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Minutes of the meeting of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors  
Thursday, September 19, 2019; 6:30 p.m.;  
Large Court Room, Sawyer County Courthouse

County Board Chair Tweed Shuman called the September meeting of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors to order. Roll call was as follows (x indicates present)

district - supervisor - T = Town, V = Village, C = City, W = Ward

- X 01 - Dale Schleeter – T Lenroot W 1, T Hayward W 7, C Hayward W 5 and 6
- X 02 - Kathy McCoy – T Lenroot W 2, T Round Lake W 1
- X 03 - Tweed Shuman – T Hayward W 1 and 2
- X 04 – Troy Morgan – T Hayward W 3 and 4
- X 05 – James H. Schlender Jr. – T Hayward W 5 and 6, entered at 6:33 pm
- X 06 – Marc D. Helwig – C Hayward W 1 and 2
- X 07 - Thomas W. Duffy – C Hayward W 3 and 4
- X 08 - Bruce Paulsen – T Bass Lake W 1 and 2
- 09 - Brian Bisonette – T Bass Lake W 3 and 4
- X 10 – Elaine Nyberg – T Sand Lake, T Edgewater W 1
- X 11 - Jim Bassett – T Edgewater W 2, T Bass Lake W 5, T Hayward W 8, T Meteor, T Couderay, V Couderay
- X 12 - William Voight – T Spider Lake, T Round Lake W 2, T Winter W 1
- X 13 - Ron Kinsley – T Hunter, T Radisson W 1, T Ojibwa W 1, V Radisson
- X 14 – Ron Buckholtz – T Radisson W 2, T Ojibwa W 2, T Weirgor, V Exeland, T Meadowbrook
- X 15 – Helen Dennis – T Winter W 2, T Draper, V Winter

The agenda for the meeting was presented as follows:

Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance  
Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law  
Meeting Agenda  
Public Comments

Minutes from Previous Meetings: August 15, 2019

Zoning Committee Chair Report

Rezone request #19-013, Neumann Trust

Discussion and possible action of reconsideration based on issues raised by multiple public concerns of Zone district Map Amendment Request, Town of Radisson-#19-010, Gary Meyer; Mike Pfister agent. Part of Government Lot 6 and Lot 7, except a 6 plus acre parcel in the Southwest corner of Government Lot 6; S13, T38N, R07W; Parcel #022-73813-5501; 70 acres plus or minus; Zoned Forestry One (F-1). Purpose of request was to change from Forestry One (F-1) to Residential/Recreational One (RR-1) to create Residential single family building lots. Request denied at Zoning meeting on July 19, 2019, approved at County Board meeting on August 15, 2019.

Public Safety Committee Chair report

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Update

Sawyer County Criminal Justice Education and Rehabilitation plan Facilitated by

EDC

Public Works Committee Chair Report

Dairyland Power Easement

Sawyer County Airport Management Agreement – Discussion and review

Sawyer County Airport Fixed Base Operator Agreement-Discussion and review

Minimum Standards Ordinance – Discussion and review

Three-month extension of current Airport Management Agreement and Fixed Based Operator agreement with L&L Aviation, Inc. -Discussion and possible action

Land, Water, and Forest Resources Committee Chair Report

County Forest User Fees (Possible Action Item)

Ad Hoc Committee to revise the 15-year Forestry Plan and Outdoor Recreation Plan

Health and Human Services Board Chair Report

Finance Committee Chair Report

Resolution to increase Budget – Hazard Mitigation grant

Resolution to increase budget – Hazmat grant

Resolution to apply Canteen Fund Balance for air climate control in the jail

Resolution to apply additional Resource Development Fund Balance – Carlson Road

2020 Budget Discussion

Economic Development & UW Extension Committee Chair Report

County Administrator's Report

Employee Handbook revision including change in accrual benefit – Discussion and possible action

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings, other matters for discussion only

Motion by Kinsley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buckholtz, to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2019 meeting. Motion carried

Three options for event user fees were presented:

Based on Entry Fee

Based on number of entrants

Flat fee

Motion by McCoy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Morgan, to adopt option 1 with the following fee amounts:

Event fee under \$40 - \$1.00 Event user fee

Event fee \$40-\$80 - \$2.00 Event user fee

Event fee \$80-\$120 - \$3.00 Event user fee

Event fee over \$120 - \$4.00 Event user fee

Motion carried

Motion by McCoy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schleeter, deposit revenue from event user fees in the General Fund. Schleeter clarified new event fees are effective January 1, 2020. The roll call vote was as follows: Bassett – no; Kinsley – yes; Buckholtz – yes; Dennis – yes; Schleeter – yes; McCoy – yes; Shuman – yes; Morgan – yes; Schlender – abstain; Helwig – abstain; Duffy –

no; Paulsen – no; Bisonette – absent; Nyberg – yes. The motion carried with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.

The 15-year forestry plan and outdoor recreation plan needs revision. The Land, Water, and Forest Resources Committee recommends forming an Ad Hoc committee with Greg Peterson and Ed Peters as co-chairs of the committee. Motion by Helwig, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nyberg, to approve Resolution #2019-30 to establish an Ad Hoc committee to revise the 15-year forestry plan and Outdoor recreation plan. Motion carried

Zoning Committee Chair Ron Buckholtz reported to the board.

Zoning Administrator Jay Kozlowski presented zoning request 19-013, Neumann Trust, to rezone 1.68 acres from RR1 to C1. The Town of Hayward and the Zoning Committee approved the request. Motion by Bassett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buckholtz, to approve Resolution #2019-31 approving rezone #19-013, Neumann Trust. Motion carried

Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Morgan, to reconsider rezone request #19-010, Gary Meyer, from the August County Board meeting. The roll call vote was as follows: Kinsley – no; Buckholtz – yes; Dennis – yes; Schleeter – no; McCoy – abstain; Shuman – yes; Morgan – yes; Schlender – yes; Helwig – yes; Duffy – yes; Paulsen – yes; Bisonette – absent; Nyberg – yes; Bassett – yes. The motion carried with 10 voting yes and 2 voting no.

August County Board motion by Kinsley, second by Voight, to approve rezone request #19-010, Gary Meyer. The roll call vote was as follows: Buckholtz – no; Dennis – no; Schleeter – yes; McCoy – abstain; Shuman – no; Morgan – no; Schlender – no; Helwig – no; Duffy – no; Paulsen – no; Bisonette – absent; Nyberg – yes; Bassett – no; Kinsley – yes. The motion failed with 3 voting yes and 9 voting no.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, to support the Zoning Committees recommendation and deny rezone request #19-010, Gary Meyers. The roll call vote was as follows: Dennis – yes; Schleeter – no; McCoy – abstain; Shuman – yes; Morgan – yes; Schlender – no; Helwig – yes; Duffy – yes; Paulsen – yes; Bisonette – absent; Nyberg – no; Bassett – yes Kinsley – no; Buckholtz – yes. Resolution #2019-36 was approved with 8 voting yes and 4 voting no.

Lynn Fitch from WITC presented a power point on an education opportunity for inmates in the Sawyer County Jail. Starting in January, 2020, WITC will offer education at the jail for inmates to earn a Construction Foundation Certificate. The class can hold up to 10 students at a time.

Public Works Committee Chair Ron Kinsley reported to the board.

Motion by McCoy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paulsen, to approve the Dairyland Power Easement with use of chemicals removed from the agreement. Motion carried

The Public Works Committee is working on new Airport agreements. The current 30-year agreement with L&L Aviation will end November 1, 2019. The packet contains draft copies of

the Airport Management Agreement, the Fixed Base Operator Agreement, and the Minimum Standards Ordinance for the Board to review. Derek Leslie from L&L Aviation addressed the board.

The Public Works Committee recommends adopting a three-month extension of the current Airport Management Agreement with L&L Aviation, Inc. and the Fixed Based Operator agreement with L&L Aviation, Inc. Motion by Dennis to deny the extension of the current airport management agreement. The motion did not receive a second. Motion by Helwig, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paulsen, to approve the three-month airport management extension. Motion carried

Health and Human Services Board Chair Kathy McCoy reported to the Board. Shortage of applicants for mental health positions.

Finance Committee Board Chair Bruce Paulsen reported to the Board. The Finance Committee forwarded four resolutions to County Board.

Motion by McCoy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kinsley, to approve Resolution #2019-32 to increase the 2019 Emergency Government Department budget for additional grant funds received – Hazard Mitigation Planning. Motion carried

Motion by Helwig, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kinsley, to approve Resolution #2019-33 to increase the 2019 Emergency Government Department Budget for additional grant funds received – Computer and Hazmat Equipment. Motion carried

Motion by Schlender, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buckholtz, to approve Resolution #2019-34 authorizing an increase to the 2019 Sawyer County Canteen Budget for the Climate Control Cooling System Project in the jail. Motion carried

Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bassett, to approve Resolution #2019-35 authorizing an increase to the 2019 Resource Development Budget for the Carlson Road Bridge Project. Buckholtz amended the motion to approve contingent on researching available grants. Motion carried

The Board took a five-minute break

Accounting Manager Mike Keefe reviewed the 2020 preliminary budget with the Board. The allowed Operating levy is \$10,055,032. The current 2020 requested operating levy reported on the documents attached to the agenda is \$10,554,887. Difference of \$499,855. Additional adjustments made today of \$64,000 bring the difference to \$435,000.

Motion by Nyberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paulsen, to hold the Public Hearing on the 2020 Budget November 7, at 6:30. Motion carried

Economic Development and UW Extension Committee Chair Thomas Duffy reported to the Board.

Sawyer County Administrator Tom Hoff reported to the Board. The Administrator's report is attached to the agenda on the website.

Supervisor Schleeter proposed an employee handbook revision including changes in accrual benefits. The Administration Committee approved the handbook contingent on legal review. Motion by Kinsley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, to approve the handbook revision. Motion carried

County Board Chair Tweed Shuman is accepting recommendations to fill the District 12 County Board seat vacated by Bill Voight. Shuman will appoint a county board member to fill the vacancy at the October 17, 2019 County Board meeting.

Adjourned 9:20

Audio of the Special County Board Budget meeting is on the website.

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