

## Lincoln County Board of Supervisors

Meeting: July 15, 2014

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the William Buedingen Training Center, W6147 State RD 86, Tomahawk, in session assembled pursuant to law. Chair Lussow called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., Pledge of allegiance followed. Roll was called with the following present: Alber, Bailey, Baughan, Breitenmoser, Caylor, Gilk, Hetfeld, Lee, Loka, Lussow, Nelson, Pike, Plant, Rankin, Rusch, Schwartzman, Swanson, Vander Sanden, Woller, and Zeitz (20). Excused: Allen, and Weaver; Weaver arrived at 6:04.

4. A. Announcements: Cindy Polzin, Governor Walker's Senior Director of Legislative and Local Affairs, will be visiting Lincoln County on July 31<sup>st</sup>.
- B. Service Recognitions for July 2014:
  - 10 Years: Jeffery Weber, Highway Department
  - 20 Years: Deborah Rauchle, County Clerk's Office
  - Joy Zimmerman, Pine Crest Nursing Home
- C. Appointments & Re-Appointments: None
5. Approval of the Journal –M/S Caylor/Vander Sanden to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. A. Letters: None
- B. Memorials – Robert Sumnicht
7. Reports of Standing & Special Committees:
  - A. Public Property Committee: Take action on committee's recommendation for Fair Grounds Feasibility Study (award bid) Maintenance Director Gierl answered questions. M/S Rankin/Hetfeld to award bid to Markin Consulting. Motion passed on a voice vote.
  - B. Finance Committee: 2014 Year-to-Date Budget Report – Finance Director (Dan Leydet)
  - C. Finance Committee: 2015 Budget – Finance Director (Dan Leydet)
  - D. Administrative & Legislative Committee: Administrative Coordinator's Written Report – June (Randy Scholz)
8. Resolutions and Ordinances for Board Action

## 1) Resolution 2014-07-29

## OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED LAPSE IN STATE FUNDING TO CIRCUIT COURT SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the 2013-15 State Biennial Budget requires the Wisconsin court system to return a total of \$11.8 million to the state general fund over the next two-year period, resulting in budget cuts affecting the Lincoln County circuit court system; and,

WHEREAS, if said budget cuts are made, the Lincoln County circuit court system will no longer receive State funding at its previous level in the form of circuit court payments; interpreter assistance; and guardian ad litem assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed reduction of funding and resulting budget cuts would create an enormous financial challenge to Lincoln County, potentially resulting in an increased tax levy, while striving to meet the challenge of the state levy cap; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Lincoln County to oppose this proposed budget reduction.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board hereby states its opposition to the lapse of Wisconsin judicial branch funding to the State general fund over the next two-year period; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to Lincoln County's State Legislators, Governor Scott Walker, the Director of State Courts, all other Wisconsin Counties, and Wisconsin Counties Association.

Dated: July 15, 2014

Introduced by: EMS/Judicial Committee

Date Passed: July 9, 2014

Committee Vote: 5-0

Fiscal Impact: None

M/S Zeitz/Lee to adopt Resolution 2014-07-29. Discussion followed. Motion passed on a voice vote.

## 2) Resolution 2014-07-30

Directing Land Services Administrator to Issue Conditional Use Permit  
(CTH R Repaving Project)

WHEREAS, on 6/12/14, the Land Services Committee declined (on a tie vote) to approve an application for a temporary asphalt plant needed to provide materials for the Highway Department's scheduled repaving of CTH R ; and

WHEREAS, the Merrill Town Board recommended approval of this application on a vote a 5-0; and

WHEREAS, the Land Services Department recommended approving the CUP with conditions #1, #2, and #3 below; and

WHEREAS, if the CTH R project is not done on schedule, the asphalt contractor will be unavailable to provide material; and

WHEREAS, if the CTH R project is not completed on schedule this summer, the County taxpayers will forfeit \$119,071.41 in state aid; and

WHEREAS, this will have a significant impact on the county road improvement plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to save the state funding for this project and best serve the taxpayer's interests, the Land Services Administrator is directed to issue the Conditional Use Permit to

American Asphalt with the following conditions:

1. The asphalt plant may be located and operated on the property from July 1, 2014 to September 1, 2014.
2. Hours of operation shall be restricted to between the hours of 6am and 6pm, Mon. – Fri. & 6am to 2pm on Saturdays.
3. Applicant is required to provide specific emissions reports & any incident reports to the Land Services Department to be shared with the public.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014

Fiscal Impact: Preserves \$119,071.41 in state aid

Introduced by: Highway Committee Date Passed: July 3, 2014 Committee Vote: Passed Unanimous

M/S Bailey/Pike to adopt Resolution 2014-07-30. Following discussion roll was called, Aye's: Alber, Bailey, Baughan, Caylor, Lee, Loka, Lussow, Nelson, Pike, Plant, Schwartzman, Vander Sanden, Weaver, and Woller (14). Nay's: Breitenmoser, Gilk, Hetfeld, Rankin, Rusch, Swanson, and Zeitz (7). Motion carried (14-7)

3) Resolution 2014 -07-31

Resolution Accepting and Expressing Gratitude to the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. for the Grant Award of \$17,490 for Automated External Defibrillators

WHEREAS, Lincoln County was in need of ten Automated External Defibrillators with a cost of around \$17,490 in order to have a safer place for our employees to work and for the public to conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the replacement of the defibrillators would have come from Lincoln County funds; and

WHEREAS, a letter was sent to the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. requesting grant funds to purchase the defibrillator units; and

WHEREAS, the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. responded with a grant award of \$17,490 which was accepted by the Administrative and Legislative Committee on July 1, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Citizens of Lincoln County the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors accepts and expresses sincere gratitude for the \$17,490 grant award from the Bierman Family Foundation Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to the Bierman Family Foundation Inc. with sincerest gratitude.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2014

Fiscal Impact: Receiving \$17,490

Introduced by: Administrative & Legislative Committee Date Passed: July 1, 2014 Committee Action: Passed Unanimous

M/S Caylor/Woller to adopt Resolution 2014-07-31. Discussion followed. Motion carried on a voice vote.

4) Resolution 2014-07-32

DIRECTING THE COUNTY CLERK TO PLACE THE REFERENDUM QUESTION CONTAINED IN THIS RESOLUTION ON THE NOVEMBER 2014 BALLOT REGARDING MEDICAID/BADGERCARE TO COVER ELIGIBLE CITIZENS UP TO 138% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL.

WHEREAS, the Federal government, under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (sometimes referred to as Obama Care), makes funding available for the Medicaid/Badger Care program to serve eligible persons with incomes up to 138% of the federal poverty level; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal government would provide 100% of program costs for the first four years, and 90% of total program costs thereafter; and,

WHEREAS, Lincoln County taxpayers have already contributed their share of Federal tax dollars to support the Medicaid/BadgerCare program; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker and the Wisconsin State Legislature have rejected federal funds for our most financially vulnerable fellow citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the economic burden of providing care for citizens who no longer qualify for Medicaid/Badger Care falls to County government programs and local clinics and hospitals; and,

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board seeks guidance from the electorate as an effective means of determining if Lincoln County citizens support acceptance of Federal funds for Medicaid/BadgerCare.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board directs the Lincoln County Clerk to place the following referendum question on the November 4, 2014 County Ballot, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Scott Walker and the elected State and Federal Officials representing Lincoln County;

**REFERENDUM QUESTION:** Shall the Governor of the State of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Legislature accept federal funding for Medicaid/BadgerCare to cover eligible citizens up to 138% of the federal poverty level?

Dated: 2014-07-15

Introduced by: Lincoln County Social Service Committee

Date Passed: 2014-07-07 Committee Vote: 5-0

Fiscal Impact: Approximately \$200.00

M/S Alber/Gilk to adopt Resolution 2014-07-32. Discussion followed. M/S Breitenmoser/Caylor under Referendum Question: to add actual dollar amount in parentheses for a family of 4 after the word level.

Following discussion roll was called; Aye’s: Alber, Bailey, Breitenmoser, Caylor, Gilk, Lee, Pike, Rankin, Schwartzman, Swanson, Weaver, and Woller (12). Nay’s: Baughan, Hetfeld, Loka, Lussow, Nelson, Plant, Rusch, Vander Sanden, and Zeitz (9). Motion passed 12-9. M/S Gilk/Alber to add “and all other Wisconsin Counties” to the end of NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED. Motion carried on a voice vote.

9. Reports of Claims – None

10. M/S Caylor/Bailey to approve the mileage and per diem for this meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

11. Next County Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 19, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., at Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales St., Room 255, Merrill, WI 54452

12. M/S Nelson/Caylor to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN )

I, Christopher J Marlowe, County Clerk in and for said Lincoln County, Wisconsin do hereby certify the within and foregoing is a true and accurate recital of all proceedings by and before the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting, July 15, 2014.

Christopher J Marlowe, County Clerk