

**FEBRUARY 20, 2007****MORNING SESSION****9:00 A.M.****HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING – LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM - MERRILL**

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Pledge of Allegiance was given by the Board.

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the Health & Human Services Building – Lower Level Conference Room, City of Merrill, in session assembled pursuant to law. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Powell. Roll was called by the Clerk and the following answered present: Alber, Berndt, Fox, Lee, Loka, Meyer, Mittelsteadt, Plant, Powell, Rankin, Rusch, Saal, Schneider, Short, Simon, Weaver, Woller and Zeitz (18). Supervisors Caylor, Kahle, Krueger and Lussow excused.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS/RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS**

There were no announcements.

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### **SERVICE RECOGNITIONS FOR FEBRUARY, 2007**

There were no Services Recognitions for February, 2007.

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### **APPOINTMENT – 2007 EMERGENCY FIRE WARDENS – LINCOLN COUNTY**

The Appointments of the Emergency Fire Wardens in Lincoln County for 2007 as listed: Lennart Olund -Township of Birch; Tracey Seidel – Township of Bradley; Sharon Dinges – Township of Corning; Virgil Kanitz – Township of Harding; John Bailey – Township of Harrison; Deb Ziemanski – Township of Harrison; Frank Kolar – Township of King; Dave Koziel – Township of King; Richard G. Van Strydonk - Township of King; Allen Handlin – Township of Merrill; Michael Josiger – Township of Pine River; Ewald Katke, Jr.; Township of Pine River; Gerald Pankow – Township of Rock Falls; Robert Kressell –Township of Russell; Leslie T. Lange –Township of Schley; Mary Plamann – Township of Schley; Mike Grunenwald – Township of Scott; Edwin Schufletowski – Township of Somo; Ed & Lora Jaecks – Township of Tomahawk; and William Shore – Township of Wilson.

The appointment of the Emergency Fire Wardens was laid over until the next County Board meeting.

### **APPOINTMENT –LINCOLN COUNTY 51.437 SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS – DAVID RADTKE – 3–YEAR TERM**

### **RE-APPOINTMENT – LINCOLN COUNTY 51.437 SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS – JOSEPHINE CARPENTIER – 3-YEAR TERM**

Motion made by Supervisor Mittelsteadt, seconded by Supervisor Woller to approve the appointment and the re-appointment listed above. All Supervisors voting aye and motion is carried.

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### **APPROVAL OF JOURNAL – JANUARY 16, 2007**

Motion was made by Supervisor Woller, seconded by Supervisor Alber to accept the minutes of January 16, 2007 as presented. All Supervisors voting aye and motion carried.

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### **LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS**

#### **Monthly Mailbox Correspondence – Any Questions**

Supervisor Zeitz asked to speak on the #8 Correspondence – Letter from Jean Curtis, Recreation Director at the Pine Crest Nursing Home. Discussion was held.

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### **ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR’S WRITTEN REPORT – Q & A**

John Mulder stated that he had included in the County Board Packet the County Board Goals for 2006-2008 status report. Supervisor Zeitz responded on the information regarding the fees paid by Lincoln County to the Attorneys regarding the subpoenas that were covered in John’s Report. Discussion followed.

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### **REPORT OF STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

## **Year-to-date Budget Report – Dan Leydet, Finance Director**

Dan presented the year-to date Budget Report. Discussion was held.

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### **Aquatic Invasives Grant Applied for on behalf of Seven Island Lake – Tony Baumann, President of the Seven Island Lake Association and Diane Hanson, Conservationist.**

Tony Baumann and Diane Hanson spoke on the Aquatic Invasives Grant that Lincoln County applied for on behalf of Seven Island Lake. Discussion was held. Chair Powell stated that he would ask the Land Conservation Committee to look into the issue brought up by Supervisor Mittelsteadt regarding including all lakes into this. Chair asked if the Board would go with his decision. On a voice vote all Supervisors present voting aye except Supervisor Zeitz voting nay.

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## **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES FOR BOARD ACTION:**

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### **Resolution – 2007-02-07**

#### **Title: Approving Request for 2007 Lake Planning Grant for Seven Island Lake**

**WHEREAS**, Seven Island Lake is an important resource used by the public for recreation and enjoyment of natural beauty; and

**WHEREAS**, a study and examination of the lake will lead to better understanding and will promote the public health, comfort, convenience, necessity and public welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the need for responsible and holistic long-range planning to better manage the lake, its watershed, and its use; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the need to provide information or education on the use of lakes or natural lake ecosystems, on the quality of water in lakes, or on the quality of natural lake ecosystems; and

**WHEREAS**, we are qualified to carry out the responsibilities of the planning project; and

**WHEREAS**, we understand the importance of a continuing management program for Seven Island Lake and intend to proceed on that course.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, Lincoln County request grant funding and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the “Lake Management Planning Grant Program” and hereby authorizes Diane Hanson to act on behalf of Seven Island Lake Association to:

- submit an application to the State of Wisconsin for financial aid for lake planning purposes;
- sign documents
- take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete an approved lake planning grant, and
- submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within six months of project completion date.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Seven Island Lake Association and Lincoln County will meet the obligations of the planning project including timely publication of the results and meet the financial obligations under the lake planning grant including the prompt payment of the 25% commitment to project costs.

**Adopted this day 20th of February, 2007**

**Introduced by:** Land Information, Conservation and University Extension Committee

**Committee Action:** Land Information, Conservation and University Extension Committee. Passed (4-0) on 2-6-07

**Fiscal Impact:** Approx. \$5100 which can consist of cash, in-kind services (donated labor, services, material or equipment) and/or administrative costs, time and material and equipment use.

Motion made by Supervisor Mittelsteadt, seconded by Supervisor Alber to adopt Resolution 2007-02-07. Diane Hanson, Conservationist, spoke on the Resolution. Resolution 2007-02-07 is adopted by a unanimous voice vote and motion is carried.

### **Resolution – 2007-02-08**

**Title: Approving Request for 2007 Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grant for Lake Mohawksin**

**WHEREAS,** Lake Mohawksin is an important resource used by the public for recreation and enjoyment of natural beauty; and

**WHEREAS,** a study and examination of the lake will lead to better understanding and will promote the public health, comfort, convenience, necessity and public welfare; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize the need for responsible and holistic long-range planning to better manage the lake, its watershed, and its use; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize the need to provide information or education on the use of lakes or natural lake ecosystems, on the quality of water in lakes, or on the quality of natural lake ecosystems; and

**WHEREAS,** we are qualified to carry out the responsibilities of the planning project; and

**WHEREAS,** we understand the importance of a continuing management program for Lake Mohawksin and intend to proceed on that course.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** Lincoln County request grant funding and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the “Aquatic Invasives Control Grant Program” and hereby authorizes Diane Hanson to act on behalf of the Friends of Lake Mohawksin to:

- submit an application to the State of Wisconsin for financial aid for lake planning purposes;
- sign documents
- take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete an approved lake planning grant, and
- submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within six months of project completion date.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Friends of Lake Mohawksin and Lincoln County will meet the obligations of the planning project including timely publication of the results and meet the financial obligations under the lake planning grant including the prompt payment of our 50% commitment to project costs.

**Adopted this day 20th of February, 2007**

**Introduced by:** Land Information, Conservation and University Extension Committee

**Committee Action:** Land Information, Conservation and University Extension Committee; Passed (4-0) on 2-6-07

**Fiscal Impact:** Approx. \$3600 which can consist of cash, in-kind services (donated labor, services, material or equipment) and/or administrative costs, time and material and equipment use.

Motion made by Supervisor Lee, seconded by Supervisor Loka to adopt Resolution 2007-02-08. Diane Hanson, Conservationist, spoke on the Resolution. Resolution 2007-02-08 is adopted by a unanimous voice vote and motion is carried.

**Resolution 2007 – 02-09**

**Title: Designating the Week of April 2<sup>nd</sup> Through April 6<sup>th</sup> as “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week”.**

**WHEREAS**, in 1999, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) partnered with the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHTO) to create the National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week campaign held annually in April, prior to the construction season in much of the nation, and

**WHEREAS**, in a typical year, over one thousand people are killed in work zones nationwide, either as drivers, passengers or pedestrians, and

**WHEREAS**, in the past few years Wisconsin work zones have averaged approximately 1,200 accidents annually with an average of 15 fatalities per year, and

**WHEREAS**, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Department, Wisconsin State Patrol and Lincoln County Highway Department have worked to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” a success, and

**WHEREAS**, The County Sheriff Department is committed once again in 2007 to conduct enforcement activities and work jointly with the Highway Department to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” a success, and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 through April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors that the week of April 2, 2007 through April 6, 2007 be designated “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” in Lincoln County.

**Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007**

**Introduced by:** Lincoln County Highway Committee

**Committee Action:** Highway Committee passed 4-0 on February 8, 2007

**Fiscal Impact:** No tax levy

Motion made by Supervisor Lee, seconded by Supervisor Meyer to adopt Resolution 2007-02-09. Randy Scholz, Highway Commissioner, explained the Resolution. Discussion was held. Resolution 2007-02-09 is adopted by a voice vote and motion is carried.

**Resolution 2007 - 02 - 10**

**Title: Joint Resolution Amending the Joint County Contract among Langlade, Lincoln, and Marathon Counties**

**WHEREAS**, Lincoln, Langlade and Marathon Counties operate the North Central Health Care Facilities providing services to mentally ill, alcoholic, drug dependent, under a Joint County Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a desire on the part of Marathon County to add additional County Board Supervisors to the Community Programs Board, without increasing the overall size of the Community Programs Board, and

**WHEREAS**, such a change requires agreement between Langlade, Lincoln and Marathon County Boards of Supervisors;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lincoln does hereby resolve and ordain that “**Section V-D. Appointment of County Supervisors**” of the Joint County Contract between Langlade, Lincoln and Marathon Counties be amended as follows:

“**D. Appointment of County Supervisors**. No more than ~~three (3)~~ seven (7) members of the NCCSP Board may be County Supervisors. At least one (1) but not more than 3 from any one county of the appointees from each of the three counties shall be a member of the respective County’s Board of Supervisors ....”

**Dated this 20th day of February, 2007**

**Introduced by:** Administrative & Legislative Committee

**Committee Action:** Administrative & Legislative Committee - Passed unanimously on 2/5/07

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact is anticipated

Motion made by Supervisor Simon, seconded by Supervisor Mittelsteadt to adopt Resolution 2007-02-10. Resolution 2007-02-10 is adopted by a voice vote and motion is carried.

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### **Resolution 2007 – 02 – 11**

#### **Title: Approving changes in wage rates for Sheriff Department Trip Team**

**WHEREAS**, the wage rate for Sheriff’s Department Trip Team members is currently \$12.00 per hour, and

**WHEREAS**, the Personnel Committee has reviewed the pay rate and recommends an increase to \$13.11 per hour,

**WHEREAS**, the Personnel Committee also recommends that the wage rate for the Trip Team be increased each year the same method and amount as non-represented employees.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors accepts the recommendations of the Personnel Committee and approves the wage rate of \$13.11 per hour effective February 26, 2007 and the wage will be increased in the same method and amount as non-represented employees in the future.

**Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2007**

**Introduced by:** Personnel Committee

**Committee Action:** Personnel Committee: Passed 4-1 with Saal voting no on 2/13/07

**Fiscal Impact:** Approximately \$2,000 per year

Motion made by Supervisor Woller, seconded by Supervisor Lee to adopt Resolution 2007-02-11. Supervisor Alber asked about the rate increase. John Mulder, Administrative Coordinator, explained the Resolution. Discussion was held. Resolution 2007-02-11 is adopted by a voice vote with one nay vote and motion is carried.

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**Resolution 2007-02-12**

**Title: A Resolution to Restore Constitutional First Amendment Rights to Lincoln County Board Supervisors**

**WHEREAS**, each Lincoln County Board Supervisor takes an oath to uphold the United States and Wisconsin Constitutions at the beginning of each elected term

**WHEREAS**, each Lincoln County Board meeting begins with the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the United States in the First Amendment guarantees to Americans no abridgement of their freedom of speech

**WHEREAS**, some members of the Lincoln County Board use the parliamentary procedures of “calling the question” and “motion to table the resolution” to stifle open discussion and debate of county resolutions

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lincoln County Board reaffirms the First Amendment Rights of all supervisors and that the procedures of “calling the question” and “motion to table the resolution” will no longer be used to curb these rights at Lincoln County Board meetings.

**Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007**

**Fiscal Impact:** none

**Drafted and introduced by** William Zeitz, District 9

Motion made by Supervisor Zeitz, seconded by Supervisor Alber to adopt Resolution 2007-02-12. Supervisor Zeitz explained the Resolution. Discussion was held. Clerk called roll with Supervisors Fox, Simon and Zeitz voting aye (3); Supervisors Alber, Berndt, Lee, Loka, Meyer, Mittelsteadt, Plant, Powell, Rankin, Rusch, Saal, Schneider, Short, Weaver and Woller voting nay (15). Resolution 2007-02-12 is defeated and motion fails.

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**REPORT OR ACTION ON CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN –**

**JAIL ASSESSMENT VOUCHERS FOR APPROVAL –**

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| <b>PER MAR</b>                 | <b>\$161.35</b> |
| <b>GLOBAL SECURITY GLAZING</b> | <b>\$700.90</b> |
| <b>PER MAR</b>                 | <b>\$ 64.00</b> |

Motion made by Supervisor Lee, seconded by Supervisor Meyer to approve the Jail Assessment Vouchers listed above. All Supervisors present voting aye and motion is carried.

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**REPORT OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

Motion made by Supervisor Rankin, seconded by Supervisor Woller to approve the report on mileage and per diem. Motion carried – all ayes.

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Next meeting will be held at the William Buedingen Training Room in the Town of Bradley on March 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

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Motion made by Supervisor Woller, seconded by Supervisor Alber to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m.  
Motion carried – all ayes.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN)

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I, Robert D. Kunkel, 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, February 20, 2007.

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Robert D. Kunkel, Lincoln County Clerk