

Executive Committee

May 9, 2005

Present: Chair Martin, Supervisors Pufahl, Westby, and Baumgartner
Also Present: Donna Chrzas, Veterans Service Officer; and Jeanne Miller,
County Clerk

Chair Martin called the May 9th meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 9:00 a.m.
The agenda was approved as noticed on motion by Supervisory Westby, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried. Supervisor Pufahl made motion, second by Supervisor Baumgartner, to approve the April 11th minutes.. Motion carried.

Veterans Service Office

Donna Chrzas, Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) gave a brief report on her recent training in Superior. One session was on "D Bridging the Generations" and was attended by Chrzas. Generations were broken into four categories, World War II, baby boomers, generation "X" and generation "Y".

June Travel request included National Conference being held in Corpus Christi (June 12-17) and the Southwest CVSO meeting on June 24th in Richland County. Motion was made by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Supervisor Westby to approve of requests. Motion carried.

Chrzas reported the fall 2005 conference will be held in Oshkosh and that Wisconsin will be sponsoring the 2007 National Conference in Milwaukee taking the place of the Spring Conference that year.

VSO Vouchers

Vouchers were approved as submitted on motion by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Election Update

The State Elections Board had responded to the Clerk's inquiry about equipment recommendations but indicated the Federal standards are holding up the certification process. A sample Statewide Voter Registration resolution was given to the committee for their review. The Clerk indicated by approving this resolution and referring to County Board, the county could enter into Memo of Understanding agreements with municipalities that have indicated their intent to have the County maintain their voter registration.

The Clerk and Chief Deputy Shanna Herrick had attended a two-day voter registration training session. Currently 31 municipalities have indicated their willingness to contract with the County for this service.

Motion was made by Supervisory Westby, second by Supervisor Baumgartner to approve of resolution as submitted and refer to the May County Board meeting. Motion carried.

County Clerk vouchers were reviewed and approved on motion by Supervisor Baumgartner, second by Supervisor Pufahl. Motion carried.

Publication (notices) line item of the Elections Budget was overdrawn. A line item transfer would be required. Funds were available in the Ballot line item as a result of a small spring primary requiring paper ballots.

The County Clerk requested out-of-County travel for a conference held in Chippewa Falls scheduled for June 27-28 and the County Clerk Institute, held on the campus of the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay was scheduled for July 10-13. **Motion was made by Supervisor Baumgartner, second by Supervisor Pufahl to approve of the County Clerk's out-of-county travel. Motion carried.**

Personnel Request

A request to replace the Director or Nursing position at the Columbia Health Care Center (CHCC) was made by Chair Martin in Admin. Yamriska's absence. Position would be Range 14, \$25.75 per hour, and is a full-time position. **Motion was made by Supervisor Westby, second by Supervisor Baumgartner to approve of the replacement request of the Director position at the CHCC. Motion carried.**

Appointments

Ethics Committee terms are staggered with each individual appointee serving three years. Request was made to reappoint Dean Walker, whose term expires in 2005. Walker has agreed to serve on the committee again. **Motion was made by Supervisor Baumgartner, second by Supervisor Westby to approve of Dean Walker's appointment to the Ethics Committee with term to expire April 2008. Motion carried.**

Terms for the Health and Human Services Board are also staggered. Jan Gardner, Ken Olson and Phil Baebler were recommended for reappointment with terms to expire April 2008. **Motion was made by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Supervisor Westby to approve of Gardner, Olson and Baebler appointments to expire April 2008. Motion carried.**

Memorial Resolutions

Ingeborg Lothe and Stanton "Pete" Helland Memorial Resolutions were approved on motion by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried. Both would be signed by the entire board.

Chair Martin indicated that she had received a request to appoint a member to the recently created TIF#3 District, recently approved by the City of Lodi. The TIF District consists of one parcel located at 717 N. Main or Hwy. 113. In lieu of appointing the County Treasurer, Chair Martin nominated Robert Westby as representative on the TIF District Board of Review. **Motion was made by Supervisor Baumgartner, second by Supervisor Pufahl to approve of the Chair's recommendation of appointment Robert Westby. Motion carried.** The first meeting scheduled is May 31 at 6:30 p.m.

Response to Landers Proposal, Humane Society

Chair Martin read Landers' responses to questions raised by the Executive Committee. Supervisor Pufahl stressed the fact the County cannot enter into any agreement with the

humane society on behalf of the municipalities. In addition, the County cannot approve of a suggested agreement with the humane society since services are provided to the municipalities, not the County. Landers indicated, in his correspondence, that the humane society is a private non-profit organization, further indicating that they are not an organization designated by the county.

Supervisor Baumgartner suggested that the business manager for the society meet with municipalities to discuss the societies request citing costs issues with operating this facility. Possibly some agreement could be reached with local municipalities.

Pertaining to the suggestion, by Landers, that the county hire or fund a humane officer was felt more appropriate for the society to do.

In addition, the response to the humane society should include express the general consensus of the Executive Committee in that it does not support the formation of an ad hoc committee, much less the involvement of the county in this committee. The fact that local municipalities control the dollars, led the Executive Committee to suggest the humane society representative and representatives from local municipalities meet. The county has no interest in being involved.

The Clerk was asked to forward this response to the Judiciary Committee for consideration at their next meeting.

Committee Chair/Department Head Topics

Severe weather, financial planning presentation, employee recognition and annual reports were topics to be covered at the joint meeting.

Communications

Chair Martin indicated that there would be no Utility Breakfast at the WCA Convention in September. Communication was received from Police Chief Manthey commending the work relationship between the County Sheriff's Department and the City of Portage on the Drug Task Force. Resolutions were received from Marquette County, supporting non aquatic invasive species problem; Langlade County opposing further limitation of counties ability to levy necessary taxes; and Eau Claire County, opposing the DNR's use of wildlife damage funds for chronic wasting disease research.

Chair Martin discussed the recent events that led to Miron agreeing to replace the 22,500 sq. ft. of flooring in the Highway Shop in Wyocena.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Supervisor Westby, second by Supervisor Baumgartner at 11:13 a.m. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Barry Pufahl

Jeanne Miller