

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Columbia County, Wisconsin

Portage, Wisconsin
October 16, 2013
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Supervisors of Columbia County convened in annual session at the Carl C. Frederick Administration Building in Portage pursuant to law. The meeting was called to order by Chair Ross and was certified to be in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

All Supervisors were present.

Members stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Rashke, second by DeYoung to approve the Journal of September 18, 2013. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the agenda, as printed, was made by Baebler, second by Pufahl. Motion carried.

John Bluemke, Planning & Zoning Director, updated the Board on the Columbia County Farmland Preservation Plan as part of the Columbia County Comprehensive Plan 2030. He referred to a handout provided to supervisors in their board packets and entertained questions. He indicated an ordinance of the updated plan would be presented for adoption by the County Board of Supervisors at the November 12, 2013 meeting. A copy of the full document is available on the Columbia County website under "Public Interest", or a hard copy can be requested from the Planning and Zoning Department.

Chair Ross reported on the status of the DNR shooting range. DNR representatives attended the Public Safety meeting on October 14th and reported a timeline of approximately 1 ½ years to complete the shooting range project. Copies of the DNR provided material from the meeting were placed on supervisor's desks. Konkel further explained the DNR will be forming an ad hoc committee to determine criteria to be used to narrow down the site choices from seven to two. The Public Safety Committee suggested the following be considered for the ad hoc committee: representation from the three towns (Lowville, Dekorra and Springvale) where the range could be located; various Columbia County conservation and sporting groups; and county government. DNR representatives also reported to the committee that there are short-term and long-term solutions in the works to address problems at the Swan Lake Wildlife Area. Ross stated the "DNR Shooting Range" will remain an item on the agenda for future updates.

Chair Ross gave an update on the wage study which began this week with presentations to department heads and employees by the Carlson Dettman consultant.

Chair Ross also indicated the space needs study continues to move forward. Department heads were asked to complete a facilities needs assessment questionnaire and are being scheduled for interviews with Potter Lawson consultants.

Susan Martin, spoke as member of South Central Library Systems Board. She announced the South Central Library Systems Board gives a Cornerstone Award each year to honor those who have made significant contributions and long term impact on enhancing public libraries in South Central Wisconsin. The 2013 Cornerstone Award recipients are Kathryn Curtis and her late husband J. Robert Curtis, who was a former County Board member; and William Zimdars. The presentation will be held at the new Madison Public Library on November 7, 2013 between 5:30-7:00 pm.

Chair Ross gave a brief report on the Highway Municipal Day held on October 12, 2013 and thanked the volunteers.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

The Planning and Zoning committee having held a public hearing thereon pursuant to Section 59.69 Wisconsin Statutes, notice thereof have been given as provided by law and being duly advised of the wishes of the people in the areas affected hereby recommend as follows:

1. A petition by Christopher and Sandra Agnew, Fall River, WI, Petitioners and Owners, to rezone from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District, Parcel 46, Section 3, T11N, R12E in the Town of Fountain Prairie on the 18th day of July, 2013 to be approved as follows: To change from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District, Parcel 46, Section 3, T11N, R12E, Town of Fountain Prairie.

2. A petition by Thomas C. Summers, Portage, WI, Petitioner and Owner, to rezone from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay, Parcel 452.1, Section 9, T13N, R8E in the Town of Lewiston on the 12th day of September, 2013 to be approved as follows: To change from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay, Parcel 452.1, Section 9, T13N, R8E, Town of Lewiston.
3. A petition by Mark Bush, Portage, WI, Petitioner and Owner, to rezone from A-1 Agriculture to A-2 General Agriculture, Parcel 127.A, Section 7, T13N, R10E in the Town of Marcellon on the 12th day of August, 2013 to be approved as follows: To change from A-1 Agriculture to A-2 General Agriculture, Parcel 127.A, Section 7, T13N, R10E, Town of Marcellon.

Fred C. Teitgen
 Mike Weyh
 Mary Cupery
 Harlan Baumgartner
 James E. Foley
 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Upon hearing no objection, Chair Ross directed the report be accepted and placed on file.

A handout was placed on supervisor's desks regarding the potential borrowing of funds to cover highway and buildings & grounds projects. Baumgartner explained the Highway Committee had been working on the bonding proposal for over a year. The intent of the proposal was to include long term needs of the highway department. The Executive Committee recommended removal of funding for the Lodi/Poynette shop replacement and consider adding funds to cover roofing projects for county buildings which was cut from 2014 budget due to shortfall. Tom Lorfeld, Highway Commissioner, explained the origination of the highway projects came from the Baker Tilly Highway Department Study and anyone with questions about the highway projects should contact him.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-13

WHEREAS, on March 17, 1993, in Resolution No. 16-93, the Columbia County Board of Supervisors created a Victim Witness Coordinator position in the District Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, the State funded ninety percent (90%) of the costs of the Victim Witness Coordinator Program, but since 1993 State funding for the Program has gradually decreased with the State currently funding less than fifty percent (50%) of the Program; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 16-93 included a provision stating "that in the event the State's portion of the funding for this position becomes less than fifty percent (50%), the position shall be eliminated"; and,

WHEREAS, privileges and protections for victims of crimes are established in Article I, Section 9m of the Wisconsin Constitution and in Chapters 949 and 950 of the Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the Victim Witness Coordinator Program provides essential services to countless individuals who are involved in cases that are prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Columbia County Board of Supervisors repeals the portion of Resolution No. 16-93 requiring elimination of the Victim Witness Coordinator Position if State funding drops below fifty percent (50%), and urges the State of Wisconsin to restore State funding for this Program to ninety percent (90%) of total program costs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor and Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin; members of the state legislature representing Columbia County; the Wisconsin Counties Association and all Wisconsin Counties.

Fiscal Note: Funding for the Victim Witness Coordinator Program is included in the annual County Budget for the District Attorney's Office.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Kirk Konkel
~~Richard C. Boockmeier~~
 Bruce J. Rashke
 James L. Bechen
 Kenneth W. Hutler
 JUDICIARY & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Motion was made to adopt the Resolution by Baebler, second by Rashke.

Lois Schepp, Comptroller, gave a brief explanation on the purpose of the resolution.

Boockmeier commended the 1993 county board in foreseeing state funding issues by setting a limit. He expressed concerns with the decrease in funding from the State for this program and referred to Sec. 950.06 of the Wisconsin State Statutes regarding reimbursement for services. He would like to table the resolution until his question regarding reimbursement is addressed.

Lois Schepp clarified the Accounting Department records 100% of all costs for the program and files the necessary paperwork with the State.

Motion by Boockmeier, second by McClyman, to table the Resolution until the December 18, 2013, Board meeting.

Tramburg expressed concern with the motion to table the resolution until December as it would have an impact on the budget. He indicated this would cause an additional workload as the Victim Witness Program is included in the proposed 2014 Budget to be presented for adoption at the November 12, 2013 Board meeting.

Gove, Martin, Kessler, Rashke and Westby spoke in favor of the resolution. Rashke further indicated this was a mandated program and if not approved the County would lose all funding.

Ross called the vote. The motion to table failed.

Ross stated that he would address this topic at the WCA Legislative Day next week.

Motion by Martin, second by Kessler, to amend the resolution to include that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor and Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin; members of the state legislature representing Columbia County; the Wisconsin Counties Association and all Wisconsin Counties. Motion carried.

The Resolution as amended was adopted, not unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. Z415-13

An Amending Ordinance

The Columbia County Board of Supervisors do ordain as follows: That Title 16 – Chapter 100, entitled “Zoning”, of the County Code, as passed by the Board of Supervisors on March 21, 2012 is hereby amended and added thereto as follows:

- (1) “To change from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District”, (Christopher and Sandra Agnew, Petitioners and Owners) parcel of land located in Section 3, T11N, R12E, Town of Fountain Prairie more particularly described as follows: Land to be Rezoned from A-1 Agriculture and RR-1 Rural Residence - Commencing at the northwest corner of said Section 3; thence North 88°15’24” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 1,521.92 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 88°15’24” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 528.16 feet; thence South 56°45’00” West, 631.27 feet; thence North, 330.05 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 87,120 square feet, (2.00 acres), more or less. Land to be Rezoned from A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District - Commencing at the northwest corner of said Section 3; thence North 88°15’24” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 1,324.65 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 88°15’24” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 197.27 feet; thence South, 330.05 feet; thence North 56°45’00” East, 631.27 feet to a point in the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3; thence North 88°15’24” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 582.66 feet to the south quarter corner of Section 34, Town 12 North, Range 12 East; thence North 88°35’36” East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3, 2.12 feet to the north quarter corner of said Section 3; thence South 01°43’28” East along the north-south quarter line of said Section 3, 736.46 feet to the southeast corner of lands described and recorded in Document No. 499007; thence South 61°51’19” West along the south line of lands described and recorded in Document No. 499007, 284.19 feet; thence South 54°17’13” West along the southerly line of lands described and recorded in Document No. 499007, 958.14 feet; thence South 57°12’27” West along the southerly line of lands described and recorded in Document No. 499007, 360.70 feet; thence North, 1,584.98 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1,437,480 square feet, (33.00 acres), more or less. Effective upon recording the Certified Survey Map.

- (2) "To change from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence and A-1 Agriculture District to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District", (Thomas C. Summers, Petitioner and Owner) parcel of land located in Section 9, T13N, R8E, Town of Lewiston more particularly described as follows: Land to be Rezoned from A-1 Agriculture to RR-1 Rural Residence - Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 9 said point also being the northwest corner of Lot 3, Certified Survey Map No. 2196; thence North 89°55'55" East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 9 and the north line of said Lot 3, 786.16 feet to the northwest corner of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records, page 103; thence South 00°04'05" East along the west line of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records page 103 and the east line of said Lot 3, 140.00 feet to the southwest corner of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records, page 103; thence South 75°26'29" East along the south line of lands described and recorded in Document No. 641502, 150.66 feet to the southeast corner thereof, said point also being in the center line of Anacker Road; thence South 13°42'25" West along the center line of Anacker Road and the east line of said Lot 3, 30.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 13°42'25" West along the center line of Anacker Road and the east line of said Lot 3, 311.49 feet; thence North 74°39'02" West, 264.50 feet; thence North 07°23'52" East, 310.22 feet; thence South 75°26'29" East, 298.52 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 87,120 square feet, (2.00 acres) more or less. Being subject to Anacker Road right-of-way along the easterly 33 feet thereof and servitudes and easements of use or record if any. Land to be Rezoned from A-1 Agriculture to A-1 Agriculture with A-4 Agricultural Overlay District - Beginning at the northwest corner of Section 9 said point being the northwest corner of Lot 3, Certified Survey Map No. 2196; thence North 89°55'55" East along the north line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 9 and the north line of said Lot 3, 786.16 feet to the northwest corner of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records, page 103; thence South 00°04'05" East along the west line of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records page 103 and the east line of said Lot 3, 140.00 feet to the southwest corner of lands described and recorded in Volume 326 of records, page 103; thence South 75°26'29" East along the south line of lands described and recorded in Document No. 641502, 150.66 feet to the southeast corner thereof said point, also being the center line of Anacker Road; thence South 13°42'25" West along the center line of Anacker Road and the east line of said Lot 3, 30.00 feet; thence North 75°26'29" West, 298.52 feet; thence South 07°23'52" West, 300.11 feet; thence South 89°55'55" West, 3,271.25 feet to a point in the north-south quarter line of said Section 8; thence North 00°19'12" East along the north-south quarter line of said Section 8, 425.96 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1,437,480 square feet, (33.00 acres) more or less. All effective upon recording the Certified Survey Map.
- (3) "To change from A-1 Agriculture to A-2 General Agriculture", (Mark Bush, Petitioner and Owner) parcel of land located in Section 7, T13N, R10E, Town of Marcellon more particularly described as follows: Land to be Rezoned from A-1 Agriculture to A-2 General Agriculture - Commencing at a point where the centerline of Monthey Road intersects the North line of the Southeast Quarter of Section 7; thence South along the centerline of said road 420 feet to a point, thence East parallel with the said North line of the Southeast Quarter 420 feet to a point; thence North parallel to the centerline of Monthey Road 420 feet to the North line of the Southeast Quarter; thence West along the North line of the Southeast Quarter to the center of Monthey Road is the point of beginning.

Andy Ross, Chair
COLUMBIA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Susan M. Moll
COLUMBIA COUNTY CLERK

DATE PASSED: October 16, 2013
DATE PUBLISHED: October 21, 2013

Motion was made by Teitgen, second by Foley, to approve the (3) rezone requests. Motion carried. The Ordinance was declared passed and is to be known as Ordinance Z415-13.

The 2014 Columbia County Proposed Budgets were distributed to Supervisors.

Supervisor Tramburg gave an overview of the proposed 2014 Budget. He asked supervisors to review the budget books and contact Lois Schepp or the Finance Committee with any questions/concerns. Copies of the proposed budget are available in the Accounting Office or the Columbia County website at www.co.columbia.wi.us.

Ross stated a public budget hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room. Board members are invited to attend, however, are not required to and no per diem will be paid. The purpose of the meeting is to allow the public an opportunity to speak on the budget. No action would be taken by the board at that time. A public hearing on the proposed 2014 budget is also scheduled at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 during the board meeting.

Konkel moved adjournment of this meeting to Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 9:45 a.m. Second was made by Teitgen. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Minutes of Columbia County Board of Supervisor meeting are considered Draft until approved at a subsequent County Board Meeting. Complete minutes are on file in the County Clerk’s Office or can be viewed on the County Website at www.co.columbia.wi.us after publication.