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Minutes of the meeting of the Economic Development and UW-Extension Committee
Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
January 9, 2017, 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present: Tom Duffy, Bruce Paulsen, Brian Bisonette, James Schlender, Marc Helwig (arrived 9:10)

Others present: Don Semler, Ron Kubarek, Lori Laberee, Ariga Grigoryan, Tom Hoff, Lori Baltrusis, Lisa Wydra, Carol Williamson, Frank Zufall

Motion by Bisonette, 2nd by Paulsen, to approve the agenda. Motion carried

Motion by Paulsen, 2nd by Bisonette, to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting. Motion carried

Fair Board Director Ron Kubarek informed the Committee of two fundraisers the Fair Board has planned. There will be a Fair Social on January 21, 2017 from 5-8 at the Hayward Veterans Community Center. The Fair board is doing a raffle again this year; it is for a riding lawn mower. The drawing will be Sunday, August 20, 2017 at 2:00 pm during the Sawyer County Fair.

Broadband Committee member Don Semler updated the Committee on Broadband in Sawyer County. Semler will continue to work with CenturyLink and other partners in applying for available grants.

WNEP Coordinator Lisa Wydra presented "Food Wise" to the Committee. This program strives to educate the public on healthier food choices. The State receives Federal Farm Bill Funds to run this program. Sawyer County provides space, phone, and internet services.

UW Extension 4-H Youth Development Agent Lori Laberee provided handouts on "Shaping the Future of Cooperative Extension" and Wisconsin Associated County Extension Committees. WACEC is meeting in Hudson on February 2, 2017. The Committee is invited.

Laberee introduced Lori Baltrusis. Baltrusis works 60% in Sawyer County and will be working 40% in Washburn County.

Bike/Ped Committee member John Saunders provided the Committee members with a Sawyer County Bicycle Map. There was discussion as to whether the two larger maps provided were sufficient for a master plan. The Bike/Ped Master Plan will be on the February Committee agenda.

Supervisor Bruce Paulsen informed the Committee the Economic Development Association has Articles of Incorporation and By Laws drafted.

Motion by Helwig, 2nd by Paulsen, to adjourn.

Minutes prepared by Carol Williamson