

Lincoln County Board of Supervisors
Meeting: May 17, 2022

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI in session assembled pursuant to law.

1. Chair Friske called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of allegiance followed.
3. Prior to the roll call, Chair Friske asked that Clerk Marlowe record attendance only. He explaining that mileage claims are made by each supervisor on their expense reimbursement reports and that it is unnecessary to record their claim now. Roll Call - Members Present: Allen (Virtual), Anderson-Malm, Ashbeck, Bialecki, Boyd, Brixius, Callahan, Cummings, DePasse, Detert, Friske, Hafeman, Hartwig, Lemke (Virtual), Loka, McCrank, Osness, Peterson, Rusch, Simon, Thiel, and Wickham (22).
4. Announcements/Recognitions/Awards/Appointments
 - a. Announcements: Chair Friske announced that Administrative & Legislative Committee will be meeting at 3:30 p.m. on June 1st, instead of 8 a.m.
 - b. Service Recognitions – May:
 - 15 Years: Randy Ruleau, Sheriff's Department
 - 25 Years: David Manninen, Sheriff's Department
 Chair Friske welcomed and introduced the county's new Veterans Services Officer John Olson. John was given the floor where he took the opportunity to introduce himself and thank the board for his hiring.
 - c. Appointments & Re-Appointments
 - 1) Appoint Grant Peterson to the North East Public Safety Communications (NEWCOM) Term Expiring 4/16/2024. M/S Bialecki/Peterson to appoint Grant Peterson to the North East Public Safety Communications (NEWCOM) Term Expiring 4/16/2024. Motion carried by a voice vote.
 - 2) Appoint Julie Allen to the Tomahawk Public Library Board Term Expiring 4/16/2024. M/S Loka/Hafeman to appoint Julie Allen to the Tomahawk Public Library Board Term Expiring 4/16/2024. Motion Carried by a voice vote.
 - 3) Appoint Angela Cummings and Renee Krueger to the North Central Community Service Programs (NCCSP) Terms Expiring 4/16/2024. Supervisor Ashbeck abstained. M/S Peterson/Thiel to appoint Angela Cummings and Renee Krueger to the North Central Community Service Programs (NCCSP) Terms Expiring 4/16/2024. Motion carried by a voice vote.
 - 4) Appoint Greg Hartwig and Bill Bialecki to the Nursing Home Operations Committee (NHO) Terms Expiring 4/16/2024. M/S Peterson/Lemke to appoint Greg Hartwig and Bill Bialecki to the Nursing Home Operations Committee (NHO) Terms Expiring 4/16/2024. Motion carried by a voice vote.
 - 5) Appointment of Sherry Hulett and Clyde Nelson to the International Trade, Business, and Economic Development Counsel (ITBEC) Term Expiring 4/16/2024. M/S Hartwig/Rusch to appoint Sherry Hulett and Clyde Nelson to the International Trade, Business, and Economic Development Counsel (ITBEC) Term Expiring 4/16/2024. Motion carried by a voice vote.
5. Approval of Journal – March 15, 2022: M/S DePasse/Simon to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote.
6. Letters, Petitions and Memorials
 - a. Letters – None
 - b. Memorials - None
7. Reports of Standing & Special Committees:
 - A. Finance Committee: 2022 Year-to-date Budget Report – Finance Director (Dan Leydet) Leydet explained the year-to-date report and answered questions.
 - B. Finance Committee: 2023 Budget Timeline – Finance Director (Dan Leydet) Leydet review the budget timeline and answered questions.
8. Resolutions and Ordinances

A. 1) Resolution 2022-05-15

Resolution Accepting and Expressing Gratitude to Aspirus Merrill Hospital for the donation of \$1,480, for implementing the Live Well Lincoln County Community Health Improvement Plan.

Whereas, Lincoln County Health Department has health priorities identified in its five year Community Health Improvement Plan,

Whereas Aspirus Merrill Hospital is a community partner in implementing the Community Health Improvement Plan for Lincoln County with a priority of access to oral health services,

Whereas a letter was sent to Aspirus Merrill Hospital requesting a donation to implement the Seal a Smile Dental Sealant Program,

Whereas Aspirus Merrill Hospital responded with a donation of \$1,480 which was accepted by the Board of Health on April 27, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Citizens of Lincoln County and the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors, accepts and expresses sincere gratitude for the \$1,480 donation from the Aspirus Merrill Hospital.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Aspirus Merrill Hospital with sincerest gratitude.

Dated: May 17, 2022

Authored by: Mike Loka

Co-Sponsored by: J. Allen, A. Cummings, S. Osness Jr., K. Wickham, and L. Thiel

Committee: Board of Health

Committee Vote: 8-0

Date Passed: 4/27/2022

Fiscal Impact: \$1480 in additional revenue

M/S Loka/Hafeman to adopt Resolution 2022-05-15. Motion carried by a voice vote.

2) Resolution 2022-05-16

Resolution Accepting 2021-22 State Opioid Response Project Funds and Donation from Aspirus Merrill Hospital

WHEREAS, the Healthy Minds for Lincoln County, brings the community together to empower people through education and resources to support healthy choices regarding substances and social and emotional well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy Minds for Lincoln County is currently co-chaired by Debbie Moellendorf, UW-Madison Division of Extension and Kristin Bath, Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy Minds for Lincoln County is eligible to receive a total of \$5,750 in funds and \$1,550 in materials (400 Deactivation Units) from the Alliance for Wisconsin Youth through their 2021-22 Menu Options to offset the costs to implement the following menu projects:

- Distribution of Prescription Drug Lock Boxes; and
- Distribution of Prescription Drug Deactivation Units; and
- Implement Public Awareness educational campaign.

WHEREAS, a donation of \$10,000 from Aspirus Merrill Hospital has been received towards the implementation of the coalition's action plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors accepts the \$5,750 in funds and \$1,550 in materials from the Alliance for Wisconsin Youth and the \$10,000 donations from Aspirus Merrill Hospital on behalf of the Healthy Minds of Lincoln County who is responsible for implementing these projects.

Dated: May 17, 2022

Authored by: Greg Hartwig

Co-Sponsored by: Jesse Boyd

Committee: Administrative & Legislative

Committee Vote: 7-0

Date Passed: May 4, 2022

Fiscal Impact: Receiving \$15,750 in funds and \$1,550 in materials towards the implementation of the projects identified above.

M/S Hafeman/Ashbeck to adopt Resolution 2022-05-16. Motion carried by a voice vote.

B. 1) Ordinance 2022-05-717

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL CODE OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN – CHAPTER 17, 17.2.03, ZONING ORDINANCE AS A RESULT OF A REZONING PETITION BY JEFFYS LLC (AGENT: JEFFREY NYBERG) FOR PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF TOMAHAWK.

WHEREAS, The County Board of Supervisors of Lincoln County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain: Chapter 17.2.03, Lincoln County Code, is amended to rezone a portion of tax parcel pin# 03034040339990 from Crossroads Mixed Use (CMU) to Recreation (RE). The size of the rezone area is approximately 15 acres and is located at W10860 Spirit Falls Av in Section 3, T34N-R4E, in the Town of Tomahawk.

Any areas designated as Wetlands on the Wisconsin Wetland Inventory Map will not be rezoned to upland.

M/S McCrank/Rusch to adopt Ordinance 2022-05-717. Supervisor McCrank explained the ordinance in detail. Discussion followed. Motion carried by a voice vote.

9. Prior to reports of claims Chair Friske explained his decision to exclude the Administrative Coordinator's and Corporation Counsel's Reports citing that these reports are given each month at the A&L Committee and that it is redundant to have them read at the committee level and at county board. Chair Friske asked the board to consider this and offer feedback if they would like. He further explained that issues of merit needing to be brought to the board's attention will appear on the agenda as an agenda item. Secondly Chair Friske revealed his intention of proposing to the A&L Committee the idea of forming a special and temporary committee on Pine Crest Nursing Home. He further explained that this committee would run between six to nine months and review what our current relationship is with North Central Health Care. He stated we need to discuss the current buildings status, the bed licensing's, our relationship with NCHC, and what is the board's relationship to all this and what is expected of us as a board from our constituents. Concerning another issue, Chair Friske explained his observation that the board does things in silos, meaning we do things as they come up or as they are rolled out to us. To curb this, Chair Friske expressed his desire to develop a long range strategic plan for Lincoln County. He is tasking the A&L Committee with this and will then update the board along the way while asking for their input. He further explained his vision stating that this needs to be an inclusive plan involving our cities and towns. At the end of this project he will ask the board to consider and act on a long range strategic plan for the county. Supervisor Osness asked that citizen participation be solicited. Supervisor Bialecki added that the UW Extension has been instrumental in the City of Merrill's similar projects. Chair Friske then pointed out the change to our Electronic Attendance Disclaimer. He explained that the county is making, and will continue to make, every attempt to deliver our meetings virtually but, in the event there are technical issues the meeting will continue. If there are technical issues, he encourages those in electronic attendance to come to the meeting if they can get there before it ends. Supervisor Wickham asked the chair to clarify the procedure for public comment at our board meetings. Chair Friske responded that our procedure only allows for the public to comment on current agenda items. If there are issues that the public would like to see on the agenda, they should contact their immediate supervisor, the board chair, or the department head that the issue best fits. They can then relay to the proper committees which will refer to the board if deemed necessary. Chair Friske is not opposed to public concerns being put on the county board agenda but reiterated the importance of following the proper procedures. Report of Claims – None.
10. M/S Osness/Ashbeck to approve the mileage and per diem for this meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote.
11. Next County Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452
12. M/S Bialecki/DePasse to adjourn. Motion carried by a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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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, May 17, 2022

Christopher J Marlowe, County Clerk