MEETING OF THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JUNE 29, 2021

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

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call, present: Pinardi, Youngs, Thomas, Saari, Hanson, Erickson, Sendra, Roberts, Thompson, Hiller, McComas and Byrns. Absent: Francis, Snyder and Krall.

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

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Byrns to approve the minutes of May 25th and June 2nd, 2021 as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

COMMITTEE, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Thompson thanked the board members who attended the grand opening of Saxon Harbor marina and campground. He also thanked Eric Peterson and Joe Pinardi for the fine job they did during the dedication.

Thompson reported stumpage revenues for 2021 to be at \$990,403.61 while they were \$744,542.09 at the same time last year. Thompson also reported that at last month's timber bid opening the total came in at just under \$1 million and 5 sales weren't bid on.

Sendra asked that in the future Economic Development meetings be held on a Wednesday instead of Thursday.

Hanson reported that a tire and electronics collection will be held on August 28th of this year.

Hanson also reported that the Zoning Department is very busy this year with construction going hot guns.

Roberts reported that the road and gate for Germania Tower is now completed and under county control. Roberts also reported that the Finance Committee has recommended a 1.5% wage increase which is \$0.40/hour for county employees. Roberts suggested an ad hoc committee be formed to look at ways to spend the \$1.1 million dollars in covid relief funds.

Roberts reported that the Finance Committee negotiated with Sheriff Deputies and have a tentative 3-year contract which needs to be approved by the union before the County Board will vote on it at our July meeting.

Roberts reported that any questions the board has for Human Services should be directed to them. A social worker has been hired and will begin working at the end of August. This person will be training 2 days per week until then.

Roberts reported that the Aging Unit in Hurley will have a soft opening some time this summer with limited seating in the beginning.

Youngs reported that road work is being done on County Road B in Saxon.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Motion by Erickson, seconded by Thomas to set employee wage increase at \$0.40/hour for 2022. Roll call. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion held on declaring Iron County a second amendment sanctuary county. Both sides gave their ideas on the resolution. County Board members spoke first and then people from the audience gave their ideas on the resolution. A member of the audience from the Town of Carey said the resolution does not go far enough and thanked Tanner Hiller for bringing the resolution forward for a discussion and vote by the board.

Motion by Hiller, seconded by Sendra to pass resolution as presented. Roll call. Voting yes: Youngs, Erickson, Sendra, Thompson and Hiller. Voting no: Pinardi, Thomas, Saari, Hanson, Roberts, McComas and Byrns. Motion fails on a 5 to 7 vote.

Petition to amend the Land Use Ordinance: Amendments to Title 9 creating captive cervids ordinance language.

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

ORDINANCE CHAPTER 3, SECTION 10-3-3 ALL TERRAINE VEHICLE ROUTE

Addition to Section III:

- a. State Highway 169 from US 2 south to Vogue Road.
- b. State Highway 122 from intersection with County Road B in Saxon north to Michigan State Line.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Erickson to adopt and send to Wisconsin DOT for their approval. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3010 APPROVING A ROAD USE PERMIT TO JOSEPH FRANCOIS

WHEREAS, Iron County owns certain lands located in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 11, T47N, R1W, Town of Saxon, Iron County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Francois owns certain lands located in Government Lot 4 of Section 11, T47N, R1W, Town of Saxon, Iron County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Francois is desirous of obtaining a road use permit from Iron County for road right of way, upon, across, and over the above described Iron County Lands, on a newly established roadway, for purposes of obtaining access to the land to be owned by Joseph Francois; and

WHEREAS, the Iron County Forestry Committee has reviewed the request and approved the issuance of a road use permit to Joseph Francois that is not in conflict with the Iron County Forestry Departments 15-year plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Iron County, through its Forest Administrator, shall issue a

road use permit to Joseph Francois pursuant to which Iron County shall grant unto Joseph Francois a temporary license over and upon the new road in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 11, T47N, R1W, Town of Saxon, Iron County, Wisconsin. The permit shall contain the standard provisions as approved by the Iron County Corporation Counsel. Said road shall be open to the public at all times. No gates or other means of restricting the public from access over and above said road will be allowed.

Motion by Erickson, seconded by Thomas to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3011 CANCELLATION OF TAX DEED

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Tax Deed that was taken by Iron County, Wisconsin on December 30, 2020, Document #169342 on the 2016 Real Estate Tax on property owned by Gale and Karen Oldenburg Described As Tax Parcel #016 0426-0000, 6694W Whiteside Street, Blk 1 Lot 12 original plat 32 46 2E located in the Town of Pence, and;

WHEREAS, all taxes, interest and penalties in the amount of \$8,219.25 were paid to Iron County on June 04, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Iron County will cancel tax deed on the Oldenburg property in the Town of Pence, Iron County, Wisconsin.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Hiller to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3012 CANCELLATION OF TAX DEED

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Tax Deed that was taken by Iron County, Wisconsin on December 30, 2020, Document #169342 on the 2016 Real Estate Tax on property owned by Arro Christenson and Nicole Kempf, Parcel #3115-0000 Blk 7 Lot 15 Richardsons Addition to Village of Mercer Assessed with Parcel #3116 GL3 36 43 3E Town of Mercer, and;

WHEREAS, all taxes, interest and penalties in the amount of \$1,012.21 have been paid to Iron County on May 27, 2021, general receipt #8892 for said property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Iron County will cancel tax deed on the Arro Christenson and Nicole Kempf property in the Town of Mercer, Iron County, Wisconsin.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Sendra to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3013 CANCELLATION OF TAX DEED

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Tax Deed that was taken by Iron County, Wisconsin on December 30, 2020, Document #169342 on the 2016 Real Estate Tax on property owned by Todd Wyszynski Described As Tax Parcel #0266-0000, 14980N Harbor Drive SWSE 40A 29 47 1W located in the Town of Gurney, and;

WHEREAS, all taxes, interest and penalties in the amount of \$7,335.38 will be paid to Iron County on July 01, 2021 by Associated Title Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Iron County will cancel tax deed on the Todd Wyszynski property in the Town of Gurney, Iron County, Wisconsin.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Sendra to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hiller, seconded by Byrns to adjourn at 7:05 PM. All aye. Motion carried.

Michael Saari Iron County Clerk