

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
ANNUAL BUDGET SESSION
NOVEMBER 6 and NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

On Monday, November 6, 2017, 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, Brunn, Eisen, Ramos, Powell, Roh, Smith, Scherck, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Thompson, Schorse, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Brooks, Powers, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Keller, Egan, Ellis and Snider. Excused: Harpt, Long, Rasmussen and Kriescher.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt tonight's agenda. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC HEARING

Harrison Sturgis, Jr., Town of Neenah, addressed the Board about a newspaper article regarding a potential dog park in the northern part of Winnebago County. He explained that 17 years ago he offered to donate 10 acres to the county for a dog park, but his offer wasn't accepted. Mr. Harrison stated that he feels the Town of Neenah has plenty of land that they could donate to the county for a dog park.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

Supervisor Eisen reported on his attendance at ESTHER's 13th Annual Banquet and Celebration. He explained that as a member of the county's Judiciary & Public Safety Committee, he is very interested in ESTHER's commitment to reducing prison population.

Supervisor Eisen then spoke about the county's 2007 "Personnel Function Review Committee". He explained that this seven-member committee was formed to review the functions of each department as described and ranked by the department head. Using these descriptions and rankings, the committee then assigned a score to each of these functions. On September 18, 2007, the county board approved the committee's report, "as a guide to future board action." Supervisor Eisen then described many of the changes made by the county as a result of this study. A copy of the full report is available from Supervisor Eisen or the County Clerk's Office.

COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Albrecht introduced Supervisor Vicki Schorse to the entire board. Chairman Albrecht explained that Supervisor Schorse's appointment was approved at last month's meeting, but she was not able to attend that meeting. The board recognized Supervisor Schorse with a round of applause.

Chairman Albrecht reported that Supervisors Harpt, Long, Rasmussen and Kriescher are excused from tonight's meeting.

Chairman Albrecht stated that Sue Ertmer, County Clerk, is at an election meeting tonight, but should be here later.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S BUDGET PRESENTATION

Executive Mark Harris began his presentation of the 2018 budget with an overview of how the county's budget process works.

Executive Harris explained that after these budget hearings, the county will use the approved budget to establish the equalized tax rate for 2018. He stated that the county can only increase the tax levy in 2018 by the percentage that our tax base—value of real estate in the county—has increased by net new construction in 2017. Executive Harris said that, as of right now, the budget reduces that tax rate by \$.13 per \$1,000.

Executive Harris explained that this reduction doesn't necessarily explain the tax impact to individual home owners. That's because once each municipality is told what their share of the county's tax is, they spread that tax over their home owners based on the assessed value of their property.

Executive Harris stated that based on figures in the proposed budget property owners will probably see very little change to their 2018 county tax rate.

Executive Harris then began his presentation of his 2018 budget.

At approximately 8:05 p.m., a motion was made by Supervisor Finch and seconded by Supervisor Farrey to adjourn until 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**ANNUAL BUDGET SESSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

Chairman David Albrecht called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.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, Brunn, Eisen, Ramos, Roh, Smith, Scherck, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Schorse, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Brooks, Powers, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher. Excused: Harpt, Powell, Long and Thompson.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Larry Last, 3827 Red Oak Court, Oshkosh, expressed concerns about various operations at Wittman Regional Airport, as well as, the airport's proposed 2018 budget.

Nikki Chaganos, 937 Adams Street, Neenah, spoke in support of a dog park in the north end of the county.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

There were no reports from the supervisors.

COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Albrecht announced that Supervisors Harpt and Long are excused from today's meeting.

2018 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Executive Harris resumed his presentation of the 2018 budget.

Chairman Albrecht called for a brief recess at 10:10 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:21 a.m.

Executive Harris continued his presentation of the 2018 budget.

At approximately 11:50, Chairman Albrecht called for an hour lunch break.

At approximately 1:00 p.m., Chairman Albrecht called the budget meeting back to order.

The following Supervisors were present: Konezke, Brunn, Eisen, Ramos, Roh, Smith, Scherck, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Thompson, Schorse, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Singstock, Brooks, Powers, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis and Snider. Excused: Harpt, Powell, Long, Robl and Kriescher.

Executive Harris resumed his presentation of the 2018 budget.

At approximately 2:30 p.m., Chairman Albrecht called for a brief recess. The board reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

At approximately 3:00 p.m., Executive Harris completed his presentation of the 2018 budget.

AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTION NO. 208-112017: Adopt 2018 Annual Budget

AMENDMENT (1): Add \$5.5 Million to the Building Capital Outlay Account of Wittman Airport's 2018 Budget for the Construction of a New Terminal

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to add \$5.5 Million to the budget of Wittman Airport, Account Number 58001 (Buildings Capital Outlay), on Page 286 of the 2018 Winnebago County Budget, for the purpose of constructing a new Aviation Business Center (terminal replacement).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense increase shall be offset by a reduction to the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance by \$5 Million and a reduction to the Airport Fund Balance by \$500,000.

Submitted by:
Robert Warnke, District 21
Maribeth Gabert, District 12
Thomas Konetzke, District 1

Motion by Supervisor Warnke and seconded to adopt.

Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded to postpone action on Amendment 1 until Amendment 2 has been acted on. CARRIED.

AMENDMENT (2): Add \$1.1 Million to Capital Outlay of the Wittman Regional Airport's 2018 Budget With Funds from the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to add \$1,100,000.00 to the budget of Wittman Regional Airport, Account Number 58002 (Capital Outlay), on Page 286 of the 2018 Winnebago County Budget, for the purpose of demolishing the airport terminal building up to the beginning of the tunnel and repair / replace the roof on the remaining building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense increase shall be offset by a reduction to the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance.

Submitted by:
Bill Roh, District 7
Bill Wingren, District 18
Guy Hegg, District 27
Robert Keller, District 32
Thomas Egan, District 33

Motion by Supervisor Roh and seconded to adopt.

Motion by Supervisor Ramos and seconded to amend Line 19 by changing, "...a reduction to the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance" to "bonding". Chuck Orenstein, Winnebago County Finance Director, explained that this amendment would change the vote requirement for passage from a majority to a 3/4's vote. Supervisor Ramos withdrew his motion to amend.

Vote on Amendment 2 - Ayes: 26. Nays: 2 – Gordon and Warnke. Abstain: 3 – Gabert, Thompson and Schorse. Excused: 5 – Harpt, Powell, Long, Norton and Robl. CARRIED.

AMENDMENT (3) – AMENDED: Increase the Miscellaneous Unclassified Maintenance Grounds Account by \$50,000 for Additional Parking Lot Repair

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to add \$50,000 to the Miscellaneous Unclassified Maintenance Grounds Account, Account Number 74021, on Page 528 of the 2018 Winnebago County Budget, for the purpose of additional parking lot repairs and maintenance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense addition shall be offset by a decrease to the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance.

Submitted by:
Julie Gordon, District 17
Harold Singstock, District 23
Steve Binder, District 13

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

AMENDMENT (4): End Relationship with East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to delete \$199,611 from the Schedule of Miscellaneous Operating Grant Payments, Account Number 53565 on Page 530 of the 2018 Winnebago County Budget, for the purpose of relieving taxpayers of the continuing need to fund unnecessary expenditures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense reduction shall be offset by an increase to the Miscellaneous Operating Grant Payments Fund Balance.

Submitted by:
Guy Hegg, District 27

Motion by Supervisor Hegg and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 7 – Smith, Gabert, Thompson, Wingren, Hegg, Finch and Kriescher. Nays: 22. Abstain: 2 – Brunn and Roh. Excused: 5 – Harpt, Powell, Long, Norton and Robl. LOST.

AMENDMENT (5): Remove \$97,500 from the Parks Department Budget for the North Winnebago County Dog Park

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to delete a total of \$97,500 from the 2018 Budget of the Parks Department as follows: Account Number 58002 (Capital Outlay Improvements Account), on Page 451, as follows: \$63,000 for Fencing, and \$19,500 for Installation of Rock Base of Parking Lot; Account Number 53549 (Land Rental), on Page 451, as follows: \$10,000 from the Land Rental Account; and Account Number 51101 (Temporary Employees), on Page 451, as follows: \$5,000 from Temporary Employees Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense reduction shall offset the General Fund Balance Applied.

Submitted by:
Guy Hegg, District 27

Motion by Supervisor Hegg and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 8 – Brunn, Gabert, Wingren, Warnke, Hegg, Rasmussen, Ellis and Kriescher. Nays: 23. Excused: 5 – Harpt, Powell, Long, Norton and Robl. LOST.

AMENDMENT (6): Adjust County Board Full Day Per Diem from \$66 to \$75 for Full Day Meetings, and Half Day Per Diem from \$44 to \$50 for Half Day Meetings

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends the 2018 Winnebago County General Budget so as to add \$16,500 for Full Day Meetings Per Diem and \$1,260 for Half Day Meetings Per Diem to the budget of the Winnebago County Board, Account Number 51103 (Elected Officials), on Page 418 of the 2018 Winnebago County Budget, for the purpose of adjusting the Per Diem for Full Day Meetings from \$66 to \$75 per meeting and adjusting the Per Diem for Half Day Meetings from \$44 to \$50 per meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that such expense increase shall be offset by a reduction to the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance.

Submitted by:
Bill Roh, District 7
George Scherck, District 10
David Albrecht, District 11
Steve Binder, District 13
Claud Thompson, District 14
Julie Gordon, District 17
Larry Lautenschlager, District 19
Michael Norton, District 20
Harold Singstock, District 23
Susan Locke, District 26
Guy Hegg, District 27
Thomas Egan, District 33
Lawrence Kriescher, District 36

Motion by Supervisor Singstock and seconded to adopt. Ayes: 19. Nays: 10 – Ramos, Smith, Wojciechowski, Wingren, Brooks, Powers, Youngquist, Rasmussen, Keller and Snider. Abstain: 2 – Gabert and Schorse. Excused: 5 – Harpt, Powell, Long, Norton and Robl. CARRIED.

Resolution No. 208-112017: Adopt 2018 Annual Budget

BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the 2018 Annual County Budget, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference, be and same is hereby adopted.

Submitted by:
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 208-112017 and the 2018 Budget as amended. Ayes: 29. Nays: 2 – Gabert and Hegg. Excused: 5 – Harpt, Powell, Long, Norton and Robl. CARRIED.

Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded to adjourn until November 21, 2017. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 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 budget hearings held November 6 & 7, 2017.

Susan T. Ertmer
Winnebago County Clerk