

LAND AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, 3:00 P.M., GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARDROOM 201
1316 NORTH 14TH STREET, SUPERIOR, WISCONSIN

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Luostari.

1. ROLL CALL

Present – Scott Luostari, Wendy Bong, Alan Jaques, Charlie Glazman. Absent – Joseph Moen. Others present – Greg Kessler, Ann Doucette, Mark Liebaert, Carolyn Pierce, Jim Caesar, Dan Litchke, Kyle Walkowiak, Shelley Nelson, Kaci Lundgren, Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Jaques, second Glazman, to approve minutes from August 29, 2023, meeting. Motion carried.

3. ACTION ITEMS/REFERRALS

a. Land Bid Openings:

BID 20-23: Lots 13-20, Block 8, Fish Division South Superior, City of Superior. Zoned: M1 Manufacturing District 1/R1B 1 Family Residential B. (08-808-03982-00) \$7,452 from Anthony Sclavi. (Personal check received for filing fee of \$55 so bid reduced by that amount.)

ACTION (RESOLUTION): Motion by Jaques, second, Glazman, to approve bid and refer to County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Previously Advertised:

BID 27-19: That part of Government Lot 4, Section 25-44-11, Town of Gordon, complete legal description available in County Clerk's Office. Zoned: R2 – Residential. (GO-012-01109-00) \$1,100 from Chris Crawford and \$600 from Dennis Campbell.

BID 8-23: Lots 17, 18 and 19, Block 22, Butler Park, City of Superior (2701 N 58th Street). Zoned: SUB Suburban. (08-808-02166-00) \$20,000 from Kyle and Amy Walkowiak and \$5,000 from Robert McMeekin.

ACTION (RESOLUTION): Motion by Jaques, second Bong, to approve high bids and refer to County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Request to fund asbestos testing in the amount of \$770 for the Oswskey Property in the Town of Summit (Parcels SU-028-00923-00 and SU-028-00914-00):

Funding needed for testing prior to grant applications to apply for available grant monies to include potential asbestos removal.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Jaques, second Glazman, to approve \$770 to fund asbestos testing and refer to Administration Committee. Motion carried.

c. Approval to apply for Wisconsin Assessment Monies Grant with DNR for Oskskey property:

100% funded by grant; no county funding to be utilized.

ACTION: Motion by Glazman, second Bong, to approve application for Wisconsin Assessment Monies grant. Motion carried.

d. Approval to apply for Site Assessment/Brownfield Grant with Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation for Oskskey property:

80% funded by grant, other 20% may be funded by WAM grant; no county funding to be utilized.

ACTION: Motion by Glazman, second Jaques, to approve application for Site Assessment/Brownfield grant. Motion carried.

e. Former Shooter's Saloon (Parcel 04-804-00503-00) Status and Future:

Photos in meeting packet reviewed. Property acquired in 2021. No current acquisition interest by city.

ACTION: Motion by Bong, second Jaques, to refer to next month's meeting to gather additional information relating to available grants, health hazards of property and history of location. Motion carried.

f. Request to terminate lease with the Douglas County Fish and Game League dated January 1, 2015:

Termination of lease is the initial step to transfer county land into long-term management by Forestry Department for purposes of wildlife habitat enhancement and protection.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Glazman, to terminate Douglas County Fish and Game League Lease immediately. Motion carried.

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/REPORTS

a. County-owned land acquisition interest by Allete (near Nemadji river):

Rendfield requested group of parcels (45.06 acres) to be set up for sale; minimum bid to be set at October Land & Development meeting.

b. North and South Country Acres Trailer Park Update:

Core Landscaping conducting asbestos assessments this week; RFP to be prepared for cleanup and demolition.

c. Racetrack group financial reporting:

Per agreement, quarterly financial reports to be submitted along with an annual report in March, neither of which is occurring. County has been unable to reach management group.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Glazman, to have Corporation Counsel investigate whether this is a breach of contract, contact Head of the Lakes Management Group regarding violation. Motion carried.

d. Parcel Information Sheets (County Clerk's Office Project):

Large project and will take extra planning; many parcels are unattractive and/or need combining. Intention is to move forward with creating additional parcel information sheets for public to have access to information when interest shown in specific properties.

e. New/Updated Forms:

1. Bid Blank:

Reviewed; to begin use in January 2024.

2. Notice of Sale:

Reviewed; to begin use in January 2024.

f. Economic Development:

Caesar provided development updates.

g. Fairgrounds update:

Litchke reported on third quarter activities held: fair, dog shows, rodeo, swap meets, fundraisers, craft shows, senior meals, and private rentals. Electronics recycling event scheduled on October 8, 2023, free to all Douglas County residents.

h. Land Improvement Account Fund Balance:

Reviewed.

5. APPRAISALS

BID 21-23: Requested by Melissa Cich. \$1,000.

BID 22-23: Requested by Mona Cich and Greg Keup. \$900.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Glazman, to approve appraisals. Motion carried.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Contact County Clerk with items.

7. ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion by Glazman, second Bong, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Submitted by,

Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk