

JUNE SESSION
Monday, June 27, 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 District 2, which is vacant. Others in attendance for all or portions of the meeting were Ms. Sonya Hansen, Ms. Roxann Halverson, Mr. David Brommerich, Mr. Dave Rynders, Ms. April Loeffler, and Mr. Mark Rasmussen.

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the May 23, 2016 County Board Minutes: Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Appointment of Ms. April Loeffler as Public Health Officer/Public Health Supervisor: Mr. Kriesel explained that two individuals were interviewed and the HHS & Veterans Committee recommends Ms. April Loeffler as the new Public Health Officer/Public Health Supervisor. Ms. Loeffler spoke to the Board indicating she has been with Buffalo County for two years and described her experience and education. Her position as Public Health Nurse is being advertised to be filled with applications due by July 14th. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to approve the appointment, seconded by Ms. Roby. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Annual Report from the Department of Health and Human Services: Mr. Dave Rynders gave the Annual Report for DHHS. He explained trainings that had been done in 2015, working with schools for drug prevention and work that has been done to improve child welfare. The overall budget for both DHHS and Agent of the State ended with revenues exceeding expenses. Mr. Rynders also gave an update on the TAD Grant that will be applied for on July 19th to help with the Criminal Justice Services program that his department has been researching.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Rules of Government (Compensation): Chair Kane discussed the amendment to the Rules of Government. The proposed wording clarifies and simplifies how members will be paid when they attend two or more meetings in one day. If all meetings are regular full agenda meetings, then all meetings will be paid at regular per diem amounts. If the meeting is a special meeting without a full agenda then it will not be paid a per diem. For example the Finance meeting held prior to County Board was to approve a Resolution to send to County Board. That meeting will not be paid a per diem. Mileage will be paid as actual mileage. If you only

travel to the courthouse one time and attend two meetings, you only get one mileage. Ms. McMillan Urell made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kriesel. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regard Resolution #16-03-01 “A Resolution to Approve Loan to Chippewa County to Provide Cash Flow for CDBG Home Improvement Work”: Ms. Hansen explained the CDBG is designed to provide loans to low to moderate income families to make home improvements. The State has been behind in paying the contractors that are providing the work, thus making the contractors not want to continue to work with the program. This money will help to keep that program moving forward. Ms. Roby made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #16-06-02 “A Resolution to Purchase Dispatch Telephone Wireless Headsets: Ms. McMillan Urell explained this Resolution would allow the Sheriff’s Department to purchase 14 headsets to help the Communication/Corrections Officers be able to move around more freely while answering calls, thus making them more efficient. Ms. McMillan Urell made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kriesel. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #16-06-03 “A Resolution to Authorize Lease Agreements for County Park Operation”: Mr. Danzinger explained that this Resolution will approve the lease agreement between Buffalo County and the City of Mondovi for the property that is currently used for the Buffalo County Fair. The Resolution will also allow Buffalo County to declare the property as a County Park, which reduces the liability exposure to the County. This also allows the Fair Association to have more events there and rent out spots for camping. In the past the electricity and fencing were upgraded and there are plans to update the restrooms in the future. Mr. Danzinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Review/Discussion regarding Resolution #16-06-04 “A Resolution to Restructure and Eliminate the County Assistant Patrol Superintendent Position”: This position has been unfilled for a couple of years and needs to be removed from the books. Mr. Bork made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Danzinger. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #16-06-05 “A Resolution to Support North American Wetlands Conservation Grant Application by Department of Natural Resources Administered by US Fish and Wildlife Service”: Mr. Rasmussen made a request of a donation of \$1,000.00 from Buffalo County to be used towards the purchase of 500 acres in Buffalo County and 400 acres in Dunn County. The property will be used for public land. The requested funds will only be expended if the DNR receives a Federal Grant of \$1,000,000.00 towards the purchase of the land and the \$1,000.00 will be used towards the appraisal of the property so that grant funds are not used for that purpose. The funds will come from CAPX2020 Funds. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Rosenow. Carried.

Public Comments: None.

Reports and Discussion from Committee Chairs: Mr. Danzinger gave an update of the road projects and the Alma Shop project that Highway is working on. Mr. Danzinger discussed a request made by an ATV club to the Highway Committee to use county roads to ride on. Mr. Grisen discussed the decision HR made regarding the 12-hour shifts agreed to for the Communications/Corrections Officers. This will begin on January 1st and have a trial period of 1 year. Ms. McMillan Urell explained the last open Communication/Corrections Officer position has been offered to Ms. Sadie Horton and she will begin in July.

Report and Discussion from Administrative Coordinator: Ms. Hansen reported that the LiDar flight has been completed and the imagery should be available next spring. Parcel mapping is 81% complete and is scheduled to be completed by June 30th, 2017. A letter was received by Chippewa County that they no longer wish to partner with Buffalo County for ADRC programs. ADRC will be looking at other options and working with the State on this matter. Ms. Hansen also gave an overview of what has happened in different committees in the past month.

Report and Discussion from County Board Chair: Chair Kane explained that the July 25th County Board meeting will be canceled unless something pressing arises. He encourages Committees to work on their budget presentations at their July meetings.

Adjourned: Mr. Kriesel made a motion to adjourn at 8:22 p.m., seconded by Mr. Smith. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk