

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bill Zeitz, David Fox, Ramona Pampuch, Graham Rankin, and Jim Alber

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

**VISITORS:** Randy Scholz, Rusty DeBroux, Pat Hoerstmann, Art Lersch, Peter Annis, Brad Becker, and Troy Torgerson

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Bill Zeitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Approve minutes of July 25, and August 1 meeting:** Motion by Fox, second by Rankin to approve all the minutes. All ayes.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Review of Vouchers:** The report was placed on file.
5. **Year to Date Budget Report:** The committee had some discussed the budget report. The report was placed on file.
6. **Update on Fairground (Insurance and User Groups):** There was no update on the insurance pay off from the insurance company at this time. The User Group would like to see a year round facility. A company has come forward and would like or would contribute a large amount to building a new facility. Management of the building is an issue with the company and would like to see a Fairgrounds Management Organization. The company is currently having drawings developed and will be presented at the September 18<sup>th</sup> County Board meeting. It will be presented to the Public Property Committee on September 12<sup>th</sup>.
7. **Humane Society Information:** Pat Hoerstmann, President of the Lincoln County Humane Society gave an overall report of the current Humane Society building and their need for a new building. They wish to build on the current lot but will need more land for the new building. There are also questions about the County owning land and the Humane Society owning the building. They wish to have land deeded to them or sold to them at a nominal fee or lease the land. Motion by Alber, second by Pampuch for the Humane Society to bring back a specific site plan for the facility bringing it back to the South East corner of the property. All ayes.
8. **Tomahawk Annex:** The person who owns the building now does not want to sell. A contractor will be getting an estimate to her to accommodate the County's need. By next month there should be a lease agreement brought to the committee.
9. **Options for Flooding Problem at Safety Building:** An architect firm came up with numbers for two options for the Safety Building flooding issue. To take out the current ramp and re-do with shorter ramps and enclosing the area is the cheaper option. Motion by Alber, second by Rankin to forward to the County Board for 2012 CIP money requesting the cheaper option. All ayes.
10. **Improvements to the Schulz Building:** The shingles are in bad shape and the building is spreading. With the help from the Highway department, rods will be installed and the building will be drawn back in. The cost to fix the roof would be approximately \$19,000. Motion by Fox, second by Zeitz to request 2012 CIP funds for the roof repair. Motion carried, all ayes.

11. **Lease Agreement with ADRC-CW:** Motion by Alber, second by Zeitz to accept the lease agreement. Motion carried, all ayes.
12. **Items for Next Agenda:**
  - Humane society plans
  - User Group building/management organizational presentation
  - Tomahawk Annex lease
  - Safety building flooding option
13. **Set Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 12, at 12:00 p.m. in room 156 of the Lincoln County Service Center.
14. **Adjourn:** Motion by Rankin, second by Alber to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:47 p.m.