

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 14, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI

Meeting called to order by Robert Kopisch, Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: Present – James Hintz, Bruce Jilka, Robert Kopisch, Larry Palecek. Excused – James Adolph. Also present – Nick Trimner, Lynn Neeck, Carrie Kyle, Leanna Samardich, Bill Teeters, Paula Houdek

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications and Correspondences: Property that was sold to the Village of Prentice has been razed. Phone call from WCA stating Aquila, who does flyovers searching for mineral deposits, would like to schedule an informational meeting in Medford on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 1pm with three counties. Zoning Department will look into possibly needing a metallic mineral ordinance. Meeting March 26<sup>th</sup> with Grant County regarding establishment of County Administrator in their county. March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of Opportunity Zones 6:30 Park Falls Public Library. Broadband committee met March 12<sup>th</sup>. WCA Director's regional meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in Hayward. Nick and Evan showed the old church property to an interested party. Prentice salt shed property will go on the next auction, unless any adjoining property owner can identify an agreement to sell it to them. Deputy Union grievance April 4<sup>th</sup> Adm. K-9 unit kennel has been chosen, includes four-week training session. Highway audit being conducted. David Bockerstette is adjusting to new position.
2. Public Comment: None.
3. Meeting minutes – February 13 and February 19, 2019: Motion Hintz/Palecek to approve the minutes of the February 13 and 19, 2019 meetings as presented. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer – Lynn Neeck
  - a. Treasurer's monthly report: Settlements have come in. Transferred \$3 million to State Investment Pool. Sent out letter to banks request identifying all County accounts and requesting access and signatory.
  - b. Property ID#23536 – Johnson, Ronald V. located at 168 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave S, Park Falls: Dan Leitl, Phil Bochler and Larry Reas from City of Park Falls proposed the County take the property In Rem and give to the City for use as a fire department museum. Motion Jilka/Hintz to postpone to a future meeting when more information is available. Motion carried.
  - c. In Rem / Tax Deed
    - i. 2014 Tax Deed – six parcels taken In Rem through the Court. Properties have been secured. Land Use / UW-Extension Committee will set prices for auction – possibly to be held in May.
    - ii. 2015 Tax Deed – 90 parcels. Notices sent. Title searches start in April. 2016 notices have also been sent. Title searches should start in October.
5. County Administrator – Nick Trimner
  - a. 2018 Budget: Still finalizing for audit in April. \$1.4 million in stumpage revenue. Sales tax \$985,000.
  - b. 2019 Budget: Dealing with a lot of snow removal issues.
  - c. 2020 Budget: Nothing available.
6. Letter from County relinquishing ownership of antiques at Fairgrounds: Not available. Motion Palecek/Hintz to postpone to a future meeting when information is available. Motion carried.
7. Contributions to Economic Development Associations: Bruce attended the Price County Economic Development Association meeting. They would like to meet with the Park Falls Area Economic Development Association to explore merging to one organization.
8. Monthly Vouchers: Motion Jilka/Palecek to approve the accounts payable and payroll for the month of February in the amount of \$1,528,170.47 and period 13 in the amount of \$1,335,859.80 and voucher in the amount of \$111,296.55. Motion carried.
9. Announcement and motion Hintz/Palecek to adjourn to closed session at 10:09 a.m. pursuant to the exemption in Wis. State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session for the purpose of:
  - a. Sale of County Owned Property – 598 Peterson Dr – negotiations
  - b. County Administrator Performance Review
  - c. Motion to Return to Open Session

Roll call vote: Yes (4): Hintz, Jilka, Kopisch, Palecek. No: (0). Motion carried.

Motion in closed session to return to open session at 12:10 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes (4): Hintz, Jilka, Kopisch, Palecek. No: (0). Motion carried.

10. Take Action, as needed, on closed session items: No action taken.

11. Date of Next Meeting: April 11, May 16, June 13.

12. Meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk