

The Public Works Committee met at the Highway Department Office.

Present: Supervisors Uselding, Grosklaus, Rothstein and Leider. Staff: County Administrator Meaux, Public Works Director Dreblow, Planning & Parks Director Struck, Golf Course Supervisor Lesar, Building Superintendent Behlen and County Clerk Winkelhorst.

Others Present: City of Mequon Mayor Christine Nuernberg, Mequon Park Board Members Bruce Barnes and Barbara Frank, Mequon Parks Director Don Curran and Cedarburg Soccer Club Vice President Mark Koenig.

Absent: Supervisor Kletti

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Chairperson Uselding called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. Ms. Winkelhorst assured the committee that the meeting was properly noticed. Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to adopt the agenda as revised. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Public Comments/Correspondence/Communications: Supervisor Leider commented on a complaint received from a citizen about the bad road conditions on Highway I north of Jay Road. Mr. Dreblow will send someone out to check the road.

Approve Minutes from the February 19 and March 4 Meeting: Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Leider to approve the February 19 and March 4 minutes as presented. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Action Item – Resolution Opposing Proposed Changes to Prevailing Wage Law: Mr. Dreblow explained the current law regarding the prevailing wage. The threshold under current law applicable to any public works contract is \$48,000 for a single labor trade project and \$248,000 for a multiple labor trade project. The proposal to be considered for when a prevailing wage rate determination is needed would be for any public works contract over \$2,000. The impact would be increase in costs and length of projects. There is a lot of concern for imposing the requirements including the staff time to process and review the prevailing wage documents at the state level when the budget proposes reducing administrative staff by 10%. State let projects are already under prevailing wage law. This would apply to public works at the municipal and county level for publicly bid projects over \$2,000.

Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to support the adoption of the resolution opposing the proposed changes to the prevailing wage law. Mr. Meaux stated that the Wisconsin Counties Association Steering Committee has adopted this resolution. Mayor Nuernberg commented on the effect it will have on the tax incremental financing (TIF) districts. Mr. Dreblow explained the impact on the TIF districts. The vote was then taken on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Facilities Management:

Action Items:

Rental of Fairgrounds to Cedarburg Soccer Club: Mr. Meaux stated that initially he was contacted by Supervisor Geracie regarding this. Several meetings were held with the Cedarburg Soccer Club and the 4-H was also involved in the discussions. In the past Cedarburg Soccer Club has had a contract with the County dating back over 20 years, but has not had to use the field. This is a renewed request for the use of the property. This would not conflict with the

4-H activities. All maintenance would be done by the soccer club. Rental would be \$250 per month for three months. The club has been using the horse arena over the winter months. This would be used for two fields for U10 soccer.

Mr. Koenig stated that he does not have the full schedule yet, but has created some guidelines for the county that the Soccer Club will abide by. The club has been respectful of the horse arena use and would do the same for the property. The club is growing and has outgrown some of the property they currently own. There are two other fields in the City of Cedarburg and there are some liabilities at those properties. The needs are for April, May and June. This would be a centralized location for the U10.

Question on the work that may need to be done to the fields. Mr. Koenig stated that it has been looked at closely and they may only need to roll the field. This would be done by the club. The county will mow the property as normal and the club will hand mow around the goals, so there is no need to move them.

Question on any possible problems with the neighbors. Mr. Meaux stated that it has not been looked into, but the use is permissible within the zoning for that area.

Motion made by Supervisor Leider, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to approve rental of the fairgrounds to the Cedarburg Soccer Club. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Discussion Item:

Review 2008 Annual Report Letter for Administrative and Justice Center: Discussion on the report. Supervisor Rothstein commented on the amount of work that was done over the year and the amount that was saved by doing the work in house.

Mr. Dreblow complimented Mr. Behlen and Mr. Hicks on the great job they have done with the increase in their responsibilities after the reorganization.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Included in the packet. There were no further questions.

Planning & Parks:

Action Items:

Consideration of Establishing a Dog Exercise & Recreation Area at Mee-Kwon County Park in Partnership with the City of Mequon: Mr. Struck reviewed the background of the proposed dog recreation area and the current status. Mr. Struck stated that the property was purchased with Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) monies intended for an urban park for passive recreational use. So there are restrictions on the use of the property including that it must remain a park.

The conceptual plan would be to fence the property providing a separate parking area from the golf course and mowing in a network of trails. The notion is that this capital infrastructure would be largely covered by donations. Operational costs would be a 50/50 split with the City of Mequon. There will be some minimal snowplowing, mowing of trails and waste removal. Planned parking is for 30 cars currently. Discussion on parking and park hours. There is the possibility of a fee to assist with operational costs that could be discussed and possibly naming rights to cover capital costs.

Supervisor Leider questioned the need for a partnership. Mayor Nuernberg responded by saying that the donor approached the City of Mequon and explained how it came to the county. This would be a central location, not just for the City of Mequon but the entire County. Mr. Struck stated that the property would remain Mee-Kwon County Park under Ozaukee County. The potential sharing of operational costs came into being because of the proximity of the Mequon

Parks Department for day-to-day monitoring and maintenance, but any agreement has yet to be drafted.

Mr. Curran stated that the Mequon Park Board is in full support of this project. It fulfills one of their objectives to find another needed location for a dog recreation area.

Motion made by Supervisor Rothstein, seconded by Supervisor Grosklaus to continue to work with the City of Mequon to establish a dog exercise and recreation area at Mee-Kwon County Park in partnership with the City of Mequon.

Mayor Nuernberg will bring concerns of the partnership to the donor to see if the donor is interested in working directly with the county. Mr. Struck stated that the intent is that capital costs would be paid for by donations and possible Eagle Scout projects.

Mr. Lesar questioned the future use of the property. Discussion.

Mr. Meaux clarified that the intent of the motion is to allow for Mr. Struck to provide information on capital and operational figures and further establish the commitments. This is not an endorsement of the resolution at this time.

The vote was taken on the motion. The majority of members present voting aye. Motion carried. (3-1) Leider opposed.

Mayor Nuernberg thanked the committee for the work that was done on the Pioneer Road project.

Oversight of the Parks, Open Space and Natural Areas Acquisition & Disposition Activities of the Planning & Parks Department per Sec. 27 Wis. Stats: Mr. Struck stated that this is a proposed clarification in the Policy and Procedure Manual to amend the section on the duties of the Environment and Land Use Committee (ELU). The section in the manual reflects only land acquisition. This would also add disposition of land. Mr. Struck would like to have acquisition and disposition of parks and natural areas considered under a joint meeting of the ELU and Public Works (PW) Committees. This would still have to be approved by the County Board. Discussion on the necessity of changing the P & P manual.

Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Leider to leave the duties of the Environment and Land Use Committee regarding acquisition of parks and natural areas as currently stated in the Policy and Procedure Manual. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Discussion Items:

Resolution Regarding the Process for Naming Newly Designated and/or Acquired Ozaukee County Parks, Trails and/or Other Natural Areas as Part of the Ozaukee County Park System: Per the County Board this resolution was tabled and referred back to committee. Mr. Struck is going to send this back to the Park Naming Sub-Committee and ask them to reference the language change as it would appear in the Policy and Procedure Manual.

Discussion on changing the committee meeting in April. The consensus is to move the meeting from April 16 to April 23.

Review 2008 Annual Report for County Board: Mr. Struck reviewed the annual report. Discussion on possible fees for disc golf at Tendick Nature Park. Mr. Struck will look at group use permits and fees. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Mr. Struck complimented Mr. Lesar on the significant update he has been doing on the software and hardware at the golf courses. This will be a huge improvement.

Construction begins next week on the Ozaukee Interurban Trail Bridge. A preconstruction meeting was held on March 18 with staff.

Approximately \$6,000 was recovered in flood damage from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) assistance.

10:12AM Patrol Superintendent Tackes joined the meeting.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Mr. Struck reported that water testing was completed at Pioneer Village. A reverse osmosis system will be installed to remove the arsenic from the water even though the level was low and below the public well health standards. Post testing will be done after the system is in. Mr. Struck noted that bids are currently being sought.

City of Mequon did the sharpshooting in Virmond Park and took out three deer. All costs were covered by Mequon.

Mr. Lesar reported that the barn roof is complete on the maintenance building at Mee-Kwon Park. A very nice job was done by C & K Services. A tentative meeting with an adjacent property owner has been set up. Mee-Kwon Golf Course will open up on March 20. Mr. Lesar provided an update on the software system.

Mr. Struck stated that the Waubedonia Caretaker position has been posted. Resumes have been received for the hiring of two seasonal workers.

An inventory of ash trees at Hawthorne Hills Golf Course will be done by the interns as part of a class Geographic Information Systems (GIS) project.

Transit Services:

Discussion Items:

Review Status of Stimulus Funding for Transit: Mr. Dreblow reported that a letter was received from Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) on the allocating of funds from the stimulus package for transit in the southeast region. The total funds for Ozaukee County will be \$591,323. Funds have to be obligated by September 1. 1% of the funds have to be used for enhancements. Mr. Dreblow will bring forth recommendations as to where the funds should be spent at the next meeting. Discussion on funds.

Review 2008 Annual Report: Mr. Dreblow reviewed the annual report. Bus ridership increased from 113,981 in 2007 to 127,836 in 2008. There was also an increase in ridership for the taxi.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Included in the packet. Discussion on the report.

Highways:

Action Items:

Approve Overhead Door Replacement for Building B in Port Washington: Included in the packet were three quotations on replacing the overhead door for Building B. Overhead Door Company of the Central Lakeshore for \$8,285, Wester Overhead Door for \$11,646 and Mid-West Rainier Doors, LLC for \$10,780. Mr. Dreblow's recommendation is to go with the low quote from Overhead Door Company of the Central Lakeshore.

Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to award the project to the low bid from Overhead Door Company of the Central Lakeshore for the amount of \$8,285. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Approve Electrical Work for Emergency Generator Connection for Building B & Office Building: Mr. Dreblow stated that he has had concerns of the lack of emergency power in the case of a power outage. A generator was salvaged from the removal of the radio buildings. Included in the packet is a proposal from Wester Electric to install a manual transfer switch and 75' of cord in order to provide emergency power to Building B. This would provide power for the overhead

doors and the fuel pumps. In addition, the same thing can be done for the main office area so that the front office could be supplied with power during an outage. The total cost is \$3,700. Discussion on emergency power.

Motion made by Supervisor Leider, seconded by Supervisor Rothstein to approve the installation of two manual transfer switches and 75' of cord by Wester Electric for a total cost of \$3,700. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0)

Discussion Items:

Update on the Status of the STH 33 Project from I-43 to Summit Drive in Port Washington: Mr. Dreblow reported that a 60% review meeting was held on March 4. Project meetings will be held every month. Mr. Dreblow reviewed the details of the project. Construction will begin in March of 2010.

Review 2008 Annual Report: The report was reviewed.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Mr. Dreblow reported on the Wisconsin Counties Highway Association (WCHA) meeting he attended on March 16. Discussions included the budget bill, the Regional Transit Authority movement, the upgrading of photo radar detection, membership options in the National Association of County Engineers and the Transportation Development Authority. The next meeting will be May 18 which will correspond with WCHA Capital Days.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, April 23 – 8:00 AM (Note change in meeting date)

Adjournment: Motion made by Supervisor Grosklaus, seconded by Supervisor Leider to adjourn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (4-0).

Meeting adjourned at 11:50AM

Julianne B. Winkelhorst, County Clerk