Intercounty Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday March 21, 2005
Sauk County Board Room, Baraboo, Wisconsin

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan See at 9:30am

Attendance:
Jenny Erickson, Sauk County UW Extension; Halsey Sprecher, Sauk County; Bill Wenzel, Sauk County; Dan Prisk, Green Lake County; Orrin Helmer, Green Lake County; Bernie Kasseroke, Green Lake County; Jeff Hoffman, Green Lake County; Dave Neuendorf, Dodge County UW Extension; Russell Kolthe, Dodge County; Ray Seaholm, Dodge County; Gene Wiegand, Sauk County Administrative Coordinator; JC Bluender, Columbia County; John H. Lumby, Columbia County; Harlan Baumgarten, Columbia County; Sue Martin, Columbia County; Bruce Haukom, Jefferson County; Stu J. Neiss, Jefferson County; Steve Grabow, Jefferson County UW Extension; Daniel See, Columbia County; Kathleen Haas, Columbia County UW Extension; Lance Gurney, Sauk County Planning & Zoning; John Exo, Sauk County UW Extension

The requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law were met.

The agenda was approved. (Sauk/Green Lake)

The January 17, 2005 minutes were approved. (Dodge/Columbia) Columbia County noted that Steve Grabow (Jefferson UWEX) did a great job with the January minutes.

Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials: None present

Update of County Issues – Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf, WCA Senior Legislative Associate
  o LRB2177 LeMahieu’s bill puts the county liability shield language back in place. Contact your legislator by March 29th to provide input. (WCA approves of this bill)
  o SB114 Jailors as Protective: In this bill the county jailors would receive protective status. WCA opposes this bill because they believe this benefit should be decided locally through the county’s bargaining process.
  o AB211 (Gottlieb) This bill increases the collection tools clerks of circuit court can utilize to recover late payments. This bill includes a name change from collection agency to debt collector and changes to the tax intercept program.
  o AB152 relates to court fines and forfeiture collections. Currently the county keeps 10% of fines and forfeitures. Under this bill the county would keep 20% of money paid within the first 120 days and 30% of fines and forfeitures paid after 120 days. The fines and forfeiture money currently goes to the common school fund so this bill is not expected to pass.

Update on State Budget Issues
  o Joint finance held public hearings in 5 locations throughout the state
  o School aid/funding is a hot button topic this session. Assembly and Senate are nearly in agreement on these issues so the budget may pass quickly.
380 Million earmarked for shared revenue is in the general fund which may put it at risk.

Gov. Doyle wants to reduce the nursing home population by 25% and he may agree to pay an enhanced rate. WCA wants to know how much is the rate and can counties deny placement?

Bed rate increases from $75 to $125, but the additional money is not going to nursing homes so WCA can’t support this idea.

**Program: Shoreland Zoning (Toni Herkert)**

- Toni Herkert, DNR passed out a NR115 Shoreland Zoning timeline and rule update. She is currently working with draft five.
- The rule pertains to shoreland in unincorporated areas as well as land annexed after 1982 or incorporated after 1994.
- The four major components of the rule are structure setback, lot size, non-conforming structures, and vegetative management. Lighting issues are not addressed.
- The rule is also going to address issues that counties have had in the past. It will include permissive language like counties “may regulate”.
- For more information, Toni’s number is (608)266-0161

**Program: FEMA (Gary Heinrichs)**

- NR116 FEMA is flood plain management, and aside from a few small changes in 1991 it has not been revised since the early 1970s.
- Gary works in cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and with a regional office in Chicago. There are currently 15 FEMA staff in Wisconsin.
- FEMA is replacing the old, non-detailed flood plain maps with more detailed versions. The counties that will receive priority will be based on population.
  - 2005: Milwaukee and Dane
  - 2006: Columbia and Jefferson
  - 2008: Sauk
- In 2004 FEMA introduced a new flood plain model ordinance. Counties were given 6 months to comply. Most changes are small and include additional definitions.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:58am. (Columbia/Dodge)

Respectfully submitted,
Jenny Erickson
Sauk County UW-Extension