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Minutes of the meeting of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Thursday, February 15, 2018; 6:30 p.m.;
Assembly Room, Sawyer County Courthouse

County Board Chair Ron Kinsley called the February meeting of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors to order. Roll call was as follows (x indicates present)

district - supervisor - T = Town, V = Village, C = City, W = Ward

- X 01 - Dale Schleeter – T Lenroot W 1, T Hayward W 7, C Hayward W 5 and 6
- X 02 - Kathy McCoy – T Lenroot W 2, T Round Lake W 1
- X 03 - Tweed Shuman – T Hayward W 1 and 2
- 04 - Iras Humphreys – T Hayward W 3 and 4
- X 05 – James H. Schlender Jr. – T Hayward W 5 and 6
- X 06 – Marc D. Helwig – C Hayward W 1 and 2
- X 07 - Thomas W. Duffy – C Hayward W 3 and 4
- X 08 - Bruce Paulsen – T Bass Lake W 1 and 2
- 09 - Brian Bisonette – T Bass Lake W 3 and 4
- X 10 – Elaine Nyberg – T Sand Lake, T Edgewater W 1
- X 11 - Jim Bassett – T Edgewater W 2, T Bass Lake W 5, T Hayward W 8, T Meteor, T Couderay, V Couderay
- X 12 - William Voight – T Spider Lake, T Round Lake W 2, T Winter W 1
- X 13 - Ron Kinsley – T Hunter, T Radisson W 1, T Ojibwa W 1, V Radisson
- X 14 – Ron Buckholtz – T Radisson W 2, T Ojibwa W 2, T Weirgor, V Exeland, T Meadowbrook
- X 15 – Helen Dennis – T Winter W 2, T Draper, V Winter

The agenda for the meeting was presented as follows:

01. Call to order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance
02. Certification of compliance with the open meetings law
03. Meeting agenda
04. Public Comments
05. Minutes of the January 18, 2018 meeting
06. Eileen Simak – Sawyer County Health & Human Services Programs including Water Lab and Environmental Health Agent
07. County Owned Billboards
08. Board Rules Update
09. Land, Water, and Forest Resources
 - A. Hayward Fire Tower Easement
 - Letter from John Kruk
 - Picture
 - B. OO trail head improvement project stewardship grant approval
 - C. Northwood's ATP Snowmobile Trail 5 Agreement
 - Certificate of Insurance
10. Spending Priorities Discussion
11. Update from members on the Sawyer County Board/Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Council Joint Committee
12. Bill Voight – WCA Legislative Exchange Madison
13. Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings, other matters for discussion only

County Board Chair Ron Kinsley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Marge Kelsey introduced herself and announced she is running for the Clerk of Courts position this fall.

Motion by Duffy, 2nd by Buckholtz, to approve the January 18, 2017 minutes. Motion carried

Sawyer County Health Officer Eileen Simak and Matt Mackay presented a power point on the Environmental Health Agent and Water Lab services. Simak anticipates HHS becoming an agent soon. As Agent of the State Sawyer County will license and inspect public establishments including restaurants, hotels, pools, and rentals. The water lab is set up in the Human Services Department. The Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) regulates the food chain in Wisconsin. DATCP will inspect our water lab facility and the lab should be open by March 1, 2018.

Sawyer County owns four billboards South of Hayward on Highway 63. The County Board discussed the condition and use of the signs. The Administration Committee approved using the one sign that is in good condition for county use and removing the other three signs.

Proposed changes to the board rules were reviewed. Discussed holding a committee meeting when there is not a quorum. The meeting could be held for discussion only, no minutes. Motion by Paulsen, 2nd by Bassett to approve the proposed changes except for what a committee does when they do not have a quorum. Motion carried

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is decommissioning the Hayward Fire Tower and no longer needs an easement. The tower is metal, upkeep is minimal, and there are good fences. The county can use the tower for repeaters. Motion by Bassett, 2nd by Duffy, to sign the release of easement. Motion carried

Sawyer County received a grant for the Birkie 'OO' Trailhead Improvement project. The Birkie foundation will oversee the construction and provide the 50% match. Motion by Shuman, 2nd by Helwig, to approve the grant letter. Motion carried

Sawyer County's liability insurance signed off on the Northwoods ATP Snowmobile License Agreement and the agreement was sent to Northwoods ATP. Motion by Bassett, 2nd by Dennis, to approve the agreement. Motion carried

The board discussed the budget dilemma and the need for spending priorities to prepare the 2019 budget. The board would like to hold listening sessions to hear from the public and a special county board meeting separate from the monthly meeting.

Supervisor Tweed Shuman is a member of the joint Sawyer County/LCO Committee. Working on ambulance billing and third party dollars.

Supervisor Bill Voight updated the board on the WCA legislative Exchange he attended in Madison.

Meeting adjourned

Approved Resolutions are on the Sawyer County website under Agendas and Minutes and copies are available in the Sawyer County Clerk's Office.

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