DODGE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

August 1, 2016, 8:30 A.M.
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DODGE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JUNEAU, WI 53039

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Dodge County Executive Committee Chairman, Russell Kottke.

Members present: Berres, Frohling, Kottke, Maly, Marsik, Miller, and Schmidt.

Members absent: None.

Others present: County Administrator Jim Mielke; County Clerk Karen Gibson; Deputy County Clerk Christine Kjornes; Emergency Management Director Amy Nehls; Emergency Management Deputy Director Joe Meagher; Corporation Counsel John Corey; Information Technology Director Ruth Otto; Finance Director Julie Kolp; Human Resources Director Sarah Eske; Sheriff Dale Schmidt; Chief Deputy Sheriff Scott Smith; City of Beaver Dam Fire Chief Alan Mannel; Town of Clyman Fire Chief Eric Howlett; Daily Citizen Reporter Terri Pederson; and WBEV Radio Station Reporter John Muir.

Motion by Marsik, seconded by Maly to approve the Agenda and allow the Chairperson to go out of order as needed to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Maly, seconded by Schmidt to approve the July 5, 2016, minutes as presented. Motion carried.

City of Beaver Dam Fire Chief Alan Mannel provided an oral report to the Committee regarding the requested financial participation by Dodge County in the water and ice rescue program. Chief Mannel reported that there are 29 lakes and 6 rivers in Dodge County. Water and ice rescue is a time sensitive event, and the rescue life-saving equipment is aging and needs to be replaced. Chief Mannel further reported that the Beaver Dam Community Fire and Rescue Association is requesting financial participation by Dodge County to assist in updating the aging equipment that is used in high risk rescues. Town of Clyman Fire Chief Eric Howlett provided the Executive Committee with a map entitled Surface Water by Fire District, Dodge County WI, and a document that listed the Acres, SOMI, and PCT of surface water in each Dodge County fire district. Supervisor Maly asked what the timeline is for rescue vs. recovery. Chief Mannel stated that rescue efforts are within the first hour, and recovery efforts would be after that first hour. Chief Mannel stated that the Fire Association will make a determination regarding the most cost-effective manner in which to replace aging equipment with new equipment. Administrator Mielke stated that a list should be compiled that will set forth a description of aging equipment that needs to be replaced with new equipment. Chief Eric Howlett stated that the County Simulcast project should be completed prior to any financial participation by Dodge County to assist in the replacement of aging equipment that is used in the water and ice rescue program.

Information Technology Director Ruth Otto provided an oral report to the Committee regarding the out-of-state travel request to attend the Kronos Annual Conference. Ms. Otto reported that the out-of-state travel request is for her, Database Administrator Erin Roberts, Human Resources Director Sarah Eske, and Administrative Assistant Carrie Lagerman to attend the Kronos Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida, from November 13-17, 2016. Ms. Otto further reported that she and Ms. Roberts will be presenters at the Conference as a public sector customer, and this Conference provides an excellent networking opportunity. Motion by Maly, seconded by Miller to authorize out-of-state travel for Information Technology Director Ruth Otto, Database Administrator Erin Roberts, Human Resources Director Sarah Eske, and Administrative Assistant Carrie Lagerman to attend the Kronos Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida, from November 13-17, 2016. Motion carried.

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County Clerk Karen Gibson reviewed agenda items for the Tuesday, August 16, 2016, County Board meeting. Ms. Gibson reported that the agenda will include the appointment of Richard Fink to the Dodge County Board of Supervisors to fill a vacancy in County Board Supervisory District No. 12, Resolutions from the Health Facilities Committee, the Highway Committee, the Human Resources and Labor Negotiations Committee, the Law Enforcement Committee, and the Planning, Development, and Parks Committee. Ms. Gibson further reported that the agenda will include a Claim for Damages, and a report regarding the Claim for Damages, submitted by the Executive Committee, and a bill arising from a Claim For Damage To Animals that was postponed at the July 19, 2016, meeting of the County Board.

Ms. Gibson reported to the Committee that she has received completed registration forms for the Wisconsin Counties Association Annual Conference to be held on September 25-27, 2016 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and she will submit the registrations to the Wisconsin Counties Association.

The Committee considered and discussed the Claim for Damages submitted by AT&T, wherein it is alleged that an employee of the Dodge County Highway Department, while operating a mower, struck a pedestal, and thereby damaged the pedestal and a buried cable. Motion by Frohling, seconded by Marsik to recommend to the County Board that it disallow the Claim for Damages submitted by AT&T. Motion carried.

Administrator Jim Mielke provided a brief oral report to the Committee regarding the Human Resources and Labor Negotiations Committee meeting to be held on August 2, 2016. Mr. Mielke reported that the Human Resources and Labor Negotiations Committee will be discussing options for potential market adjustments to the compensation plan that would require County Board approval. Mr. Mielke further reported that the adjustments to the compensation plan may have a significant impact on the 2017 budget.

Emergency Management Director Amy Nehls reported that IFERN has been moved to the St. Helena Tower, and the Simulcast project will likely be implemented by the end of August of 2016. Ms. Nehls further reported that an update for DOEM5 and DOHWY1 have been requested as 2017 Capital Improvement projects.

Ms. Nehls provided an oral report to the Committee regarding the NEDA Mine Rescue. Ms. Nehls reported that on Sunday, July 10, 2016, three (3) boys were reported missing and they were all found safe at the NEDA mine, located in the Town of Hubbard. Ms. Nehls further reported that local, state, and federal personnel worked together for a successful rescue operation. Dodge County Sheriff Dale Schmidt reported that the NEDA mine is owned by the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, and the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee did not request either the District Attorney or law enforcement personnel to initiate trespassing charges against the 3 boys.

Corporation Counsel John Corey provided a brief oral update to the Committee regarding his review of contracts for various departments. Mr. Corey reported that he recently reviewed a proposed Zirmed Agreement and a proposed Experian Health Inc. Agreement. Mr. Corey further reported that these proposed Agreements are related to the current, ongoing implementation of a computerized billing system at the Dodge County Human Services and Health Department.

Chairman Kottke provided a brief oral update to the Committee regarding the UW-Extension Reorganizational Plan. Mr. Kottke reported that there was a special Intercounty Coordinating Committee meeting held on July 27, 2016, in which the current status of the Reorganizational Plan was presented by

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Rick Klemme, Dean and Director of Cooperative Extension, University of Wisconsin-Extension, and two representatives from the University of Wisconsin-Extension system. Mr. Kottke reported that a survey will be sent out by the University of Wisconsin-Extension system to all State of Wisconsin elected officials.

Mr. Mielke provide a brief oral update to the Committee regarding the Glacial Heritage Development Partnership (GHDP). Mr. Mielke reported that he should know this week who was chosen as the replacement Executive Director of the GHDP.

Supervisor Miller reported that on July 22, 2016, she attended a meeting of the Judicial and Public Safety Steering Committee of the Wisconsin Counties Association in Madison, Wisconsin. Supervisor Miller distributed to the Committee a document listing topics that were discussed at the meeting.

Supervisor Frohling reported that on July 18, 2016, he attended a meeting of the Taxation and Finance Steering Committee of the Wisconsin Counties Association in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. Supervisor Frohling further reported that he is a member of the Resolutions Committee for the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Supervisor Maly reported that on July 20, 2016, she attended a meeting of the County Organization and Personnel Steering Committee of the Wisconsin Counties Association in Madison, Wisconsin. Supervisor Maly further reported that the meeting included a presentation on the roles of County Board Supervisors.

Supervisor Marsik asked if the Committee will receive updated information regarding the Claim For Damage To Animals. Mr. Kottke stated that Ms. Gibson will meet with Mr. Corey to discuss this matter.

Mr. Kottke stated that Ms. Gibson will send an email to all County Board Supervisors regarding the Governor's decision to prioritize local highway repairs, rather than new highway projects.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m. by the order of the Chairman.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

Jeff Berres Secretary

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