

ICC Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2014

Columbia County Annex, Portage, WI

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Russell Kottke, Chairman, at 9:30 a.m.

Certification of Open Meeting Notices

The Secretary confirmed that the requirements of the WI Open Meeting Law were met.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion by Co., Columbia County seconded by Green Lake Co., to approve the agenda.
Motion approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Dodge Co., seconded by Marquette County to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2014, meeting of the ICC. Motion approved.

Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials

• **Representative Keith Ripp:**

- Husbandry legislation regarding farm equipment on roads was passed, not requires less paperwork; WTA will do general educational outreach including around opt in/out for various farm equipment; posting of roads is still a town decision; state patrol cannot issue tickets yet county and local may;
- Transportation funding possibly receiving more money; Transportation aids went in right direction for municipalities;
- Counties and towns need help with their roads, is there a priority to fund more transportation initiatives? – Transportation aids have been used for other state purposes in the past; legislature is considering users fees to add to the transportation fund;
- Economic development, Columbia Co Econ Dev Corp is doing a tour with WI ED Corp., yet the State may want to coordinate better between different WEDC staff.

Update on County Issues

WCA Repr. David Callender, Government Affairs Associate, commented on several aspects:

- Working with legislative council/study committees that are bipartisan committees
 - Courts
 - Treatment
 - Low level offenses
 - TIFs
 - Tech/College system funding
- Guidelines to State Agencies from Gov's office will be coming out soon. WCA is meeting with State Agencies to share county concerns and issues
- Non violent offenders: take 17 yr olds back from adult to juvenile court systems, counties need funding to do this; youth will need intensive rehabilitative services, county's need to be reimbursed thru direct funding rather than youth aids;
- "TREATMENT, ALTERNATIVES AND DIVERSION PROGRAMS IN YOUR COUNTY"/TAD, June 23: WCA will be hosting a workshop in Stevens Point, June 23 with several TAD experts; registration is on WCA website <https://www.wicounties.org/events/283/#event-listing>
- WCA is formulating its 2 year agenda: seeking input from counties; priority will be focused on local transportation funding, including backfill (appx. \$1 billion)

Open Discussion of County Issues

Jefferson County is assembling a transportation work group to look at how they will maintain and plan/fund new transportation initiatives.

Program Topic: *Where Do Counties Fit into Surface & Groundwater Management* (see powerpoint -- *DATCP Bureau of Land and Water Resources LCC Training 2014 & LCC – 101 How Land Conservation Committees Work*; handouts/PDF -- *SNAP Plus Nutrient Management Training Public Value & 2014 Training Schedule*)

Presenters:

- **Kurt Calkins, Columbia County Land and Water Conservation Director**
- **George Koepp, Columbia County Agriculture & Natural Resource Educator**
- **County LWCD & UW-Extension ANRE Panel**

Open ICC Discussion none

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. on a motion by Jefferson County and seconded by Sauk County. Motion approved.

ICC Participants

Refer to sign-in sheet

Respectfully submitted by,

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