

**SPECIAL ORDERS SESSION
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017**

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: Konetzke, Harpt, Eisen, Ramos, Blank, Roh, Smith, Long, Scherck, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Thompson, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Brooks, Powers, Locke, Hegg, Youngquist, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher. Excused: Barker, Olson, Finch and Farrey.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

No one from the public addressed the board.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.

The following correspondence was presented to the Board by Julie Barthels, Deputy County Clerk:

- Marinette County – Resolution No. 467-16, “Request to State Legislature to Enact Legislation Authorizing Counties to Impose Up to .1% Sales Tax Exclusively for Economic Development, Tourism and Infrastructure for the Same” was referred to the Legislative Committee.
- Outagamie County – Resolution No. 131—2016-17, “Authorizes the Outagamie County Sheriff and the Outagamie County Executive to terminate Outagamie County’s participation in the FOXCOMM agreement, should it be determined to be in the best interest of Outagamie County” was referred to the Legislative Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervisor Smith report that the Eastern Wisconsin Counties Railroad Consortium meeting was cancelled for January due to lack of agenda items. The next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2017 in Columbia County.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman Albrecht reported that Supervisors Barker, Olson, Finch and Farrey were excused from tonight’s meeting.

UPDATE OF LAKELAND CARE DISTRICT

County Executive Mark Harris introduced Katie Mnuk, CEO of Lakeland Care, Inc. to provide an update of the Lakeland Care District. Lakeland Care is a managed family care organization serving over 4,400 members in northeastern Wisconsin. In 2015, several changes were noticed in how the State was handling family care programs. Lakeland Care has extended their service to 13 counties in Wisconsin. In 2016, Legislation was passed to allow Public Long Term Care Districts to convert to private, non-profit organizations. By becoming private non-profit, their board will be able to make more decisions regarding family care. Lakeland Care District is now known as Lakeland Care, Inc. The change levels their playing field with various competitors. County Executives will no longer be appointing members. State laws still apply to this organization. Ms. Mnuk feels this change will not affect the care that is given to families; it is a business organization change. They want to be able to provide even better service to individuals that benefit from this organization.

Ms. Mnuk then took questions from the board.

PRESENTATION ON THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN

Doug Gieryn, Director of the Health Department, provided a summary of the bicycle and pedestrian plan that was approved in 2014. Three departments within Winnebago County were involved with this plan, Health, Parks and Highway. This plan is to connect bicycle and pedestrian paths between rural communities, cities and counties. Winnebago County paid \$20,000.00 and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation paid \$80,000.00 to aid in developing this plan. Mr. Gieryn introduced Emily Dieringer – rethink Coalition Coordinator Health Department, who was the main contact and coordinator for this plan.

Emily Dieringer introduced the other members that coordinated this plan: Rob Way – Director of Parks Department; Kim Peterman – East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission/ Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator; Melissa Kramer Batke – East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission/ Principle Transportation Coordinator; Kevin Luecke – Toole Design Company/ Transportation Planner; and Ernie Winters – Highway Commissioner, who has just retired as of this meeting.

Kevin Luecke introduced the plan to the board. He commended Winnebago County for undertaking this process and was impressed that there were three departments taking part in the plan. The intent of the current plan is to utilize and include rural areas in the plan and to increase the health and safety of county residents and visitors. The team reached out to a large number of people and organizations as well as attending public functions to get their input. They took that advice and divided it in to priorities of infrastructure and non-infrastructure related priorities. There were concerns noted for safety of car versus pedestrians and bicyclist. Mr. Luecke touched on over arching recommendations and objections for the plan. This plan would be done in various projects just as other highway and county projects. The plan proposes 340 miles of biking and walking trails. The changes would benefit all road users and would improve the overall lifetime of road pavements. Mr. Luecke touched on implementations and recommendations for the County, if this plan would be adopted.

Mr. Luecke and his team then took questions from the board. A copy of this presentation is on file in the County Clerk's office with the proceedings of this meeting and on the County's website: www.co.winnebago.wi.us.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adjourn until the Board's next meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie A. Barthels
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

State of Wisconsin)
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Julie A. 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 January 3, 2017.

Julie A. Barthels
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk