

**SPECIAL ORDERS SESSION  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 2, 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, Eisen, Roh, Smith, Long, Scherck, Albrecht, Gabert, Binder, Thompson, Olson, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Powers, Locke, Hegg, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Kriescher. Excused: Barker, Harpt, Ramos, Brooks and Finch. There is one vacant seat on the County Board.

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.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Supervisor Roh reported on his attendance at a public hearing held at the Winnebago County Airport. There was roughly 80-90 people in attendance including seven County Board Supervisors, a substantial number of tenants of the airport, representatives from EAA, representatives from the Fox Valley Technical Flying School, pilots and other concerned citizens. Supervisor Roh felt that there was unanimous concern with management of the airport.

Supervisor Norton shared the invitation to the ReThink Legislative Breakfast to be held Friday, May 12, 2017, from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. at the Miron Construction Facility.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Albrecht reported that Supervisors Ramos, Harpt and Barker asked to be excused from tonight's meeting. Supervisor Blank has resigned from the board because he moved out of his district.

**PROGRAM PRIORITY BUDGETING**

Supervisor Roh introduced and read a brief biography for Dana Frey, Polk County Administrator. Mr. Frey presented a priority budgeting program to the board. He wants the board to understand the broad outline of a new way to budget; get an idea of how to use a budget to set policy priorities; and know a little bit more about what you spend and what you buy.

Mr. Frey felt that Winnebago County had good financial control, good details included with their budget and that the Comprehensive General Code was good. He touched on the basic problems that are faced during budgeting. A comment he made, "It's what you buy, not what you spend". Are you getting value for the money spent? His prime rule is, "Simplify, simplify, simplify." You don't need complexity, gimmicks or jargon; specialized knowledge or forms and templates; or lengthy meetings going over budgets line by line. You should invest in staff training and skill development.

Four short, easy words to follow: policy, program, output and outcome. There should be three goals: 1. Spend only what you can afford – use fiscal discipline; 2. Do the right things, what's important – use rules, not suggestions; 3. Do things right, what works – use discipline in budget structure.

Mr. Frey feels that you should use a three-year budget process with rolling forward budget estimates. You should create budget ceilings. Never ask a department, "How much do you need?" Do not ask departments what they want. Tell them what their ceiling amount that can be spent and how they can justify new expenditures. Use program savings options.

Mr. Frey likes to define and state program objectives. His ideal situation:

1. County Boards determine what to get done and what results they want.
2. Departments determine the best way to get those results.
3. Funding is allocated to achieve those results that you agree upon.
4. Results are regularly evaluated, courses corrected.
5. New priorities are adopted, completed ones dropped.

The Policy, Planning and Budgeting Linkage:

- First, set priorities – setting priorities begins with defining the problem to be addressed; listen to departments and find their needs, not their wants.
- Planning – Key program strategies. A good strategic statement can drive an operational plan, specifying precisely who is to do what and when.
- Budget analysts review options and board considers new spend requests and savings options.

Mr. Frey 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](http://www.co.winnebago.wi.us).

### **OVERVIEW AND UPDATE ON RELOCATION OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS**

Mike Elder, Facilities Director, updated the board on what is happening in the Facilities and Property Management Department. Their goal is to maintain a safe and efficient environment for the public and for the employees. Facilities maintains 34 buildings out of 113 that Winnebago County owns. They work with the Parks Department, the Airport, Solid Waste and the Highway Department to maintain their buildings. Mr. Elder feels the value of all the buildings in Winnebago County is \$185 million dollars.

Mr. Elder discussed all the maintenance duties that the Facilities Department cover.

Items that the Maintenance Department has completed this last year: Replacing and finishing the courthouse roof, the Courthouse Security Center, reconstructing parking lots, relocating departments and reducing the energy consumption of the county over the last 10 years by 6.9%.

Trivia about the Maintenance Department:

- Average 12,500 work orders in a year. This is roughly 48 per day. 6,200 are preventative maintenance.
- Age of buildings range from 1887 to 2010.

Mr. Elder touched on the relocation of Departments. The first bid for this project came in higher than anticipated. The project was put out for bids a second time. Boldt was awarded the project and hopes to be in full swing with the project by June 1. The work will be phased to allow for a smooth transition.

Mr. Elder then took questions from the board.

### **CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY PERFORMANCE UPDATE**

Kathleen Diedrich, Child Support Agency Attorney/Director, stated that in 2010, the nation served over 17 million children and poor families through child support. In Wisconsin, 374,000 children depend on this program. They provide cost effective administration to try to reduce the number of people on public support. This agency is federally funded and needs to meet four measures to get this funding. They need to establish paternity cases, establish court orders, collect current support and collect support that is in arrears.

In 2016, \$658 million was collected in Wisconsin for child support for children and families. Ms. Diedrich provided statistics for the numbers that are affected by Child Support. In the nation, Wisconsin is ranked third in percentage of child support collected, 17<sup>th</sup> in collection for full time employees, 9<sup>th</sup> in collections per capita, and 14<sup>th</sup> in total collected. Winnebago County has extremely dedicated staff that are doing an excellent job.

The Child Support Agency is currently using the "KIDS" system which was started in 1994. A new system should be introduced in 2018 that will be more user friendly.

Ms. Diedrich reported on the number of cases that Winnebago County aided in for the year 2016. She reported on the dollars that were collected for Child Support. Child Support is working with a new program to assist persons to find a job. There is a Department of Family website that anyone can research to compare Winnebago County to the rest of the State.

Ms. Diedrich then took questions from the board.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adjourn until the Board's next meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie A. Barthels  
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

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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 May 2, 2017.

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