

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2013**

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: Konetzke, Barker, Englebert, Eisen, Miller, Roh, Smith, Albrecht, Gabert, Tews, Thompson, Olson, Reynolds, Hardy, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Neubauer, Turner, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Brennand, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher. Excused: Ramos, Widener and Hamblin.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adopt the agenda. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

No one from the audience spoke in favor or against items regarding this agenda.

**COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.**

Notice of Claim from Desmond Hicks for \$20.00 for the replacement of medication lost while he was an inmate at the Winnebago County Jail was referred to the Personnel & Finance Committee.

Notice of Claim from Ronald J. Naparalla for damage to a culvert by the Highway Department was referred to the Personnel & Finance Committee.

Notice of Claim from Dean Mason for injuries received while he performed community service as a Huber inmate at the Winnebago County Jail was referred to the Personnel & Finance Committee.

Notice of Claim from West Bend Insurance for Susan Moderson for damage to her car by the Highway Department was referred to the Personnel & Finance Committee.

Petition for Zoning Amendment for Andy Ray Brown for Parcel #030-0600 and #030-0626 to change from a B-2 Commercial zoning district to R-1 Residential Zoning District was referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

Copies of the following resolutions were given to the Board:

- Adams County – Resolution No. 49-2013 – Resolution Opposing the Provisions of Assembly Bill 85 and Senate Bill 95 that Seek to Control the Percentage of Local Property Tax Dollars Allotted to Specific County Departments
- Barron County – Resolution No. 2013-29 – Resolution Supporting Annual WCA Convention in the Wisconsin Dells
- Brown County – Resolution 6.19.13 - Resolution in Favor of Freezing Renewable Energy Requirements at the 2011 Level
- Eau Claire County – Resolution R157-024 – Support of Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin
- Outagamie County – Resolution 25—2013-14 opposes any legislation that would allow bail bondsmen to operate in the State of Wisconsin
- Outagamie County – Resolution 21—2013-14 supports any legislation requiring a county, whether or not it maintains a consolidated public library, to make a library service payment to each public library in an adjacent county.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS**

Supervisor Eisen reported on the WCA Judicial and Public Safety Committee meeting that he attended July 12, 2013 in Madison. David Calendar, WCA Legislative Associate spoke in regard to the August 23 symposium on "Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration and Diversion from Prosecution". He spoke in regard to the impact of DNA collection law that will become effective February 1, 2015. Mr. Calendar feels that the trend to expand prisons has run its course, and that this program will replace that.

Supervisor Brennand reported that there will be a Legislative Committee meeting on Monday, July 22, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Supervisor Finch reported that he attended Lifest. He received numerous compliments on the county's facilities and grounds. Mr. Finch highly commended Loren Dieck, Assistant Parks Director, for his hard work and dedication to making sure everything ran smoothly for this event. There were a few electrical malfunctions, but Loren was there to fix them.

Supervisor Norton reported that he received phone calls from Supervisors regarding the air conditioning at Court Tower in the City of Oshkosh. Supervisor Norton contacted Doug Gieryn, Public Health Director, in regard to cooling stations for residents of Court Tower. The location of the cooling sites are on the Public Health's website. Mr. Norton informed the board that there is an opening on the Winnebago County Housing Authority Board. He would like to see that position filled by someone from one of the county's townships.

Supervisor Lautenschlager would like to thank the Parks Department Director and staff for the beautiful job they did in restoring the bathing beach and shelter at the County Park. His family attended a function there and

relatives were commenting on how nice it was and would consider holding a wedding at the site. Mr. Lautenschlager passed out brochures in regard to the pavilion.

Supervisor Egan reported that the Winnebago County Fair will be held August 6-11. He stated that the Board would be receiving a letter from the Fair Association inviting them and a guest to attend the fair. He strongly encouraged everyone to come and see the projects that the youth, as well as seniors, are able to create.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to approve the June 18, 2013 proceedings. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

Executive Harris reported on Lakeland Family Care. They will reach full entitlement status this month, which means frail, elderly and disabled adults will not have to be on a waiting list anymore.

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S APPOINTMENTS**

#### **Board of Health**

Executive Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment of Supervisor Rachel Youngquist to the Board of Health. Supervisor Youngquist will replace Joanne Sievert who retired from the Board. Supervisor Youngquist's term will expire on July 1, 2014.

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

### **COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Albrecht announced that three Supervisors are excused from tonight's meeting: Supervisors Hamblin, Widener and Ramos.

Chairman Albrecht presented a scholarship to Karl Niendorf. Karl graduated from Oshkosh North High School and will be attending UW-Madison in the fall majoring in Engineering and possibly Aerospace Engineering. He was very grateful to receive this scholarship and promised to put it to good use.

### **ZONING REPORTS & ORDINANCES**

AMENDATORY ORDINANCE NO. 1. A requested zoning change from the Town of Vinland on behalf of Jamey and Sara Stein for a zoning change from A-1 to A-2 for tax parcel no. 026-0310. Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective date: August 7, 2013)

AMENDATORY ORDINANCE NO. 2. A requested zoning change from the Town of Vinland on behalf of Tim Wenzlaff for a zoning change from R-1 to A-2 for tax parcel no. 026-0488-03. Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective date: August 7, 2013)

### **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

#### **RESOLUTION 234-72013: Authorize the Public Health Department to Accept a \$37,133 Refugee Health Grant and Apply the Funds to Expenses to Carry Out the Program Objectives.**

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department has a Refugee Health Program that is funded from State grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department has been awarded an additional \$37,133 for Program expenses for 2013; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Program is to conduct health assessments on incoming refugees to Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, refugees are also given direction and assistance to obtain health care services; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the citizens of Winnebago County to accept and continue to support and conduct this Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Public Health Department to accept additional state funding of \$37,133 and apply the funds to the following accounts to carry out the Refugee Health Program: Regular Pay (\$36,933); and Medical Supplies (\$200) for a total of \$37,133.

Submitted by:

BOARD OF HEALTH

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 31. Nays: 1 – Turner. Abstained: 1.- Hegg. Excused: 3 – Ramos, Widener and Hamblin. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION 235-72013: Authorize the Public Health Department to Accept a \$40,290 Grant for the Wisconsin Partnership Program and Apply to Expenses to Carry out the Program**

WHEREAS, your Public Health Department has been awarded a Wisconsin Partnership Program Grant of \$40,290; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant is to develop and evaluate an updated sexual health curriculum in the middle schools of Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Program is to reduce the occurrences of sexually transmitted diseases long-term and to increase knowledge of sexual health in the short term; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the citizens of Winnebago County to accept and institute this Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Public Health Department to accept a \$40,290 Wisconsin Partnership Grant and apply the funds to the following accounts to carry out the objectives of the Program: Regular Pay (\$27,290); Other Contracted Services (\$6,000); and Other Operating Supplies (\$7,000), for a total of \$40,290.

Submitted by:

BOARD OF HEALTH

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 30. Nays : 1- Turner. Abstained: 2 – Olson and Hegg. Excused: 3 – Ramos, Widener and Hamblin. CARRIED.

**\*\*CORRECTED\*\***

**RESOLUTION 236-72013: Support Legislative Changes So As to Reduce the Number of Non-Violent Offenders Sentenced to Jail or Prison for Alcohol and/or Other Drug Issues**

WHEREAS, a year-long study conducted by Human Impact Partners, from October 2011 through October 2012, has shown that treatment instead of incarceration for non-violent offenders who suffer from alcohol and other drug-related issues, as well as those who suffer from mental health issues, is much more effective and is four times more cost effective; and

WHEREAS, mental illness and substance abuse are public health issues that are not best solved through incarceration; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Winnebago County and the State of Wisconsin that a justice system be designed that does not simply punish and diminish individuals with alcohol, drug, and mental health issues, but restores the offenders to a productive role in our society while providing wholeness to victims of their crimes; and

WHEREAS, Treatment Alternative Diversion programs (TAD), which are already in place in Winnebago and other counties in Wisconsin, have proven effective in reducing recidivism rates and in restoring the offender to health, thus resulting in a savings of tax dollars and conserving resources for other vital needs in challenging economic times; and

WHEREAS, the incarceration rate in costs of corrections in Wisconsin has risen from less than 2 million dollars per year in 1990, to more than 1.3 billion dollars per year in 2011. A reduction in the rate of the number of individuals incarcerated in the Wisconsin Prison System to 11,000 inmates, which was the number incarcerated in 1995, would yield substantial cost savings and would place the per capita rate of incarceration in Wisconsin similar to neighboring states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby requests local state officials, legislators, and the governor to reexamine the policies which have led to historically high incarceration rates in the State of Wisconsin and to amend State laws so as to result in a substantial reduction in the number of low-risk, non-violent offenders in Wisconsin jails and prisons.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that these changes should include significant financial incentives for fewer individuals to be incarcerated in state prisons and a substantial increase in dedicated funding from the State to counties to enable significant growth and cost-effective, innovative, and proven local alternatives for non-violent and low-risk offenders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the Winnebago County Clerk transmit a copy of this Resolution to all legislators representing constituents in Winnebago County, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Office of Governor Scott Walker, and all county boards within the State of Wisconsin.

Submitted by:

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Brennand and seconded to adopt with a correction to Line item #21. Currently states "less than 2 million" should state "less that 200 million". Ayes: 30. Nays : 1- Olson. Abstained: 2 – Hegg and Rasmussen. Excused: 3 – Ramos, Widener and Hamblin. CARRIED.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adjourn until Tuesday, August 20, 2013. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Julie Barthels  
Winnebago County Clerk's Office

State of Wisconsin)  
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Julie Barthels, 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 July 16, 2013.

Julie Barthels  
Winnebago County Clerk's Office