

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452

Via Teleconference and In-Person Attendance

Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the telephone conference beginning ten minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:

Conference Call: (US) +1 424-255-7134

Access Code (PIN): 371 652 238#

Meeting ID: <https://meet.google.com/whw-jekc-dof?hs=122&authuser=0>

The teleconference cannot start until the host (county clerk) dials in and enters the host password.

Due to public health recommendations regarding COVID-19 and mass gatherings, you are encouraged to attend by phone. For those attending in person, you will be required to wear a face covering as stated in Governor Evers' Executive Order #82 (*see below*). Please observe social-distancing by staggering your arrival time and by maintaining spacing between attendees of at least 6 feet. Attendees should spread out around the perimeter of the room.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Under the current (COVID-19 pandemic) circumstances, citizens attending by teleconference may have floor privileges to speak on agenda items without signing-in at the meeting location. Before the meeting is called to order, the Clerk will ask teleconference attendees whether any public comment is being offered. When called upon by the Clerk or Board Chair by name, any persons offering public comment should state his/her name and express in good order his/her comments upon the topic under consideration for no more than 5 minutes.

Request for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of this meeting. You may contact the County Clerk at 715.539.1019. Please do so as early as possible so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Announcements/Recognitions/Awards/Appointments
 - A. Announcements: None
 - B. Service Recognitions – September:
30 Years of Service: Brian Hafemann, Sheriff's Office
Michael Natzke, Solid Waste
Ken Schneider, Sheriff's Office
 - C. Appointments & Re-Appointments:
 1. Reappointment of Jeffery Moore, Brenda Mueller, and Sue Weith to the Board of Health (Term expires April 2022)
 2. Appointment of Jeff Jeager to Civil Service Committee to fill the unexpired term of Don Friske (Term expires December 2021)
5. Reading & Approval of the Journal – August 18, 2020
6. Letters and Memorials
 - A. Letters – None
 - B. Memorials – None
7. Reports of Standing & Special Committees
 - A. Finance Committee: 2019 Financial Statement (Dave Maccoux)
 - B. Highway Committee: Alternative Funding Source for Lincoln County Budget – Administrative Coordinator (Jason Hake)/Finance Director (Dan Leydet)
 - C. Finance Committee: 2020 Year-to-date Report – Finance Director (Dan Leydet)
 - D. Finance Committee: 2021 Budget Update - Finance Director (Dan Leydet)
 - E. Administrative & Legislative Committee: Administrative Coordinator's Written Report – Administrative Coordinator (Jason Hake)
8. Resolutions and Ordinances
 - A. Res 1) Resolution 2020-09-24 River Bend Trail Expansion Project

- 2) Resolution 2020-09-25 Approving Conveyance of Real Estate
 - 3) Resolution 2020-09-26 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding – Vacation Accumulation (Carry-over) Waiver
 - 4) Resolution 2020-09-27 Implications of Verso Mill Closures
 - 5) Resolution 2020-09-28 Resolution Authorizing and Approving Purchase of Motorola Radio Console MCC 7500E
- B. Ord 1) Ordinance 2020-09-694 An Ordinance Amending the General Code of the County of Lincoln – Chapter 17, 17.1.12 and 17.2.03, Zoning Ordinance as a result of a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning Petition by Arne Anderson for Property in the Town of Bradley

9. Report of Claims

10. Approval for Mileage and Per Diem for Board Meeting

11. Next County Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., Meeting Location: Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452

12. Adjourn

Posted: Date _____ Time _____ m. By _____

Governor Evers’ Emergency Order #1 (Executive Order #82), face coverings will be required of all attendees with the limited exceptions set forth in Emergency Order #1.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be held in a location which is reasonably accessible to the public.
2. Must be open to all members of the public unless the law specifically provides otherwise.

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

1. In addition to any requirements set forth below, notice must also be in compliance with any other specific statute.
2. Chief presiding officer or his/her designee must give notice to the official newspaper and to any members of the news media likely to give notice to the public.

MANNER OF NOTICE:

Date, time, place, and subject matter, including subject matter to be considered in a closed session, must be provided in a manner and form reasonably likely to give notice to the public.

TIME FOR NOTICE:

1. Normally, a minimum of 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting.
2. No less than 2 hours prior to the meeting if the presiding officer establishes there is a good cause that such notice is impossible or impractical.

EXEMPTIONS FOR COMMITTEES AND SUB-UNITS:

Legally constituted sub-units of a parent governmental body may conduct a meeting during the recess or immediately after the lawful meeting to act or deliberate upon a subject which was the subject of the meeting, provided the presiding officer publicly announces the time, place, and subject matter of the sub-unit meeting in advance of the meeting of the parent governmental body.

PROCEDURE FOR GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION:

1. Motion must be made, seconded, and carried by roll call majority vote and recorded in the minutes.
2. If motion is carried, chief presiding officer must advise those attending the meeting of the nature of the business to be conducted in the closed session, and the specific statutory exemption under which the closed session is authorized.

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS UNDER WHICH CLOSED SESSIONS ARE PERMITTED:

1. Deliberation of judicial or quasi-judicial matters. Sec. 19.85(1)(a)
2. Considering dismissal, demotion, or discipline of any public employee or the investigation of charges against such person and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the person is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action is taken. The person under consideration must be advised of his/her right that the evidentiary hearing be held in open session and the notice of the meeting must state the same. Sec. 19.85(1)(b).
3. Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee. Sec. 19.85(1)(c).
4. Considering strategy for crime detection or prevention. Sec. 19.85(1)(d).
5. Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Sec. 19.85(1)(e).
6. Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of specific charges, which, if discussed in public would likely have an adverse effect on the reputation of the person referred to in such data. Sec. 19.85(1)(f).
7. Conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Sec. 19.85(1)(g).
8. Considering a request for advice from any applicable ethics board. Sec. 19.85(1)(h).

CLOSED SESSION RESTRICTIONS:

1. Must convene in open session before going into closed session.
2. May not convene in open session, then convene in closed session and thereafter reconvene in open session with twelve (12) hours unless proper notice of this sequence was given at the same time and in the same manner as the original open meeting.
3. Final approval or ratification of a collective bargaining agreement may not be given in closed session.

BALLOTS, VOTES, AND RECORDS:

1. Secret ballot is not permitted except for the election of officers of the body or unless otherwise permitted by specific statutes.
2. Except as permitted above, any member may require that the vote of each member be ascertained and recorded.
3. Motions and roll call votes must be preserved in the record and be available for public inspection.

USE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT:

The meeting may be recorded, filmed, or photographed, provided that it does not interfere with the conduct of the meeting or the rights of the participants.

LEGAL INTERPRETATION:

1. The Wisconsin Attorney General will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.
2. The municipal attorney will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.

PENALTY:

Upon conviction, any member of a governmental body who knowingly attends a meeting held in violation of Subchapter IV, Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, or who otherwise violates the said law shall be subject to forfeiture of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$300.00 for each violation.