

# Intercounty Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, October 15, 2018

Columbia County Administration Building, 116 Conference Room, Portage

#### **ICC Participants:**

Sauk County – Peter Vedro
Columbia -- Dan Drew, Jim Foley, Kathleen Haas
Dodge - Dave Frohling, Russell Kottke
Green Lake -- Harley Reabe, Cathy Schmit
Marquette – Ken Borzick, Bob Miller, Gary Sorensen
WCA -- Kyle Christenson
WI DNR – J.D. Smith; Mark Aquino
Legislators -- Flora Csontos of US Senator Baldwin's office
Media -- Lyn Jerde/PDR

#### Call to Order

The meeting called to order at 9:30AM

## **Certification of Wisconsin Open Meetings Law Notice**

The requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law were met.

## **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion by Columbia County, second by Dodge County to approve the agenda. Motion Approved.

## **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Marquette County, second by Sauk County to approve minutes. Motion Approved.

## Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials- Flora Csontos with US Sen. Baldwin's Office

- Flood Water Reform update
- Infrastructure Update

## Update of County Issues - Kyle Christenson, WCA

- WI Election update: Governor, Senate, Assembly, Special Elections
- The race is competive for US Sen. Baldwin's seat
- WCA priority: child well fare funding, co. caseloads are high; drug issues contribute to high caseloads and having to move children around; WI is 300 case workers short
- WCA priority 911 funding: the state needs to establish a digital rather than analog statewide network; each county needs to update their equipment to meet digital transition; WCA is asking to fund a grant program, \$5-6 million for 2019-2020; WCA is asking counties to adopt and forward resolution to state.

- Dept. of Justice is changing cost of copying public records, to \$.01-02/page. Local
  governments may charge actual cost of distribution. WCA is working to clarify issue of public
  record charges.
- 5G internet network and infrastructure update, WCA opposed proposed legislation. There is new proposal that pre-empts previous proposal, meaning the cost will be handed off to local units of government not internet providers.
- Legislative council committee looking at dark store issue and who is responsible to pay the litigation expenses. Local government is not able fund litigation costs. There is a proposal that all parties involved with litigation would share costs. WCA believes currently there is bad case law regarding dark stores issue.

## Open discussion of County Issues -- none

Presentation on State Shooting Ranges by WI DNR, J.D. Smith & Mark Aquino, refer to handout

- DNR wanted to get more public input in siting range
- Columbia Co. range opened July 24, 2018
- DNR priorities of state shooting ranges: rules are followed and enforced; maybe used by local municipal public safety dept.

#### Other DNR issues -

- DNR is working hard to bring everyone to the table when working on local issues such as: Portage Canal; Badger Ammunition range; groundwater quality,
- DNR is working with farm groups to address water quality issues using a peer-to-peer sharing model, this is happening in Dodge, Green, Lafayette counties, soon to be one in Jefferson this winter. Sauk County is recommending that KAFO's have to meet the same water quality conservation laws, there must be a level playing field for all farmers.

#### Finalized 2018-2019 Program Topics

- October 15, 2018 in Columbia County on DNR Shooting Range (Vern will contact speaker)
- November 19, 2018 in Jefferson (**Supv. Kottke may change meeting location to Dodge**) on the effects of Foxconn (WCA/Kyle Christenson will confirm speakers)
- December 17, 2018 in Sauk County on Analysis on demographics for each of the ICC counties (potential workforce). Dale Knapp, WCA could do the demographic analysis. This program would also include an update on SCDC's housing study.
- March 18, 2019 in Dodge County on Healthy Waters (farmers and lake residents working together)
- August 19, 2019 in Marquette County on annual road construction update and ATV/UTV update by DOT
- Possible summer 2019 topic: Regional economic development strategies (Competitive WI and Be Bold 4, Sauk County's placemaking, Dodge County's industrial park with Alliant)

## **Next Meeting**

Next meeting: November 19 in Jefferson (may be changed to Dodge County)

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathleen Haas Community Development Educator UW-Extension, Columbia County