

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009**

Chairman David Albrecht called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Fourth Floor, Courthouse, 415 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation by Supervisor Locke.

The following Supervisors were present: Konezke, Barker, Griesbach, Eisen, Ramos, Roh, Koziczowski, Smith, Widener, Hamblin, Albrecht, Gabert, Riste, Thompson, Gearhart, Hall, Wingren, Jacobson, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Eichman, Schmuhl, Kline, Locke, Nelson, Finch, Sievert, Farrey, Diakoff, Brennand, Egan, Ellis, Rengstorf and Reinert. Excused: Lennon.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adopt tonight's agenda with the change of order of the resolutions so that No. 161-32009, 168-32009 and 171-32009 are acted on before No. 151-32009. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Jay Schroeder, 1295 North Lake Street, Neenah, expressed concern about Resolution No. 165-32009, "Authorize the Purchase of a Fire Fighting/Rescue Vehicle for Wittman Airport at a Cost of \$750,000 and Finance with Bond Proceeds" and the fact that a price is being noted before bids have been taken. Mr. Schroeder also suggested that the County Executive have a written analysis of each resolution brought before the Board.

Leah Kitz, 1317 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh, representing ARC/Winnebago County Disabilities Association, spoke about the proposed long-term family care program that the County Board will be acting on in the near future. She asked that the Board study this issue and carefully consider all aspects of this program before voting on it.

Ashley Heise, 4815 Plummers Point Road, Oshkosh, spoke to the Board about long-term family care and stated how this is a very complex issue. He offered the Winnebago County Board ARC/Winnebago County Disabilities Association's resources to help them understand long-term family care and its implications to Winnebago County's citizens.

**COMMUNICATION, PETITIONS, ETC.**

Petition for Zoning Amendment from Wade R. Wara, Town of Poygan for zoning change for tax parcel no. 020-0020-04 from A-2 Floodplain to R-1 with no Floodplain for building a house with a full basement was referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

Petition for Zoning Amendment from Norman Pawelczyk, Town of Oshkosh for zoning change for tax parcel no. 018-0114 from B-3 to M-2 for assemblage to the adjoining parcel was referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

Petition for Zoning Amendment from Bohn Farms, Town of Poygan for zoning change for tax parcel no. 0200129 from R-1 to R-2 for a single family subdivision was referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

Petition for Zoning Amendment from Gerald L. Kalbus, Town of Black Wolf for zoning change for part of tax parcel no. 004-0257 and all of tax parcel no. 004-0258 from P-1 to B-2 for a campground was referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

Resolution from Kewaunee County – "A Resolution Supporting Standard Enforcement of Seatbelt Law" was referred to the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS**

Supervisor Kline reported that the Legislative Committee will meet on Monday, March 23 @ 8:30 a.m.

Supervisor Hall spoke on Resolution No. 155-32009, "Propose Use of Wireless 911 Funds to Offset State Budget Deficit" which the Board passed at their March 3 meeting. He stated that the fees addressed in this resolution that were to be returned to the customers through their wireless carriers were instead going to be moved by Governor Doyle and the Legislature from the 911 wireless fund to the shared revenue account. He stated that because the Board passed this resolution that money was removed "from our own coffers."

Motion by Supervisor Widener and seconded to approve the proceedings from the February 24 County Board meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

## **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

Executive Harris spoke to the Board about the federal government's program COPS. He explained that this program would pay the salary of a Sheriff's deputy for up to three years. The county is then obligated to continue that position. Executive Harris stated that he is discussing this program with Sheriff Brooks and they are looking at this position as a possible security officer at the courthouse.

Executive Harris explained that the federal government has made some changes that loosen up the requirements for stimulus funds for highway projects. John Haese, Winnebago County Highway Commissioner, is re-evaluating the county's highway projects to see if more might qualify for federal stimulus funds. Executive Harris then explained the process for applying for the federal stimulus money, the changes that have taken place in that process and what the county is doing now to re-apply for those funds.

Executive Harris spoke about Human Services' upcoming presentation on long-term family care and the proposed creation of the Lakeland Long-Term Care District. He explained that this is a proposed plan developed by Winnebago County and others and should be considered carefully. Executive Harris pointed out that if the county doesn't implement some plan on their own, at some point the State of Wisconsin may force the county into a "coalition that might not be of our choosing or of our form."

## **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S APPOINTMENT**

### **Advocap Board of Directors**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment of Supervisor Gearhart to the Advocap Board of Directors. Ms. Gearhart will replace Christopher Wright whose term will expire April 21, 2009. Motion by Supervisor Norton and seconded to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Albrecht reported that Supervisor Lennon is excused from tonight's meeting.

### **FIBER OPTICS CAPITAL PROJECT BETWEEN CITY OF MENASHA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FAIRVIEW RADIO TOWER - SHERIFF MICHAEL BROOKS AND PATTY FRANCOUR, INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIRECTOR**

Sheriff Brooks explained that this project will eliminate the problems his department has been having with their public safety radio system. The current system is negatively affected by weather and accidents involving telephone poles/lines. Sheriff Brooks explained that when one agency's frequency is lost, their calls are placed on another agency's frequency which causes a lot of problems. By connecting the City of Menasha Police Department and the Fairview Radio Tower with fiber optics, they will create a "hot loop" for public safety radio and data systems. This hot loop senses if a connection is lost and re-routes information while keeping all the frequency's up and running.

Sheriff Brooks said this connection will also be important for the regionalization of radio systems with Outagamie and Calumet Counties, because it will allow Winnebago County to connect with Outagamie County's system.

Sheriff Brooks reported that the costs for this project are divided into three areas and then by various units of government. In the first area, the costs will be shared by Winnebago County, City of Menasha utilities and the Town of Menasha. In the second area, the costs will be shared by the Town of Menasha and Winnebago County. In the third area, all the costs are Winnebago County's. The county's cost in all three areas is estimated at \$251,000, plus another \$45,000 for equipment at the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Brooks then took questions from the Board.

## **PARK VIEW HEALTH CENTER RENOVATION-DISCUSSION**

Mike Elder, Winnebago County Facilities Director, lead a question and answer session on the future use of the old Park View Health Center facility. Questions raised:

- Could Pleasant Acres be used for the courts and District Attorney?
  - Mr. Elder explained that at this time, this has not been considered.
- What is the life cycle of Pleasant Acres? Will it cost less to operate this as a remodeled building versus a new building?
  - Mr. Elder stated the proposed remodeling of this building will make it less expensive to operate than the existing building. The building will be designed based on the needs of the departments, so that they can work efficiently as well.

- What does it cost the county to heat the Pavilion building where the Health Department and Second Chance are located? Where will the Health Department and the Second Chance program be located once the pavilion is closed?
  - In February, it cost the county \$25,000 to heat the pavilion and the Pleasant Acres buildings.
  - The plan is to move the Health Department and Second Chance to the Pleasant Acres building once money is allocated for the project.

Mr. Elder explained that the plan now is to move departments from the courthouse campus that don't have a lot of interaction with the public—Information Systems, Finance Department, etc. Court-related departments would then have more space at the courthouse and the District Attorney's Office would be brought back to the courthouse campus.

- What will happen to the tunnel at the old Park View site?
  - Utilities will be removed from the tunnel and it will be permanently closed.
- Could the old Huber facility be converted to office space?
  - Because it was constructed as a detention facility, a lot of the things that are needed in an office—data ports, telephone connections, etc.—are not there. The security doors and secured areas also make it difficult to move about the building, so major, difficult renovations would need to be made to the building. Also, general feel of the building is not conducive to office space or a location for the Second Chance program.

### **HUMAN SERVICES LONG-TERM FAMILY CARE**

Supervisor Koziczkowski stated that next month a resolution authorizing the county's participation in the Lakeland Family Care District will be brought to the Board for their approval. Tonight's presentation will explain what this program is and why it's right for Winnebago County and its residents.

Ken Stoffel, Deputy Director of Human Services, explained that the State of Wisconsin started this process as a pilot program for managed care (family care) for human services that impact the elderly and people with physical and developmental disabilities that require long term support.

Mr. Stoffel stated that moving to this type of family care model now lets Winnebago County have some control over designing it, instead of waiting and having the State of Wisconsin tell us what we have to do. Establishing family care now will also help to eliminate the waiting list for these programs in about three years. Mr. Stoffel explained that the elimination of waiting lists is a requirement of the state's family care plan.

Long-Term Care Districts – Mr. Stoffel explained that the county's proposal for family care includes the establishment of a long-term care district with Manitowoc and Fond du Lac Counties. He explained that long-term care districts are new units of government designed specifically for family care. Involvement in a long-term care district will enable Winnebago County to move ahead with the family care program.

Winnebago County has been working on and planning for family care for the past three years. The goal is to begin the transition to family care in July of 2010. A resolution will come to the County Board in April asking for their approval of this program. With the approval of a long-term care district, it will be "shifting the responsibility" for the primary funding of these types of services from the counties to the state and this long-term care district.

Ageing and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) – Mr. Stoffel explained that establishing an ADRC is also a requirement of family care. The ADRC will assess and screen individuals and families who are seeking family care services.

Ellen Shute, Administrative Services Division Manager of the Human Services Department, explained that Winnebago County's ongoing contribution to the community aids basic county allocation will be 22%, phased in over five years. This means the county's current \$5.5 Million tax levy will be reduced to \$1.6 Million in the fifth year. That will mean an annual \$3.9 Million savings for the county after the fifth year. Ms. Shute explained that this is a financial commitment made by the State of Wisconsin based on Winnebago County's 2006 financial reports.

Bill Topel, Human Services Director, explained the benefits of family care:

- no waiting lists for services, so if someone who is eligible for care but is waiting, they will start to receive care;
- care will be delivered at a level determined by the long-term care district. It's important to be in a district that shares Winnebago County's philosophy for care—this aspect has been studied for years so that our long-term care district model will closely match Winnebago County's current services.

Mr. Stoffel, Ms. Shute and Dr. Topel then took questions from the Board.

### **ZONING REPORTS & ORDINANCES**

There are no zoning reports/ordinances this month.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

**RESOLUTION NO. 151-22009:      Transfer Funds to Various Departments To Cover Labor Cost Overruns For 2008.**

WHEREAS, various departments including Airport, Courts, Coroner, Corporation Counsel, County Clerk, Human Resources, Purchasing, Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, and UW Extension incurred labor cost overruns in their 2008 budgets per the attached budget transfer form; and

WHEREAS, most of the departments had sufficient funds in other line items in their Department's 2008 budgets to cover the overages; and

WHEREAS, an overall transfer of \$52,050 is needed from the General Fund Undesignated Fund balance to cover the net overage; and

WHEREAS, the total combined amount that all tax levy supported Departments were under budget is \$892,490 or just 1.26%; and

WHEREAS, because of tax levy and rate limits, labor budgets are prepared very tightly; and

WHEREAS, much of the net overage is related to fringe benefits that are very difficult to predict.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes budget transfers to cover the overages per the attached budget transfer form.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION 161-3200:      Transfer \$315,526 from General Fund Balance to Various Accounts in the Clerk of Courts 2008 Budget to Cover Expense Account Overages and Revenue Shortfalls.**

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Courts Department consisting of the Clerk of Courts office and Court Branches have exceeded budget for 2008 in supplies, stationary, medical costs, and legal fees; and

WHEREAS, these overages were the result of under-estimating the costs and volumes of supplies used during the year as well as the amount of legal fees paid for defendants during the year as required by Statute; and

WHEREAS, various revenue accounts are under budget due partially to the US economic recession and the fact that estimating these revenue sources is a difficult task and the revenue sources can make large swings from year to year; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to approve these expense overages and revenue shortfalls and transfer funds to cover them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$315,526 to the Clerk of Courts 2008 budget to cover the operations resulting from excess expenditures and revenue shortfalls per the attached budget transfer form.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 – Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 168-32009:      Authorize Revenue and Expenses Related to Child Support Agency Contract with the Family Court Counseling Department in the Amount of \$5,000 That Was Not Properly Reflected in the 2009 Budget.**

WHEREAS, the Child Support Agency has a memorandum of understanding with the Family Court Counseling Department to provide services for 2009; and

WHEREAS, in preparing the budget, the Family Court Counseling Department netted the revenues against expenses in the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department was not aware of this when the 2009 budget was prepared; and

WHEREAS, it is not a generally accepted accounting principal to offset revenues against expenses for financial reporting purposes; and

WHEREAS, the budgets now need to be adjusted to properly reflect the expenses in expense accounts and revenue in a revenue account within the Family Court Counseling Department; and

WHEREAS, the memorandum of understanding relates to a "Partners in Parenting Collaborative Project" being provided as a service from the Family Court Counseling Department to the Child Support Agency and will provide savings to the Child Support Agency of roughly \$4,400 or 44% through not having to contract out the service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby adjusts the revenue and expense budgets of the Family Court Counseling Department's 2009 budget as follows:

Family Court Counseling Account Adjustments	
Description	Amount
Registration & Tuition	\$ 3,000
Auto Allowance	1,000
Lodging	1,000
Professional Services Revenue	(5,000)
Net impact	\$ -

Submitted by:  
 JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
 PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rengstorf and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon.  
 CARRIED

**RESOLUTION NO. 171-32009: Oppose Increases in Landfill Tipping Fee Surcharges and Oppose Elimination of Recycling/Solid Waste Grant Programs: (Solid Waste Board)**

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin mandated recycling in 1990 under 1989 Wisconsin Act 35 and Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter NR 544; and

WHEREAS, NR 544 requires Towns, Villages, Cities or Counties, hereafter referred to as "municipalities" to become Responsible Units for Recycling and as such are required to establish and pay for effective recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin originally proposed to cost share 66% of the municipalities' costs for establishing and maintaining effective recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin currently only reimburses municipalities for less than 30% of their residential recycling costs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on municipalities putting many under severe financial constraints; and

WHEREAS, since 1990, the State has taken over one hundred eleven million dollars (\$111,000,000) away from the segregated recycling fund to pay for other State programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has used monies raised to support municipal recycling programs as part of a failed attempt to balance the State's budget; and

WHEREAS, Winnebago County has been on record since 2002 in opposition to non-recycling-related uses of the recycling fund; and

WHEREAS, the last State biennial budget increased landfill tipping fee surcharges on every ton of solid waste disposed of in Wisconsin (excluding high volume industrial by-products). Effective November 1, 2007, the recycling tip fee surcharge increased from \$3.00/ton to \$4.00/ton and the environmental repair fee increased from \$0.50/ton to \$1.60/ton; and

WHEREAS, the current budget proposed by Governor James Doyle seeks another increase in the landfill tipping fee surcharges, whereby, effective October 1, 2009, the recycling tip fee surcharge would increase from \$4.00/ton to \$5.00/ton and effective July 1, 2009, the environmental repair fee increase from \$1.60/ton to \$5.00/ton; and

WHEREAS, this equates to a 67% increase in the recycling tip fee surcharge and a 900% increase in the environmental repair fee since October, 2007, and these increase will be implemented in the middle of a budget year, putting increased strain on already stressed municipal budgets; and

WHEREAS, the proposed landfill tipping fee surcharge increases are coupled by elimination or reduction of grant programs serving municipalities and counties including: reduction of Basic Recycling Grants to responsible units from \$31 million/year to \$30.69 million/year; elimination of the Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant Program, appropriated at \$1.9 million/year; elimination of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant Program, appropriated at \$500,000/year; elimination of the Clean Sweep Grant Program, which funded agricultural chemical,

household hazardous and unwanted pharmaceutical collection programs, appropriated at \$1 million/year and elimination of the business waste reduction and recycling assistance program, appropriated at \$1 million/year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it opposes increases in the landfill tipping fee surcharges, as this will place an undue burden on municipalities, and past practice has demonstrated misuse of collected funds for General Purpose Revenue and other programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it opposes the elimination or reduction of recycling/solid waste grant programs which will further decrease the State's cost share of mandated recycling programs and increase the potential contamination of Wisconsin's environment through improper disposal of agricultural chemicals, household hazardous waste and unwanted pharmaceuticals due to the lack of collection opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Brown County, Outagamie County, Wisconsin Counties Association, the Wisconsin Towns Association, the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, the Wisconsin Alliance of Cities, those Wisconsin State Representatives and State Senators representing Winnebago County residents, the Joint Committee on Finance and Governor James Doyle.

Submitted by:  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 34. Nays: 1 - Hall. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 156-32009: Authorize the Resurfacing of CTH B from CTH D to STH 116 at a Projected Cost of \$2,062,000, and Fund with Bond Proceeds, Intergovernmental Revenue and Tax Levy Funds from County Road Maintenance.**

WHEREAS, CTH B from CTH D to STH 116 has developed severe wheel rutting and longitudinal cracking, and

WHEREAS, future maintenance problems will not be alleviated by using minor repair methods, and WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of Winnebago County to have this roadway resurfaced, and WHEREAS, resurfacing the roadway will extend its life an additional 20-25 years, and WHEREAS, this project has been included in the County's five year capital improvements plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$2,062,000 to the resurfacing of CTH B from CTH D to STH 116.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay for said improvements be appropriated as follows:

General Fund	\$ 1,562,000
State highway grants	169,381
County Road Maintenance	330,619
Total	<u>\$ 2,062,000</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Fund will be reimbursed from a subsequent bond issue for its share.

Submitted by:  
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 157-32009: Authorize the Resurfacing of CTH AH from CTH H to River Trail Drive at a Cost of \$473,000, to be Funded with Bond Proceeds**

WHEREAS, CTH AH from CTH D to River Trail Drive has developed severe wheel rutting and longitudinal cracking; and

WHEREAS, future maintenance problems will not be alleviated by using minor repair methods; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of Winnebago County to have this roadway resurfaced; and  
 WHEREAS, resurfacing the roadway will extend its life an additional 20-25 years; and  
 WHEREAS, this project has been included in the County's five year capital improvements plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$473,000 to the resurfacing of CTH AH from CTH H to River Trail Drive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay for said improvements be appropriated from the General Fund of Winnebago County with said fund being reimbursed from a subsequent bond issue.

Submitted by:  
 HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
 PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 158-32009: Authorize the Reconstruction of CTH Y From USH 76 to CTH A at a Cost of \$3.3 Million.**

WHEREAS, CTH Y from CTH A to USH 76 has significant deterioration; and  
 WHEREAS, use of the road has increased significantly over the years due to the County Park and Expo facility, Coughlin building and other facilities located along the route; and

WHEREAS, reconstruction of this portion of CTH Y has been included in the Capital Improvements Program for several years but has been pushed back due to other priorities; and

WHEREAS, it would be prudent at this time to reconstruct the roadway, increase from two lane to a 48 foot wide four lane urban section which would include storm sewer and curb and gutter and will incorporate a recreational trail which will connect to the current CTH A trail; and

WHEREAS, there is outside funding available of \$1,372,000 to help cover the cost of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$3.3 million from the general fund undesignated fund balance to the reconstruction project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay for said improvements be transferred from the General Fund of Winnebago County to the CTH Y Capital project fund with the General Fund being reimbursed from the following funding sources:

Funding Sources for CTH Y Reconstruction Project	
Funding Source	Amount
State transportation project funds	\$ 1,372,000
County tax levy included in County Road Maintenance Cost Center	500,000
A subsequent bond issue	1,428,000
Total project funding	\$ 3,300,000

Submitted by:  
 HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
 PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 33. Nays: 2-Widener and Gabert. Excused: 1-Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 159-32009: Authorize the Use of \$102,340 of Un-Appropriated Earnings in the Park View Facility Capital Project Fund to Make Refinements to the New Facility.**

WHEREAS, additional furnishings, equipment and fixtures have been identified that would refine and enhance the operations of the new Park View facility; and

WHEREAS, there are earnings sufficient in the project fund to cover these additional identified costs; and

WHEREAS, it would enhance and refine the operations of the new facility should the additional earnings be appropriated to the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$102,340 of un-allocated earnings in the Park View Capital Project Fund to refinements as listed below that would enhance the operations of the new facility.

<b>Park View Capital Project Fund Project Refinements</b>	
Wall Protection	\$ 66,340
Back-up Food Cart	<u>36,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 102,340</u>

Submitted by:  
PARK VIEW HEALTH CENTER COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Wingren and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 34. Nays: 1 - Eisen. Excused: 1 - Lennon.  
CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 160-32009: Transfer \$155,000 from General Fund Balance to the Expo Door & Door Frame Replacement Project with General Fund Being Reimbursed from a Subsequent Bond Issue.**

WHEREAS, many of the door and door frame fixtures at the Sunnyview Expo Center are near or at the end of their useful life; and,

WHEREAS, the long standing practice of having Parks staff repair and adjust these fixtures is no longer practical due to the scarcity of replacement parts as well as the rusted conditions at the base of the metal doors and door frames; and,

WHEREAS, the present state of the Expo doors and door frames is cause for numerous safety and security concerns throughout the grounds; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$155,000 to the door replacement project at the County Expo Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay for said improvements be appropriated from the General Fund of Winnebago County with said fund being reimbursed from a subsequent bond issue.

Submitted by:  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Finch and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 34. Nays: 1 - Eichman. Excused: 1 - Lennon.  
CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 162-32009: Transfer \$71,000 from the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to the General Services Department to Cover Cost Overruns and to Cover Accumulated Deficit from Past Years.**

WHEREAS, the General Services Department processes mail for all of the departments of Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, the General Services Department also leases all copy / fax / scanning machines that are used by Winnebago County Departments; and

WHEREAS, due to an increase in the postage costs and the addition of copy machines during 2008, these expense accounts have exceeded budget; and

WHEREAS, the General Services processing of mail includes affixing postage, collating presort delivery to the post office, pick up from the post office and delivery to departments; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the services plus the actual postage exceeds the cost of a single envelope postage stamp; and



WHEREAS, a subsidy is currently needed in the General Services fund to bring it back to a positive fund balance position; and

WHEREAS, it is more economical for Winnebago County to keep the handling of mail as a centralized function rather than to have each department perform this function.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the transfer of \$71,000 from General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to the General Services Fund to eliminate the accumulated deficit and cover the expense overruns in Equipment Rental and Postage & Box Rent of the 2008 budget.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 163-32009:      Transfer \$47,000 to the Tax Refunds Account from General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to Cover an Overage in the Tax Refund Account of the 2008 Budget.**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Tissue Mills of Menasha contested their property valuation and took their appeal to the state level; and

WHEREAS, as the result of a law change, pollution remediation equipment was given an exemption from property taxation; and

WHEREAS, this resulted in a large reduction to Wisconsin Tissue Mills valuation resulting in them being over taxed in prior years; and

WHEREAS, the County was required to refund these taxes to Wisconsin Tissue Mills during 2008; and

WHEREAS, we budget an amount for tax refunds each year but this large refund caused the account so far surpass the \$10,000 is normally budgeted for refunds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby transfers \$47,000 from General Fund Undesignated Fund balance to the "Tax Refunds" account in the Miscellaneous Unclassified 2008 budget of Winnebago County.

Submitted by:  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 164-32009:      Appropriate \$38,660 from the Contingency Fund to the Technology Replacement Fund for the Upgrade of the Phone System to Add a Voice Recognition Module.**

WHEREAS, due to cost cutting measures, the County, like most other large businesses, has eliminated switchboard positions; and

WHEREAS, the current system offers several levels of menus for a person calling in the County; and

WHEREAS, because of the size of the menus, it is not always possible to offer a "zero out" alternative to reach an operator or other person; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this, many callers simply pick alternative departments and ask to be transferred; and

WHEREAS, as a result during after-hours at Park View Health Center, nurses end up having to answer these calls, taking them away from their duties; and

WHEREAS, it is not cost beneficial to utilize professional level staff to perform switchboard duties; and

WHEREAS, voice recognition modules are now available so as to allow callers to speak the name of a person or department and be transferred directly to them.

WHEREAS, in an effort to better serve the public it is recommended that the County purchase a voice recognition module for the phone system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$38,660 from the General Contingency Fund to the Technology Replacement Fund for the purpose of purchasing a voice recognition module for the phone system.

Submitted by:  
PARK VIEW HEALTH CENTER COMMITTEE  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Wingren and seconded to adopt. Supervisor Roh asked that his vote cast at the Park View Health Center meeting be corrected on the resolution to show he abstained. Vote on Resolution as corrected: Ayes: 33. Nays: 2 - Roh and Reinert. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 165-32009: Authorize the Purchase of a Fire Fighting / Rescue Vehicle for Wittman Airport at a Cost of \$750,000 and Finance With Bond Proceeds.**

WHEREAS, a current ARFF (Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting) vehicle is 25 years old; it was the prototype of this particular model built by Oshkosh Truck Corporation and acquired from them in 1985; and  
WHEREAS, the fire suppression system is Austrian-built, and parts are becoming difficult to acquire; and  
WHEREAS, the vehicle has had increasing maintenance issues because of its age and because of unique systems originally installed on the vehicle that are not standard to regular production models; and  
WHEREAS, the vehicle is no longer reliable and it is recommended that a new one be purchased.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$750,000 for the purchase of a new Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay for said vehicle be appropriated from the General Fund of Winnebago County with said fund to be reimbursed from a subsequent bond issue.

Submitted by:  
AVIATION COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 32. Nays: 3 - Roh, Eichman and Reinert. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 166-32009: Transfer \$50,000 from Airport Undesignated Fund Balance to Airport Capital Outlay Account to Convert Portion of Former Gate Area to Administrative Office Space.**

WHEREAS, Wittman Airport has identified a tenant looking for office space at the airport; and  
WHEREAS, the Airport Director recommends remodeling a portion of the former gate area into office space and moving his department to that location; and  
WHEREAS, this would free up the space currently occupied by the Airport Department, thus making it available for leasing; and  
WHEREAS, a tenant is currently available and willing to lease the current office space at a rental of \$1,000 per month for 5 years; and  
WHEREAS, the cost to remodel the former gate area is roughly \$50,000, making the payback period just over 4 years.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$50,000 from the Airport Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to the Airport Capital Outlay Account for the purpose of remodeling the former gate area into office space for the Airport Department.

Submitted by:  
AVIATION COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 169-32009: Commendation for Jean M. Palma**

WHEREAS, Jean Palma has been employed with the Winnebago County Department of Human Services, for the past twenty-four years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and  
WHEREAS, Jean Palma has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors, that sincere appreciation and commendation be and it hereby is extended to Jean Palma for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Jean Palma.

Submitted by,  
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 167-32009: Transfer \$24,200 from the Receiving Home Expense Account in the Human Services Department, Auto Allowance Account to Cover Excess Mileage Reimbursement Due to Extra Travel and Higher Fuel Prices.**

WHEREAS, the Auto Allowance account of the Human Services Department is over budget by \$24,200 for 2008; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds remaining in the Receiving Home expense line within the Human Services Department; and

WHEREAS, the overage in Auto Allowance is primarily the result of the increased Federal mileage reimbursement rates that occurred because of the unexpected increase in the cost of gasoline; and

WHEREAS, part of the overage is also the result of more in-home visits resulting from increased case loads; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to transfer funds to cover the overage in the Auto Allowance account because the "Travel Expense" category is over budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the transfer of funds from the Receiving Home expense account to the Automobile Allowance expense account in the Human Services Department of \$24,200, to cover the overage in Auto Allowance that has occurred during 2008.

Submitted by:  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Koziczowski and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 35. Nays: 0. Excused: 1 - Lennon.  
CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 170-32009: Support Legislative Bill to Amend Section 346.65, Statutes (Drunken Driving Penalties)**

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislature previously passed 2005 Wisconsin Act 389 which created a pilot program in Winnebago County for sentencing persons who are convicted of certain second or third offenses involving operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and

WHEREAS, under that Act, a period of imprisonment for an OWI offense in Winnebago County may be reduced if the violator successfully completes a period of probation that includes alcohol and other drug treatment; and

WHEREAS, under that Act, a person may complete a treatment program and receive the reduced period of imprisonment only once; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Bill expands the sentencing option to any county within the State of Wisconsin that opts to allow a violator to successfully complete a period of probation that includes alcohol and other drug treatment in exchange for a shorter period of imprisonment; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned pilot program has been successful in Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors believes that it would be in the best interest of the State of Wisconsin to expand this option to all counties within the State of Wisconsin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby indicates its support for the attached Bill to amend Section 346.65, Wisconsin Statutes, as described herein. A copy of the Bill is herewith attached and made a part of this resolution by reference.

Submitted by:  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Kline and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 172-32009: Authorize Execution of a Five-Year Agreement with the Oshkosh Area School District for Use of the Community Park Softball Diamonds**

WHEREAS, Winnebago County and the Oshkosh Area School District are interested in arranging to have the Oshkosh Area School District Department of Recreation provide for programming of the two Community Park softball diamonds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Winnebago County to allow the Oshkosh Area School District Department of Recreation to continue to apply its resources towards programming the Community Park softball diamonds in the same manner as experienced during the previous twenty-year Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Winnebago County Parks Department to enter into a five-year Agreement with the Oshkosh Area School District that will make possible the programming of the Community Park softball diamonds by the Oshkosh Area School District Department of Recreation. (A copy of the proposed lease is made a part of this resolution by reference and may be obtained upon request from the office of the Parks Director.)

Submitted by:  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Finch and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 174-32009: Authorize Execution of Lease Between Winnebago County and Kevin Green (Wittman Regional Airport - Airport Hangar)**

WHEREAS, Kevin Green desires to enter into an airport hangar lease with Winnebago County for a three-year term commencing on February 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the lease terms, Mr. Green would rent Hangar Building L 809A which consists of 1,386 square feet of airport storage building space; and

WHEREAS, the cost of said lease for the first year would be \$294.91 per month, with said lease being increased pursuant to the Consumer Price Index for each succeeding year; and

WHEREAS, your Aviation Committee recommends the approval of said lease agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the execution of an airport hangar lease between Winnebago County and Kevin Green with regard to Hangar Building L 809A at Wittman Regional Airport for a three-year term, commencing retroactive to February 1, 2009, pursuant to those terms as described above. (A copy of the complete lease agreement may be obtained from the Airport Director.)

Submitted by:  
AVIATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Ramos and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 173-32009: Include Courthouse Security in Economic Stimulus Package Planning**

WHEREAS, President Obama and the Congress have passed a Bill providing for economic stimulus by providing Federal funds for infrastructure repair and construction; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Wisconsin has requested projects that are infrastructure-related and ready to implement in relationship to stimulus funding; and,

WHEREAS, The Winnebago County Courthouse has security needs and a security upgrade to the Courthouse was designed but not implemented in 2001; and,

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Judiciary Committee has reviewed and recommends including the Courthouse Security Project in funding requests submitted for inclusion in the Economic Stimulus Plan.

WHEREFORE, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows:

That the Winnebago County Courthouse Security Project be recommended to the State of Wisconsin for inclusion in Economic Stimulus Plan funding.

Submitted by:  
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rengstorf and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 18. Nays: 16 - Eisen, Roh, Smith, Widener, Hamblin, Gabert, Riste, Wingren, Jacobson, Norton, Warnke, Eichman, Locke, Nelson, Farrey and Egan. Absent: 1 - Finch. Excused: 1 - Lennon. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 175-32009: Authorize Execution of Lease Between Winnebago County and Katherine Stanis (Wittman Regional Airport - Airport Hangar)**

WHEREAS, Katherine Stanis desires to enter into an airport hangar lease with Winnebago County for a three-year term commencing on February 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the lease terms, Ms. Stanis would rent Hangar Building L 809B which consists of 1,386 square feet of airport storage building space; and

WHEREAS, the cost of said lease for the first year would be \$294.91 per month, with said lease being increased pursuant to the Consumer Price Index for each succeeding year; and

WHEREAS, your Aviation Committee recommends the approval of said lease agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the execution of an airport hangar lease between Winnebago County and Katherine Stanis with regard to Hangar Building L 809B at Wittman Regional Airport for a three-year term, commencing retroactive to February 1, 2009, pursuant to those terms as described above. (A copy of the complete lease agreement may be obtained from the Airport Director.)

Submitted by:  
AVIATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Ramos and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**RESOLUTION NO. 176-32009: Accept a Public Health Preparedness Grant of \$7,480 and Authorize the Health Department to Use the Funds to Develop Local Preparedness Objectives and Other Preparedness Efforts**

WHEREAS, Public Health Preparedness Grant funds of \$7,480 are being made available to the County Health Department by the Fox Valley Public Health Consortia; and

WHEREAS, the funds are to be used for local preparedness efforts; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to Winnebago County to accept these funds and continue the process of developing preparedness plans in case of major health related outbreaks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the County Health Department to accept a preparedness grant of \$7,480 from the Fox Valley Public Health Consortia and appropriates the funds to preparedness planning by the County Health Department.

Submitted by:  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Sievert and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adjourn until 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan T. Ertmer  
Winnebago County Clerk

State of Wisconsin)  
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Susan T. Ertmer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors for their regular meeting held March 17, 2009.

Susan T. Ertmer  
Winnebago County Clerk