

**IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
DECEMBER 18, 2018**

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

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call, present: Erickson, Sendra, Roberts, Thompson, Kichak, Matson, Pinardi, Francis, Youngs, Thomas, Saari, Snyder, Krall and Hanson. Absent: Aijala, excused. Student Representatives, present: Stuhr, Morello, Allen-Rodriguez and Botes. Absent: Hohner.

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

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Kichak to approve minutes of November 07, 2018 as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Clerk told board that the county is looking into the possibility of installing solar panels on county properties in the future. Clerk is getting electricity figures to the company to see if it would be a practical project with cost figures coming. Clerk told board that company would put on a presentation in the future.

Clerk told board that the Bayfield County Administrator e-mailed him this morning asking if Iron County would object to having an issue for Superior Days to ask the state for ½% sales tax for road repairs at this year's event. There were no real objections towards the idea so clerk will forward on to Superior Days organizers.

**COMMITTEE, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Katie Hampston, Health Officer reported that the Health Department has been working on a community health assessment with opioids, alcohol and mental health issues all included in study. Strategic Plan also being worked on with more internal planning involved.

Matson reported that he attended the state land and water meeting in Wisconsin Rapids with discussion held on Land and Water budgets being increased since they were trimmed during the Scott Walker terms.

Michael Swartz, Highway Commissioner told the board that crack sealing and culvert changes were a big part of their summer work. Brushing is now being completed with 2 new employees starting work this fall.

Kichak reported that Zoning held a meeting today and some of their fees have been raised and deer farm regulations were discussed.

Thompson reported that stumpage revenues as of today are \$2,182,737.53 just about the same amount as last year at this time.

Hanson reported that surveying is being done on the airport runways and blacktopping should be done in 2020.

Roberts reported that Finance Committee agreed to give Bill Thompson health insurance for 4 months since that was the breakeven point after a new employee was hired to replace him. Roberts also reported that the vacation payout to employees was turned down by Finance Committee on a 3-2 vote. Roberts also told board that the county has signed a contract with US Cellular for equipment use on two county towers at \$650/month/tower. Lease contract is a five-year term with a 10% increase upon each new renewal.

Roberts reported that a new position will be filled in Human Services to try to decrease the overtime by the financial workers in the department. This position was present several years ago but was never filled after Becky Rein moved up to a new job within the department.

Roberts reported that the Transportation Committee held a public hearing on public funds being spent and Iron County is eligible for an additional vehicle since there was extra funds left over in state transportation budget.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Rita Franzoi, Hurley Chamber Director told board that a new committee was formed to support snowmobiling and ATV use in Iron County. Members of committee are from both chambers and all snowmobiling and ATV clubs within Iron County.

Steve Schurttter, Montreal told the board that anyone caught bringing recyclables to the Hurley center during closed hours are being filmed and could be fined \$500 for after hours dumping.

Hanson nominated Mike Swartz, Highway Commissioner for another 4-year term. Chairman Pinardi called for nominations 3 times with no other nominations offered.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Krall to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Swartz. All aye. Motion carried.

Recycling Ordinance Amendment: Amend Sections 2 and 15 of Ordinance Number 2101 relating to recycling within Iron County.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Snyder to adopt amendment. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion held on possible purchase of 2 cars for employee use to reduce the amount of mileage county pays out to employees. More information coming, no action at this time.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Thompson to adopt 2019 Law Enforcement Agreement and Joint Program Plan between the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and Iron County, Wisconsin. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Matson to adopt Breastfeeding Policy for Iron County employees. All aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2958**  
**APPROVING ADJUSTMENT AND AMENDMENT OF YEAR 2018 BUDGET**  
**TO REFLECT CORRECT AND NECESSARY EXPENDITURES**

**WHEREAS**, several county budgets need to be adjusted after expenses were higher than anticipated in 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Iron County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize amendment of the Iron County 2018 budget, to provide a true financial picture of expenses that occurred in several county budgets as follows:

#51101-316	\$ 3,651.11	Land purchase, County Board
#51101-810	\$ 27,000.00	Van purchase, County Board
#51119-217	\$ 29,191.01	Contracted Services IT
#51119-810	\$ 74,586.51	Capital Outlay IT
#51128-510	\$ 8,309.00	Liability and Property Insurance
#52101-111	\$ 49,937.57	Overtime Sheriff Department
#52101-218	\$ 14,904.44	Equipment Maintenance, Sheriff Department
#52109-217	\$ 21,570.30	Contracted Services Emergency Government
#54204-217	\$ 322,941.94	Contracted Services County Bridge Aid
#56108-217	\$ 17,865.08	Contracted Services County Road Projects
#56108-810	\$ 31,400.00	Capital Outlay County Road Projects

Total               \$ 601,356.96

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Thomas to adopt. Roll call. All aye. Motion carried.

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

Rezone the following:

Rezone from an F-1 (Forestry) District to an RR-1 (Residential Recreation) District, part of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 31, Township 43 North, Range 3 East, Town of Mercer, to bring the property into accordance with the future land use plan. (Site address is 4506W County FF). Craig Paeth, owner.

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

Rezone the following:

Rezone from an F-1 (Forestry) District to an R-3 (Rural Residential) District, part of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 19, Township 46 North, Range 1 East, Town of Saxon, to bring the property into accordance with the future land use plan. (Site address is 13045N Hwy 122). Brenda and Keven Lee, owners.

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

Michael Saari  
Iron County Clerk