

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 12, 2019

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: Pastor Jason Thomas. Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance. Roll Call: Present (13): Larry Palecek, James Adolph, Sheryl Slaby, Jeffrey Hallstrand, James Hintz, Paula Houdek, Dennis Wartgow, Sue Bocock, Jordan Spacek, Robert Kopisch, John Vlach, Bruce Jilka, William Teeters. Also present: Nick Trimner.

Approve minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting: Motion Houdek/Adolph to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Communications and Announcements: Mr. Kopisch explained the new Board Room security of only having one door accessible into the room during meetings. The other doors will be locked from the outside, but anyone can get out from inside the room.

Public Hearing on Proposed 2020 Budget declared open at 9:05 a.m. No public comment or communications received. Hearing declared closed at 9:06 a.m.

Public Comments: None.

Resolutions:

Resolution 43-19

2019 Property Tax Levy

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Price County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled in Annual Session, this 12th day of November 2019, that the budget prepared by the Executive Committee, which has been approved by action of the Price County Board of Supervisors, be and hereby levied against the tax districts in Price County, and that the County Clerk be and hereby is authorized and directed to appropriate the levy to each tax district as provided by law:

2019 Property Tax Levy, payable in 2020: \$ 9,343,479.

Submitted by: s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; Price County Board of Supervisors. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Bocock/Jilka to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 44-19

Authorize the Issuance of Tax Deed for 2016

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of Price County has issued 2016 tax certificates on properties for nonpayment of real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, the owners or claimants of the parcels have not satisfied redemption of said tax certificates and that said parcels continue to remain unredeemed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Price County Board of Supervisors that the County Clerk be and is hereby ordered to issue tax deed against the properties listed as attached on the unredeemed tax certificates for 2016 and also those prior years pursuant to §75.14 Wisconsin Statutes, excepting that no tax deed will be taken for any property with visible evidence of contamination or determined to not be in the best interest of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive/Finance Committee will have final authority in deciding if said tax deed properties are processed as tax deed pursuant to §75.14 Wisconsin Statutes or processed as in rem pursuant to §75.521 Wisconsin Statutes.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee. s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Adolph; Bruce Jilka; Larry Palecek. Reviewed by County Administrator: a/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Spacek/Adolph to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Amend Resolution 42-19

Approve Increase in County Share of Dog License Tax

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors approve the increase in the County share of the dog license tax to ~~\$20.00~~ **\$19.35** for unneutered/unspayed dogs and ~~\$15.00~~ **\$14.60** for neutered/spayed dogs. Original resolution language and signatures on file.

Amended by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/ Robert D.

Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Jilka/Teeters to

consider resolution amendment. Roll call vote on resolution amendment: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 45-19

Dissolving the Price County Economic Development Association

and Endorsement of the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation

WHEREAS, per Resolution #53-09 dated November 10, 2009, Price County recognized the Price County Economic Development Association to provide support and resources for economic development in Price County; and

WHEREAS, the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation was organized in 2006 to provide support and resources for economic development in the northern range of Price County; and

WHEREAS, to remain financially and operationally efficient, the two organizations used the same personnel and other resources when assisting existing business in expansion efforts or new business start-ups in the greater Price County area; and

WHEREAS, Price County understands the importance of marketing Price County as a single unit in relation to economic development, and;

WHEREAS, Price County acknowledges the need for teamwork to create a long term stable environment to foster economic development; and

WHEREAS the two groups, as stated above, have determined it to be in the best interest of both organizations to merge into one single and unified entity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors formally dissolves the Price County Economic Development Association created by Resolution #53-09 by endorsing the merger of the Price County Economic Development Association and the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation is designated as the official economic development organization of Price County effective January 1, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Price County will actively participate as an equal member of the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation by officially appointing a member to serve on the board, providing economic support to the organization and supporting the activities and efforts of the organization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Price County Board Chair shall be designated as the County representative to the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation and shall appoint another Price County Supervisor as the alternate representative.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee; s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Adolph; Bruce Jilka; Larry Palecek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Teeters/Palecek to consider resolution for adoption.

Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 46-19

Initiating Petition for Airport Projects 2020 - 2021

WHEREAS, Price County, Wisconsin hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, being a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin, is authorized by Wis. Stat. §114.11, to acquire, establish, construct, own, control, lease, equip, improve, maintain, and operate an airport; and

WHEREAS, the sponsor desires to develop or improve the Price County Airport, Price County, Wisconsin over the period of 2020 through 2021 or as sponsor funding becomes available; and

WHEREAS the project list includes: Runway 6/24 PAPI installation and REILs replacement; crackseal and apply surface treatment to Taxiway A and Taxiway C-2; airport access road; auto parking lot; hangar access road; motorized vehicle gate rehabilitation / reconstruction; and any necessary related work; and

WHEREAS, the sponsor understands that the petition to be presented will not be a commitment on the part of the sponsor or the state to initiate or pursue the projects; and

WHEREAS, the initial process for the projects is to contract an engineer for design and development, with such costs incorporated into the cost share of Federal Aviation Administration's 90%, Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics' 5% and County's 5% sponsor portions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby approves contracting with an engineer for Airport Projects 2020 - 2021 design and development.

Submitted by the Price County Highway and Transportation Committee: s/Larry Palecek, Chair; Bruce Jilka; William Teeters. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Hintz/Adolph to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 47-19

Create Two Full-time Positions:

Sheriff's Department Correction Officer/Civilian Dispatcher

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department has recognized the need to restructure the positions of Sheriff Deputies and Correction Officers/Civilian Dispatchers in order to be more functionally and financially efficient; and

WHEREAS, transitioning to Sheriff's Deputies who are dedicated to law enforcement duties and not rotating into jail and dispatch coverage is the best use of their expertise; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the rotation of Sheriff Deputies into jail and dispatch coverage has created the need for increasing the number of Correction Officers/Civilian Dispatchers to provide the required full coverage in the department; and

WHEREAS, the stated restructure will include filling of two funded Sheriff's department Correction Office/Civilian Dispatch positions that have not been filled in previous years and eliminating the funding for two Sheriff Deputy positions, resulting in a net increase of two department positions; and

WHEREAS, the stated restructure should significantly reduce the overtime and comp time within the department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the creation of two additional full-time Sheriff's Department Correction Officer/Civilian Dispatch positions. Fiscal impact: \$87,000 (budgeted)

Submitted by the Price County Administration Committee: s/Dennis Wartgow, Chair; Jeff Hallstrand; Robert Kopisch; Sheryl Slaby; Jordan Spacek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Adolph/Slaby to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 48-19

Consistent Parliamentary Authority Among County Board and its Committees, Boards, Commissions and Councils

WHEREAS, the Price County Board of Supervisors is governed by Robert's Rules of Order as its parliamentary authority; and

WHEREAS, the Price County Board of Supervisors is classified as a deliberative assembly as defined in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition, pages 1 and 2; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of the Price County Board of Supervisors and its committees, boards, commissions and councils are required to be a deliberative assembly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all meetings of the County Board or its committees, boards, commissions and councils whose members are appointed, or whose appointment is confirmed, by the County Board must follow all aspects of Robert's Rules or Order including, but not limited to:

- Proper meeting notice: agenda items, format, preparation and posting
- Properly determining meeting quorum: majority of members elected/appointed
- Orderly running of the meeting: speakers/presentations, motions, discussion/debate, voting
- Proper record of meeting: minute content, format and approval; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that any by-laws or rules of the Price County Board of Supervisors or its committees, boards, commissions or councils properly reflect Robert's Rules of Order as their parliamentary authority and, as such, constitute that body's rules of order.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee. s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Adolph; Bruce Jilka; Larry Palecek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November 2019. s/Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0. Motion Spacek/Houdek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Palecek, Adolph, Slaby, Hallstrand, Hintz, Houdek, Wartgow, Bocock, Spacek, Kopisch, Vlach, Jilka, Teeters; No (0). Motion carried.

Elections and Appointments:

1. NW Regional Planning Committee – CDBG Housing Committee: Candidate not available yet.

2. Health & Human Services Board – three-year term to expire 12/31/2022: Motion Wartgow/Bocock to approve the appointments of Board reps: Jilka, Adolph and Physician rep: Peter Dahlie. Motion carried.
3. Veterans Services Commission – three-year term to expire 12/31/2022: Motion Vlach/Adolph to approve the appointment of Terry Hainy. Motion carried.
4. County Election Board of Canvass – two-year term to expire 12/31/2021: Motion Houdek/Spacek to approve the appointments of Sandra Behling and Shirley Smith. Motion carried.

Reports on File

1. Forestry and Parks – 2018 Annual Report: On file.

Miscellaneous

1. Forestry and Parks – 2020 Annual Work Plan: Motion Houdek/Adolph to approve the Forestry and Parks 2020 Annual Work Plan as presented. Motion carried.

Convene to Committee of the Whole at 9:35 a.m.

1. 2019 Financial Summary Report as of 10/31/19: Nick reviewed overages – some will be covered with transfers or grant money.
2. 2020 Budget: Nick reviewed. Asked if there was any other information requested to be presented. Discussed impact of delinquent property taxes for Flambeau River Papers and Lionite.
3. Board Chair Report: None.
4. Committee Chair Reports
 - a. Administration – Wartgow: Deputy union contract negotiations, recruiting for Social Worker, PR/AP Coordinator, Jailer/Dispatch.
 - b. Executive – Kopisch: None.
 - c. Forestry & Parks – Hintz: Stumpage sales \$1,457,208. Possible transfer of three county forest roads to municipalities. Solberg Lake Park playground equipment ordered, to be installed next spring. Fall timber bids out, working on spring sale. Complaints of motorized vehicles on non-motorized trails. Received grant for maintenance of the Rail Trail Corridor.
 - d. Health and Human Services – Jilka: Flu clinics. Hailey Halmstad transferred to the Health Department Program Manager. Energy Assistance going on. Bruce Jilka got good information from the Wisconsin Counties Human Services Association Board Member Seminar. Paula Houdek attended the Price County AODA Coalition meeting.
 - e. Highway & Transportation – Palecek: 2019 construction projects complete. Ready for winter maintenance. Three new trucks were delivered. Open House December 5th 3pm-6pm. Winter dam drawdowns complete. 2019 dam inspections done. Airport Department is dealing with deer issues. BOA contracting engineer for 2020-2021 projects.
 - f. Land Use & UW-Extension – Slaby: Zoning permits winding down. Snowmobile trail maintenance being done. UWEX started Parents Café.
 - g. Law Enforcement – Hintz: Brian Roush gave updates New 911 system. Humane Officer position going well, transitioned to a pickup. Received anonymous donation for purchase of a dog trailer. K-9 unit going well and is working on tracking training. 2019 squads not received yet.
5. County Administrator's Report – Trimner: Finalizing budgets, union negotiations, health insurance plan structure.
6. County Board Meeting Schedule 2020 – 2021: Handed out.
7. April 7, 2020 Spring Election – County Board of Supervisors: All supervisors received their ballot access packet.

Convene out of Committee of the Whole at 10:17 a.m.

Date of Next Meeting: February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 10:17 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 November 12, 2019 and the whole thereof. Dated this 15th day of November 2019.



Jean Gottwald, County Clerk