

MAY SPECIAL SESSION
Monday, May 2, 2016, 7:00 P.M.

The Board met. Mr. Douglas Kane in the Chair.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The roll was called and all members were present except for Mr. Bernard Brunkow and Mr. Jerec Dorschner. Others in attendance for all or portions of the meeting were Mr. Dave Rynders, Mr. Dave Brommerich, Ms. Carol Burmeister, Sheriff Mike Schmidtknecht, Mr. Steve Schiffli, and Mr. Bob Platteter.

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the April 19, 2016 County Board Minutes:

Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Hillert. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors Rules of Government: The compensation language will be deferred until the regular meeting. The first recommended change was to have the Committee of the Board meet every 6 months or as necessary. Ms. McMillian Urell made a motion to add the words "meet every six (6) months or", seconded by Mr. Grisen. Carried.

The next recommended change was to change the number of committee members on the Land Conservation Committee from 3 County Board members to 4 County Board members. Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve this change, seconded by Ms. Roby. Carried.

A change to the Recycling Committee members was recommended. The membership would go from 2 County Board members to 3 County Board members. Ms. McMillan Urell made a motion to approve this change, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

A recommendation to change the Highway Committee membership from 4 members to 5 members was discussed. Mr. Danzinger made a motion to approve this change, seconded by Mr. Kriesel. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the election of the Highway Committee:

Chair Kane explained that there are now 5 County Board members that expressed interest in being elected to the Highway Committee. Those interested are Mr. Danzinger, Mr. Grisen, Mr. Brunkow, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Bork. Ms. Roby made a motion to nominate those individuals, seconded by Ms. McMillan Urell. Mr. Kriesel made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot, seconded by Mr. Hillert. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Affirmation of Committee Appointments (Buffalo County Fair Association, La Crosse Regional Solid Waste Policy Board, Western Dairyland Community Action Committee, Western Wisconsin Cares, and Winding Rivers Library Committee): A discussion was held. Mr. Hillert made a motion and Ms. McMillan Urell seconded the motion to approve the following appointments: Mr. Smith to the Buffalo County Fair Association, Mr. David Eddy to the La Crosse Regional Solid Waste Policy Board, Ms. Roby and Mr. Brunkow to the Western Dairyland Community Action Committee, Mr. Kriesel to the Western Wisconsin Cares Board, and Mr. Nathan Nelson to the Winding Rivers Library Committee. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Law Enforcement Annual Report: Sheriff Mike Schmidtknecht gave the annual report for the Law Enforcement Department. Sheriff Schmidtknecht reviewed the duties of the Law Enforcement Department, the budget, updates the department has done and future goals for the department.

Review/Discussion regarding Alternatives to Incarceration by Dave Rynders: Mr. Rynders distributed a packet of information regarding Community Justice Services. He explained what the program was and how it will work. On May 3rd a group of people from Buffalo County and Pepin County will be attending a training at CVTC to learn how to apply for the TAD Grant to help pay for the program. More information on the program will be brought forward at a future County Board meeting.

Public Comments: Mr. Danzinger distributed a copy of the “Flyway Trail Feasibility Study” for a proposed bike trail. Ms. Rosenow indicated that there will be grants applied for to help with planning and development of the trails.

Report from County Board Chair: Chair Kane reviewed the Committee Assignment Chart and explained that one person was selected to coordinate the first meeting. He asked that all meetings take place soon and to set up regular dates for future meetings.

Adjourned: Mr. Kriesel made a motion to adjourn at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk