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Agenda  
Economic Development and UW-Extension Committee meeting  
November 2, 2015; 8:30 a.m.  
Assembly Room, Sawyer County Courthouse

01. Meeting agenda
02. Minutes of October 5, 2015 meeting
03. Audience recognition
04. Sawyer County Agricultural Fair Association report
05. Northwest Regional Planning Commission report
06. Hayward Area Visitor and Convention Bureau report
07. University of Wisconsin-Extension Department report
08. Monthly expense vouchers
09. Other matters for discussion only

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minutes of the meeting of the Economic Development and UW-Extension Committee  
Sawyer County Board of Supervisors  
October 5, 2015; 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

members present: Tom Duffy, Bill Voight, Tweed Shuman, Warren Johnson, Dean Pearson

others present: Sawyer County Record Reporter Frank Zufall; 4-H Youth Development Agent and University of Wisconsin-Extension Department Chair Lori Laberee and Family Living Educator Lori Baltrusis; County Administrator Tom Hoff; County Board Chair Hal Helwig; County Clerk Kris Mayberry

The Committee reviewed and approved the meeting agenda.

Motion by Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Voight, to approve the September 14, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Sawyer County Agricultural Fair Association President Ron Kubarek presented the Association's letter of request for an appropriation of \$35,000 for 2016 (2015 appropriation - \$26,250) and the early payment of those funds to enable the Association to pay their outstanding bills totaling \$30,254.24. The letter outlined the contributing factors for the Association's current difficult financial situation and an action plan for recovery. Motion by Pearson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson, to recommend County Board approval for a 2016 appropriation and distribution of \$26,250 for the Sawyer County Fair. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed an email from Northwest Regional Planning Commission Deputy Director Sheldon Johnson informing the Committee that the Wisconsin Department of Administration announced the Community Development Block Grant Regional Housing Program awards, including the award to the Northwest Regional Housing Program (10 counties including Sawyer County).

Sawyer County UW-Extension Family Living Educator Lori Baltrusis (60% full-time) presented information about the partnerships, programs, and activities of the Sawyer County UW-Extension Family Living Program.

The Committee reviewed proposed Sawyer County UW-Extension Agent and UW-Extension multi-donor contracts for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Motion by Shuman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson, to recommend continuing County Board support for the Sawyer County UW-Extension Department, but to table consideration of the contracts until after the 2016 Sawyer County Budget is approved. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed an email from Carmen Hardin (Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources) reporting that a private company (PRT) is negotiating with the DNR concerning the lease of portions of the Griffith State Tree Nursery and the Hayward State Tree Nursery from the DNR.

The Committee reviewed an email from Sawyer County UW-Extension Community Natural Resources and Economic Development Educator Ariga Grigoryan informing the Committee that Sawyer County's application for a 2015 Farmers Market Promotion Program grant was not successful.

The Committee reviewed the year-to-date Sawyer County sales and use tax report which reflects an increase in revenues in 2015 over those revenues in 2014.

There were no monthly department expense vouchers.

Motion by Voight, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shuman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

minutes prepared by Sawyer County Clerk Kris Mayberry