

**MEETING OF THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JULY 30, 2013**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joe Pinardi at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call taken, Present: Luke, Mullard, Pinardi, Prospero, Youngs, Thomas, Koski, Smith, Innes, Nasi, Erickson, Lambert, Roberts, Thompson and Kichak. Absent: None.

Clerk Michael Saari certified that the meeting was properly called and posted.

Motion by Kichak, seconded by Mullard to approve minutes of June 25, 2012 as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letter from Deb & Mark Reinertson asking Iron County to pass a strong zoning ordinance like the one Ashland County adopted to protect water and air quality.

Letter from Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Governing Board asking to sit down with Iron County and work out a settlement on the gathering camp permit. Chairman Pinardi is forwarding the request back to the Forestry Committee for further consideration.

COMMITTEE, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Luke reported that Recycling will hold a meeting on July 31st and will discuss electronic collection data.

Luke reported that LCC held a wetlands meeting at Schomberg Park in July and Pri Ruta is asking for \$5.00 membership dues and only asset distribution is left to be settled.

Kichak reported that Highway Department has been working on County Road FF getting ready for new paving surface but rain has been slowing down the process.

Kichak told board that Zoning Administrator Tom Bergman has been working with attorney Chris Jaekel on zoning issues.

Thompson reported that stumpage revenues as of today are \$1,201,009.28 while revenues were \$775,100.99 at the same time last year.

Thompson reported that Economic Development Committee will meet on August 22nd.

Innes reported that Saxon Harbor campground has been busy but still behind 2012 numbers.

Innes told board that a CEO search for Northern Bridges is ongoing.

Lambert reported that the Sheriff's Department has been very busy.

Roberts reported that county has been working with Stifel Nicolaus & Company on refinancing construction bonds to save the county interest costs over the last 8 years of the issuance.

Roberts reported that Human Services Department will be hiring 2 economic support specialists per the State of Wisconsin.

Roberts also told board that road deputies and jailer/dispatchers will be splitting up into 2 unions after contracts expire at the end of the year.

Roberts also reported that 16 tax delinquent properties will be looked at during the August Finance meeting.

Roberts reported that the IT Committee is looking at renewing service contract with Computer Doctors.

Thomas reported that the summer youth camp was a huge success, farmers market will open tomorrow and the Iron County Fair begins on Friday.

Prospero told board that Aging Unit has seated a new board with new officers and they will receive a 5% reduction in funding for 2014.

Youngs reported that the Department of Revenue put on presentation yesterday informing the Mining Impact Committee that revenue streams for the local communities and counties are available once the mine is operational and profitable. Bill Williams, G-Tac gave an update to mining committee on drilling samples and told committee that bulk sampling will probably begin in September.

Mullard reported that the fair will begin on Friday and he has 50/50 tickets to sell if anyone needs any.

Mullard also reported that a pre-construction meeting was held at the airport for the new taxiway and the airport manager received a \$1,000.00 raise. Mullard told board that the airport fly-in will be held on August 24th.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A total of 11 people spoke during public comment with 9 individuals speaking against the mining project, one spoke in favor of the mine/jobs and one person gave a neutral comment/advice to county board on spending taxpayer's money wisely.

**REPORT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING/LAND & ZONING COMMITTEE TO COUNTY BOARD ON
HEARING OF PETITION TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE**

Rezoned the following:

Rezone from an F-1 (Forestry) District to an RR-1 (Residential Recreation) District, part of the NE ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 34, Township 42 North, Range 3 East, Town of Sherman, to bring the property into zoning compliance. Michael Button, owner.

Motion by Luke, seconded by Kichak to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2827

**REPORT OF ZONING AGENCY TO COUNTY BOARD ON HEARING OF PETITION
TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE**

RECOMMENDATION TO THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Comprehensive Planning/Land & Zoning Committee of Iron County, having considered the petition to amend Title 9 Land Use Ordinance, and

Having held public hearings thereon pursuant to Sec. 59.97(3), Wisconsin Statutes, notice thereof having been given as provided by law and being duly informed of the facts pertinent to the change proposed and duly advised of the wishes of the people in the area affected, hereby recommends that the proposed amendments be approved as follows:

Changes to permitted uses Section 9.4.9 I-2 Industrial District

Section 9.4.9 (B) Permitted Uses: Remove “(1) Mining, quarrying and processing of products from these activities subject to the provisions of Section 9.7.2.” Renumber accordingly.

Motion by Mullard, seconded by Lambert to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion took place on violations of harvest camp in the Town of Anderson with respect to county ordinances and obligations under state law. With letter from LCO Tribal Board asking for a meeting to discuss harvest camp with Iron County Chairman Pinardi is asking to refer matter back to Forestry Committee.

Motion by Prospero, seconded by Roberts to postpone Item #11 on agenda to undetermined date in the future. All aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Motion by Lambert, seconded by Thomas to adjourn at 6:55 PM. All aye. Motion carried.

Michael Saari
Iron County Clerk