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 Gove 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 De Young, second by Bradley to approve the Journal of June 18, 2014. Motion carried.

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

District Attorney Kohlwey gave an update on the Teen Court program and thanked the Board of Supervisors for their continued support since it’s inception. Rick Raatz, Teen Court Coordinator, explained the program and referred handouts (Teen Court – What is it, FAQ, Statistics and a letter from participant’s mother) provided to supervisors. Geneva Ervin, resident of Columbia County, spoke of her experience as a youth offender to becoming an adult volunteer for the program. Kohlwey gave a brief report on the past and current budget for program.

The following appointments were announced:

1. Health and Human Services Board: Cathy Brunt, citizen member, 3 year term to April, 2017. Motion by Cupery, second by Pufahl, the appointment was approved.

2. Local Library Board - Poynette: Linda Brodeur, to complete the remaining term of Dolores Hausmann to May, 2015. Motion by Ross, second by Cupery, the appointment was approved.

3. Zoning Board of Adjustment: Bernard Spink, 3 year term to July, 2017. Motion by Teitgen, second by Wingers, the appointment was approved.

Ross updated the Board on the infrastructure project and referred to a handout “Columbia County Facility Needs” provided to supervisors. He indicated the next meeting of the Infrastructure Committee will be Monday, August 11, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center.

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-14**

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2014, the County Board of Supervisors of Columbia County, Wisconsin (the "County") adopted a resolution entitled: "Resolution Providing for the Sale of Approximately $3,700,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds and Authorizing the Redemption of General Obligation Refunding Bonds dated April 1, 2004" (the "Set Sale Resolution") authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds (the "Bonds") for the public purpose of refunding obligations of the County, including interest on them, specifically, the outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, dated April 1, 2004, maturing in the years 2015 and 2016 (the "Refunded Obligations") (hereinafter the refinancing of the Refunded Obligations shall be referred to as the "Refunding");

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors deems it to be necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to refund the Refunded Obligations for the purpose of achieving debt service cost savings;

WHEREAS, counties are authorized by the provisions of Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, to borrow money and issue general obligation refunding bonds to refinance their outstanding obligations; and

WHEREAS, it is the finding of the County Board of Supervisors that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to authorize the issuance of and to sell the Bonds to Hutchinson, Shockey, Erley & Co. (the "Purchaser"), pursuant to the terms and conditions of its bond purchase proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Proposal").
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors of the County that:

Section 1. Authorization and Sale of the Bonds. For the purpose of paying the cost of the Refunding, there shall be borrowed pursuant to Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, the principal sum of THREE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($3,700,000) from the Purchaser in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Proposal. The Proposal is hereby accepted, and the Chairperson and County Clerk or other appropriate officers of the County are authorized and directed to execute an acceptance of the Proposal on behalf of the County. To evidence the obligation of the County, the Chairperson and County Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make, execute, issue and sell to the Purchaser for, on behalf of and in the name of the County, the Bonds aggregating the principal amount of THREE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($3,700,000) for the sum set forth on the Proposal, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery.

Section 2. Terms of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be designated "General Obligation Refunding Bonds"; shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of $3,700,000; shall be dated their date of issuance; shall be in the denomination of $5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; shall be numbered R-1 and upward; and shall bear interest at the rates per annum and mature on August 1 of each year, in the years and principal amounts as set forth on the Pricing Summary attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and incorporated herein by this reference. Interest is payable semi-annually on February 1 and August 1 of each year commencing on February 1, 2015. Interest shall be computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The schedule of principal and interest payments due on the Bonds is set forth on the Debt Service Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit B-2 and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Schedule").

Section 3. Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall not be subject to optional redemption.

Section 4. Form of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued in registered form and shall be executed and delivered in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 5. Tax Provisions.

(A) Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged, and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property of the County a direct annual irrepealable tax in the years 2014 and 2015 for the payments due in the years 2015 and 2016 in the amounts set forth on the Schedule.

(B) Tax Collection. So long as any part of the principal of or interest on the Bonds remains unpaid, the County shall be and continue without power to repeal such levy or obstruct the collection of said tax until all such payments have been made or provided for. After the issuance of the Bonds, said tax shall be, from year to year, carried onto the tax roll of the County and collected in addition to all other taxes and in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the County for said years are collected, except that the amount of tax carried onto the tax roll may be reduced in any year by the amount of any surplus money in the Debt Service Fund Account created below.

(C) Additional Funds. If at any time there shall be on hand insufficient funds from the aforesaid tax levy to meet principal and/or interest payments on said Bonds when due, the requisite amounts shall be paid from other funds of the County then available, which sums shall be replaced upon the collection of the taxes herein levied.


(A) Creation and Deposits. There be and there hereby is established in the treasury of the County, if one has not already been created, a debt service fund, separate and distinct from every other fund, which shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Debt service or sinking funds established for obligations previously issued by the County may be considered as separate and distinct accounts within the debt service fund.
Within the debt service fund, there hereby is established a separate and distinct account designated as the "Debt Service Fund Account for $3,700,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds - 2014" (the "Debt Service Fund Account") and such account shall be maintained until the indebtedness evidenced by the Bonds is fully paid or otherwise extinguished. The County Treasurer shall deposit in the Debt Service Fund Account (i) all accrued interest received by the County at the time of delivery of and payment for the Bonds; (ii) any premium not used for the Refunding which may be received by the County above the par value of the Bonds and accrued interest thereon; (iii) all money raised by the taxes herein levied and any amounts appropriated for the specific purpose of meeting principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (iv) such other sums as may be necessary at any time to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (v) surplus monies in the Borrowed Money Fund as specified below; and (vi) such further deposits as may be required by Section 67.11, Wisconsin Statutes.

(B) Use and Investment. No money shall be withdrawn from the Debt Service Fund Account and appropriated for any purpose other than the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds until all such principal and interest has been paid in full and the Bonds canceled; provided (i) the funds to provide for each payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds prior to the scheduled receipt of taxes from the next succeeding tax collection may be invested in direct obligations of the United States of America maturing in time to make such payments when they are due or in other investments permitted by law; and (ii) any funds over and above the amount of such principal and interest payments on the Bonds may be used to reduce the next succeeding tax levy, or may, at the option of the County, be invested by purchasing the Bonds as permitted by and subject to Section 67.11(2)(a), Wisconsin Statutes, or in permitted municipal investments under the pertinent provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes ("Permitted Investments"), which investments shall continue to be a part of the Debt Service Fund Account. Any investment of the Debt Service Fund Account shall at all times conform with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and any applicable Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations").

(C) Remaining Monies. When all of the Bonds have been paid in full and canceled, and all Permitted Investments disposed of, any money remaining in the Debt Service Fund Account shall be transferred and deposited in the general fund of the County, unless the County Board of Supervisors directs otherwise.

Section 7. Proceeds of the Bonds; Segregated Borrowed Money Fund. The proceeds of the Bonds (the "Bond Proceeds") (other than any premium not used for the Refunding and accrued interest which must be paid at the time of the delivery of the Bonds into the Debt Service Fund Account created above) shall be deposited into a special fund separate and distinct from all other funds of the County and disbursed solely for the purpose for which borrowed or for the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds. In no event shall monies in the Borrowed Money Fund be used to fund operating expenses of the general fund of the County or of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes. Monies in the Borrowed Money Fund may be temporarily invested in Permitted Investments. Any monies, including any income from Permitted Investments, remaining in the Borrowed Money Fund after the purpose for which the Bonds have been issued has been accomplished, and, at any time, any monies as are not needed and which obviously thereafter cannot be needed for such purpose shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund Account.

Section 8. No Arbitrage. All investments made pursuant to this Resolution shall be Permitted Investments, but no such investment shall be made in such a manner as would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code or the Regulations and an officer of the County, charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall certify as to facts, estimates, circumstances and reasonable expectations in existence on the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser which will permit the conclusion that the Bonds are not "arbitrage bonds," within the meaning of the Code or Regulations.
Section 9. Compliance with Federal Tax Laws. (a) The County represents and covenants that the projects financed by the Bonds and by the Refunded Obligations and the ownership, management and use of the projects will not cause the Bonds or the Refunded Obligations to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code. The County further covenants that it shall comply with the provisions of the Code to the extent necessary to maintain the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds including, if applicable, the rebate requirements of Section 148(f) of the Code. The County further covenants that it will not take any action, omit to take any action or permit the taking or omission of any action within its control (including, without limitation, making or permitting any use of the proceeds of the Bonds) if taking, permitting or omitting to take such action would cause any of the Bonds to be an arbitrage bond or a private activity bond within the meaning of the Code or would otherwise cause interest on the Bonds to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes. The County Clerk or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility of issuing the Bonds shall provide an appropriate certificate of the County certifying that the County can and covenanting that it will comply with the provisions of the Code and Regulations.

(b) The County also covenants to use its best efforts to meet the requirements and restrictions of any different or additional federal legislation which may be made applicable to the Bonds provided that in meeting such requirements the County will do so only to the extent consistent with the proceedings authorizing the Bonds and the laws of the State of Wisconsin and to the extent that there is a reasonable period of time in which to comply.

Section 10. Execution of the Bonds; Closing; Professional Services. The Bonds shall be issued in printed form, executed on behalf of the County by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Chairperson and County Clerk, authenticated, if required, by the Fiscal Agent (defined below), sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, or a facsimile thereof, and delivered to the Purchaser upon payment to the County of the purchase price thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery (the "Closing"). The facsimile signature of either of the officers executing the Bonds may be imprinted on the Bonds in lieu of the manual signature of the officer but, unless the County has contracted with a fiscal agent to authenticate the Bonds, at least one of the signatures appearing on each Bond shall be a manual signature. In the event that either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officers before the Closing, such signatures shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if they had remained in office until the Closing. The aforesaid officers are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and execute and deliver the Bonds and all such documents, certificates and acknowledgements as may be necessary and convenient to effectuate the Closing. The County hereby authorizes the officers and agents of the County to enter into, on its behalf, agreements and contracts in conjunction with the Bonds, including but not limited to agreements and contracts for legal, trust, fiscal agency, disclosure and continuing disclosure, and rebate calculation services. Any such contract heretofore entered into in conjunction with the issuance of the Bonds is hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

Section 11. Payment of the Bonds; Fiscal Agent. The principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be paid by the County Clerk or County Treasurer (the "Fiscal Agent").

Section 12. Persons Treated as Owners; Transfer of Bonds. The County shall cause books for the registration and for the transfer of the Bonds to be kept by the Fiscal Agent. The person in whose name any Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes and payment of either principal or interest on any Bond shall be made only to the registered owner thereof. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Any Bond may be transferred by the registered owner thereof by surrender of the Bond at the office of the Fiscal Agent, duly endorsed for the transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Upon such transfer, the Chairperson and County Clerk shall execute and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Bond or Bonds of a like aggregate principal amount, series and maturity and the Fiscal Agent shall record the name of each transferee in the registration book. No registration shall be made to bearer. The Fiscal Agent shall cancel any Bond surrendered for transfer.

The County shall cooperate in any such transfer, and the Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to execute any new Bond or Bonds necessary to effect any such transfer.
Section 13.  Record Date.  The fifteenth day of each calendar month next preceding each interest payment date shall be the record date for the Bonds (the "Record Date").  Payment of interest on the Bonds on any interest payment date shall be made to the registered owners of the Bonds as they appear on the registration book of the County at the close of business on the Record Date.

Section 14.  Utilization of The Depository Trust Company Book-Entry-Only System.  In order to make the Bonds eligible for the services provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the County agrees to the applicable provisions set forth in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations previously executed on behalf of the County and on file in the County Clerk's office.

Section 15.  Official Statement.  The County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds and deems the Preliminary Official Statement as "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule").  All actions taken by officers of the County in connection with the preparation of such Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda to it or Official Statement are hereby ratified and approved. In connection with the Closing, the appropriate County official shall certify the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or Official Statement to be distributed to the Purchaser.

Section 16.  Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure.  The County hereby covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds, to enter into a written undertaking (the "Undertaking") if required by the Rule to provide continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data and timely notices of the occurrence of certain events in accordance with the Rule. The Undertaking shall be enforceable by the owners of the Bonds or by the Purchaser on behalf of such owners (provided that the rights of the owners and the Purchaser to enforce the Undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the obligations thereunder and any failure by the County to comply with the provisions of the Undertaking shall not be an event of default with respect to the Bonds).

To the extent required under the Rule, the Chairperson and County Clerk, or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall provide a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the details and terms of the County's Undertaking.

Section 17.  Redemption of the Refunded Obligations.  Pursuant to the Set Sale Resolution, the Refunded Obligations have been called for prior payment on August 1, 2014 at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.  All actions heretofore taken by the officers and agents of the County to effectuate the redemption of the Refunded Obligations are hereby ratified and approved.

Section 18.  Record Book.  The County Clerk shall provide and keep the transcript of proceedings as a separate record book (the "Record Book") and shall record a full and correct statement of every step or proceeding had or taken in the course of authorizing and issuing the Bonds in the Record Book.

Section 19.  Bond Insurance.  If the Purchaser determines to obtain municipal bond insurance with respect to the Bonds, the officers of the County are authorized to take all actions necessary to obtain such municipal bond insurance. The Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to agree to such additional provisions as the bond insurer may reasonably request and which are acceptable to the Chairperson and County Clerk including provisions regarding restrictions on investment of Bond proceeds, the payment procedure under the municipal bond insurance policy, the rights of the bond insurer in the event of default and payment of the Bonds by the bond insurer and notices to be given to the bond insurer. In addition, any reference required by the bond insurer to the municipal bond insurance policy shall be made in the form of Bond provided herein.
Section 20. Conflicting Resolutions; Severability; Effective Date. All prior resolutions, rules or other actions of the County Board of Supervisors or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions hereof shall be, and the same are, hereby rescinded insofar as the same may so conflict. In the event that any one or more provisions hereof shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions hereof. The foregoing shall take effect immediately upon adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

Adopted, approved and recorded July 16, 2014.

Vern E. Gove
Chairperson

ATTEST:
Susan M. Moll
County Clerk

Jeff Belongia, of Hutchinson, Shockey, Erley & Company, financial advisor for Columbia County, gave a brief presentation on the Resolution being submitted and referred to a handout provided to supervisors. He stated by refinancing the county’s existing debt of 3.7 million, it will save the County $116,950 over the next two (2) years. Moody’s Investor Service has upgraded Columbia County from AA2 to AA1 rating. The new credit rating will lower the interest rate from 4 percent to 1.65 percent on outstanding debt. He entertained questions of the Board.

Tramburg stated the Finance Committee met prior to County Board and approved the resolution and recommends adoption by the County Board.

Motion was made to adopt the Resolution by Pufahl, second by De Young. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-14

WHEREAS, the Friesland Community Band was organized in the spring of 1914 and is one of the oldest continually active community bands in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the village had two churches, each with a small brass band and rather than competing with one another, the members organized the Friesland Community Band; and,

WHEREAS, for the past 60-plus years, weekly Tuesday night concerts have been played; and,

WHEREAS, the band has always had members who were: father and son, mother and daughter, brother and sister, husband and wife; and,

WHEREAS, 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of them all making music together.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbia County Board of Supervisors that the board hereby commemorates the 100th Anniversary of the Friesland Community Band.

Fiscal Note: NONE
Fiscal Impact: NONE

Philip Baebler Brad Basten Harlan Baumgartner
Susanna Bradley Robert L. Collins Mary Cupery
Don De Young Dan F. Drew Adam Field
James E. Foley Vern E. Gove Kenneth Hutler
Kevin Kessler Kirk Konkel Nancy M. Long
Robert C. McClyman Barry Pufahl Bruce J. Rashke
Matthew L. Rohrbeck Andy Ross Mark Slegers
John A. Stevenson Teresa Ann Sumnicht Fred C. Teitgen
John H. Tramburg Mike Weyh JoAnn Wingers
Tim Zander

Motion was made to adopt the Resolution by Foley, second by Ross. The resolution was adopted.
The WCA Annual Conference will be held on September 14-16, 2014, at the Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells. Anyone interested in attending should contact Susan Moll in the County Clerk’s Office by Friday, August 1, 2014. Pufahl encouraged new supervisors to attend.

Chair Gove invited each of the candidates running for Columbia County Sheriff the opportunity to speak before the Board. Jesse Weaver and Dennis Richards introduced themselves and gave a brief history of their background and why they should be considered for Sheriff. Tommy Nakielski had a previous engagement and wasn’t able to attend the meeting.

Ross noted the Columbia County Infrastructure Committee has created a web page for county building improvements/projects and it is available for public viewing.

Foley moved adjournment of this meeting to Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Second was made by Teitgen. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.