

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Thursday, October 21, 2004, 6:00 p.m., Board Room, Second Floor, Government Center
1316 North 14th Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chairman Douglas Finn.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call taken by County Clerk Susan T. Sandvick. There were 22 present, 6 absent. Absent and excused were John O'Brien, Michael Glenn, Bill Eckman, Joseph Tribbey, Patricia Ryan, Wes Johnson. Youth representatives present were Kimber Johnson and Ashley Waterman.

Motion by Shepard, second James O'Brien, to approve minutes of the September 16, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY

Notice of Injury from Robert M. Kaner, Attorney for Jacqueline Solofra, alleging sexual harassment and/or sexual offenses committed by jailer during incarceration. This has been referred to the insurance company.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, estimate of 2005 shared revenue and expenditure restraint payments. Referred to Administration Committee.
2. Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, re-estimate of 2004 shared revenue and expenditure restraint payments. Referred to Administration Committee.
3. Don Odermann, Lakehead Constructors, Inc., letter to Doug Finn encouraging support for Arrowhead-Weston power line project. Referred to A-W Power Line Committee.
4. Senator Bob Jauch, letter regarding housing state prisoners in Douglas County jail. Referred to Law Enforcement Committee.
5. Sheriff Tom Dalbec, regarding his concerns with housing state inmates. Referred to Law Enforcement Committee and Administration Committee.
6. Senator Bob Jauch, response to his receipt of Douglas County resolution on transportation funds. Referred to Highway Committee.
7. Wisconsin DNR, notice of intent to reissue pollutant discharge elimination system permit to Midwest Energy Resources, Superior. Received and placed on file.

8. Langlade and Chippewa Counties, resolution regarding funding for placements of developmentally disabled. Referred to Health and Human Services Board.
9. Wisconsin Public Service Commission, notice of October 13, 2004, prehearing on Superior Water, Light and Power Company's application to increase electric, natural gas and water service rates. Received and placed on file.
10. Jim Trojanowski, Northern Waters Library Service, 2005 Douglas County Service Agreement, and 2005 NWLS budget and plan of service. Referred to County Board Chair.
11. Wisconsin DNR, notice of severance share on wood products cut from Douglas County Forest Lands. Referred to Forest, Parks and Recreation Committee.
12. Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation, 2005 General Transportation Aids estimate. Referred to Highway Committee.
13. Wisconsin Dept. of Health and Family Services, notice of federal and state aids deposits. Referred to Health and Human Services Board.
14. Scott Peterson, Friends of the Bird Sanctuary, letter opposing Arrowhead-Weston power line project. Referred to A-W Power Line Committee.
15. Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation, notice of vacancies on five technical advisory committees to County Mutual Board of Directors. Received and placed on file.
16. WCA, notice of November 10, 2004, workshop on non-metallic mining. Referred to Zoning Committee.
17. Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, information on estimated 2005 state exempt computer aid. Referred to Administration Committee.
18. Brian Lundberg, Douglas County Health and Human Services Department, thank you to Chairman Finn for proclamation recognizing Foster Parents. Received and placed on file.
19. Geof Wendorf, UW-Superior Leadership Program, thank you for Douglas County contribution as a Day Sponsor. Received and placed on file.
20. Wisconsin DNR, notice of proposed state purchase of land for Brule River State Forest, in Town of Bennett, including map. Referred to Land and Development Committee.
21. Wisconsin DNR, notice of proposed state purchase of land for Brule River State Forest, in Town of Cloverland. Referred to Land and Development Committee.

22. Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, availability of loans to local government and school districts for capital projects. Referred to Administration Committee.
23. Waushara County, resolution opposing use of Wildlife Damage Fund for purposes not related to wildlife damage claims and abatement. Referred to Environment, Agriculture and Extension Committee.
24. Oneida County, resolution regarding use of AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) grants and eligibility to apply for such funding. Referred to Environment, Agriculture and Extension Committee and Health and Human Services Board.
25. Mark Williamson, American Transmission Company, letter to Administrator Koszarek regarding Arrowhead - Weston power line location in relation to Solon Springs Municipal Airport, and pipeline that runs through Douglas County, and response to SOUL, Inc. presentation. Referred to Arrowhead - Weston Power Line Committee.
26. Gary Hoffman, letter of resignation as member of the Douglas County Revolving Loan Fund Board, effective December 31, 2004. Referred to County Board Chair.
27. WCA, notice of "Parliamentary Procedure and Open Meetings" seminar on November 15, 2004, in Wausau. Received and placed on file.

Correspondence not on agenda:

28. Wisconsin Dept. of Workforce Development, acceptance of 2003 single audit report resolution for Douglas County DWD/DWS programs. Referred to Health and Human Services Board and Administration Committee.
29. Several letters from citizens urging County Board to continue to oppose A-W power line project. Referred to A-W Power Line Committee.
30. Town of Summit, request to acquire county-owned land for cemetery expansion. Referred to Forest, Parks and Recreation Committee.

PRESENTATIONS

Sheriff Tom Dalbec presented information to support the addition of a second Recreation Officer for Douglas County, including history of the current position and requirements of the job. Request for the additional Recreation Officer came initially from Douglas County residents to the Law Enforcement Committee, and ultimately to the Administration Committee. Dalbec has met with Finance Director Doucette regarding funding for the position, and it is estimated the position would be reimbursed by the state at about 75%. The current Recreation Officer position was approved in 2000, with the condition that it would continue as long as the county received at least 50% reimbursement for the position from the

state. In 2004, the state reimbursement for the current position is \$70,000, and the estimate of wages plus benefits from the Finance Department is \$72,873. The difference of \$2,873 is the county's responsibility. This represents about a 98% reimbursement. Discussion followed on the projected costs related to creation of a second position, including purchase of a second vehicle out of the 2005 patrol vehicle budget. Reimbursement is also received for time spent by other officers who assist in Recreation Officer related work. Several County Board members indicated support from many of their constituents for the additional officer. The County Board can address the position in the budget meeting next week. It would cost the county about \$25,000 to \$30,000 to hire the additional officer. McKenzie asked that Dalbec, Koszarek and Doucette have the dollar figures for this position provided to supervisors at the budget meeting on October 26, 2004, and it was noted this could be done.

ORDINANCES

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #8.0
ZONING ORDINANCE
PRESENTED BY THE ZONING COMMITTEE**

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Zoning Committee held a public hearing on October 14, 2004, on the following petition for amendment of the county zoning district ordinance map:

Part of the NW1/4 of the NW1/4, portion lying east of pipeline easement & Part of the NE/14 of the NW1/4, Section 35, T45N-R12W, (SO-026-01237-00 & SO-026-01235-02, Hwy 53 & Baldwin Ave), Town of Solon Springs, from the R-1 & R-2: Residential zoning districts to the C-1: Commercial zoning district, by Phillip & Carol Wester, PO Box 68, Solon Springs, Wisconsin. Proposed use: Commercial.

WHEREAS, proof of publication of the notices of the public hearing, proof of giving notice to the town clerk of the hearing, and correspondence from the town is as shown on Exhibit A-10-21-04.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Zoning Committee and approve the petition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk notify the town clerk of the action.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)
(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by C. Johnson, second James O'Brien, to adopt. Motion carried.

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**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #7.2
LAND RECREATION ORDINANCE
PRESENTED BY THE FOREST, PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMITTEE**

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Amend Ordinance #7.2, Section VIII. H., as follows:

SECTION VIII.

No person or persons shall within a Class 5 recreation area:

H. ~~Construct, occupy, or use any elevated stand, ground blind, or other elevated device except that portable tree stands and blinds may be used provided they are removed from the property each day at the close of hunting hours and do no permanent damage to trees in which they are placed. No person may cause damage to trees by the placement or erection of portable tree stands or by any other manner while climbing or hunting from a tree. No person may use any climbing aid device which penetrates the bark of the tree, such as screw in tree steps, Any structure found to be in violation of this section, shall be confiscated and disposed of at the user's expense by Douglas County Forestry Department personnel or the Douglas County Sheriff's Department, or their designees. This subsection does not apply to the use of blinds constructed entirely of dead vegetation found on the property or blinds used exclusively for waterfowl hunting as provided in s. 29.327 (2).~~

Place, occupy or use a tree stand which uses a material which penetrates the bark of the tree (includes both the tree stand and "climbing aids"). Screw in tree steps, landscape spikes, nails, railroad spikes, and bolts are all prohibited. Place, occupy or use a tree stand which does not have the owner's name, address, and telephone number displayed in a minimum of 1 inch lettering which must be visible from the ground. Place, occupy, or use a tree stand which utilizes artificial shooting lanes created by cutting, brushing, trimming, or otherwise damaging or altering trees, brush or terrain. Place, occupy or use more than two tree stands per valid, current Wisconsin deer/bear license holder. Place, occupy or use a tree stand which is larger than 52 inches by 36 inches measured at the base. Place, occupy or use a tree stand in the period of ~~January~~ February 1 to August 31 of each calendar year. Place, occupy or use any

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tree stand that is not a hang-on style, self climbing style or a ladder stand style. Any tree stand which is found in violation of this ordinance shall be confiscated and disposed of at the user's expense by Douglas County Forestry Department personnel or the Douglas County Sheriff's Department, or their designees.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Allen, second Liebaert, to adopt. Motion by Allen, second Browne, to amend ordinance, second line from bottom, and change January 1 to February 1. Bow season ends January 31 in that managed area. Motion carried. Motion to adopt ordinance amendment, as amended, carried.

PLATS

Approval of Final Plat of Crystal Lake, located in the Town of Wascott. Motion by C. Johnson, second Thompson, to approve. County's conservationist has reviewed this, and there was a covenant put on this plat regarding number of docks. Conley questioned what kind of sanitary system or systems were discussed during the plat's approval process. Keith Wiley, Zoning Department, responded the lot sizes are over 2 acres, and for this class lake, minimum lot size is 8000 sq. ft. In this part of the county, typically there would be one system to serve the development. Developer was present and did not know of any easements on the property, but he will check on this. Setback is 125 feet from the lake. Baker noted the Zoning Committee has gone over this plat at least three times, and given it considerable time and attention. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #75-04
RESOLUTION BY THE LAND AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE

Subject: Land Sales

WHEREAS, Douglas County has advertised for sale various parcels of land on September 7, 13, and 20, 2004 in accordance with Section 75.69, Wisconsin Statutes, and the highest bids received are as follows:

\$ 755.00 PARCEL 16-04 - South ½ of Lot 17, Block 11, Weyerhauser & Rutledge Addition, Village of Lake Nebagamon, from Smarty Jones, Inc. Intended use: Additional parking;

\$ 2,500.00 PARCEL 54-04 - That part of Lot 7 Timber Ridge Estates, according to the recorded plat thereof on file in the Douglas County Register of Deeds Office lying Southeasterly of the following described line: commencing at the NE corner of said Lot 7, thence South 89 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds West, along the North line of said Lot 7, a distance of 17.22 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described: thence South 42 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West, a distance of 274.26 feet to the South line of said Lot 7 and said line there terminating. Subject to a roadway easement over the Northwesterly 16.50 feet thereof, Village of Lake Nebagamon, from Lester Barton, et. al. Intended use: Owns adjacent property;

\$ 610.00 PARCEL 58-04 - Lot 138, Nakoma Gardens, Town of Parkland, from Frank and Mary Danenfelzer. Intended use: Owns adjacent property;

\$ 1.00 PARCEL 68-04 - W1/2 of Lots 1 & 2, Block 123, West Superior, 1st Division, City of Superior, known as 1708 N. 11th Street, from Northwest Wisconsin Community Services Agency. Intended use: Vehicle storage; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County has advertised for sale a previously advertised parcel of land on September 7, 2004 in accordance with Section 75.69, Wisconsin Statutes, and the highest bid received is as follows:

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\$ 4,000.00 PARCEL 78-03 - Lots 501, 503, 505, 507 & 509, Block 33, Consolidated Land Company's Rearrangement of Trans-Nemadji Blocks, City of Superior, known as 501-09 40th Avenue East, from Jason Larson. Intended use: Building site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Douglas County Board of Supervisors, in regular meeting assembled, the County Clerk be, and she hereby is authorized to execute quit claim deeds to the above named persons on the above named properties.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: Increase Profit and Loss on "Land Sales Account" by \$7,866.00)

ACTION: Motion by Allen, second Egan, to adopt. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #76-04
RESOLUTION BY THE LAND AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE

Subject: Tax Deeds Taken by County

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2004, Douglas County took tax deeds for 2000 unpaid taxes, and

WHEREAS, Section 75.14 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires County Board approval for issuance of tax deeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors hereby accept the recommendation of the Land and Development Committee and approve the previous issuance of tax deeds on October 19, 2004, for properties listed on Exhibit C-10-21-04, for those properties with 2000 taxes remaining unpaid as of that date.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Allen, second Stewart, to adopt. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION #77-04
RESOLUTION BY THE LAND AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE

Subject: Fairgrounds Gate Admission Surcharge

RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accepts the recommendation of the Land and Development Committee to institute a \$1.00 gate admission surcharge to any ticketed event at the fairgrounds, including race events, and that the revenue collected be paid directly to Douglas County, and set aside in a line item specifically designated for fairgrounds improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the surcharge become effective as of January 1, 2005.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: Revenue increase in Land Committee/Development budget)

ACTION: Motion by Martin, second Hendrickson, to adopt. Prettie stated her concerns as to how the revenue will be used, and the impact on people who go to events week after week. Responding to Prettie's reservations, Allen, Chair of the Land and Development Committee, remarked that the surcharge has been talked about for years, and the revenue will be in a set aside account specifically for repairs to any of the fairgrounds facilities. The surcharge is not just for raceway or fair, but any ticketed affairs. Regarding any additional administrative costs, the committee has not discussed this at length, but it is unlikely it will take any significant administration time. Several supervisors agreed that the surcharge is a "user fee", which would help support upkeep of the fairgrounds, rather than spreading those expenses across the board to all residents.

Dennis Pattee, 10th Supervisory District resident, asked why all events, such as weddings, reunions, etc., that rent the curling club, are not included.

Allen responded the Land Committee does not make that decision, the HOL Fair Board is in charge of rentals and rental policy. Larry Erickson, Superior Speedway promoter, stated he understands the dollar surcharge, but suggested that Douglas County follow the process St. Louis County used, and first make the badly needed improvements to the racetrack first, then start the \$1 surcharge. Erickson suggested a financial study to determine the racetrack's spinoff revenue to businesses in the county. Duane Anderson, charter member of the racetrack, spoke about the impact

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and growth of racing in Superior over the years, and encouraged the County Board to not assess the surcharge. Brief discussion followed on ticket prices with comparable speedways. Egan stated this is nothing more than a user fee, and it is the fairest way to go. Otherwise, the county has to keep looking for dollars for repairs. Bird Sanctuary has had a user fee for years for various events. Several board members emphasized they understand the importance of the races to the community, but a user fee is not unusual. There are major projects at the fairgrounds that the county will need to do next year. Extensive discussion followed. Linda Erickson stated her opposition to the surcharge. Baker suggested that he believes the surcharge revenue from specific events should go to improve the facilities that support those events. He recommended the Land and Development Committee consider this. Discussion followed. Budnick stated his concerns about surcharges, but added that looking at improvements needed over the next several years, the surcharge will be one way to assist with funding. Allen indicated that the Land and Development Committee has not prioritized improvements during their discussions to date, but this will be done. Budnick added that administration costs will need to be addressed. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION #78-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
AND SUPERVISORS ON THE LAND RECORDS
COMMITTEE

Subject: Land Records Systems Agreement with City of Superior

RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accepts the recommendation of the Administration Committee and Supervisors on the Land Records Committee, and approve an agreement between the City of Superior and Douglas County, for sharing of land records and geographical systems resources, as set forth in Exhibit D-10-21-04.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Allen, second Robinson, to adopt. Motion carried.

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Roll: Ayes <u> 22 </u> Noes <u> 0 </u> Absent <u> 6 </u> Abstain <u> </u> Passed <u> X </u> Lost <u> </u> Refer <u> </u> Amend <u> </u> Other <u> </u>		

RESOLUTION #79-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Subject: Budgetary Transfer

RESOLVED, that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Administration Committee and approve the following budgetary transfer:

Register of Deeds – \$5,800.00 (J.E. #115239 – Purchase copier from excess 2004 revenues. No fiscal impact.)

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Quam, second Stewart, to adopt. Roll call vote taken and passed with 22 yes, 0 no, 6 absent. Absent were Tribbey, Eckman, W. Johnson, Glenn, Ryan, and John O'Brien.

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RESOLUTION #80-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Subject: Reclassifications for Clerk of Courts Employees

RESOLVED, that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Administration Committee and approve the following employee reclassifications:

- (1) Department: Clerk of Courts
 Position: Office Specialist I
 Request: Reclassify Office Specialist I, Grade 1, Step 4 to Account Specialist II, Grade 4, Step 1

- (2) Department: Clerk of Courts
 Position: Account Specialist II
 Request: Reclassify Account Specialist II, Grade 4, Step 2 to Account Specialist III, Grade 5, Step 1

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the reclassification become effective retroactive to March 2, 2004.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)
 (Fiscal Note: \$3,052.00)

ACTION: Motion by Shepard, second Hendrickson, to adopt. Mary Lou Andresen explained the reclassifications are retroactive to March because the individuals have been performing the expanded duties since that time. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION #81-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Subject: Side Letter Agreement between Douglas County and Local #244-B AFSCME

RESOLVED, that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accepts the recommendation of the Administration Committee and approves the Side Letter Agreement between Douglas County and Local #244-B AFSCME, as set forth in Exhibit E-10-21-04.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Allen, second Browne, to adopt. Motion carried.

Roll Call		
District Number	Yes	No
1. Finn		
2. Browne		
3. O'Brien, John		
4. Glenn		
5. Baker		
6. Eckman		
7. Livingston		
8. Martin		
9. Prettie		
10. Robinson		
11. Conley		
12. Tribbey		
13. Quam		
14. O'Brien, James		
15. McKenzie		
16. Shepard		
17. Egan		
18. Allen		
19. Ryan		
20. Hendrickson		
21. Johnson, Kay		
22. Thompson		
23. Johnson, Wes		
24. Liebaert		
25. Budnick		
26. Johnson, Carol		
27. Stewart		
28. Jensen		
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RESOLUTION #82-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Subject: Audit Contract

RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Administration Committee and approve a contract with Clifton Gunderson, LLP, audit firm, for performing Douglas County's audits for years 2004, 2005 and 2006, at a cost of \$29,500.00 per year.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: \$88,500)

ACTION: Motion by McKenzie, second Livingston, to adopt. Ann Doucette, Finance Director, explained there were three bids, which she felt were all competitive. Using the State of Wisconsin rating checklist, three Finance Department staff completed the check list separately, and Clifton Gunderson received the highest cumulative points. Motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION #83-04
RESOLUTION BY THE ZONING COMMITTEE**

Subject: Zoning District Map Amendment Denied

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Zoning Committee held a public hearing on October 14, 2004, on the following petition for amendment of the county zoning district ordinance map:

Part of the NE1/4 of the SW1/4, Part of the NW1/4 of the SW1/4, SW1/4 of the SW1/4 and the SE1/4 of the SW1/4, Section 12, T44N-R12W, (SO-026-00183-00, 00184-00, 00185-00, 00186-00, Hwy 53 & Cut Away Road), Town of Solon Springs, from the R-2: Residential zoning district to the R-1: Residential zoning district, by Jessie Edwards, Pollock Lake LLC, et.al., PO Box 30, Solon Springs, Wisconsin. Proposed use: Subdivision.

WHEREAS, proof of publication of the notice of the public hearing, proof of giving notice to the town clerk of the hearing, and correspondence from the Town of Solon Springs is as shown in Exhibit F-10-21-04, and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Committee recommends denial of the above-referenced petition because of information received from the Department of Natural Resources, the Douglas County Forestry Department, and the Solon Springs Airport Commission, stating adverse affects of housing development bordering the Bird Sanctuary and the Solon Springs Municipal Airport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Zoning Committee and deny the petition.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2004.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)

(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by C. Johnson, second Stewart, to adopt. C. Johnson stated she wished the plat was available tonight, because nearly 100 acres are in proximity to the Bird Sanctuary, and the Zoning Committee had concerns. Letters opposing the petition are part of tonight's exhibit, submitted by the DNR, other agencies, and individuals. The development was too dense, and there was no representative at the Zoning Committee

meeting with whom to discuss this. Keith Wiley, Zoning Department, explained the lot size requirements of both R-1 and R-2. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Koszarek reported the Sheriff signed a contract with State of Wisconsin to house 30 state prisoners who could be here from 6 months to a year. Revenue is not what was projected, but it is significant. Koszarek reminded supervisors of the budget meeting on Tuesday, October 26, at 9 a.m. PEGA tapings are on-going. Flu Clinic programs will be aired in next couple weeks. Copies of the taped programs are available through the public library. Health and Human Services Department had a dedicated phone line installed for those needing flu shots, and CDC's guidelines on eligible individuals are being followed. Clinics start on November 4. County shared their vaccine with nursing homes that did not receive any.

COUNTYBOARD CHAIR REPORT AND APPOINTMENTS: Metro-Interstate Commission- Brock Allen, Town of Superior. Motion by McKenzie, second Stewart, to approve appointment. Motion carried.

Superior Days issues meeting was Tuesday, and Chair Finn encouraged people to get involved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Conley reported Health and Human Services Board will meet next Thursday. He reminded the public that there are eligibility requirements for the flu shot, and persons need to pre-register by calling 395-7358. There is \$17 fee for flu shot, and \$25 for pneumonia shot. Medicare card needed for the reduced fee.

Baker reported that MIC meets Wednesday at 6 p.m., to approve Wisconsin TIP program. He encouraged all MIC members to attend.

McKenzie reported the Senate Select Committee on Government Relations is holding meetings, and one topic is TABOR Committee work. Senator Jauch serves on the committee, and she suggested the county communicate with Jauch's office to arrange a meeting in our area.

Quam reported City-County Committee met last week and discussed reducing the size of City Council and County Board in 2010. Koszarek and Andresen are researching the statutes on this. It will be on-going agenda item for the committee.

Liebaert reported Forest, Parks and Recreation Committee timber sales going well. A new reservation policy for the Bird Sanctuary is being written. Certification process for the county's forest management with DNR is underway.

Robinson reported Veterans Commission met last night. Twin Ports Veterans Clinic is moving forward and recruiting physicians. Veterans Fair went very well. Flu shots for veterans will be available November 3.

Martin reported WCA Convention breakout sessions provided valuable information.

Quam reported Aging Resource Center Board met this week. CareGivers Conference is scheduled at Barker's Island. Younker's promotion is offering \$5 off coupon for seniors.

C. Johnson reported the Land Use Plan for Douglas County and floodplain maps need to be completed. If some towns had land use plans in place, it would lessen the problems with some plats coming in. Floodplains are a complicated issue involving FEMA, and funding for mapping purposes is limited, with most money going to southern Wisconsin. It will probably be years before Douglas County can move forward. It was suggested Douglas County's Land Conservationist, Christine Ostern, be contacted to follow this issue.

K. Johnson reported on the District Highway Directors meeting yesterday.

Finn reported that Arrowhead to Weston Power Line Committee met October 12, 2004, in closed session, and there were no recommendations or future meeting dates set. Budnick emphasized his feeling that it is time to move forward with this, one way or the other. Baker asked that before the County Board makes any decision, he would like an opportunity to talk with his constituents, armed with the information, options, and dollar offers that ATC has on the table. Koszarek referred to the recent letter that all board members received from ATC, which states the initial proposal. Chair Finn reminded supervisors that this item is not on the agenda for discussion or action tonight, and his statements were merely a report on the committee. Brief discussion followed on the four meetings held thus far on the power line issue. C. Johnson stated she attended a couple of those meetings, is overwhelmed with information, and not ready to entertain even a motion to discuss something on the power line. Finn stated another meeting can be scheduled, but it seems no need to meet if nothing is ready to move forward. James O'Brien asked that information on potential health problems by the high voltage line be researched.

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Motion by O'Brien, second Liebaert, to approve. Motion carried.

SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE WISCONSIN STATUTES:

Hendrickson invited interested board members to join the Land Conservation Committee on Tuesday, November 2, 9 a.m., to tour mitigation sites, stream bank improvements, feed lots, and fish habitat projects with which the county has been involved. Contact Christine Ostern to sign up.

Brief discussion took place on any liability the county may assume for the bar just taken by tax deed. Corporation Counsel Felker stated there is no liability issue on this property, because the county does not assume liability on properties it acquires, either on basis of nuisance or anything else. There is a repurchase period for former owners.

Conley reported that it was noted at the WCA Convention that Wisconsin is 36th as far as average hourly wages, which is far below Wisconsin's standing in the past. He emphasized that any time the state has the opportunity to increase/improve educational opportunities, it should be supported.

McKenzie explained Trempeleau County's plan to put identified contaminated land on their GIS land records in the Register of Deeds Office. The information is then available to the public.

Koszarek recognized Brian Lundberg, Health and Human Services Department, for volunteering to assist with the county's PEGA programming.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Shepard, second Quam, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m. Next regularly scheduled meeting - Thursday, November 18, 2004. 2005 budget public hearing and meeting, Tuesday, October 26, 2004, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by,

Susan T. Sandvick
Douglas County Clerk