

Executive Committee

Monday, June 6, 2005

9:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Martin, Supervisors, Westby, Baumgartner, See and Pufahl.

Also Present: Kathy Koenecke, H&HS, Donna Chrzas, Joseph Ruf, Corporation Counsel and Jeanne Miller, County Clerk

Chair Martin called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. No changes to agenda were noted; *motion to approve agenda as published made by Supervisor Westby, second by Supervisor Pufahl. Motion carried.*

Minutes of May 9, 2005 were approved on motion by Supervisor Baumgartner, second by Supervisor Westby. Motion carried.

Kathleen Koenecke, Children and Family Administrator appeared on behalf of the request to increase Public Health Nurse hours. Supervisor Pufahl indicated the County had the option to discontinue the program and drop out at any time. *Motion to approve of request to increase nursing hours was made by Supervisor Westby, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried.*

Chair Martin indicated there was another pending personnel request to reinstate four (4) hours for a restitution worker being considered by Finance on Thursday.

Columbia Health Care Center – Social Worker position

Chair Martin indicated this position is a mandated position. *Motion was made to approve the Social Workers Position at the CHCC by Supervisor See, second by Supervisor Westby. Motion carried.*

Veteran's Service Officer

VSO Donna Chrzas updated the committee on recent activities.

Out-of-county travel requests were made by VSO Chrzas as follows: Cazenovia on June 24th for a Southwest CVSO conference and CVSO Association, Executive Meeting, on June 27th at Oshkosh. *Motion was made to approve of Chrzas attending both meetings by Supervisor See, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried.*

Chair Martin read a letter received from John Skokos commending Columbia County Veterans Office for the excellent service being provided

VSO Vouchers

VSO vouchers were approved on motion by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried.

County Clerk Update

The County Clerk gave an update on election equipment and indicated the State would not certify new central count optical scan equipment, similar to what Columbia County uses currently.

An ADA Coordinator had been approaching numerous Counties on behalf of hearing impaired and disabled individuals to ensure counties are in compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. The Executive Committee reviewed a number of suggested compliance statements. *Motion was made by Supervisor Westby, second by Supervisor Pufahl to approve of following verbiage to be added to all agendas:*

“Persons with disabilities, needing assistance to attend or participate, are asked to notify the County Clerk’s Office (608) 742-9654 prior to the meeting so that accommodations may be arranged. “Motion carried.

Appointments – Local Library Board Members

A motion was made by Supervisory Westby, second by Supervisor See to approve of the following reappointments to local libraries: Lodi – William Escher; Pardeeville – Lucille Wopat; Portage – Beverly Hoffmann; Poynette – Harriet Keller; and Rio – Lonna Brooks. Motion carried.

October Meeting Location

Chair Martin indicated Nancy Elsing was arranging for the county board to hold its October meeting, with tour, at the Ethanol plant in Randolph. *Motion made by Supervisor See, second by Supervisor Westby to hold the October 19th evening County Board meeting at the Ethanol Plant in Randolph if arrangements are made. Motion carried.*

Supervisor Baumgartner indicated that the Towns Association meeting would be held at the Ethanol Plant on Monday, June 27th.

Public Service Commission

Columbia County had applied for a waiver to use funds received from the American Transmission Company (ATC) for modernization of land records. The approval was received the end of May.

Employee Appreciation Committee

Mary Saunders, Sandra Roberts and John Hartman have agreed to serve on this committee. *Motion was made by Supervisor Pufahl, second by Westby to approve of this committee. Motion carried.*

Speakers Bureau

Contact names for organizations in each of the localities represented by Executive Members were being compiled. Each member was asked to submit contact names to Chair Martin.

WCA Resolution

A sample resolution provided by WCA was submitted to Counties for consideration. Chair Martin indicated the resolution was a follow-up to the referendum questions that appeared on the April ballot. *Motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor See, second by Supervisor Baumgartner. Motion carried.*

The Executive Committee previewed a resolution, "Charge back of uncollected Personal Property Taxes", proposed by Corporation Counsel Ruf. The Finance Committee will review this resolution at their next meeting. Executive will meet prior to County Board to review if approved by Finance Committee.

Communications

Chair Martin reviewed communications received:

- Article in "Mutual Effort" publication mentioned the Columbia Health Care Center for its' innovative safety team.
- Sales Tax revenue, showed an increase of \$83,000 over the prior year.
- Letter from Governor Doyle, requesting Counties notify their legislators of their opposition to Smart Growth.
- Resolutions were received from **Wood County**: Restore Fuel Tax User Fees; **Waupaca**: Opposing the use of Wildlife Damage Funds; **Racine**: Invasive Aquatic Species; **Marinette**: Opposing jailers having Protective status; and, **Douglas**: decision for condemnation should be municipalities responsibility.

Motion to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. was made by Supervisor See, second by Supervisor Westby. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Barry Pufahl

Jeanne Miller