

**Lincoln County Board of Supervisors
Meeting October 19, 2010**

Open Session:

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the Lincoln County Service Center County Board Room at 801 N. Sales Street – Merrill, in session assembled pursuant to law. Chair Lussow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance followed. Roll was called with the following present: Bailey, Berndt, Bloomer, Caylor, Fox, Giese, Krueger, Lee, Loka, Lussow, Meyer, Mittelsteadt, Pampuch, Rankin, Rusch, Saal, Simon, Weaver, Woller, and Zeitz (20). Eisenman is excused and Alber is absent.

Announcements – Chair reminded the Supervisors that due to the County Board being on November 9, 2010, their expense reports are due no later than November 4th.

Service Recognitions for October, 2010

Clerk read service recognition for the following employees:

10 years: Karen Worden (Social Worker II); Thomas Barkley (Class 4 Gradall Operator);
Jeromy Hoffman (Class 4-Asphalt Roller Operator); Michael Meier (Class 4-Crusher Operator);
Marsha Phelps – 10 years (Certified Nursing Assistant at the Pine Crest Nursing Home);

Ilse Schulze (Certified Nursing Assistant)

15 years: Jennifer Nutter (Dietary Aide)

20 years: Deede Grund (Dietary Aide)

25 years: Sarah Baumann (Dietary Aide); Robert Reichelt (Solid Waste Manager)

30 years: Nancy Weber (Dept. Head/ Central Supply)

Appointments & Re-Appointments: None

Approval of Journal – September 21, 2010

Motion Caylor/Bailey to approve the minutes of September 21, 2010 as presented. Motion carried.

Letters, Petitions and Memorial – Supervisor Bailey commented on the article that was in the Daily Herald regarding ATV trails. Supervisor Meyer commented on the resolution from Dodge County on county nursing home tax.

Reports of Standing & Special Committees

Administrative Coordinator's Written Report Q & A – Report placed on file.

Finance Director's Year-to-Date Budget Report – Report placed on file.

Closed Session: Motion Caylor/Saal to convene into Closed Session pursuant to sec. 19.85(1)(c), Stats. for conducting other specified public business wherever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – Bargaining Strategies with Nancy Bergstrom, Randy Scholz and Dan Leydet to remain for the closed session. Roll call – all ayes except Bloomer. Motion Caylor/Simon to reconvene to open session. Roll call – all ayes. Return to **Open Session**. No action on item(s) discussed in closed session.

Resolutions and Ordinances for Board Action

Resolution 2010-10-46

Approving Creation of an Ad Hoc Committee

WHEREAS, the Administrative & Legislative Committee has received a suggestion that a study of all county departments and services should be done; and

WHEREAS, the committee has not concluded whether a study is necessary nor has it framed the scope or goals of such a study; and

WHEREAS, in order to determine these things, the committee recommends that an ad hoc committee be appointed consisting of: Bill Zeitz, Bob Lee, Arlene Meyer, John Bailey, Randy Scholz and Dan Leydet.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the above-referenced be appointed to an ad hoc committee to determine whether a study should be done and, if so, the scope and goals of such a study. This committee shall complete its' work by no later than the next reorganizational meeting of the County Board after which this committee shall cease to exist unless reauthorized by the County Board .

Dated this 19th day of October, 2010.

Introduced by: Administrative & Legislative Committee - Approved on October 4, 2010

Fiscal Impact: County Board members will be paid mileage and per diem for meetings per County ordinance. Number of meetings is undetermined.

Motion Zeitz/Lee to adopt. Randy Scholz explained the resolution. Zeitz/Rankin moved to amend to add Bloomer to the Committee and to remove his name. Bloomer declined and explained his reasons. Motion to amend was withdrawn. Bloomer/Fox to amend the last paragraph to read "the Committee shall complete its'

work and bring it to the full County Board within 6 months”. Discussion held. Roll call on the amendment failed with all supervisors voting nay (17); except Bloomer, Fox, and Rankin voting aye (3). Caylor called the question. Roll call with all supervisors voting aye (19); except Bloomer voting nay (1). Resolution is adopted.

Resolution 2010-10-47 - Reintroduced

Title: Resolution Supporting Local Farming, Home Gardens & Local Farmer’s Markets and Opposing Federal Legislation that would Destroy American Freedom to Raise Good Food

WHEREAS home gardening is a healthy form of exercise which supplements the home table with nutritious food and lowers overall family food costs in difficult economic times.

WHEREAS the local Lincoln County farmers not only contribute to their families food supply but also provide products for our local population as well as needed employment for families and workers.

WHEREAS the local Farmers’ Market provides a beneficial source for both producers and consumers of local farm products

WHEREAS American consumers are clearly shifting their buying habits away from the mega corporate production of food products of agribusiness giants

WHEREAS these corporate giants, through lobbying and campaign contributions, influence federal legislation to the detriment of the local family farms of America and Lincoln County

WHEREAS federal legislation has been introduced under the guise of food safety which would impair and perhaps eliminate our freedom to produce good food locally (HR 2749 and S510)

WHEREAS these or similar bills, which are vague, cumbersome and bureaucratic, are supported by the agribusiness empire to stifle present and future competition

WHEREAS, Lincoln County recognizes the need to regulate large corporate agricultural producers or Confined Animal Feedlot Operations and the importation of competing foreign food products, and

WHEREAS, One of the goals of Lincoln County’s Comprehensive plan is to preserve and support small family farms, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board applauds our local farming community, the local Farmers’ Market and home gardeners and wishes to promote and encourage their efforts under our system of economic freedom.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board opposes HR 2749 and S510 and any similar legislation that would increase current regulations on our farmers and gardeners

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the President, the Wisconsin Congressional delegation, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, all Wisconsin counties, the Wisconsin Counties Association, Lincoln County State Legislators, and the state and local Departments of Agriculture.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any federal food safety legislation will exempt local food systems, small family farms (up to \$250,000 gross sales), backyard gardens, personal livestock raising, farmers markets, and all forms of food self-sufficiency and farmer direct purchasing.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2010. Fiscal Impact not known – Referred to Land Information, Conservation, and U.W. Extension Committee. This revised resolution reflects Committee Action on May 6, 2009. Passed 4 – 0. Land Information, Conservation and U. W. Extension Committee on 10/13/10. No Action.

Motion Zeitz/Fox to adopt. Zeitz explained that the only changes from the resolution passed in 2009 were the new legislation numbers HR 2749 and S510. Resolution adopted on a voice vote.

ORDINANCE 2010 - 10 - 561

An Ordinance Amending the General Code of the County of Lincoln - Chapter 17, Sections 17.1.12 and 17.2.03, Zoning Ordinance as a Result of a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning Petition Submitted by Grant and Max Peterson (Brothers) under G&M Peterson, LLC for their Property in the Town of Merrill.

The County Board of Supervisors of Lincoln County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain:

Section 17.1.12 of the Lincoln County Code and the Lincoln County Comprehensive Plan, Volume II: Plan Recommendations, Chapter IV: Land Use Plan, Section K: Town Land Use Plans, Number 6 Town of Merrill Land Use Plan, Subsection C – Planned Land Use Map, shall be amended to change the planned land use category for the 12+ acres described as part of the SW¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄ of the SE¹/₄ and part of the NW¹/₄ of the SE¹/₄ of the SE¹/₄ of section 6, T31N-R7E, or portions of tax parcel numbers 14.063107.013.002.01.00 & 14.063107.016.001.01.02 from “General Business” to “Rural Single Family Residential”;

AND

Chapter 17.2.03, Lincoln County Code, is amended such that the 12 acres + described above will be rezoned from General Business to Rural Residential 3.

Introduced by: County Planning & Zoning Committee. Passed October 14, 2010 - Fiscal Impact: none. This ordinance shall take effect following its passage and publication.

Motion Meyer/Mittelsteadt to adopt. Dan Miller explained the rezone and indicated that the town voted unanimously for the rezone. Discussion held. Question called by Caylor with Bloomer objecting. Following a voice vote, objection defeated. Ordinance adopted on a voice vote.

ORDINANCE 2010-10-562

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4.07 GENERAL CODE OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
(Replacements in Authorized Positions)

The County Board of Supervisors of Lincoln County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain:

4.07 REPLACEMENTS IN AUTHORIZED POSITIONS. (Am. #251-94; #404-2002) When a vacancy occurs in a position already authorized by the County Board, the department head must obtain approval from the department's oversight committee, Personnel Committee, and the Administrative & Legislative Committee before filling the vacancy.

(1) If the oversight committee denies the request to fill a vacancy, the authorized position may not be filled.

If the oversight committee approves the filling of the vacancy, the request must go to the Personnel Committee, then Administrative & Legislative Committee for approvals.

(2) If the oversight committee, Personnel Committee and the Administrative & Legislative Committees all ~~both~~ approve filling the vacancy, the vacancy may be filled.

This ordinance shall take effect following its passage and publication.

Introduced by: Personnel Committee - Approved on 10/5/10

Fiscal Impact: 0

Motion Caylor/Saal to adopt. Randy Scholz explained the ordinance. Adopted on a voice vote.

Motion Caylor/Bailey to approve the mileage and per diem for this meeting. Motion carried. The next County Board Meeting will be November 9, 2010 at the Lincoln County Service Center – County Board Meeting Room – 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill. Motion by Krueger to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I, Shirley A. Schnae, Deputy County Clerk in and for said Lincoln County, Wisconsin do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of all proceedings by and before the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting, October 19, 2010.

Shirley A. Schnae, Deputy County Clerk