

**Meeting Minutes of
Lincoln County Public Property Committee
Thursday, March 15, 2012 7:00 p.m.
Lincoln County Service Center Room 248
Merrill, Wisconsin**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Zeitz, Richard Berndt, Ron Mittelsteadt, and John Bailey

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Jim Alber

VISITORS: Randy Scholz, Sheila Pudelko, Nancy Bergstrom, and Dave Rice

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Vice-Chair Zeitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes of last meeting:** Motion by Mittelsteadt, second by Berndt to approve the minutes. All ayes.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Review of Vouchers:** Zeitz had a question about the water for the Courthouse. Randy told him he will look into the total cost. The vouchers were placed on file.
5. **Year to Date Budget Report:** Randy indicated the budget looks good. They looked at what the total amount for water expenses were and what was budgeted for the Courthouse. Randy will look into the reason why it is so high. The report was placed on file.
6. **Review Facilities Usage Policy:** Jim Alber asked to have this item on the agenda. The committee looked over the policy. Motion by Mittelsteadt, second by Berndt to remove the Courthouse as a meeting area. All ayes.
7. **Fairgrounds Lease Agreement & Addendum:** Nancy addressed the committee with concerns, questions, and clarifications regarding the for-profit/non-profit addendum from the last meeting. The committee discussed the different options. Motion by Berndt, second by Mittelsteadt to remove all references in the last revision to profit vs. non-profit organizations and charge all organizations the same – utilities costs only. Motion carried. All ayes.
8. **Budget Modification-2011:** Randy handed out the line item changes for the budget. Motion by Berndt, second by Bailey to approve the budget modification. Motion carried. All ayes
9. **Request from Contingency-2011:** Randy indicated the Maintenance budget went over by \$6,806.49. The major issue was the fact that we had repairs to the gutters at the Courthouse. Motion by Zeitz, second by Bailey to request from contingency the \$6,806.49 and take that to the Finance Committee.
10. **Report on Money Received from Sale of Antique Furniture:** Randy indicated that \$900.00 has been received with two desks being sold. He also informed the Committee that the judges in the Courtrooms have several pieces of antique furniture that can be sold. He will have the pictures taken and have them posted on the internet and get a value on those items.
11. **Fairgrounds Improvement Group Update:** There is no report. There was no meeting due to the snow. The meeting is rescheduled for March 28 at 4:00 p.m. for the walk- through for the Fairgrounds and at 6:30 in room 156 will be the Fairground Improvement Group meeting.

12. **Countywide High Speed Internet Update:** Randy met with Jack Sroka and Sonic Net. Jack was familiar with the company and Sonic Net indicated they typically work through Economic Development and try to piggy-back if the County thinks it's a good idea with existing County towers. The Sheriff's Office is currently in the process of purchasing a tower and Jack said he would keep Randy updated on the progress.
13. **Request to Fill Maintenance Director Position:** Randy indicated that Kenny Wenzlick will be retiring on April 26 and that he would like to replace that position with a Maintenance Director. If approved the request will go to the Personnel Committee and then the County Board. Motion by Bailey, second by Zeitz to approve filling with the Maintenance Director position. All ayes.
14. **Items for Next Month's Agenda:**
 - a. Maintenance Director Job Description
 - b. The Process for Hiring
 - c. High Speed Internet
 - d. Fairground User Group Update
 - e. Antique Furniture Update
15. **Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be April 19th at 7:00 p.m.
16. **Adjourn:** Motion by Berndt, second by Zeitz to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.