

**SPECIAL ORDERS SESSION  
COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014**

Chairman David Albrecht called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Fourth Floor, Courthouse, 415 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation by Supervisor Locke.

The following Supervisors were present: Konezke, Barker, Englebert, Eisen, Ramos, Kiel, Roh, Smith, Widener, Hamblin, Albrecht, Gabert, Thompson, Olson, Gilson, Hardy, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Neubauer, Turner, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Brennand, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher.

Absent: Tews

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to approve the agenda for this evening's meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

No members of the public addressed the Board.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Supervisor Widener would like to congratulate Kristi Cutts, UWEX Financial Analyst, for the commendable job she has done while working for UWEX. She was awarded the "Wisconsin Financial Literacy Award". Supervisor Widener read the presentation that was made to Kristi and he feels she is a self-starter and is very good at working with everyone she comes in contact with regarding financial matters.

**COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Albrecht was honored to discuss how County Government operates with 4<sup>th</sup> grade students at Reed Elementary School. He was impressed with the questions they asked. Chairman Albrecht attended a seminar for Wisconsin Association of County Homes in DeForest, WI. Speakers talked constantly how "nit picky" the Federal and State Government are in regard to nursing home facilities and operations. A government survey was taken, Park View Health Center ratings – Overall - 5 Star; Staffing – 5 Star; Quality Measures - 5 Star; Health & Medication – 4 Stars. Chairman Albrecht feels Park View deserves a lot of credit for their excellent ratings.

**Emerald Ash Borer Update**

Kimberly Miller, Horticulture Educator, Winnebago County UWEX, presented information updating the board in regard to the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). This disease attacks and kills all true ash species. Wisconsin has over 700 million ash trees greater than one inch in diameter. EAB has been found in the southern part of the County in the Townships of Black Wolf and Nekimi, therefore Winnebago County has been quarantined. EAB is spread through firewood, nursery stock and raw logs. This disease is very hard to detect and takes 3-5 years to present itself. Ms. Miller feels municipalities will bear the brunt of the costs; and feel most cannot manage with existing staff and budgets. The City of Menasha has Ordinance Provisions for Trees and Shrubs, they can be found in Chapter 4 of the City of Menasha Code of Ordinances Title 6. She went over ways to prepare for EAB; treating the trees; removing the trees; preparing for EAB public reaction; and also preparing for EAB budgeting. Following her presentation, Ms. Miller took questions from the board.

**Update on Planning & Zoning and GIS Departments**

Jerry Bougie, Winnebago County Planner, shared with the Board the general responsibilities and projects they are currently working on and projects for the future in these Departments. There are four divisions included in this Department: Planning, Zoning, GIS and Property Lister. Mr. Bougie gave a brief description as to the responsibilities of each division. He described the programs that are state mandated and county mandated including: Comprehensive Planning, Farmland Preservation Planning and Shoreland and Floodplain Codes. Some of the County Codes include: Subdivision Codes, General Zoning Code, Airport Zoning Code, Land Records and Addressing Codes. Mr. Bougie commended municipalities for their dedication to the comprehensive plan construction. He reported on the Land Records Program and stated that this is funded by monies generated from real estate recordings in the Register of Deeds office. The Economic Development Program and IDB loans were presented. Discussed where revenues for this department are obtained. Mr. Bougie presented major projects that they are currently working on and upcoming projects. Following his presentation, Mr. Bougie took questions from the board.

## Land & Water Conservation Department Report

Tom Davies, Director of Winnebago County Land and Water Conservation Department, stated the title of their department is "It's What We Do". He proudly recognized his staff and committee members and presented the mission statement for his department. The mission is to provide competent, professional services, in the planning, design, and implementation of programs and projects that protect, restore, and sustain the natural resources of Winnebago County. Mr. Davies described the resources that they use and the services that they provide which include technical and financial assistance; equipment that can be used by property owners; and products that are available. They provide livestock waste management ordinances. Mr. Davies discussed the programs that are used in their Department. These programs are beneficial in multiple ways to residents as well as Winnebago County. The Land and Water Department provides educational programs through field demonstrations, shoreland demo sites, classroom presentations, as well as one-on-one contacts. Mr. Davies commented on the partners that they have: local groups; state agencies; federal agencies and state organizations. The department has many accomplishments and has had an economic impact of \$3,160,000 provided to Winnebago County landowners/participants in cost-sharing, crop damage payments and tax credits. Mr. Davies finished with projects that are up and coming. Following the presentation, Mr. Davies took questions from the board.

## Solid Waste Department Report

John Rabe, Director of Winnebago County Solid Waste Department, reported this department is fully funded by user fees (tipping fees), it is not on the tax levy and it operates under Chapter 15 of the Winnebago County General Code. It provides quality integrated solid waste management services for users, while remaining cost conscious and environmentally responsible. Winnebago County Solid Waste is currently a part of a tri-county regional program which includes Brown, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties. Mr. Rabe reviewed their key goals and objectives and their administrative and financial status. He commented that the 2014 standard tipping fee is \$39/ton – the statewide average is greater than \$52/ton. The Winnebago County Landfill closed in 2013--it is now considered a transfer station. Outagamie County is currently providing disposal services for the Tri-County Regional Program. Roughly 5,800 semi loads of waste were transported to Outagamie County in 2013. Mr. Rabe provided the 2013 tonnage summary for different material types that are brought to the landfill. He reported on the recycling center and in 2014, Tri-County Recycling Center will be adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> baler line and other upgrades to allow processing of #3-7 plastics and cartons/aseptic containers. Mr. Rabe reported on the landfill gas. With the gas, they are able to supplement heating systems at the Highway Department as well as heating/ hot water and cooling systems at the Sheriff's Department. Solid Waste will attempt to maintain Sunnyview Landfill gas flows to maximize engine/generator operation. Mr. Rabe discussed other programs and services including: Household Hazardous Material and Annual Clean Sweep Events; Recycling Opportunities for WDNR Banned and Other Items; Pharmaceutical Management Support; Container Rental and Lease Program; Reviewing End Use Plan Options and different ways of connecting with the public through social media. Following the presentation, Mr. Rabe took questions from the board.

Copies of their handouts are available from the County Clerk's Office.

### **RESOLUTION 312-32014: Approve a Capital Project to Remove and Replace Failed Concrete at the Airport Terminal Building and Fixed Base Operator Ramp Areas at a Cost of \$600,000**

WHEREAS, several concrete panels have been identified near the airport terminal building and fixed base operator ramp areas that have cracked and have spalling joints and or have sunk so as to create hazards to taxiing aircraft; and

WHEREAS, pieces of concrete may become ingested into turbine aircraft engines and propellers and become damaged with the failing concrete; and

WHEREAS, replacing specific panels and ramp areas will be more cost effective at this point, rather than a complete reconstruction of the entire ramp area; and

WHEREAS, estimated FAA funding will be at 90%, State DOT funding at 5% with the remaining \$30,000 to come from funds held by the DOT which are leftover from a previous Wittman Airport project; and

WHEREAS, this project has been included in the county 5 year capital improvements plan and is scheduled for this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$600,000 to a capital project to replace damaged areas of the ramp area near the terminal building and fixed base operator ramp areas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby accepts Federal and State DOA funding to cover 95% of the project costs with the county share coming from funds held by the State DOT left over from a past project.

Submitted by:  
AVIATION COMMITTEE  
PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Warnke and seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Carried by Voice Vote. (Supervisor Hegg voted nay).

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adjourn until the Board's next meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2013.  
CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Barthels  
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

State of Wisconsin)  
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Julie Barthels, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors for their Special Orders Session held March 11, 2014.

Julie Barthels  
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk