

DECEMBER SESSION
Tuesday, December 18, 2007, 9:00 A.M.

The Board met. Mr. Twidt in the Chair.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The roll was called and all members were present, except Mr. Lee Wieland, who was excused. Others in attendance for all or portions of the meeting were Mr. Scott Morris, Lieutenant Diane Mikelson, Chief Deputy Wayne Boese, Sheriff Mike Schmidtknecht, Mr. Steve Schiffli, Ms. Paula Stansbury, Ms. Gentry Jesse, Mr. David Brommerich, Mr. David Brevick, Mr. Paul van Eijl, and Ms. Julie Lindstrom.

The minutes of the November 13, 2007, meeting were presented by Ms. Roxann Halverson, County Clerk. Mr. Eddy made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes, seconded by Mr. Lewis. Carried. Mr. Parkhurst made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Passow. Carried.

Mr. Scott Morris, Detention Facilities Specialist, gave a presentation on the Buffalo County Jail Facilities. Mr. Morris indicates that Lt. Mikelson, Chief Deputy Boese and Sheriff Schmidtknecht are making sure that the jail facilities are running adequately. Facilities that are set up like Buffalo County are no longer approved and therefore he suggested that we may want to look at separating the jail and dispatch facilities some time in the future. At this point in time there is no need as long we keep the number of inmates in the low 20's. Jail health is run very well in Buffalo County. He commends Ms. Heidi Stewart for her hard work and professionalism.

Ordinance #07-12-01 was read in regard to the Buffalo County Solid Waste Management Code. A public hearing was held on November 12, 2007 and one citizen attended the meeting, but expressed no concerns. Mr. Seitz made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Ms. Waters. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Enacted.

Resolution #07-12-01 was read in regard to dissolving the Buffalo County Solid Waste Committee and the duties of the Director. Buffalo County pays La Crosse \$9,805.41 per year through 2023. This amount is offset by \$5.00 per ton of waste transported to the La Crosse facility. The Finance Committee will now handle the tracking of how much tonnage is hauled to La Crosse and the license fee for haulers. Mr. Eddy made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Bollinger. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-02 was read in regard to approving the purchase of a new recycling compactor. The current compactor is from model year 1995. It no longer bales paper or is time efficient. Ms. Waters made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Parkhurst. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-03 was read in regard to approving the purchase of five roll-off containers. These containers are custom built. These new ones will be replacing the original containers that were purchased 17 years ago. There may be some possible scrap or sale value of these containers. Mr. Eddy made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Ms. Waters. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-04 was read in regard to rescinding Resolution #07-11-04 to restructure the Economic Support Unit and Child Support Unit of the Health and Human Services Department and fill the vacant Economic Support Supervisor Position. Mr. Eddy made a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Passow. Carried. A discussion was held. Mr. Parkhurst made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Lewis. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-05 was read in regard to proceeding with the creation of a West Central Consortium Long-Term Care District. Mr. Parkhurst made a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Lewis. Carried. A discussion was held. Mr. Bollinger made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Lyngdal. 11 yes, 1 excused, Ms. Waters, Mr. Ernst, Mr. Seitz and Mr. Balk voting no. Carried.

Mr. Carothers made a motion for a 5-minute recess, seconded by Mr. Lewis. Carried

Resolution #07-12-06 was read in regard rescinding Resolution #99-11-02, Dog License Fund Monies to be paid to Buffalo County Humane Society. A discussion was held. Ms. Waters made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Carothers. 13 voting yes, 1 excused, Mr. Eddy and Mr. Schlesselman voting no. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-07 was read in regard to purchasing an 8' Self-propelled Sweeper. A discussion was held. Mr. Carothers made a motion to approve by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Parkhurst. 13 voting yes, 1 excused, Mr. Bollinger and Mr. Ernst voting no. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-08 was read in regard to County Aid Construction. A discussion was held. Ms. Waters made a motion to approve by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Parkhurst. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-09 was read in regard to purchasing AS400 Computer System upgrade. A discussion was held. Mr. Eddy made a motion to approve by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Carothers. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-10 was read in regard to filling the Deputy Register of Deeds position. Mr. Balk made a motion to adopt by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Bollinger. 15 voting yes, 1 excused. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-11 was read in regard to approving an application for Farmland Preservation. A discussion was held. Mr. Schlesselman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Waters. Carried.

Resolution #07-12-12 was read in regard to approving the 2008 wage increases for managerial, supervisory, professional, confidential and part-time employees. A discussion was held. Mr. Parkhurst made a motion to approve by roll call vote, seconded by Mr. Lewis. 14 voting yes, 1 excused, Ms. Waters voting no. Carried.

The appointment of Mr. Del D. Twidt to the Long-Term Care District Implementation Council was discussed. Mr. Twidt's term would expire December 31, 2008. Mr. Ernst made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parkhurst. Carried.

Summary reports and comments where given by County Board of Supervisors Committee Chairs.

The County Board Chairperson gave a summary report.

Mr. Parkhurst made a motion to adjourn at 11:00 a.m., seconded by Mr. Balk. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson