

MEETING OF THE PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

December 13, 2022

Meeting Minutes

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

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair.

Invocation: Moment of silence

Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance.

Roll Call: Present (12): Alan Barkstrom, Doug Erickson, Brian Ernst, Jason Hastings, Jeff Hallstrand, Paula Houdek, Mark Kyle, Larry Palecek, Jordan Spacek, Patricia Stephan, Ginny Strobl, Dennis Wartgow. Absent: Lorelei Wakefield. Also present: Nick Trimmer.

Instructions were given to any members of the public attending electronically.

Approval of Minutes November 15, 2022: Motion Wartgow/Houdek to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2022 meeting as presented. Supervisor Hastings commented that he had signed in at 8:55 a.m. He was not recognized as attending until 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.

Communications and Announcements: Supervisors Hastings and Strobl commented that they had difficulty with remote attendance at a recent meeting. Supervisor Strobl commented against the program to provide internet access to county students. Invite to the employee appreciation at SpecSys Manufacturing in Prentice. Letter from Town of Kennan in favor of Steve Creek maintenance. Reminder to supervisors to review the policy and procedure manual.

Public Comments: None.

Miscellaneous:

1. Amend Price County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, to Include the Phillips School District Plan: Motion Houdek/Kyle to approve the amendment to the Price County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to include the Phillips School District Plan. Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Resolution 52-22

Funding for Community Emergency Shelter for Offsite 911 Dispatch, Alternate Jail Site and Other Emergency Response Uses

WHEREAS, the Price County Board of Supervisors believes that intergovernmental cooperation for purposes of sharing emergency management resources should be encouraged in the event of a large-scale emergency, natural disaster, or man-made catastrophe; and

WHEREAS, current community emergency shelters are limited in scope and availability; and

WHEREAS, the School District of Phillips has been identified as a site, and possible recipient of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds, for the construction of a community emergency shelter; and

WHEREAS, said shelter could provide a location for numerous Price County emergency response agencies including offsite 911 dispatch, alternate jail site and emergency operation center; and

WHEREAS, residents of Price County would have access to the facility whenever emergency shelter needs would arise; and

WHEREAS, anticipated estimated cost for the project will be \$4,000,000; and

WHEREAS, if received, FEMA funding would cover 90% of the project, or \$3,600,000 of eligible project costs; and

WHEREAS, the School District of Phillips has committed to funding the remaining 10% local share, or up to \$400,000; and

WHEREAS, since providing emergency services to county residents is a primary responsibility of Price County, the Price County Board of Supervisors agrees that a portion of the funding for an emergency shelter should be a responsibility of Price County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Price County commits 10% or up to \$40,000, toward the 10% local matching share of FEMA eligible project costs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, if FEMA funding is awarded to the School District of Phillips, Price County agrees to pay their committed share of the FEMA eligible costs, authorizing funds to be used from remaining ARPA funds.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Alan Barkstrom, Chair; Brian Ernst; Jeff Hallstrand; Paula Houdek; Larry Palecek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimmer.

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 13th day of December 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 11, Against: 0, Abstain: 1.

Motion Houdek/Palecek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (11): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wartgow.

No (0). Abstain (1): Hastings. Motion carried.

Amend Resolution 7-22

Elected Official Salaries for 2023 through 2026

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Price County Board of Supervisors to set the salaries for elected

officials pursuant to §59.22 Wis. Stats "before the earliest time for filing nomination papers for any elective office"; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to establish the total annual compensation for County elected officials which is separate and distinct from the fringe benefits offered by the County to elected officials and which fringe benefits are subject to increase or decrease during the elected official's term of office at the discretion of the Board and in accordance with State and Federal law; and

WHEREAS, as part of the County's fringe benefit program, County elected officials may participate in the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) in accordance with State law; and

WHEREAS, as part of the County's fringe benefit program, County elected officials may elect to receive health insurance coverage under the same terms and conditions as the health insurance coverage offered to non-represented County managerial employees who are not law enforcement managerial employees or non-represented managerial employees described in §111.70(1)(mm)(2) Wis. Stat.; and WHEREAS, the Price County Administration Committee has solicited input from the elected officials and reviewed external comparables and taken into consideration the fiscal impact to the County and has determined that the following base salaries for as of January ~~2~~, 2023:

Sheriff	\$ 77,438 82,493
Clerk of Circuit Court	\$ 57,512
Coroner	\$ 6,415

(plus \$90/death and \$100/cremation)

WHEREAS, any subsequent increases to the salary will match across-the-board increases given to the non-represented employee wage schedule.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors adopt the total annual compensation for County elected officials under §59.22(1) Wis. Stat. as listed above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforementioned County elected officials are entitled to participate in the Wisconsin Retirement System in accordance with law and that the County shall pay only its share of contributions required by law for non-represented employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforementioned County elected officials are entitled to participate in the County's health insurance program subject to the terms and conditions of the program, which may be modified from time to time, under the same terms and conditions as the health insurance coverage offered to non-represented managerial County employees who are not law enforcement managerial employees or non-represented managerial employees described in §111.70(1)(mm)(2) Wis. Stat.

Fiscal Impact: \$ ~~3,500~~ 8,555 (budgeted)

Original signatures on file.

Submitted for amendment by the Price County Administration Committee. s/Dennis Wartgow, Chairperson; Jeff Hallstrand; Paula Houdek; Mark Kyle; Jordan Spacek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Amended by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 13th day of December 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0.

Motion Spacek/Palecek to consider resolution amendment. Roll call vote on resolution amendment: Yes (12): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 53-22

Ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Price County and
Price County Deputies Union WPPA Local 645

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Price County Administration Committee to negotiate labor agreement contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee has reached an agreement between Price County and Price County Deputies Union WPPA Local 645 for the 2023 Contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract agreed upon is for a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, the contract, with amendments identified, is attached in its entirety.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Price County and Price County Deputies Union WPPA Local 645 covering the periods from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025.

Submitted by the Price County Administration Committee. s/Jeff Hallstrand, Paula Houdek, Mark Kyle, Jordan Spacek, Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 13th day of December 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 0.

Motion Houdek/Palecek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (12): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 54-22

Authorizing Entry into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement

Relating to the "Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative"
and Authorizing Participation in the Investment Programs of the Fund

WHEREAS, Wisconsin school districts, technical college districts, cities, villages, counties and towns may invest their monies as authorized by Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.0603 (1m); and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.0301 (the "Intergovernmental Cooperation Act") provides, among other things, that municipalities may contract with other municipalities for the joint exercise of any power or duty required or authorized by law, including investment of their monies; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative (formerly known as the Wisconsin School District Liquid Asset Fund) (the "Fund") was formed as of June 23, 1988 pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act by the adoption of an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement relating to the Wisconsin School District Liquid Asset Fund by Oregon School District and Sheboygan Area School District, as the initial participants of the Fund, which Agreement was amended as of July 15, 1994 and July 12, 2002 (the "Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Fund is governed by the Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative Commission (the "Commission") in accordance with the terms of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement has been presented to this governing body (the "Governing Body"); and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement authorizes municipalities to adopt and enter into the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and become participants of the Fund; and WHEREAS, this Governing Body deems it to be advisable for this Municipality (the "Municipality") to adopt and enter into the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and become a participant of the Fund for the purpose of exercising jointly with other municipalities the power to invest their monies, so as to enhance the investment earnings accruing to each; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body deems it to be advisable for this Municipality to make use from time to time, in the discretion of the officials of the Municipality identified in Section 2 of this Resolution, of the Fixed Rate Investment Program available to participants of the Fund; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body deems it advisable for this Municipality to make use of, from time to time, the services provided by PMA Financial Network, Inc., PMA Securities, Inc., U. S. Bank National Association, and/or their affiliates and successors, in connection with the Municipality's utilization of the Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This Municipality shall join with other Wisconsin municipalities in accordance with the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act by becoming a participant of the Fund and adopting and entering into the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement. A copy of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement shall be filed in the minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted. The Chairperson and the Clerk are authorized to take such actions and execute any and all such documents as they may deem necessary and appropriate to effectuate the entry of this Municipality into the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and to utilize Fund programs through PMA Financial Network, Inc., PMA Securities, U. S. Bank National Association, and/or their affiliates and successors.

Section 2. This Municipality is authorized to invest its available monies from time to time and to withdraw such monies from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement, including investment in the fixed-income program of the Fund through the intermediaries PMA Financial Network, and PMA Securities, LLC. The following officers and officials of this Municipality and their respective successors in office each are designated as "Authorized Officials" with full power and authority to effectuate the investment and withdrawal of monies of this Municipality from time to time in accordance with the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and pursuant to the Fixed Rate Investment Program available to participants of the Fund:

Name	Position	Signature
Nicholas Trimner	County Administrator	
Lynn Neeck	County Treasurer	
Jean Gottwald	County Clerk	
Carrie Kyle	County Accountant I	

The County Clerk shall advise the Commission of any changes in Authorized Officials in accordance with procedures established by the Commission.

Section 3. Members of this Governing Body and officials of this Municipality are authorized to serve as Commissioners of the Commission from time to time if selected as such pursuant to the provisions of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement.

Section 4. This Municipality may open depository accounts, enter into wire transfer agreements, safekeeping agreements, and lockbox agreements, or other applicable or related documents with U. S. Bank National Association, and any other institutions participating in the Fund programs or programs of PMA Financial Network, LLC and PMA Securities, LLC pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 34.05,

Wisconsin Statutes, Section 120.12(7) (if applicable) and, when directed by one of the Authorized Officials, Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.0603. PMA Financial Network, LLC and/or PMA Securities, LLC are authorized to act on behalf of this Municipality as its agent with respect to such accounts and agreements.

Section 5. Credit unions, banks, savings banks, trust companies and savings and loan associations authorized to transact business in the State of Wisconsin which qualify as depositories under Wisconsin law and are included on a list approved and maintained for such purpose by the Administrator of the Fund are designated as depositories of this Municipality pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 120.12(7) (if applicable) and Wisconsin Statutes, Section 34.05. Monies of this Municipality may be deposited in such depositories, from time to time in the discretion of the Authorized Officials, pursuant to the Fixed Rate Investment Program available to participants of the Fund through the intermediary PMA Financial Network, LLC.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Alan Barkstrom, Chair; Brian Ernst; Jeff Hallstrand; Paula Houdek; Larry Palecek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner.

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 13th day of December 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 10, Against: 1, Abstain: 1.

Motion Wartgow/Kyle to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (10): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Wartgow. No (1): Strobl. Abstain (1): Hastings. Motion carried.

Resolution 55-22

Amend Price County Comprehensive Recreational Plan

WHEREAS, the Price County Forestry and Parks Department is responsible for the development and care of county owned recreational property and facilities; and

WHEREAS, per County Resolution 9-22, the Comprehensive Revision of the Price County Comprehensive Recreational Plan 2022 – 2027 was adopted on February 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this is a living document that may be amended by the Price County Board of Supervisors at any time; and

WHEREAS, the City of Park Falls has presented suggestions to amend the Price County Comprehensive Recreational Plan to facilitate recreational opportunities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the amendments to the Comprehensive Revision of the Price County Comprehensive Recreational Plan as its future direction for the period of 2022-2027.

Submitted by: Price County Forestry and Parks Committee: s/Jeff Hallstrand, Chair; Jordan Spacek; Patricia Stephan. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner. Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 13th day of December 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 10, Against: 1, Abstain: 1.

Motion Spacek/Hallstrand to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (10): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Wartgow. No (1): Strobl. Abstain (1): Hastings. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole:

1. Board Chair Report – Alan Barkstrom: Attended NWRPC meeting.
2. County Administrator's Report – Nick Trimner
 - a. 2022 Financial Summary: Reviewed current financial position. Sales tax continues to do well. Will meet budget for stumpage revenue. Collecting property taxes for eight municipalities. Self-funded health insurance starting January 1, 2023. Several employees switched to the narrow network.
 - b. Updates: Erika Hoffman's photo is highlighted in the Discover Wisconsin calendar. Working with Uniquely Wisconsin and team to develop the promotions to cover. Town of Worcester is deciding to opt out of local zoning, which would bring it to the County. Restructuring the Child Support Agency. Received \$46,000 in opioid payments. Need to decide the process for usage. Working on removal of Old Highway H bridge. December 15th closing on transfer of Fairground property.
3. County Board Supervisor Reports: Developing guidelines for the student internet access program. Promoting the Beneficially Speaking newsletter.

Convene out of Committee of the Whole at 10:45 a.m.

Date of Next Meeting: February 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk