

**MEETING OF THE RUSK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MAY 28, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order by Chair Dave Willingham at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call. Present – 16. Excused – 3. Present: DuSell, Biller, Rath sack, Stout, Tatur, Lief fring, McBain, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher Hanson, Mai, Hraban, Willingham. Corporation Counsel, Rich Summerfield at 7:25 p.m. Excused: Hauser, Vacho, Brown.

Chair Willingham explained that the pledge would be done in memory and in honor of law enforcement members and introduced Deputy Matt Wojcik.

Invocation by David Willingham of Island Lake Church of Christ.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Deputy Matt Wojcik in recognition of May being Law Enforcement Awareness Month and in memory of law enforcement officers who have in the line of duty.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Hraban, second by McBain, to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joanne Spooner provided a handout to board members and explained that the Animal Control Board asked that she come and inform the full County Board of the Rusk County Animal Shelter Building Sustainability & Enhancement Fund she has established and also thanked the board for supporting the new shelter by listing all the benefits since it has been built.

PRESENTATION

Rusk County Drug Court – Judge Steven Anderson spoke regarding the history of Rusk County Drug Court. Heather Fick, Drug & Alcohol Court Coordinator, presented video and gave power point presentation on the Rusk County Drug Court.

Asphalt Plant Purchase – Scott Emch, Rusk County Highway Commissioner, provided handout and gave presentation on the benefits to having an asphalt plant to use in Rusk County, proposed funding of purchase and gave a brief history of the proposal, meetings held, and proposed resolution. Discussion on history of asphalt plant in Rusk County, concerns regarding state funding and maintenance of the equipment.

RESOLUTION #19-14 PROCEEDING ON ACQUISITION OF A BLACKTOP PLANT

WHEREAS, the current Rusk County Blacktop plant is over 55 years old and is considered inefficient to operate compared to a modern plant, and

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Highway Committee has reviewed the past operations of the asphalt plant, options for replacement of the existing plant, and the future asphalt needs of the County, and

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Highway and Finance Committees have met to learn about and discuss options for future asphalt operations, asphalt plants, and the process to acquire a replacement plant, and

WHEREAS, the past financial performance of the asphalt plant has been documented and future financial performance of a replacement plant has been projected to determine the feasibility of a replacement plant, and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the condition of the current asphalt plant, options for future asphalt production, and the feasibility of those options the Rusk County Highway Committee recommends that the County proceed on acquiring a replacement asphalt plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Rusk County Highway Commissioner with the Rusk County Highway Committee to proceed with acquisition of a replacement asphalt plant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that cost of the replacement asphalt plant shall not exceed \$1,500,000 including all necessary components, transportation/delivery costs, installation costs, and professional services.

Submitted by the Rusk County Highway Committee: S/Biller, Hraban, Pedersen, Lief fring, Stout.

Motion by Tatur, second by Lief fring to adopt. Discussion. Roll Call Vote. Voting Yes – 16. Voting No – 0. Voting Yes: McBain, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Hanson, Mai, Hraban, DuSell, Biller, Rath sack, Stout, Tatur, Lief fring, Willingham. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #17-29B AMENDING 2018 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Rusk County Finance Committee has the authority to amend budgets that are within 10 percent of its budgeted expenditure; and

WHEREAS, at its April 18th and May 16th, 2019, meeting the Finance Committee reviewed the 2018 Budget and approved the line item transfers and amending the budgets, forwarding the ones that were 10 percent or more over budget to the County Board for approval.

WHEREAS, the 2018 budget had \$150,000.00 budgeted for contingency items in 100-91-41110-000, and \$306,943.96 has been requested to cover 2018 expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors approves amending the 2018 budget as follows and drawing an additional \$156,943.96 from the General Fund:

Contingency funds from 100-91-41110-000 to the following:

100-06-51310-212 DA Contracted Paralegal	\$49,869.24
100-11-51100-141 County Board Per Diem	\$1,497.59
100-33-51512-000 Cost Allocation Plan Expense	\$66,198.26
100-38-51100-153 HR Post Employee Benefits	\$6,032.63
100-43-51200-391 Drug Court Non-Grant Expense	\$1,731.78
100-76-52111-213 IT Consultants	\$1,985.46
100-90-59230-000 Sales Tax Fund	\$19,327.44
100-31-53310-000 Highway Maintenance	\$160,301.56
Total 2018 Contingency Fund Requests	\$306,943.96
Less 2018 Budgeted amount	<u>-150,000.00</u>
Needed from General Fund	\$156,943.96

Submitted by the Rusk County Finance Committee: S/Willingham, Hraban, Hauser.

Motion by Schneider, second by Hraban to adopt. Explanation of resolution and budgets by Kitzie Nelson, Finance Director. Questions and discussion. Roll Call Vote. Voting Yes – 16. Voting No – 0. Voting Yes: Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Hanson, Mai, Hraban, DuSell, Biller, Rath sack, Stout, Tatur, Lief fring, McBain, Willingham. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nelson announced that there will be an extra Finance Committee meeting held following the Property Committee meeting on June 14th

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lief fring, second by McBain to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting June 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.