

**OCTOBER SESSION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The Board met. Mr. Larry Grisen in the Chair.

The roll was called. All members were present except Ms. Mary Anne McMillan Urell and Mr. Scott Smith. Others in attendance for all or portions of the meeting were Ms. Roxann Halverson, Ms. Sonya Hansen, Mr. David Schmidt, and Mr. Dave Brommerich.

Public Comments regarding Agenda items: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Previous Meeting Minutes: Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Brunkow. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #18-10-01 “A Resolution for County Aid for Town Bridges and Culverts – Section 82.08 of the Statutes”: Mr. Grisen explained there have been two new requests received that need to be added to this resolution. The Town of Maxville petitioned for two new culverts. The town portion is \$4,596.34 for the first one and \$1,500.00 for the second one. The county portion is \$4,596.33 for the first one and \$1,500.00 for the second one. Mr. Danzinger made a motion to amend the resolution, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried. Mr. Danzinger made a motion to approve the amended resolution by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Kriesel. 12 voting yes and 2 excused. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #18-10-02 “A Resolution to Approve Health Insurance Benefit Plan”: This resolution names Cottingham and Butler as the new agent and WEA Trust as the new health insurance provider. The deductible will increase to \$3,000/\$6,000 and will show a savings to both the employee and the county. The HRA will sunset in 2019 and be replaced by an HSA for 2020. There is potential for more savings if the employee chooses the Mayo only option. Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #18-10-03 “A Resolution to Amend Policy No. 302 – Other Insurances of the Buffalo County Employee Handbook”: This resolution updates the policy to show voluntary insurance policies offered to employees and makes the termination date consistent with other policies. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding #18-10-04 “A Resolution to Approve Support and Future Funding of the Winona Connector Trail Project”: Mr. Schmidt updated the board on the Winona Connector Trail project and what needs to be completed yet. As part of a potential grant that will be applied for the county needs to show support for the project by setting aside money should it be needed to complete the project. The request is to set aside \$50,000 of CAPX2020 money should it be needed. There is \$47,000 that is left of the original DNR grant funds that will be used before any of the CAPX2020 funds. Ms. Rosenow made a motion to adopt this resolution by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Black. 11 voting yes, Mr. Bork voting no, and 2 excused. Carried.

Review/Discussion regarding the 2019 Draft Budget: Ms. Hansen reviewed the proposed 2019 budget and where funds would be taken from to balance the budget.

This budget does not include any funds for remonumentation other than those approved through grants. It also does not include any disaster recovery funds. The 2018 budget seems to be right where it should be at this time of year. New positions and services will need to be carefully reviewed.

Committee Chair Reports: Law Enforcement and HR will meet with Communication/Correction Officers on Tuesday to discuss the need for another person. Background checks are being completed on the new Deputy.

Law Enforcement Union negotiations will continue on Tuesday.

Land Conservation continues to work on the Rose Valley dam as it is not going as planned. Flood damaged dam structures are being repaired. The trout stream project was a big hit and should bring in more tourism.

DHHS is one out of thirty-six counties nationwide to be awarded a grant to help kids affected by drugs. The grant is for approximately \$470,000 that will be paid over three years.

Administrative Coordinator Report: Ms. Hansen gave a review of funds that were spent from CAPX2020 funds and what was left. A second grant of \$100,000 was awarded to Cochrane Cooperative Telephone to complete their broadband project in the Town of Milton.

The relocation of the Historical Society has been addressed. The first floor office space will be remodeled using the funds original marked to be contributed to the Historical Society. The remodeled space will house the District Attorney's Office and Veterans Office. The mailroom will move down to the first floor lunchroom. Historical Society will stay in its current location.

The addressing project has a small snag. There are some private roads with houses on them and it will need to be decided how to address these. This will be addressed at the next Towns Association meeting.

The Corporation Counsel contract with Seifert and Schultz ended early. Bilski Law Office took over the duties as they were approved as Corporation Counsel for 2019.

There will be a Department Manager meeting on Thursday.

County Board Chair Report: None.

Public Comments Not Regarding Agenda Items: None.

Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk