/Sauk County Dean and Assistant Dean regarding facility use and update on the parking lot improvement project.
- \* Completion of the performance evaluation for the Corporation Counsel.
- \* Rotary Club meeting; UW System President featured speaker.
- \* MATC Appointment Board.
- \* SCDC meeting.
- \* Redistricting process.
- \* Preparation work for the mid-term assessment meeting.
- \* Plans to attend an upcoming meeting of the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission.

**Review of Board Mid-Term Assessment; Consideration of Final List of Strategic Issues for Board Ranking:**

Committee members gave their views and assessment of the recently held County Board Mid-Term Assessment meeting; with consensus being it was well attended and of value. The strategic issue grading sheet was reviewed and finalized for use by Board members.

Motion by Bach, seconded by Fordham to adjourn and set the next, regular meeting date for Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at 5:00 P.M. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Beverly J. Mielke, County Clerk/Secretary

