

**SPECIAL ORDERS SESSION
COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013**

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: Koneczka, Barker, Englebert, Eisen, Ramos, Roh, Smith, Widener, Hamblin, Albrecht, Gabert, Tews, Thompson, Olson, Hardy, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Neubauer, Turner, Locke, Hegg, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Brennand, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher.

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 Barker stated that the Glacierland Resource and Development Board will be holding their annual conference on October 24 and one of the topics on their agenda is the disposal of garbage and how it impacts the environment. Supervisor Barker will have more information for the Board following their October 24 meeting.

Supervisor Brennand announced that there won't be a Legislative Committee meeting in September.

Supervisor Eisen discussed his attendance at a WCA Symposium on treatment alternatives of incarceration and diversion for prosecution that was held in Madison.

Supervisor Ramos stated that there will not be a Board of Health meeting in September.

COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Albrecht stated that notices advertising the two vacancies on the Board have been placed in area newspapers.

IMPACT OF OSHKOSH CORPORATION LAYOFFS

Katherine Ahlquist's, Economic Development Planner with East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (ECWRPC), presentation contained information about the relationship between the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA) and regional planning commissions; economic development administration grant activities; Oshkosh Corporation layoffs and a potential grant resulting from these layoffs.

For her presentation on the Oshkosh Corporation layoffs, Ms. Ahlquist distributed and discussed two handouts—"Input/Output Scenario, February 2013 Oshkosh Corporation Layoffs (-300 employees)" and "Oshkosh Corp Layoff, June 2013 Layoff Announcement (-900 employees)". She also presented an area map that showed where the highest concentration of laid-off employees live. Copies of all of these materials are available from the County Clerk's Office.

Following her presentation, Ms. Ahlquist took questions from the Board.

ETHICS IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND RULES OF DECORUM

J. Michael Blaska, Director of Programs and Services, with the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA); and Philip J. Freeburg, J.D., with the Local Government Center of UW-Wisconsin Extension-Madison, presented information on ethics and conflicts of interest for local officials and the rules of decorum for meetings of governmental bodies.

Mr. Freeburg distributed and discussed a handout entitled, "Ethics and Conflicts of Interest". He explained that the code of ethics that covers local officials are found in Sec. 19.59 of Wisconsin statutes and were created to, "limit self dealing, limit undue influence and bias" and to "preserve public confidence by avoiding appearance of impropriety". Mr. Freeburg went through and explained the provisions of Sec. 19.59. He provided definitions and went through various scenarios that local officials might find themselves involved in.

Mr. Blaska explained that the rules of decorum are contained in Robert's Rules of Order, but few organizations are aware of them or enforce them. Mr. Blaska went through his handout entitled, "Rules of Decorum", explaining their background and how the rules affect and impact a meeting.

Following each of their presentations, Mr. Freeburg and Mr. Blaska took questions from the Board.

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

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded to adjourn until the Board's next meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2013.
CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Susan T. Ertmer
Winnebago County Clerk

State of Wisconsin)
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Susan T. Ertmer, 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 September 3, 2013.

Susan T. Ertmer
Winnebago County Clerk