

LANGLADE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING

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The Langlade County Board of Supervisors met in the Safety Building, County Board Room. Chairman Pierce called the March 16, 2021 Meeting of the County Board to order at 5:30 p.m. On call of the roll, 19 Supervisors present, Supervisor Bonacci was appearing via on Zoom. A brief discussion on the operation of the new sound system. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence.

Approve or amend the Agenda: Motion by Supervisor Wiegert, second by Supervisor Bauknecht to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Approve or amend the minutes of February 23, 2021 meeting as printed: Motion by Supervisor Nye to amend the February 23, 2021 meeting minutes to reflect: Supervisor Nye motions amend and approve the minutes of February 23, 2021: Motion to allow Judge Rhode and Susan Byrnes to speak at the February 23, 2021 meeting during the discussion of the Second Judge. Supervisor Bauknecht seconds the amendment and seconds to approve. On the call of the roll, all ayes, minutes are amended and approved, 18 ayes, 1 nay, 1 abstain.

Confirm appointment to vacant seat (District #3) for remainder of term (April 19, 2022): Chairman Pierce read the letter of interest submitted by Ron Zalewski, Jr. regarding the vacant District #3 Supervisory Position. Motion by Supervisor Curran, second by Supervisor Balcerzak to approve the appointment. On the call of the roll: 19 ayes, 1 abstain. Ron Zalewski, Jr. is appointed to complete the remainder of the term, until April 19, 2022. 21 Supervisors now present.

Recognition of County Employees: County Clerk Judy Nagel read the list: Milestones: Retirements/Resignations: Raeann Olsen, Sheriff's Department; John Holup, Maintenance Department. New Hires/Promotions/Transfers: Jason Hilger, County Manager, Department of Administration.

Correspondence/Grant Updates: No correspondence or grant updates.

Public comment on agenda items and consideration of requests for items to be added to future meeting agendas: Supervisor Novak requests removing the closed session from the March 16, 2021 Agenda. Chairman Pierce agrees to removing the closed session.

Citizens and Delegations, recognize other in Attendance: Chairman Pierce welcomed all in attendance for tonight's meeting.

Old Business:

Review the proposed Strategic Plan for the County Board, and consider adoption and implementation of the Plan: Motion by Supervisor Wiegert, second by Supervisor Curran to adopt and implement the proposed Strategic Plan. Discussion held on the plan: Ethics, Success, Return on Investments, a fluid document. Discussion on the pre-trial Drug Treatment Program, Drug Court and Second Judge, referring the discussion to Judge Rhode and District Attorney. Discussion on voting on the whole plan, not dropping the Addendum of the Plan regarding the Second Judge. Motion by Feller Gottard to have a complete document, removing the Addendum, second by Supervisor Scupien. Motion by Feller Gottard, second by Supervisor Scupien to amend the motion to only remove Addendum Goal 1 from the Proposed Strategic Plan. On the amendment: 17 ayes, 3 nays, 1 abstain. On the amended Strategic Plan, with Addendum Goal 1 removed: 18 ayes, 2 nays, 1 abstain, motion carried.

New Business:

Election for vacant position on the Highway Committee: Corporation Counsel Stowe explains the voting procedure for this election. Stowe stated this election is for one seat on the Highway Committee, as all seats on the Highway Committee are elected, a nomination that does not require a second, a supervisor can nominate themselves, with the winner receiving the majority is elected to the position and agreeing to eliminate the lowest vote getter until a majority winner. Current Highway Committee, Supervisor Shinners, Chair; Vice-Chair is vacant; Supervisor Novak is Secretary; Supervisor Buck is member #4 and Supervisor Wiegert is member #5. Supervisor Bonacci, via Zoom, did not vote.

Nominations:

Supervisor Feller Gottard nominates Supervisor Novak

Supervisor Wiegert nominates Supervisor Buck

Supervisor Shinners nominates Supervisor Wagner

Supervisor Scupien nominates Supervisor Nye

Chairman calls three times for the nominations. The ballots must be signed.

Supervisor Novak	4
Supervisor Buck	7
Supervisor Wagner	5
Supervisor Nye	4

No majority winner. Supervisor Nye withdraws.

Board votes again for Vice-Chair of Highway Committee:

Supervisor Novak	4
Supervisor Buck	11
Supervisor Wagner	5

Supervisor Buck is now the Vice-Chair of the Highway Committee.

Nominations for Supervisor Buck's position (4th member) on the Highway Committee:

Supervisor Wiegert nominates Supervisor Wagner.
Supervisor Scupien nominates Supervisor Nye.

Supervisor Wagner 12
Supervisor Nye 8

Supervisor Wagner is the 4th Member of the Highway Committee.

Discuss the possibility of going paperless for County Board Members: Discussion on the use of personal I Pads/tablet, using County owned I Pads/tablets, costs, savings going paperless, picking up the Board Packets in the Clerk's Office and storage on the I Pads/tablets. Discussion held. Supervisor Nye requests that the discussion of going paperless come back next month.

The Board took a five-minute recess.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Appoint Supervisor Feller Gottard to the ADCR-CW Board, to complete term of Supervisor Balcerzak.
Adopt Contract between the WI Seed Potato Improvement Association and Langlade County Board of Supervisors for 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Curran, second by Supervisor Bauknecht to approve the Consent Agenda. Voice vote: 19 ayes, 2 abstain, motion carried. The Consent Agenda is adopted.

Committee Reports: A summary of information contained in recent committee minutes on file in the County Clerk's Office. Supervisor Nye discussed the recent presentation at the Social Services Committee from Black Hawk Hill regarding a program in Langlade County that includes horse therapy.

RESOLUTION #2-2021

INTRODUCED BY: FORESTRY & RECREATION & WATER AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

INTENT:RESCIND RESOLUTION #73-84 AND ESTABLISH A NEW PLAN TO ALLOCATE REVENUES FROM SALE OF COUNTY FOREST LANDS AND MODIFY CAP ON ASSIGNED FUND FOR FORESTRY LAND PURCHASES AND ASSIGNED FUND FOR RECREATION

WHEREAS, the Committees recommend adopting the County Forest Land Management Plan (attached) and to allocate revenues from the sale of County Forest Lands as follows:

Revenues from the sale of County Forest Lands under the Policy shall be allocated:

- Assigned Fund for Forestry Land Purchase: 50% of the net proceeds from each land sale.
- Assigned Fund for Recreation: 30% of the net proceeds from each land sale.
- Undesignated General Fund: 20% of net proceeds from each land sale.

WHEREAS, the lands for sale are parcel numbers 008-0751, 030-0345, 030-1097 and 004-0742; and

WHEREAS, the Committees recommend increases the cap for the Assigned Fund for Forestry Land Purchases to \$500,000 to allow for the purchase of merchantable timber lands for the perpetuation of timber sale income for Langlade County and to place restrictions on the use of this Account such that:

These funds can only be used for the purchase of timber lands.

After this Assigned Fund reaches \$500,000 any additional land sale revenues that would accrue to this Fund shall be allocated to the Undesignated General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends a cap of \$300,000 for the Recreation Fund;

WHEREAS, except as otherwise allowed by the County's General Fund Balance Policy, the Assigned Fund for Land Purchases AND the Assigned Fund for Recreation cannot be transferred to another Fund or used for any other purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to adopt the aforementioned plan to allocate revenues from the sale of County Forest Land and to increase the cap on the Assigned Fund for Forestry Land Purchases to \$500,000 and to cap the Recreation Fund at \$300,000.

FORESTRY & RECREATION & WATER and LAND USE COMMITTEE:

Bob Curran, Chairman
Joseph Novak, III
John Medo
John Breske
Reinhardt Balcerzak

FISCAL NOTE: No Fiscal Note.

Motion by Supervisor Balcerzak, second by Supervisor Bauknecht to adopt. Supervisor Curran addressed the Board explaining the reallocation of land assets that are non-productive parcels that outside the county forest boundaries, case by case basis, as the sale revenue going in the Land Buy Account (capped at \$500,000), Rec Fund (capped at \$300,000) and the balance going to the General Fund. Joe Jopek addressed the Forestry Committee on protecting the county wetlands. The proposed parcels to list for sale will be approved by the County Board. The Forestry Committee motioned and approved to give authority to the Forest Administrator, Forestry Committee Chairperson and County Manager to approve the terms of the sales. Supervisor Benishek requests putting a covenant on county forest lands that are sold. Discussion held. Motion by Supervisor Wiegert, second by Supervisor Pierce to amend Resolution#2-2021: Stating Fund balances: \$500,000 for the Land Buy Account, \$300,000 for the Rec Fund, giving Forest Administrator, Forestry Committee Chairperson and County Manager the authority to negotiate the sale and to give authority to use the covenant on any lake land sales. On the Amendment: 20 ayes, 1 abstain. Resolution #2-2021 is amended. Motion by Supervisor Benishek, second by Supervisor Balcerzak to amend Resolution #2-2021 to a simple majority vote. Voice vote: all ayes. Resolution #2-2021 is amended to a simple majority vote. On the Call of the Roll to adopt Resolution #2-2021 as amended: 20 ayes, 1 abstain. Amended Resolution #2-2021 is adopted.

Committee Referrals: No committee referrals at this time.

Update from County Manager: County Manager Hilger started with Langlade County March 8, 2021. Hilger stated that he has been busy attending Committee meetings, making some bill paying and payroll changes, possibly changing the flow of meetings during the month, looking at the numbers to close the 2020 County Books. Hilger also stated that the Personnel Committee motioned and approved giving the County Manager the authority to use the full Matrix when hiring.

The Board did not move into closed session to review Committee structure: Board Chairman Pierce discussed the proposed committee changes, moving the Supervisors to other Committees to allow for learning and strengthening the Committees, traditionally Committees were kept the same for years

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

*Pierce
Medo
Wiegert
Shinners
Balcerzak

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

*Wiegert
Pierce
Zalewski
Medo
Fischer

AG & EX. & LAND CONSERVATION SOLIT WASTE:

*Fischer
Curler
Bauknecht
Nye
Feller Gottard
Tom Schmidt

PUBLIC SAFETY:

*Curran
Bonacci
Balcerzak
Krochalk
Wagner

HIGHWAY & AIRPORT:

*Shinners
Buck
Novak
Wagner
Wiegert

SOCIAL SERVICES:

*Pierce
Curran
Bonacci
Wagner
Cahak

BOARD OF HEALTH & VETERANS:

*Benishek
Zalewski
Wagner
Krochalk
Bauknecht

WATER & LAND USE PLANNING:

*Novak
Feller Gottard
Nye
Scupien
Curler

FORESTRY & RECREATION:

*Curran
Novak
Medo
Breske
Balcerzak

FINANCE/INFORMATION SERVICES:

*Medo
Pierce
Shinners
Benishek
Scupien

PUBLIC PROPERTY:

*Shinners
Wiegert
Buck
Cahak
Breske

Motion by Supervisor Curran, second by Supervisor Cahak to adjourn the March 16, 2021 meeting at 7:44 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

I, Judy Nagel, Langlade County Clerk, Antigo, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting of March 16, 2021. Note: These minutes are not official until they are approved by the County Board at their next meeting. A complete copy of the minutes is available in the County Clerk's Office.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2021.

Judy Nagel
Langlade County Clerk
