

**MEETING OF THE RUSK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NOVEMBER 14, 2017
9:00 A.M.**

Meeting called to order by Chair Peter Boss at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call. Present – 17. Excused – 2. Present: Biller, Rathsack, Hauser, Knops, Stout, Tatur, Lieftring, Pedersen, Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Mai, Willingham, Hraban, Platteter, Boss. Corporation Counsel, Rich Summerfield. Excused: Swoverland, Hanson.

Invocation by David Willingham of Island Lake Church of Christ.

Brief biography of Edward Lieftring by Lyle Lieftring and Arian Knops.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Lyle Lieftring on behalf of his brother Edward Lieftring.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Gierke, second by Hraban to approve minutes from October 17, 2017 & October 24, 2017. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 17-27 APPROVING REPLACEMENT AND FINANCING FOR UPGRADE OF THE RUSK COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER HVAC CONTROL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Rusk County operates a County Government Center which houses general County Government offices along with a Law Enforcement Center containing a Jail and Law Enforcement offices, and

WHEREAS, the upkeep of these facilities is necessary to maintain the value of the asset and provide suitable conditions for public, employees, and inmates, and

WHEREAS, the original HVAC control systems are no longer able to adequately function and be maintained in proper working order, and

WHEREAS, the County recently updated the HVAC control systems in part of the County Government Center, and

WHEREAS, the HVAC control system also needs to be updated in the Law Enforcement Center portion of the facility, and

WHEREAS, the replacement of these control systems is a costly and extraordinary expense that is unable to be accommodated through routine maintenance budgets and was not allocated funds in the 2017 budget and is not anticipated to be included in the 2018 budget, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the County Property Committee that it is necessary to move ahead with updating of these controls in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the County Property and Finance Committees the update of the HVAC control system in the Rusk County Law Enforcement Center shall move ahead immediately at an estimated cost of \$158,000 (per proposal) .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a State Trust Fund loan shall be secured for this capital improvement expenditure.

Submitted by Rusk County Finance Committee. S/Boss, Tatur, Fisher, Hauser, Hraban.

Motion by Platteter, second by Schmitt to adopt resolution. Resolution adopted by aye vote. Hauser gave brief explanation and history of project.

RESOLUTION # 17-28 2018 COUNTY FOREST VARIABLE ACREAGE SHARE PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, Counties having lands entered as “County Forest Lands” under the provisions of a. a. 28.11 (4) (b) of the WISCONSIN STATUTES, annually receive from the state as a non-interest bearing loan, the amount of preservation and maintenance of such lands; and

WHEREAS, said loan monies are repaid through a 20% Severance tax on timber sales revenue coming from County Forest Lands unless a higher rate is mutually agreed to by the County and Department; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Section 28.11 (8) (b) 1. enacted in 1979 make it possible for the County at its option to receive instead of the payment based on 10 cents per acre, a payment more closely related to meeting the needs identified in its County Forest 15 Year Plan on the basis of \$.50 cents per acre.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Rusk County Board of Supervisors in consideration of meeting the needs identified in our County Forest 15 Year Plan hereby request the Department of Natural Resources to provide the 2018 payment to the County under s.s. 28.11 (8) (b) 1. on the basis of \$.50 cents for each acre of our County Forest Lands, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file this request with the Department of Natural Resources prior to December 31 preceding the year in which said payment is being requested to be made.

Submitted by Rusk County Forestry Committee. S/Knops, Schneider, Boss, Lieftring, Biller.

Motion by Schneider, second by Knops to adopt resolution. Platteter questioned the year 2014 in line 16 of resolution. Paul Teska, Forestry Administrator, informed board it was a typo and should say 2018. Correction to be made. Resolution adopted with correction by aye vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION

Rusk County Forestry 2018 Work Plan: Motion by Biller, second by Lieftring to approve plan. Discussion and questions on ATV trails, development of campgrounds, and Chippewa River property. Teska addressed questions and informed board that a grad student from Madison has been working on this project and it should be a more comprehensive plan and a good starting point for that property. Work plan approved by aye vote.

APPOINTMENTS

Veterans Service Commission: Ron Moser, 3-year term

Motion by Schneider, second by Gierke to approve appointment. Boss reviewed Moser’s qualifications. Appointment approved by aye vote.

ADRC Nutrition Committee: Kathy Mai & Elizabeth Hanson, 3-year terms

Motion by Gierke, second by Stout to approve appointments. Appointments approved by aye vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Loren Beebe, County Clerk, announced the first date for county board supervisors to circulate nomination papers, non-candidacy deadline and filing date.

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Boss apologized for the hearing being set so late, board will recess until the budget hearing.

Recessed 9:20 a.m.

Chair boss called meeting to order 10:00 a.m.

READING OF THE 2018 BUDGET – 10:00 A.M.

Boss read the Rusk County 2018 Budget Proposal Summary

RUSK COUNTY 2018 APPROVED BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Number	Used for comparison purposes Budget Category	Approved By County Board
EXPENSES (Net of Applicable Revenue)		
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:		
101	Circuit Court (net)	253,947
102	Drug Court (net)	0
103	Family Court Commissioner (net)	0
104	Teen Court (net)	0
105	Medical Examiner (net)	70,425
106	Indigent/Guardian Ad Litem (net)	26,000
107	County Board (net)	87,380
108	Board of Adjustment (net)	1,279
110	District Attorney (net)	135,926
111	Crime Victim Witness Coord. (net)	25,244
112	Corporation Counsel (net)	75,000
113	Family Counseling Fund (net)	5,100
114	County Clerk/Elections (net)	230,776
116	Finance/Payroll/Insurance Adm./Audit (net)	345,320
117	Property and Liability Insurance (net)	113,246
118	Cost Allocations Reimbursed (net)	(134,297)
119	County Treasurer (net)	160,396
121	Plat Books Fund (net)	0
122	County Car Operations Internal Service Fund (net)	0
123	Central Services Internal Service Fund (net)	0
126	General Buildings & Plant (net)	603,948
127	Other County Property (net)	20,000
128	Tax Deed Property Management (net)	0
129	Register of Deeds (net)	62,477
130	LCDD-Land Information Division (net)	133,154
132	LCDD-Land Information Public Access (net)	0
133	Gustafson Road Building	0
134	Transfers from RCMH	0
140	Legal Fees/Labor Negot/Human Res/Sec 125 (net)	123,592
142	IT Department (net)	268,156
143	Vending Machine (net)	0
144	Insurance Deductible Funding (net)	0
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT (net of revenue)	2,607,069
PUBLIC SAFETY:		
210	Sheriff Patrol/Administration (net)	1,995,836
211	Jail Operations (net)	1,545,571
212	Water Patrol Program (net)	0
213	Snowmobile Patrol Program (net)	1,841
214	Sheriff K-9 (net)	0
215	Tactical Team (net)	32,865
216	Conservation Officer (net)	0
217	Click or Ticket/Booze and Belts (net)	0
219	Dan Glaze Memorial	0
220	E.D.G.E (net)	0
221	B.R.D.E.U. (net)	0
222	Speed Enforcement (net)	0
223	WI DOT/TRACS/OWI (net)	0
225	Victim Service Specialist (net)	5,891
228	BRDEU Meth Grant (net)	0
229	Wireless 911 (net)	14,722

233	ATV Grant (net)	2,720
236	Shop with a Cop (net)	0
237	Project Lifesaver (net)	0
239	Unfunded Equipment Grant (net)	0
240	Jail - Building Maintenance (net)	18,770
241	Jail Assessment Fund (net)	0
250	Ambulance Operations (net)	96,011
252	Ambulance Equipment Grant (net)	0
253	Local Emergency Planning Grant (net)	0
254	LEPC Equipment Grant (net)	500
255	Emergency Government (net)	42,686
280	Dog Tax Trust Fund (net)	0
281	Animal Control (net)	46,792
282	Animal Shelter Building Fund (net)	0
284	Animal Control-Spay/Neuter Fund (net)	0
285	Animal Control-Gift Fund (net)	0
286	Animal Control-Endowment Fund (net)	0
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY (net of revenue)	3,804,205
	PUBLIC WORKS:	
310	Highway Administration (net)	131,341
311	Trunk Highway Maintenance (net)	994,821
312	Trunk Hwy Construction (net)	0
313	Bridge Construction & Aid (net)	65,506
314a	Bituminous Operations (net)	0
314b	Gravel Pits (net)	0
314c	Equipment Fund (net)	0
315	State Maintenance (net)	0
316	Local Districts (net)	0
317	Local Departments (net)	0
318	Public Charges (net)	0
350	Airport Operations (net)	49,848
351	Airport Expansion (net)	7,500
352A	Rusk Co. Transit Commission Service (net)	18,500
352D	RCTC New Freedom Grant (net)	0
353	RCTC Drivers Escort Service (net)	13,916
354	Recycling Grant (net)	818
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS (net of revenue)	1,282,250
	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:	
410	Senior Services-Senior Citizen Center (net)	12,505
412	Senior Services-Source Newsletter (net)	0
413	Senior Services-Service Management (net)	111,552
415	Senior Services-Congregate Meals (net)	11,463
417	Senior Services-Home Delivered Meals (net)	36,847
418	Senior Services-Vehicle/Equip. Trust (net)	0
422	Senior Services-Elder Abuse Grant (net)	0
423	Senior Services-Family Caregiver Grant (net)	0
424	Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (net)	0
125	HHS Jail Meals	0
440	Public Health (net)	205,685
441	Public Health-Home Health Care (net)	21,661
445	Public Health-WIC Grant (net)	0
446	Public Health-Reproductive Health Grant (net)	0
450	Public Health-Prenatal Care Grant (net)	0
451	Public Health-Core Services-Prev. Grant (net)	0
452	Public Health-Immunization Action Grant (net)	0
453	Public Health-Birth to Three (net)	0
458	Public Health-MCH (net)	0
459	Public Health-Preparedness (net)	0
461	Human Services-Child Care (net)	0
462	Human Services-Economic Support (net)	64,053
463	Human Services-Services (net)	99,848
464	Human Services-Wis. Works (W2) (net)	0
466	Human Services-Community Intervention (net)	0

467	Human Services-LIHEAP-Low Inc Energy (net)	0
468	Human Services-Temporary Assistance (net)	0
469	Human Services-Intoxicated Drivers Surchg. (net)	0
470	Human Services-Foster Care & Domestic Abuse (net)	0
471	Human Services-Youth Aids (net)	0
472	Human Services-MA Pers Care/EDS Case Mgmt (net)	0
474	Human Services-Children & Families (net)	202,923
475	Human Services-Adult & Disability Resourc Ctr (net)	60,011
480	Veterans Service Office (net)	88,200
482	Veteran's Service Commission (net)	500
490	Child Support Agency (net)	46,046
492	CST	0
495	Rusk County Memorial Hospital (net)	0
	TOTAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (net of rev	961,294
	CULTURE, RECREATION & EDUCATION (net of rev.)	
510	Library Services (net)	300,930
511	Fairgrounds Upkeep (net)	49,625
512	Youth/Senior Community Center operations (net)	18,605
513	Junior Fair (net)	0
514	Trails End Youth Camp (net)	2,575
515	UW Extension Office (net)	51,309
516	UW Extension Meeting Fund (net)	0
517	WNEP (net)	0
518	RRYP	4,207
	TOTAL CULTURE, RECREATION & EDUCATION (427,251
	CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT	
610	County Forest Operations (net)	72,821
611	State Aid Forestry Loan (net)	0
612	County Forest Road Aid Grant (net)	0
613	Land Acquisition Fund (net)	0
614	County Conservation Aids (net)	0
615	Snowmobile Trails Maintenance (net)	1,616
616	Development of Habitat (net)	0
617	ATV Trail Grant (net)	0
618	Forestry Gravel Crushing (net)	0
620	County Parks & Recreation (net)	210,072
621	County Owned Dam Repairs (net)	0
623	Park Development (net)	0
624	Boat Landing Repairs (net)	0
641	LCDD-Wildlife Damage Program (net)	0
643	LCDD-Tree Program (net)	0
650	LCDD-LWRM Cost Share Program	0
651	LCDD-Land Conservation Division (net)	112,562
659	Powerline (net)	(48,590)
660	Trail & Park Development Fund	0
662	Economic Development - County (net)	0
663	County Industrial Development Agency (net)	0
665	Bruce/Co USDA Revolving Loan Fund (net)	0
666	Visitor Center (net)	32,500
669	Joint Management Project - Enterprise Center (net)	0
672	Joint Management Project - Fritz (net)	0
673	Gates Avenue Building (net)	0
674	Weyerhaeuser Building (net)	0
676	Miner Avenue Building (net)	0
678	Fine Arts Center Building (net)	0
679	Rail Industrial Park (net)	0
680	Forest Indust Park Building I Doughty Rd (net)	0
681	Forest Indust Park Building II Jez Rd (net)	0
682	ADF Building (net)	0
683	County M Relocation (net)	0
685	Mining Reuse Fund (net)	0
690	LCDD-Zoning Division (net)	109,992
696	Housing Grant - Revolving Loan #1-#2-#3 (net)	0

697	CDBG-Home Grant (net)	0
	TOTAL CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT (net)	490,973
	CAPITAL OUTLAY:	
713	Office Equipment - Courthouse Fund	0
714	Squad Leases	0
715	Capital Projects	0
716	Capital Projects Fund	0
	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY (net of revenue)	0
	DEBT SERVICE:	
125	Debt Service Fund (net)	1,558,130
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	1,558,130
	CONTINGENCY: (to be transferred to depts)	
719	Emergencies/Wage Adjustments/Shortages	150,000
	TOTAL CONTINGENCY	150,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES AFTER REIMBURSEMENTS (n	11,281,172
	OTHER GENERAL COUNTY REVENUES:	
120	Other Tax Collections (net)	(1,393,683)
124	Sales Tax Fund Applied	(950,000)
--	General Fund Applied-From Prior Years	(1,365,760)
120	Exempt Computer Aid	(8,576)
	TOTAL OTHER GENERAL COUNTY REVENUES	(3,718,019)
	LEVY TO BE COLLECTED IN 2018	7,563,153

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018 BUDGET

Public Hearing on the budget opened at 10:15 a.m.

Public Hearing closed at 10:15 a.m.

RESOLUTION #17-29 ADOPT 2018 BUDGET AND 2017 PROPERTY TAX LEVY TO BE COLLECTED IN 2018

WHEREAS, department administrators and overseeing committees, elected officials, and the Finance Committee have met and determined the 2018 budget and 2017 tax levy to be collected in 2018; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held for interested citizens and taxpayers to voice their opinions on the proposed budget and levy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been published in the Ladysmith News and copies have been made available to the public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors adopts the 2018 proposed budget and establishes the 2017 levy on the taxpayers of Rusk County of \$7,563,153 to be collected in 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rusk County Board of Supervisors has established this levy within the guidelines and mandates issued by the State of Wisconsin, Department Revenue for 1993 and years thereafter.

Submitted by Rusk County Finance Committee. S/Boss, Tatur, Fisher, Hauser, Hraban.

Motion by Hauser, second by Lieftring to adopt resolution. Discussion regarding powerline. Rosemary Schmidt, Finance Director, clarified the powerline budget line. Platteter call for roll call vote. Roll call: Voting yes-16. Voting no-0. Voting yes: Schneider, Gierke, Schmitt, Fisher, Mai, Willingham, Hraban, Platteter, Biller, Rathsack, Hauser, Knops, Stout, Tatur, Lieftring, Pedersen. Resolution adopted by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Lieftring to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Next meeting: December 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.