DODGE COUNTY TAXATION COMMITTEE

April 24, 2018, at 4:30 P.M. ROOM 1A DODGE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING JUNEAU, WI 53039

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Berres at 4:30 p.m.

Members present: Ed Benter, Jeff Berres, Cathy Houchin, and Dennis R. Schmidt.

Member(s) absent: None.

Others present: Patti K. Hilker, Treasurer; James Mielke, County Administrator; and Kim Nass, Corporation Counsel.

A motion was made by Benter, and seconded by Houchin to approve the agenda and to allow the Chairman to go out of order as needed to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Schmidt, and seconded by Benter to approve the March 26, 2018 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The Committee considered and discussed Dodge County's participation in the Voluntary Party Liability Exemption (VPLE) program for the property known as the former Metalfab facility property, identified as Dodge County Parcel Identification Number 206-1114-0423-051, located at 401 Madison Street, City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. The Department of Natural Resources appeared telephonically and spoke to the Committee as to why Dodge County should continue its participation in the VPLE program for the former Metalfab facility property located at 401 Madison Street, City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. A motion was made by Houchin, and seconded by Schmidt to have Kim Nass and Patti Hilker contact the City of Beaver Dam regarding several items, including but not limited to water/sewer billing and service to the building. Motion carried.

The Committee considered and discussed an agreement with the City of Beaver Dam regarding a parcel of real estate identified as Dodge County Parcel Identification Number 206-1114-0422-246, located at 101 Ryan Cantafio's Way, in the City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, formerly owned by James G. Stricker, and now owned by Dodge County. A motion was made by Houchin, seconded by Benter to approach the City of Beaver Dam and proceed with an agreement under Section 75.365, Wis. Stats., which is similar to the MRS Visions agreement, at a cost of approximately \$30,000, and the City of Beaver Dam further agrees to not apply special charges or special assessments on the property, and Dodge County will not pursue collection of the 2018 principal taxes. Motion carried.

The Committee considered and discussed a parcel of real estate identified as Dodge County Parcel Identification Number 016-0915-2931-001, located in the Town of Emmet, Dodge County, Wisconsin, and owned by WFC Industries, LLC. A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Berres to not pursue sale of this property, and to have Dodge County retain as Highway 16/26 road right-of-way. Motion carried.

Kim Nass and Patti K. Hilker gave a status report of the 2018 In Rem Foreclosure properties. Patti informed the committee that all unpaid taxes, interest, penalties and fees were paid by James Clary, with certified funds, on April 5, 2018. Patti Hilker recommended that the property be sold back to the owner, a parcel of real estate identified as Dodge County Parcel Identification Number 291-0915-3344-024 owned by James Clary, located at 711 N. Fourth Street, in the City of Watertown, Dodge County, and the Committee had no objection.

The Committee considered and discussed the process for removing occupants from In Rem properties.

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Motion by Benter, seconded by Schmidt to convene in closed session. Before voting on Motion, Chairman Jeff Berres announced to all present that the purpose of the closed session will be to review in detail an Option/Agreement relating to Lots 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the Plat of Monarch Development, located in the City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, and that Section 19.85(1)(e), of the <u>Wisconsin</u> Statutes, authorizes the closed session.

A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried by unanimous vote of all members present, at 5:58 p.m.

Motion by Benter, seconded by Schmidt to reconvene in open session. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried by unanimous vote of all members present, at 6:11 p.m.

The Committee considered and discussed the Option/Agreement with regard to Lots 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the Plat of Monarch Development, located in the City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. A motion was made by Benter, and seconded by Houchin to authorize Corporation Counsel Kim Nass to finalize the document per discussion in closed session. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Taxation Committee is scheduled for May 22, 2018 at 4:30 p.m., in Room 1A of the Dodge County Administration Building.

A motion was made by Schmidt, and seconded by Houchin to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m. Motion carried.

Dennis Schmidt, Secretary

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