

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

June 21, 2016

County Board Room 101, 126 Cherry St, Phillips, WI 54555

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Bruce Jilka. Invocation: Pastor Carol Gabrielsen. Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance. Roll Call: Present (12): James Adolph, Sheryl Slaby, Dean Kurth, James Hintz, Ronald Heikkinen, Dennis Wartgow, Travis Nez, Alan Haskins, Robert Kopisch, John Vlach, Bruce Jilka, Kay Pluemer. Excused: Larry Palecek. Also present: Nick Trimner.

Approve minutes of the May 17, 2016 meeting: Motion Adolph/Wartgow to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Communications and Announcements: None

Public Comments: None

Presentations:

1. Friends of Fred Smith – 2015 Annual Report: Gay Marschke, FOFS President.

Ordinances:

Ordinance 2016-05

Amend the code of Price County by adding a new Chapter 425, to be Titled "Sheriff Department", Article 1, Warrant Fee

Be it ordained by the Price County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1

The Code of Price County is hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter, to be Chapter 425, Sheriff's Department, Article I, Warrant Fees, to read as follows:

§425-1. Fees Established

Article I Warrant Fees

- A. A person picked up on a warrant by or on behalf of the Price County Sheriff's Department shall be charged a warrant fee as referenced in Chapter 290.
- B. A person picked up on a warrant shall also be charged a transportation fee for the round trip in picking up the person and delivering them to the Price County Jail. The transportation fee shall be the standard IRS mileage rate.

§425-2 Effective date

This ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

Submitted by the Law Enforcement Committee: s/James Hintz, Dean Kurth, Larry Palecek, Sheryl Slaby, John Vlach. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016.

s/Bruce Jilka, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0. Motion Vlach/Adolph to consider ordinance for adoption. Roll call vote on ordinance adoption: Yes (12): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Pluemer; No (0). Motion carried.

Ordinance 2016-06

Amend the Price County Code, Chapter 290 Thereof, Entitled "Fees and Penalties", to Change the Schedule of Forfeitures

Be it ordained by the Price County Board of Supervisors, as follows:

Section 1.

Article II. Section 2. of Chapter 290, Schedule of Forfeitures, of the Price County Code, is hereby amended to add the forfeiture for:

S. Chapter 425, Sheriff's Department.

1. Article I, Warrant Fees: \$50.

Section 2.

Effective date.

This ordinance shall become effective June 21, 2016.

Submitted by the Law Enforcement Committee: s/James Hintz, Dean Kurth, Larry Palecek, Sheryl Slaby, John Vlach. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016.

s/Bruce Jilka, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0. Motion Wartgow/Heikkinen to consider ordinance for consideration. Roll call vote on ordinance adoption: Yes (12): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Pluemer; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Resolution 20-16

Support of the Department of Health and Human Services Enhancing the Quality of the Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transport System

WHEREAS, prior to 2010, the Wisconsin Medicaid Non-Emergency Transportation (NEMT) program

was largely county-administered; and
WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislature enacted law in 2010, which required the county-administered system to be replaced by a transportation brokerage model; and
WHEREAS, the brokerage model is operated by a provider under contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, as well as subcontractors of the contracted provider; and
WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau conducted an audit of this program and issued a Legislative Audit Bureau report # 15-4 in May 2015, detailing its findings; and
WHEREAS, the Legislative Audit Bureau report # 15-4 documented performance metrics of the system and found that within a one-year period, 5.8% of the recipients experienced at least one instance of having a scheduled medical appointment fail because the provider never arrived; and
WHEREAS, the Legislative Audit Bureau report 15-4 estimates that the cost of the program increased from an estimated \$44.4 million in FY2009-2010 to \$56.1 million in FY2013-2014, an increase of over 26%. There was also a \$782,600 retroactive payment to Medical Transportation Management under a February 2015 contract amendment. The 2015-2016 line states \$70,723,400. The 2016-2017 line states \$71,774,600; and
WHEREAS, the contract between the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the broker is based upon a capitated rate system, in which the vendor is paid a set amount based on membership, rather than the number of rides or quality of service, which is a potential disincentive to provide the service.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors herein assembled urges the State of Wisconsin Legislature and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to utilize the information in the Legislative Audit Bureau report and feedback from consumers, to guide substantive changes to the program which addresses the inconsistency of trips, cost growth and contract payment structure. In addition to the consideration of the reinstatement of county operated Medicaid Transportation system should a county choose to do so. This solution would better serve consumers and maintain a strong stewardship of public funds; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to all Wisconsin County Clerks, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Health and Human Services Steering Committee of the Wisconsin Counties Association, Local State Legislators and all County Human/Social Services Boards.
Submitted by the Price County Health and Human Services Board: s/Peter Dahlie, Bruce Jilka, Paula Kock, Kay Pluemer, Gerald Swenson, John Vlach, John Walasek, Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016. s/Bruce Jilka, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0. Motion Kopisch/Nez to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (12): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Pluemer; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 21-16

Dissolving the Legal Services Department and Creating the Office of Corporation Counsel
WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute 59.42(1)(b) states "the...county administrator shall have the authority to appoint and supervise the corporation counsel if the board authorizes the establishment of the office of corporation counsel. Such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the board..."; and
WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute 59.42(1)(c) states "The corporation counsel may, when authorized by a majority of the board, appoint one or more assistant corporation counsels to aid the corporation counsel in the performance of the duties of corporation counsel."; and
WHEREAS, at their August 18 2015 Board meeting, the Price County Board of Supervisors created the Legal Services Department consisting of the Assistant Corporation Counsel position; and
WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Price County and the County Board of supervisors to conform to statutory language by establishing the Office of Corporation Counsel.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Price County Office of Corporation Counsel is hereby established; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Price County Legal Services Department be dissolved upon the establishment of the Price County Office of Corporation Counsel; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the services of the Office of Corporation Counsel shall be utilized only upon motion made and passed by a committee of the County Board; upon request of the Board Chair, Vice-chair or County Administrator; or upon the request of a department head made to the County Administrator.
Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee. s/Bruce Jilka, Chair; Robert Kopisch, Vice-chair; Ronald Heikkinen; James Hintz; Travis Nez. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner
Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016. s/Bruce Jilka, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0. Motion Adolph/Haskins to consider

resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (12): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Pluemer; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 22-16

Appointment of Price County Audit Firm

WHEREAS, there are numerous requirements for Price County to have an annual financial audit performed; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County Board to appoint the county's audit firm with the installation of each new board; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee, along with recommendation from the County Administrator, determined that the current firm we have contracted with is doing a satisfactory job.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP is hereby designated Price County's audit firm for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2016 and 2017, or such time as the Board wishes to make a change; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Price County agrees that the annual fees will not exceed \$62,000 and \$63,000 respectively.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee. s/Bruce Jilka, Chair; Robert Kopisch, Vice-chair;

Ronald Heikkinen; James Hintz; Travis Nez. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016. s/Bruce Jilka, County

Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0. Motion Nez/Heikkinen to consider

resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (12): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Pluemer; No (0). Motion carried.

Miscellaneous:

1. County Administrator Contract: Discussion. Motion Wartgow/Nez to approve the County Administrator Contract. Roll call vote: Yes (10): Adolph, Slaby, Kurth, Hintz, Heikkinen, Wartgow, Nez, Haskins, Kopisch, Jilka; No (2): Vlach, Pluemer. Motion carried.

Elections and Appointments:

1. County Administrator appointments for Board Approval – Nick Trimner
 - a. Northwest Wisconsin Community Services Agency (NWCSA) (Paula Kock)
 - b. Commission on Aging Advisory Council (John Vlach)
 - c. ADRC-N Governing Board (John Vlach)
 - d. Board of Adjustment – three-year term ending June 30, 2019 (postponed until next meeting)
 - e. Local Emergency Planning Committee (List provided)
 - f. County Corporation Counsel (Leanna Samardich)

Motion Wartgow/Vlach to approve the County Administrator appointments as presented. Motion carried.

Reports: on file.

1. Price County Fair Association – 2015 Annual Report: Peter Dahlie spoke about report.
2. Friends of Fred Smith – 2015 Annual Report
3. Price County Tourism – 2015 Annual Report

Convene to Committee of the Whole at 9:53 a.m.

1. 2015 Financial Summary Report as of 12/31/15: Nick Trimner reviewed. Final report awaiting adjusting journal entries from auditors. Anticipate to present audit at September County Board meeting.
2. 2016 Financial Summary Report as of 5/31/16: Nick Trimner reviewed. Executive Committee reviews at each meeting and discusses any overages.
3. 2017 Budget Cycle: Nick Trimner. Budget letter sent to departments with zero operational increase.
4. Committee Meetings:
 - a. Roles and Responsibilities of the Committee Chair: Brief discussion.
 - b. Governing Rules: Bruce Jilka handed out information from WCA and discussed making and understanding motions.
5. Committee Chair Reports
 - a. Administration – Wartgow: Resignations from Clerk of Courts Office and Highway Department. Recruiting Highway Department Operator II and Sheriff's Department eligibility list. Reviewed Health Insurance Broker proposals and decided to remain with Hedlund Agency. Received wage study update from Carlson Dettmann with anticipated presentation at August Board meeting.
 - b. Buildings & Grounds / Dams – Vlach: Postponing Courthouse elevator project due to receiving no bids. Dams – nothing new.

- c. Executive – Jilka: County Administrator contract finalized. Selection of audit firm and corporation counsel. Beginning 2017 budget process.
 - d. Forestry & Parks – Heikkinen: Four active sales. Current revenue \$730,125. Dealing with Camp 5 wildlife dam failure.
 - e. Health and Human Services – Nez: Park Falls BART Bus usage continues to grow. Energy Assistance has received additional funding. Wisconsin Home Veterans addressing housing issues. Counseling and Development Center will no longer contract for the mental health crisis services. Jay Janssen has contracted as the Animal Control Officer.
 - f. Highway & Transportation – Trimner on behalf of Palecek: Airport sealcoat project to be scheduled. July 4th Fly-in proceeding. Summer maintenance being done. Corporate air traffic is up. Highway mowing is starting. Crack filling on County Y. County B and J construction projects on schedule. Rut paving on Counties C, F, W, M and D.
 - g. Land Use & UW-Extension – Kopisch: UW-Extension office vacancies continue – State not moving on them. Sharing Family Educator with Taylor County. Summer 4-H Assistant on staff. nEXT Gen structure causing some issues with counties. Zoning busy with summer permit season. Land Conservation doing several projects including cost share contracts.
 - h. Law Enforcement – Hintz: Positive comments on good result on manhunt in Park Falls area. Code Red was implemented and proved useful. Discussed heroin and opiate abuse in county.
6. County Administrator's Report – Trimner: Restructuring staffing in Clerk of Courts Office. Safety Building project – going over initial plans at next committee meeting. July 27th Employee Picnic on Courthouse lawn. Discover Wisconsin will be filming a segment on the Flambeau River for airing in mid-April.

Convene out of Committee of the Whole at 10:30 a.m.

Date of Next Meeting: August 16, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF PRICE. I, Jean Gottwald, County Clerk in and for Price County do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct record of all the proceedings held by and before the Price County Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on June 21, 2016 and the whole thereof. Dated this 23rd day of June, 2016.



Jean Gottwald, County Clerk