PROCEEDINGS OF THE
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Janesville, Wisconsin
September 24, 2009

The Rock County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment on September 24, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin.

Chair Podzilni called the meeting to order. Supervisor Kuznacic gave the invocation.

3. Roll Call. At roll call, Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Johnson, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni were present. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. PRESENT – 26. ABSENT – 3.

QUORUM PRESENT

4. Adoption of Agenda.

Supervisors Collins and Thomas moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. ADOPTED as presented. Agenda is as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 10, 2009
6. PUBLIC HEARING
7. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION
9. INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE
10. REPORTS
   A. Trends and Opportunities – Mark O’Connell Executive Director
      Wisconsin Counties Association

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
12. NEW BUSINESS
   A. Supplementary Appropriations and Budget Changes – Roll Call
      1. Amending the 2009 Council on Aging Budget to Accept State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program Funds
   B. Bills Over $10,000 – No Roll Call
   C. Encumbrances Over $10,000 – Roll Call
   D. Contracts – Roll Call
      1. Awarding Contract for Catering Services for Rock County Elderly Nutrition Program
      2. Awarding Contract for Update of Snow Plow Controls
      3. Authorizing Purchase of Vehicle for the K-9 Unit Per State of Wisconsin Contract
      4. Authorizing the Purchase of Cielo Radio Equipment
      5. Approval of Planning Services with Plymouth Township
6. Approval of Planning Services with Janesville Township
E. Authorizing the Bureau of Aeronautics to Enter Into a Feasibility Study/Conceptual Design Phase for Airport Terminal Building Refurbish and Expansion and Airport Security Improvements
F. To Support National Family Day in Rock County
G. Acknowledgement of 911 Communications Center Re-Accreditation
H. Recommending that Rock County, Wisconsin, Limit the Purchase of Bottled Water
I. Welcoming Scott Bierman as the 11th President of Beloit College
J. Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s Visit to Rock County

13. ADJOURNMENT


Supervisors Peer and Jensen moved the approval of the minutes of September 10, 2009, as presented. ADOPTED by acclamation.

7. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements.
Supervisor Ott indicated that each Supervisor had a flyer at their desk from the Rock Trail Coalition and encouraged all to attend the Walkin’ Jim Stoltz’ Forever Wild Concert at Parker High School on Saturday, September 26 at 7pm.
Supervisor Ott congratulated Joyce Lubben on receiving the Senior Statesmanship Award and noted that many County Board members were in attendance at Rotary Gardens where she received it.
Supervisor Collins asked board members to keep the family of John Stanley, Dane County Coroner in their thoughts and prayers. John passed away unexpectedly on September 14. Chair Podzilni mentioned that flowers were sent on behalf of the board at Supervisor Collins request.
Supervisor Collins also explained the Labor Fest 2009 was very successful and next year will be the 20th anniversary of the event, and yes, there will be Labor Fest in 2010.
Supervisor Wopat announced that the Family Fun Fest at Riverside Park had more than 900 in attendance and thanked everyone for their help and support. He also encouraged board members to vote for the Friends of Riverside to be the recipient of a grant in the amount of $20,000 by logging onto www.tomsofmaine.com and voting once per day. Click on the link “help decide our project sponsorship” in the upper left corner of the page, scroll down until you see the Friends of Riverside Park project and click on “Vote for this.” You can vote once per day until October 30th.
Supervisor Wiedenfeld invited all to attend the 150th Anniversary of the visit of Abraham Lincoln. During the first weekend of October 1859 Abraham Lincoln visited Janesville, WI. During his visit he stayed with the William Tallman family. On Sunday October 2, 1859 Mr. Lincoln joined the Tallman family as they attended worship at first Congregational UCC. First Congregational UCC will commemorate this historic sesquicentennial event during worship at 9:50 a.m. on Sunday September 27, 2009.

9. Introduction of New Resolutions or Ordinances by Supervisors for Referral to Appropriate Committee
Supervisor Johnson presented a resolution Recognizing Sheriff Robert D. Spoden and all Rock County Employees of the Rock County Sheriff’s Office to be referred to the Public Safety and Justice Committee.

10.A. Trends and Opportunities – Mark O’Connell, Executive Director – Wisconsin Counties Association
Chair Podzilni introduced Mr. O’Connell. Mr. O’Connell began his presentation to the board and audience by stating that his presentation is not a “feel good” presentation and explained that Counties across Wisconsin have a rough road ahead, especially Rock County
because of a whole host of reasons. He hopes that the presentation will help get ‘us’ going in the right direction. In 1950, 23% of the world’s population lived in developed countries. In 2000, only 14% of the world’s population lives in developed countries and by 2050, it’s predicted that only 10% will and that means that by then, 90% of the world’s population will be living in developing (poor) countries and the 10% will have to transfer wealth for them to survive.

Mr. O’Connell showed a slide of the world shaded to show the connection between technology and wealth. He shared that we are also an aging planet. In 1950, 8% of the world’s population was over 65. In 2000, 15% of the world’s population was aged 65 or over and by 2050 it’s predicted that 27% will be over 65 and that means that over 1/3 of the population will be drawing an enormous amount of government service; some say it’s not sustainable. When Social Security began in 1935, there were 42 workers contributing for each recipient. By 1960, the ration of payers to recipients was 8.8 to 1. Today, it’s 3.3 to 1 and it’s predicted that by 2025 only 2.2 people will be paying in to every recipient. The need to find solutions isn’t when the Social Security Trust Fund balance is zero, but now because by 2028, spending will surpass income and Medicare HI Trust Fund is in trouble as well.

Mark moved the presentation to the economic status of the U.S. Currently the U.S. is spending 20.5% of Gross Domestic Product and taxing at 18.4% of Gross Domestic Product. This means that future generations have enormous debt load. He showed a picture of the Debt Clock that can be viewed at [http://www.usdebtclock.org/](http://www.usdebtclock.org/). Currently every US citizen has a debt of $38,400. The debt clock has a debt of nearly 12 trillion dollars, but Mr. O’Connell explained that the actual national debt not counting TART dollars is nearly 53 trillion dollars. This equates to a per citizen debt of $175,000.

In the 1970’s the US was the greatest creditor nation; today the US is the greatest debtor nation and nearly half of the debt is held by public (foreign) hands. 70 % of the new debt incurred is outside the US. Some say this is ok when it’s closer to 50%; others say there’s no vested interest to be responsible for the debt.

So how does this relate to the US federal budget? If we do nothing, by 2030 the federal budget will be comprised strictly of Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and Debt. This leaves $0 for Energy, Education, Transportation, Homeland Security, etc. How does this tie to Global Demographics? In the next 10 years, Europe and Japan’s workforce will begin to shrink by 1% per year and by 2030, 1.5% per year. There will be a shortage in the medical field of 4,000 geriatric doctors and 900,000 nurses in the US alone. Longevity factors compound the issue in that people are living longer and middle age is being redefined. Medicine is finding ways to replace parts to the body in that it will be possible to replace cardiovascular systems and solve afflictions of the brain. It is possible that in order to sustain Social Security that caps will be imposed or means testing to determine eligibility may have to be explored.

Mr. O’Connell discussed the workforce for future generations and explained the difference between “boomers” and X’ers. Historically, a boomer found job satisfaction in more pay whereas the 20 and 30 something’s find job satisfaction in what they like and value self reliance and cooperation. Political parties may weaken due to the X generation and the “Millennia’s” because they vote more by asking, “What did you say? Did you do it?” over party loyalty. The upcoming generations worry about the end of energy resources such as fossil fuels and will seek major changes in consumption of energy. Boomers will work longer, partly by necessity and partly by choice; as well as seeing more elder villages and groups of elder’s cohabitating. The geriatric medical advances will put pressure on the current health care system. Regardless of the political viewpoint on healthcare, it is clear that the current system cannot sustain as is.

Mark began to tie all of this data to Wisconsin. As of June, Wisconsin had a $6.7 billion dollar deficit and according to the WI Taxpayers Alliance, WI has the largest per person GAAP deficit in the country. Wisconsin also has one of the worst bond ratings, partly due to 14 years of running a structural deficit. The current debt load per Wisconsin resident is $1,200 meaning that if every citizen of Wisconsin wrote a check for $1,200, we could get back to zero.

In order for Wisconsin to succeed, we need to draw smart people with higher educations; recognize our demographic and economic outlook; then make difficult decisions, wise investments and build infrastructure that works.

Mr. O’Connell shared statistics from the US Census Bureau 2005 that 37.4% of Wisconsin citizens aged 25-64 hold an Associate Degree or Higher; this is the National Average.
Minnesota is ahead with 45% and Illinois and Iowa also lead in this category. 27.3% of Wisconsin citizens aged 25-64 hold a Bachelor’s Degree or higher, well below the National Average of 29.2%. Over the next 5 years, the occupations in Wisconsin showing the most growth only require a high school education, meaning that per capita wages will continue to decline, thus resulting in less tax revenue. If jobs don’t require higher educated citizens, it will be difficult to raise the per capita personal income. In 2005, Minnesota’s ($37,373) per capita income was 11% higher than Wisconsin ($33,575). To illustrate this necessity, Mr. O’Connell explained that if we merely kept pace with MN per capita income, we could generate $643,000,000 capital per year.

So what is the infrastructure needed to sustain Wisconsin? Currently, $60-$80 billion dollars are needed to sustain Transportation, Water and Sewer, Energy, Education, Public Health, and Telecommunications; however, $0 is set aside for the future. With a decreasing workforce and an aging population, we will see an increase in demand for services and a lower capacity to provide. Wisconsin is caught between an escalating demand for services and infrastructure on the one hand and a shrinking tax base on the other.

The situation in Wisconsin is not hopeless and we are not helpless. It is critical however that we attract good businesses with consistent equalized value of property; we need to find ways to support the private sector; we need to stop acting like the wealth makers of tomorrow still think like “we” do – they don’t! We need to be open minded to forward thinking and cannot just look at one side of the equation. Your leadership is needed and appreciated. We don’t spend money on education we invest money in it and probably don’t invest enough. We can only change our situation when we change our way of thinking. Mr. O’Connell fielded questions from Supervisors surrounding global business, agriculture, Innovation and patents, tax structure and systems.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September 2009 does hereby amend the Adopted 2009 Rock County Council on Aging budget as follows:

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Supervisors Wiedenfeld and Wopat moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Johnson, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzialni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. AYES – 26. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 3.

12.B. Approval of Bills Over $10,000.00. Resolution No. 09-9B-365

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on September 24, 2009, approves payment and authorizes and directs the County Clerk and County Treasurer to pay the same.

Eppstein Uhen Architects General Services Contracted Services $27,868.31

Supervisors Mawhinney and Kraft moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.
Resolution No. 09-9B-366
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 that a contract for the Elderly Nutrition Program Food Preparation and Delivery be awarded to Best Events Catering of Janesville, Wisconsin, under the terms and conditions set forth in Request for Proposal #2010-02 at the rate of $3.45 per meal for 2010, $3.58 per meal for 2011 and $3.72 per meal for 2012 with an additional 15% per meal charge for individually packaged meals.

Supervisors Wiedenfeld and Brill moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. Supervisor Johnson temporarily left the meeting. AYES – 25. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 4.

Resolution No. 09-9B-367
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September 2009 that a purchase order be issued to Northland Equipment of Janesville, Wisconsin in the amount of $10,796.00.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that payment be made to the vendor upon acceptance by the Airport Director and approval of the Public Works Committee.

Supervisors Yankee and Bostwick moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. Supervisor Johnson temporarily left the meeting. AYES – 25. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 4.

Resolution No. 09-9B-368
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 that a Purchase Order be issued to Kayser Automotive Group of Madison, Wisconsin in the amount of $22,616.00 for the purchase of a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria to be used for the K-9 unit.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payment be made to the vendor upon receipt and acceptance by the Rock County Sheriff.

Supervisors Collins and Owens moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. Supervisor Johnson temporarily left the meeting. AYES – 25. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 4. Supervisor Johnson returned to the meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 that a Purchase Order be issued to Teleco Systems in an amount not to exceed $12,500 for the purchase of Cielo radio equipment.

Supervisors Collins and Knudson moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Johnson, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen,
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Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. AYES – 26. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 3.

12.D.5. Approval of Planning Services with Plymouth Township. Resolution No. 09-9B-370
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September 2009 does hereby approve the Rock County Planning, Economic & Community Development Agency to provide services for the Town of Plymouth per the Memorandum of Agreement.

Supervisors Sweeney and Mawhinney moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Johnson, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. AYES – 26. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September 2009 does hereby approve the Rock County Planning, Economic & Community Development Agency to provide services for the Town of Janesville per the Memorandum of Agreement.

Supervisors Sweeney and Owens moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Ott, Kuznacic, Joiner, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Combs, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fizzell, Johnson, Thompson, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens, Mawhinney and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Beaver, Diestler and Bishop were absent. AYES – 26. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 3.

12.E. Authorizing the Bureau of Aeronautics to Enter Into a Feasibility Study/Conceptual Design Phase for Airport Terminal Building Refurbish and Expansion and Airport Security Improvements. Resolution No. 09-9B-372
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September 2009 does hereby authorize the Bureau of Aeronautics to enter into a design phase for airport terminal building refurbish and expansion and airport security improvements.

Supervisors Yankee and Ott moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation. Supervisor Bostwick left the meeting.

12.F. To Support National Family Day In Rock County. Resolution No. 09-9B-373
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 does hereby join with the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse, the President of the United States, and State and Local Governments across the country in proclaiming September 28, 2009 “Family Day – A Day To Eat Dinner With Your Children”, and urges all citizens to recognize and participate in its observance. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of this resolution to the Human Services Board and the Human Services Department of Rock County.

Supervisors Wopat and Thomas moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation. Chair Podzilni instructed the clerk to send the resolution to the newspapers on Friday, September 25th.

12.G. Acknowledgement of 911 Communications Center Re-Accreditation. Resolution No. 09-9B-374
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 that the Rock County Board does hereby acknowledge and commend the Rock County 911 Communications Center for its third consecutive re-accreditation and its commitment to providing a very high level of service to Rock County citizens.

Supervisors Collins and Sweeney moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.H. Recommending That Rock County, Wisconsin, Limit the Purchase of Bottled Water.
Resolution NO. 09-9B-375
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 does hereby announce that it will limit the purchase of bottled drinking water in personal containers. This resolution does not apply to water purchased in larger than personal containers such as for water coolers or for the provision of drinking water to meet health, comfort and safety needs as determined by the administrators of the departments responsible for meeting those needs during unusual circumstances or emergencies.

Supervisors Fizzell and Grahn moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.I. Welcoming Scott Bierman as the 11th President of Beloit College.
Resolution No. 09-9B-376
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 welcomes Scott Bierman to Rock County and congratulates him on being selected as the 11th President of Beloit College.

Supervisors Fizzell and Arnold moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.J. Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s Visit to Rock County.
Resolution No. 09-9B-377
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of September, 2009 does hereby officially celebrate the 150th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s visit to Rock County and encourages all citizens of the County to commemorate this event in Rock County history.

Supervisors Wiedenfeld and Brill moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.


Supervisors Arnold and Joiner moved to adjourn at 8:19 pm to Thursday, October 8, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Prepared by Lorena R. Stottler, County Clerk
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