

Intercounty Coordination Committee

Minutes of the August 18, 2014 Meeting Montello County Services Center Montello, Wisconsin

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:30am by Chairperson Russell Koettke.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Certification of Open Meeting Notice

Marty Havlovic certified that the ICC meeting was posted according to Wisconsin State Open Meeting Law.

Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Green Lake County to adopt the meeting agenda as presented; seconded by Dodge County. Motion passed on voice vote.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Columbia County to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2014 meeting; seconded by Green Lake County. Motion passed on voice vote.

Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials

No reports.

Update of County Issues –WCA

WCA representative Kyle Christianson, commented on several issues:

- Not much happening at State Capitol
- Will be meeting with legislatures in October
- DOR reports net new construction numbers for levy limits are up 1.1 to 1.2 per cent.
- \$11.8 million lapse in Supreme Court budget
- Governor's budget instructions – don't spend any more money, look to save money
- December 15th is date to submit agency budgets
- Return 17 year old juveniles, if non-violent, to juvenile courts and have state pick up costs of \$8-15 million per year
- WCA supports all and any options to increase transportation funds
- 911 fee (75 cents per telephone/cellphone) generates \$50 million per year

Open Discussion of Counties

Brainstorming on 2014-2015 program issues

Program Topic: Communicating/Working Effectively with State Agencies

Mark Aquino, Wisconsin State DNR, Nichole Lysne, Wisconsin DOT and Jeff Gust, Wisconsin DOT gave presentation on how local government officials can work more closely with state agencies and organizations. They talked about the importance of keeping good records of communications, who you talk with and when and subject of conversation. They said each county has regional public relations officials whose duty it is to work with local constituents. Communications is a 2-way street and both agencies said they need to do a better job informing local government officials about events and activities occurring in their jurisdiction

County board members shared stories about problems and questions they had regarding state actions and how either the situation was taken care of or communications were non-existent.

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No additional discussion

Adjournment

Chairman Russ Kottke adjourned the meeting at 11:10 am.

Minutes submitted by:

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October 1, 2014