

**Meeting Minutes of
Lincoln County Public Property Committee
Wednesday, November 28, 2012 7:00 p.m.
Lincoln County Service Center Room 248
Merrill, Wisconsin**

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

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Ramona Pampuch

VISITORS: Randy Scholz, Rusty DeBroux, Art Lersch, Dale Christiansen, Pete Annis, Brad Becker and Pat Hoerstmann

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Bill Zeitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Approve Minutes of October 17th meetings:** Motion by Rankin, second by Zeitz to approve the minutes from the last meeting. All ayes.
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Review of Vouchers:** Vouchers were placed on file.
5. **Year to Date Budget Report:** Report was placed on file.
6. **2012 & 2013 Budget Comparisons:** Randy explained the Maintenance budget for 2013 compared to the previous two years.
7. **Update on Fairgrounds Insurance Claim:** Randy explained the cost of a similar grandstand. The insurance is willing to pay \$1,155,000. A conference call was made with Jim Camacho from the insurance company to answer questions from the committee. Additional money would be added to the \$1,155,000 for lighting. The project must start within 6 months to receive the settlement payout. It is possible to get an extension on this date with proper cause. The money will only be paid to the County. The insurance company will be as flexible as possible and work with the County. Each claim is handled on a case by case basis. The new structure would be build ADA compliant.
8. **Humane Society Information:** Various locations were discussed for a future Humane Society. Pat Hoerstmann stated the current location is most affordable. Noise complaints were also discussed. Pat said he will talk with Zoning and continue to do fund raising for the Humane Society. Pat would like additional land at the fairgrounds, but stated they could proceed on the existing lot. Changing the lot size would terminate the existing lease with the County. Graham Rankin stated the other Humane Societies in our area has moved out of residential areas. If the County would help fund the Humane Society it would have to go through the normal county procedures. Pat will inquire about this at the Finance meeting.
It was stated by the User Group Organization that they were not aware of the Humane Society's intentions of expanding until recent months. Jim Alber stated he feels the Humane Society and Fairgrounds will have to share the space. Pat said if he has to stay on the existing lot, then he will. He says, "I am not asking for money, just a lot".
9. **User Group Expo-Center:** Art Lersch stated that all are invited to the next User Group meeting to stop some rumors and determine how the different groups can work together. Bill Zeitz stated that he will be talking with Agra to come up with some exact figures.
10. **Organizations using Tomahawk Annex:** Randy gave updates about the organizations using the Tomahawk Annex. It was mentioned that Probation & Parole is not a county organization and

contributes nothing for the space they use at the Annex. The Annex will close for 2 days to complete the move to the new location. Motion by Fox, second by Zeitz to include all existing groups in the new Annex. All ayes. Amended motion by Alber, second by Fox to come up with a memorandum and understanding.

11. **Sub-Lease Agreements at Tomahawk Annex:** Motion by Rankin, second by Fox to accept the lease agreement.
12. **Forward Services Lease:** Motion by Alber, second by Fox to accept the lease agreement.
13. **Update on Safety Building Entrance:** Rusty stated bids must be in by December 18, 2012. A plan was provided for the committee to look at.
14. **Update on Human Services Center Roofing Project:** The roof at the Human Services building is complete and final payment will go out this week.
15. **Plumbing at Maintenance Shop:** There is no plumbing at the present shop. Employees have to drive or walk to different locations to use restrooms. Water and sewer would allow for better equipment maintenance, especially the salting equipment. Motion by Alber, second by Zeitz for Rusty to present a proposal to the Public Property committee. All ayes.
16. **Items for Next Agenda:**
 - Update on Fairgrounds Insurance Claim
 - Humane Society Information
 - User Group Expo- Center
 - Tomahawk Annex Memorandum and Understanding
 - Update on Safety Building Entrance
 - Plumbing at Maintenance Shop
17. **Set Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in room 248.
18. **Adjourn:** Motion by Rankin, second by Alber to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:50 p.m. All ayes.