

IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Meeting Minutes for June 25, 2024
Approved

1. Meeting called to order:

Meeting was called to order by Youngs at 6:00pm in the County Board Room.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Recited

3. Roll Call:

Present were Krall, Hanson, Erickson, Boes, Lauer, Lutgen, Hiller, Wolff, Mullard, Loreti, Francis, Youngs, Thomas, Haeger, and Swartz.

4. Acknowledge that the meeting was properly noticed and posted:

The Clerk certified the meeting was properly noticed.

5. Approve minutes of April 10, 2024 and May 28, 2024 as presented:

Motion to approve the minutes with the changes requested made by Francis seconded by Loreti. All yes. Carried.

6. Communications:

The clerk wanted clarification on if the board still wanted the information sent to the committees on the verbiage regarding quorums for all committee agendas. It was noted to send that information out.

7. Committee, Department Heads and Chairman's Report:

Wolff noted that the Finance Committee approved the hire of the child support position, discussed the budget, and the 5-year capital plans from department heads. Krall noted that law enforcement met and approved the hire of Hana to the full-time position and will be looking to hire a new part time position. They also discussed options for the jailers and will be bringing back proposals to Finance. Hanson noted that recycling is running tight with the budget and that the airport is doing well. Lauer noted the Human Services annual report, discussed the breakdown of services for the aging unit and Human Services. Swatz noted that the Memorial building hired a new custodian, and that the Fair grounds are working hard to get things completed before the Fair. Erickson noted that in Forestry stumpage was down \$39,720 from last year at this time, the 3-year contracts for the clubs were signed, bids were approved, and a discussion about fees for the boat slips was discussed for 2025. Thomas noted that at Highway they will be paving on J in Mercer and the Town would like to do additional paving for a sidewalk to the park. We are waiting for the agreement from the attorney.

8. Public comment pursuant to Resolution #2341:

None.

9. Forestry to give presentation of the department overview:

Eric Peterson Forestry Administrator gave a presentation on what the Forestry Department does and explained the different aspects of the department as well as the revenue and expenditure involved.

10. Discuss/ Approve Human Services 2023 Annual Report:

Motion to accept the annual report made by Wolff seconded by Krall. All yes, Carried.

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- 11. Discuss/Action for the 2025 – 911 Grant for Emergency Medical Dispatch, Software and Training:**
This was discussed and recommended for approval at the Finance Committee, Erickson noted that this is part of the 3-year grant. Motion to approve the purchase of the software made by Erickson, seconded by Lutgen. All yes, Carried.
- 12. Discuss/Action on Tribal ARPA Funds:**
The handout gave certain criteria that explained what we could use the funds for. The clerk noted that they had a little over \$57,000 remaining in the fund and that if the board would like to use it on items already spent in the budget or something that is going to be needed then that would help with the deficit. The board discussed computer updates as well as a sound and microphone system for the board room.
- 13. Rezone from an I-1 (Industrial) to a C-1 (Commercial) in the Town of Mercer at 4595N Highway 51; owner Trueflight Manufacturing Company Inc:**
Motion to approve the rezone made by Hiller, seconded by Lauer. All yes, carried.
- 14. Rezone from an I-1 (Industrial) to a C-1 (Commercial) in the Town of Mercer at 4553N Highway 51; owner Matthew Peter:**
Motion to approve the rezone made by Hanson, seconded by Hiller, all yes, carried.
- 15. Discuss/Action Resolution 2024-3068 Authorizing Iron County to enter into settlement agreement with Kroger Co. and agree to Terms and Addendum two to the MOU allocating settlement agreement proceeds:**
Board members had questions that could not be answered. Motion to table made by Lauer, seconded by Loreti. All yes, Carried.
- 16. Discuss/Action to approve the hire of Child Support Position:**
Motion to hire the open child support position at 90% with a review at 6 months made by Erickson, seconded by Thomas
- 17. Closed Session per WI State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Discussion on employee matters and WRS Protective status for jailers:** Motion to move into closed session at 7:08pm made by Hanson, seconded by Lutgen. Roll call. All yes, carried.
- 18. Return to open Session and report any action necessary:**
Motion to return to open session at 7:58pm made by Lutgen, seconded by Wolff. Roll call taken, All yes. Carried. No action taken
- 19. Adjournment:**
Youngs adjourned the meeting at 7:58pm.

Approved: July 30, 2024

Respectfully submitted,
Christan Brandt, Iron County Clerk