

**MEETING OF THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joe Pinardi at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call taken, present: Hanson, Sendra, Roberts, Thompson, Hiller, Hewitt, Pinardi, Francis, Youngs, Thomas and Krall. Absent: Erickson, Haeger and Snyder.

Clerk Michael Saari certified that the meeting was properly called and posted.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Hiller to approve minutes of January 31, 2023 as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Pinardi appointed Kurt Wolff, Town of Sherman to replace Ann McComas on the county board. Kurt is currently the Chairman in the Town of Sherman. Clerk Mike Saari performed the swearing in of Mr. Wolff as the 15th supervisor on the county board.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

COMMITTEE, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Thompson reported that stumpage revenue as of today is \$342,910.24 while it was \$172,885.42 at the same time last year.

Thompson reported that the Law Enforcement Committee will meet tomorrow night.

Sendra reported that the Health Committee recommended changing Melissa DeCarlo's job title to Office Manager with a raise in pay. Finance Committee approved the change in title but told Health Department to put the raise in the 2024 budget request this fall.

Hanson reported that the tonnage for Recycling is way up so far and Zoning permits are ahead of last year at this time.

Hanson also reported that the Airport workers are keeping the runways open even with a lot of snow fall this year. Only a few flight cancellations have been recorded this year and people are happy with the new planes and connections. Hanson told board that they are still searching for a new airport manager.

Roberts reported that the county has received a check in the amount of \$41,137 from our insurance carrier for a lightning strike last May. The county's deductible for our buildings is \$10,000. Roberts also reported that the Finance Committee decided that there are no carryovers on our meal reimbursements to the employees. Breakfast: \$10.00, Lunch: \$15.00 and Dinner: \$25.00. Roberts reported that the personnel committee interviewed 4 people for the ½ time Child Support position and hired a mother of three from Mercer.

Roberts reported that the raises at Human Services were discussed at their last meeting and a person

from the Sheriff's Department was hired to fill a spot in the Human Services office.

Thomas reported that the new bathrooms at the Memorial Building are being built by our maintenance staff. The job is being worked around the snowplowing duties of Bill Nasi and Jeremy Rowe.

Youngs told board that there is no money available from a certain grant program for the "road to no where" in the Carey stretch. Youngs told the board that Michael Swartz, will look for other grant dollars. Youngs also told board that the new loader will be delivered in May or June and their new Mac Truck should be here this week. New road signs are being installed on US 2 by our Highway Department and Youngs told board that Enbridge has donated a 40,000 lb. low boy trailer to Iron County.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sheriff Samardich told board that hiring an employee for Human Services from his dispatcher crew has created a problem and he now needs to hire a new dispatcher. He said wording in the employee handbook needs to be changed.

Motion by Sendra, seconded by Hewitt to approve the 2023 Emergency Fire Warden Organization List. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Thompson to approve the Forestry 2022 annual report. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Krall to approve hiring a part-time cleaning person for satellite buildings in the county. Lisa Zanella will be hired as a ½ time cleaning position and will replace Highline Corporation as a contracted service provider. Roll call. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Sendra to approve the petition to amend the floodplain ordinance, proposed amendments to Title 7, Iron County Floodplain Ordinance. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3049

WHEREAS, the Iron County Sheriff's Department provides the serving of civil process papers within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Iron County Board of Supervisors has the authority to raise or implement fees for county services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iron County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the implementation of a civil process service fee of \$35 per person, per attempt at service, plus mileage at the current IRS rate for the entire County. Service will be attempted three (3) times unless otherwise requested.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Roberts to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 3050

APPROVING FORMULATION OF A COUNTY FOREST LAW WITHDRAWAL APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Iron County owns certain lands in the N ½ SE ¼ of Section 20, T44N, R3E, Town of Oma, Iron County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Paul DeRosso owns certain lands in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 20 T44N, R3E, Town of Oma, Iron County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Paul DeRosso desires to obtain part of the above described lands from Iron County in order to clear up an encroachment onto Iron County Land; and

WHEREAS, withdrawal of above described lands is subject to Iron County Forestry Committee, Iron County Board of Supervisors, and Wisconsin DNR approval; and

WHEREAS, Paul; DeRosso will pay for survey corner establishment of property obtained from Iron County; and

WHEREAS, Iron County will receive a parcel of land located north of County Highway G in the SE ¼ SE ¼, Section 20, T44N, R3E, Town of Oma (0.75acres M/L) from Paul DeRosso; and

WHEREAS, Iron County will enroll 33 +/- acres located in the NE ¼ SE ¼, Section 20, T43N, R3E, Town of Mercer into the County Forest Program as replacement for withdrawn acres; and

WHEREAS, the Iron County Forestry Committee has reviewed the proposed withdrawal, and the Iron County Forestry Committee deems it to be in the best interest of Iron County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iron County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Iron County Forest Administrator to formulate the Forest Law Withdrawal Application for the above described lands.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Hanson to adopt. All aye except Thompson who abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM by Chairman Pinardi.

Michael Saari
Iron County Clerk