

The Public Works Committee met at the Highway Department Office.

Present: Supervisors Uselding, Kletti, Grosklaus, Rothstein and Leider. Staff: County Administrator Meaux, Public Works Director Dreblow, Corporation Counsel Kenealy and County Clerk Winkelhorst.

Others Present: Bill Schanen, Ozaukee Press

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Chairperson Uselding called the meeting to order at 8:34AM. Ms. Winkelhorst assured the committee that the meeting was properly noticed. Motion made by Supervisor Kletti, seconded by Supervisor Grosklaus to adopt the agenda as presented. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Public Comments/Correspondence/Communications: Mr. Dreblow stated that a request has come forth from a group to use the courtroom. This is information only and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Facilities Management:

Action Items:

Authorization to Submit an Offer to Purchase for the Poole Property Vacant Lot on Main Street: Supervisor Grosklaus stated that he is in support of authorizing an offer to purchase. The property has been appraised at \$106,000 and has an assessed value of \$75,000. Discussion on the property and the other parking lots. If purchased the intent is to allow Mr. Poole to continue to use the county lot for his business when the lot is not currently used by the county at no charge.

Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Leider to authorize the County Administrator and County Board Chairperson to negotiate a purchase price for the Poole property vacant lot on Main Street. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Approve the Request that the City Designate Main Street as One Way from Milwaukee to Wisconsin Street and Provide Angle Parking on the North Side of the Street and/or Revoke the Five Parking Spaces Currently Granted to the City of Port Washington for Parking Privileges in Lot 12, Located Between 116 and 136 West Grand Avenue: Mr. Dreblow explained that there was a preliminary informal request given to the City of Port Washington. This approval would allow a formal request. Mr. Dreblow stated that back in the 1980's a recommendation as part of a plan by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to create more parking was to have Main Street be one way with angle parking on both sides. Regarding the parking spaces, currently the City of Port Washington uses five spaces in the county south parking lot for their employees. The south lot is enforced for sticker parking.

Discussion on the amount of parking that will be available in the new lot. Chairperson Uselding stated that there should be a layout of the new parking area before going to the city with a plan for the street.

Motion made by Supervisor Kletti, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to approve the request to submit a formal request to the City of Port Washington to provide angle parking and designate Main Street as a one way street from Milwaukee to Wisconsin Street if an offer to purchase is not accepted by the Poole family.

Discussion on the five parking places that the city is currently using in the south lot. Supervisor Grosklaus stated that the county should hold off on revoking the five parking places at this time.

The agenda item as listed has the appearance that the county is using “strong arm tactics” to get the change in parking on Main Street, which is not how the county operates.

Chairperson Uselding clarified that the motion gives the authority to pursue with the city if the time comes that an offer to purchase is not accepted by the Poole family. The vote was then taken on the motion. The majority of members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-1) Leider opposed.

Approve Request from Kleen Test for Temporary Use of the Justice Center Parking Lot: This request has been withdrawn.

Transit Services:

Action Items:

Public Hearing on Application for Funding of Transit Services Under State Aid 85.20, Federal Aid 5311: Chairperson Uselding opened the public hearing at 9:00AM. Mr. Dreblow reviewed the grant that would be used for the operation of the transit program for the bus and the taxi. The application is ready to go in if approved. The total recognized expenses for the taxi service is \$1.4 million with farebox revenue of approximately \$230,000 with projected deficit of \$1.2 million. The bus service will have expenses of \$1,031,000 with farebox revenue of \$246,000 and a projected deficit of \$786,000.

They will apply for the grant if approved to do so and there is a combination of state and federal monies that are allocated to the county to fund approximately 60%. This is an application that the county makes every year.

There was no one from the public present. Motion made by Supervisor Leider, seconded by Supervisor Kletti to close the public hearing. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

The public hearing was closed at 9:05AM

Approve Submittal of Application for Funding under 85.20 and 5311: Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Kletti to approve submittal of the Operating Assistance Grant application for funding under State Aid 85.20 and Federal Aid 5311. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Discussion on the staffing in the office.

Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Kletti to open the public hearing. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

9:15 AM – Public Hearing on Application for Funding of Elderly and Disabled Transit Services under State Aid 85.21: The public hearing was opened at 9:20AM. Mr. Dreblow explained that this is outright grant money, an allocation given every year that is intended for the services for the elderly and disabled which are provided for through the ADA equipped taxi vehicles and buses. The eligibility amount is approximately \$175,000 additional operating revenue. Monies are also used for the program through the Veterans office for transporting veterans for out of county medical services.

There was no one from the public present. Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Kletti to close the public hearing. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

The public hearing was closed at 9:25AM

Approve Submittal of Application for 85.21 Funding: Motion made by Supervisor Rothstein, seconded by Supervisor Leider to approve the submittal of the State aid 85.21 funding application. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Approval of Ozaukee Express Bus Fare Increase from \$2.75 to \$3.00 for Premium Cash Fare, 10 Premium Tickets from \$22.00 to \$22.50 and Adult Fare Tickets of 10 for \$16.00 to 10 for \$16.50: Mr. Dreblow explained that this reaffirms a previous action to keep in line with MCTS fares. Motion made by Supervisor Rothstein, seconded by Supervisor Leider to reaffirm the previous action earlier this year to increase the bus fare to keep in line with increase in MCTS. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Next meeting date: Thursday, January 22, 2009 – 8:00 AM

Adjournment: Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Kletti to adjourn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0).

Meeting adjourned at 9:32AM

Julianne B. Winkelhorst, County Clerk