

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
May 19, 2020

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

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Robert Kopisch, County Board Chairperson. Invocation: None. Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance. Roll Call: Present (12): Larry Palecek, Jeffrey Hallstrand, James Hintz, Paula Houdek, Dennis Wartgow, Alan Barkstrom, Jordan Spacek, Robert Kopisch, Waldemar Madsen, Bruce Jilka, Ginny Strobl, William Teeters. Also present: Nick Trimner. Due to COVID regulations, the public was given the opportunity to call in via teleconference.

County Board Supervisor District 3

1. Term of Office for Appointee: The term will run through the third Tuesday in April 2021.
2. Call for Special Election: The contest will be on the ballot at the April 2021 election.
3. Appoint County Board Supervisor District 3: Board Chair recommended Mark Kyle. Motion Wartgow/Hintz to approve the appointment of Mark Kyle as County Board Supervisor, District 3. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (7): Palecek, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Kopisch, Teeters; No (5): Strobl, Barkstrom, Spacek, Madsen, Jilka. Motion carried.
4. Oath of Office: Delivered by Jean Gottwald, County Clerk.

Approve minutes of the April 21, 2020 meeting: Motion Palecek/Barkstrom to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Communications and Announcements: None.

Resolutions:

Resolution 14-20

Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019 (4)

WHEREAS the Price County Board of Supervisors at their November 13, 2018 meeting, after public hearing, adopted the 2019 budget for Price County; and

WHEREAS the Executive Committee of the Price County Board of Supervisors on May 14, 2020 were advised to make various adjustments to department budgets; and

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Statutes 65.90(5)(a)(1) states "A budget...may not be changed unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the governing body of the municipality"; and

WHEREAS the proposed amendments recommended by the Price County Executive Committee does not change the amount of tax levied and the proposed amendments will more accurately record the financial activities of Price County departments during 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Price County Board of Supervisors at their May 19, 2020 meeting that the 2019 budget as adopted be amended to include the amendments as attached; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk be instructed to publish a Class 1 notice within 10 days of these amendments informing the public of these particular changes.

Fiscal Impact: 0

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Larry Palecek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner.

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of May 2020. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Hintz/Palecek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Strobl, Kyle, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Barkstrom, Spacek, Kopisch, Madsen, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Fund	Account Name	Acct Code	Description	Amount	2019 BUDGET	New Budget
General	BUDGET PLACE HOLDER FOR CIP	100-00-48930-000-000-00000	Resolution 29-19 prior year capital improvement fund calculation	(218,226.00)	-	(218,226.00)
	TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	100-00-59000-788-000-00000	Resolution 29-19 prior year capital improvement fund calculation	218,226.00	-	218,226.00
LAND INFO	2016 GRANT AD169040	100-22-51709-759-006-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	10,640.00	-	10,640.00
	2017 SURVEY GRANT AD179039	100-22-51709-759-008-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	11,610.00	9,000.00	20,610.00
	2018 BASE BUDGET AD189038	100-22-51709-759-010-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	16,300.00	-	16,300.00
	2019 GRANT AD 199038	100-22-51709-759-011-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	14,000.00	-	14,000.00
	2019 STRATEGIC INITIATIVE	100-22-51709-759-012-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	173,000.00	-	173,000.00
	STATE AID - WLIP GRANT	100-22-43513-000-000-00000	RECEIVED ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY WLIP	(225,550.00)	(50,000.00)	(275,550.00)

DAMS	CAP OUTLAY - MUSSER DAM	100-83-56210-834-001-00000	Dams-Capital Outlay - special Projects	31,812.93	-	31,812.93
	DAMS GRANT - MUSSER	100-83-43508-000-001-00000	Dams-Capital Outlay - special Projects	(15,838.00)	-	(15,838.00)
	CAP OUTLAY - SOLBERG DAM	100-83-56210-834-004-00000	Dams-Capital Outlay - special Projects	50,841.56		50,841.56
	DAMS GRANT - SOLBERG	100-83-43508-000-004-00000	Dams-Capital Outlay - special Projects	(25,708.00)	-	(25,708.00)
	TRANS FROM CAP IMP FUND	100-83-49270-000-000-00000	Dams-Capital Outlay - special Projects	(41,108.49)		(41,108.49)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	HOMELAND SECURITY EQUIP	100-41-47110-000-000-00000	Grant Funding	(13,500)	-	(13,500.00)
	HOMELAND SECURITY EXERCISE	100-41-52500-755-000-00000	Grant Funding	13,500	-	13,500.00
Land Consv	ST AID-SNOWMOBILE TRAILS	100-91-43573-000-000-00000	ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE	(80,000.00)	(180,000.00)	(260,000.00)
	PAYMENTS TO ORGANIZATIONS	100-91-55300-724-000-00000	ADDITIONAL GRANT MONEY SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE	80,000.00	180,000.00	260,000.00
Public Health	CONTRACT/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	115-53-54120-219-000-00000	additional funding	8,000.00	800.00	8,800.00
	FAMILY PLANNING PRIVATE PAY	115-53-46513-000-000-00000	additional funding	(8,000.00)	(5,000.00)	(13,000.00)
	FISCAL AGENT - FAMILY PLANNING	115-53-54120-290-000-00000	Additional Fiscal Agent Funding	279,000.00	334,000.00	613,000.00
Forestry	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT IPAD	100-79-56110-701-001-00000	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT IPAD	22,500.00	-	22,500.00
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT RAHM	100-79-56110-701-002-00000	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT RAHM	24,900.00	-	24,900.00
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT IPAD	100-79-43578-000-001-00000	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT	(20,200.00)	-	(20,200.00)
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT	100-79-43578-000-000-00000	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT	(2,300.00)	-	(2,300.00)
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT RAHM	100-79-43578-000-002-00000	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT	(24,900.00)	-	(24,900.00)
	ATV GRANT 3703	100-79-56110-702-000-00000	ATV Grant	92,371.00	-	92,371.00
	STATE AID - ATV TRAILS	100-79-43539-000-000-00000	ATV Grant	(92,371.00)	(27,410.00)	(119,781.00)
Human Sv	BASE - FAMILY CARE	220-60-54420-919-725-00561	Correct budget between behavior hlt and long term	140,000.00	50,000.00	190,000.00
	BASE	220-61-54420-919-725-00561	Correct budget between behavior hlt and long term	(140,000.00)	150,000.00	10,000.00
	BASE-MH/AODA	220-60-54420-919-729-00561	Correct budget between behavior hlt and long term	60,000.00	-	60,000.00
	BIRTH TO THREE	220-60-54420-919-550-00550	Correct budget between behavior hlt and long term	55,000.00	20,789.00	75,789.00
	BASE MH AODA	220-61-54420-919-729-00561	Correct budget between behavior hlt and long term	(115,000.00)	521,691.00	406,691.00
SHERIFF	INSURANCE RECOVERIES	100-35-48400-000-000-00000	Insurance recoveries for totaled vehicle purchase	(42,000.00)	(4,000.00)	(46,000.00)
	CAPITAL OUTLAY - AUTO	100-35-52110-811-000-00000	Insurance recoveries for totaled vehicle purchase	36,220.00	-	36,220.00
	PROPERTY INSURANCE CLAIMS	100-35-52110-525-000-00000	Insurance recoveries for totaled vehicle purchase	5,780.00	7,000.00	12,780.00
SHERIFF	PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT	100-35-52110-740-000-00000	Correct Placement of budget for K9	(7,500.00)	7,500.00	-
	K9-CONTRACT/PROFESSIONAL SVCS	100-35-52180-219-000-00000	Correct Placement of budget for K9	7,500.00	-	7,500.00

Elections and Appointments:

1. Appointments – Board Chair
 - a. Phillips TIF District Board (Nick Trimner): Motion Wartgow/Houdek to approve the appointment of Nicholas Trimner to the Phillips TIF District Board. Motion carried.
2. Appointments - Administrator
 - a. Health and Human Services Board – fill remaining term to expire December 31, 2020 (Ginny Strobl)

- b. Health and Human Services Board – three-year term ending December 31, 2022 (Paula Houdek)
- c. Land Information Council – County Board representative – two-year term (Bill Teeters)
- d. Land Information Council – two-year term (Judy Chizek, Eric Holm, Roxanne Kahan, Janet Krucky, Evan Lund, Amanda McMeekin, Lynn Neeck, Al Schneider, Adam Speer)
- e. Price County Library Committee – three-year term ending April 30, 2023 (Paula Houdek, Ed Busby, Bonnie Uhren)
- f. Land Use and UW-Extension Committee – two year term (Don Onchuck – FSA, Rick Morgan – School Administration)
- g. Local Emergency Planning Committee (Jordan Spacek, Bob Kopisch, alt.)
- h. NEWCOM (Bruce Jilka)
- i. NW Wisconsin Community Employment Program (CEP) (Bob Kopisch)
- j. NWITBEC Tourism Committee – two year term (Laurie Hansen)
- k. Price-Taylor Rail Trail Corridor Commission (Jeff Hallstrand)
- l. Traffic Safety (Dennis Wartgow)

Motion Wartgow/Hintz to approve the appointments as presented. Motion carried.

Convene to Committee of the Whole at 9:20 a.m.

1. Board Chair Report: Robert Kopisch
 - Act 185 – Waiver of interest and penalty on delinquent property taxes. Consensus of the Executive Committee to not adopt this waiver.
 - Tax Deed / In Rem process: 2015 process complete and properties are set for auction, 2016 court petition needs to be filed and trigger final redemption date, 2017 process has started.
 - 2020 Census is in progress – encouraged to report compliance.
 - Report on status of delinquent property taxes for Park Falls Development, LLC and Phillips Lionite Wood Products Company, LLC.
 - County Official Workshops will be conducted online. Available for new and veteran members.
 - Roxanne Kahan will contact new supervisors regarding Emergency Management training.
2. Committee/Board/Council
 - a. Appointments: Appointments have been made to standing committees.
 - b. Meeting Schedule: Committees will start meeting in June, following COVID-19 protocol.
 - c. Elect Chairperson
 - i. Administration Committee: Spacek nominated Dennis Wartgow for committee chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Hallstrand/Spacek to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Dennis Wartgow for committee chairperson. Motion carried.
 - ii. Forestry & Parks Committee: Madsen nominated Jeff Hallstrand for committee chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Houdek/Spacek to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Jeff Hallstrand for committee chairperson. Motion carried.
 - iii. Highway & Transportation Committee: Teeters nominated Larry Palecek for committee chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Hallstrand/Teeters to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Larry Palecek for committee chairperson. Motion carried.
 - iv. Land Use / UW-Extension Committee: Jilka nominated Bill Teeters for committee chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Jilka/Barkstrom to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Bill Teeters for committee chairperson. Motion carried.
 - v. Law Enforcement Committee: Palecek nominated Jim Hintz for committee chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Marsden/Palecek to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Jim Hintz for committee chairperson. Motion carried.
3. WCA Fall Convention: September 20 – 22 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells
 - a. Attendance: Motion Palecek/Spacek to authorize up to three Supervisors to attend. Motion Palecek/Houdek to amend motion to authorize up to four Supervisors to attend. Motion carried.
 - b. Resolutions for Submission: Any resolutions for consideration need to be submitted by June 22nd.
4. County Administrator's Report: Nick Trimner

- a. 2019 Financial Summary: Reviewed report explaining current versus budget and budget overages.
- b. 2020 Financial Summary – April 30, 2020: Reviewed report.
- c. 2021 Budget: Letter will go out to departments instructing no increase in operating expenses. Starting assumptions of 2% wage increase and 8-10% health insurance increase. Will have preliminary report to the County Board in August, approval in October and public hearing and adoption of tax levy in November.
- d. COVID-19 Pandemic Update: Free testing was held in Prentice on May 17th. Assisted by 30 National Guard Soldier volunteers. Both he and Michelle Edward, Public Health Nurse, are keeping up with information via several meetings each day and/or week with various groups – local, regional and state. Also meetings with area partners group (clinics, hospital, schools, EMT, law enforcement, cities). County campgrounds opened May 15th, but not playgrounds, beaches or pavilions. Tracking costs associated with group meeting setups and sanitation supplies. Supreme Court struck down the Governor's Safer at Home Order. Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation has developed guidelines for business to reopen. Need to develop a County ordinance for reaction to public health emergency issues.
- e. Damage to Fairground Buildings: Damage to the Barn and Open Class Building. Presented information from insurance company's engineer indicating neither building is structurally sound. Barn qualified for minimal insurance coverage. Repair/replacement costs for both buildings will be approximately \$750,000.
 - i. Authorize Ad Hoc Committee: To review information on damage and options available. Chairperson will be Paula Houdek.
 1. Number of Members: Three – to be appointed by committee chairperson.
 2. Number of Meetings: Three.

Motion Marsden/Wartgow to authorize formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on Damage to Fairground Buildings to consist of three County Board members to hold up to three meetings. Motion carried.

Convene out of Committee of the Whole at 11:49 a.m.

Closed Session: Determined Closed Session was not needed. Did not move into Closed Session and no action on agenda item listed.

1. Announcement and motion to adjourn to closed session pursuant to the exemptions in Wis. State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved for the purpose of:
 - a. Delinquent Property Taxes – Park Falls Development LLC
 - b. Return to Open Session
2. Take action, as needed, on closed session item

Date of Next Meeting: June 16, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 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 May 19, 2020 and the whole thereof.


Jean Gottwald, County Clerk