

**REGULAR SESSION
MARCH 21, 2011**

The Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at the Government Center in the City of Whitehall, County of Trempealeau and State of Wisconsin on Monday, March 21, 2011 at 7:02 p.m. with Chair Wally Geske presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited led by Chair Geske.

CALL

Dear Supervisor,

Please be advised that the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors will meet at 7:00 p.m. on March 21, 2011 in the County Board Room. All County Board Members' Claims are due in the County Clerk's Office by noon on March 4, 2011 so they can be prepared for Audit Committee approval.

Sincerely,
/s/ Paul L. Syverson
County Clerk

It was moved by Hensel Vold and seconded by Douglas Winters to accept the Call as read; this was unanimously carried by acclamation.

Roll was called. A quorum was met with 16 supervisors in attendance. Michelle Haines was absent.

Chair Geske announced the open meeting law requirements have been complied with by postings and notifications to the members and media.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: It was moved by Arild Engeliem and seconded by Michael Nelson to adopt the 12 item agenda. Rodney Severson made a motion to move resolution 6C in front of 6A and George Brandt seconded it. Motion carried unanimously. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED: It was moved by Tom Bice and seconded by Rodney Severson to adopt the February minutes. John Aasen made a correction to the February minutes. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to adopt the minutes as corrected.

APPEARANCES: SHERIFF DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT: Sheriff Richard Anderson reported the monthly figures for February in which there were 77 bookings which broke down to be 67 males and 10 female. Of those, 62 were White, 2 Black, 8 Hispanic, 1 Asian and 4 Native American. The average daily in county population was 31.11 and the out of county average was 11.25. There were 7.89 people on electronic monitoring. The total for March was 50.25 compared to last year at this time of 51.65. There were 6.5 people on Huber. There were 5 INS holds. There were 11 car/deer crashes, 22 crashes with reported property damage and 6 with personal injury. There were 0 fatalities. Sheriff Anderson also wanted to mention that for 2010 his department was able to return \$138,681.16 back to the general fund, but he would like to see that

money put in a non-lapsing account to cover fluctuations in out of county housing costs. This has already been brought up to Executive/Finance Committee.

TOURISM COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Jean Galasinski talked about the new 10,000 visitors guides printed by Supreme Graphics and that the county chambers are supporting the council. She reminded all the supervisors that are invited to attend the annual Tourism Council dinner at Beedles Restaurant in Centerville on March 30th. Jean talked about the local food guide now being distributed and another brochure called Country Crossroads that is soon to be out. She talked about the past and future barn tours and that she attended the Governor’s Conference in early March and received the “Rising Star” award. Jean said she learned that the three top complaints people have across the nation when it comes to tourism is customer service, dirty restrooms, and also a lack of knowledge as to who the people are trying to help (i.e. giving accurate directions). She can use this knowledge to help the council members be more aware of these issues when working with the public. Jean also took a moment to thank the Board of Supervisors for approving their budget request for 2011.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE PRESENTATION ON AIR CONDITIONER FOR COMPUTER ROOM: Hensel Vold reported that we have spent about \$7,000 a year replacing the air conditioner in the phone room. Joe Ruff from Winona Heating and Ventilating Co. said the split unit we currently have been using doesn’t keep up with our needs, as it runs constantly. He said a Liebert air conditioning unit would make more sense to install as it is extremely durable and made to run year round. It is precise and reliable in maintaining a constant temperature and is expected to last 15–20 years at a cost of \$34,000 installed. Joe said our current unit isn’t designed to run once temperatures hit zero or below. David Suchla questioned the cost because in Executive/Finance it was reported to cost \$24,000. He said they have \$7,000 in the budget that was planned for this already. He suggested rerouting some things and buying the other \$7,000 unit to have a dual system without the need to buy the \$34,000 unit. Hensel Vold reminded everyone that the phone room will be getting 18 more processing units from the Sheriff’s Department that will place extra demand on the unit already in place. Tom Bice said he checked on our current unit when the temperatures were below zero this past winter and it was still working; however, he did acknowledge that the current unit does have some design flaws. The supervisors thanked Joe for his presentation and time.

**2011-03-04
RESOLUTION**

The Trempealeau County Human Health Hazard Ordinance

WHEREAS the Trempealeau County Health Department, under the direction of the Trempealeau County Board of Health, has revised the Ordinance regarding Human Health Hazards, and

WHEREAS based on numerous human health hazard investigations over the past few years, there is a need for an updated Ordinance,

WHEREAS it is the purpose and intent of this Ordinance to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare and to maintain and protect the environment for the people and communities of Trempealeau County

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the previously adopted Human Health Hazard Ordinance be repealed and the attached ordinance be adopted.

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin this 21st day of March, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Rodney Severson
/s/ George Brandt
/s/ Michael Nelson
/s/ Robert Reichwein
/s/ John Aasen
BOARD OF HEALTH

(Ordinance is on file in the County Clerk's Office)

It was moved by Rodney Severson and seconded by George Brandt to adopt the resolution. Rodney stated that the previous ordinance had a lot of double language that Corporation Council cleaned up. Cheryl Rhoda said that the state statutes have also changed somewhat and they also looked at ideas from other counties. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to adopt the new ordinance as corrected.

**2011-03-01
RESOLUTION**

County Meal Reimbursement

WHEREAS no change has been made for out of county meal reimbursements since January of 1996, and

WHEREAS it is the recommendation of the Executive/Finance Committee to increase the allowance for out of county meals to match the State rates

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following increases in the out of county meal reimbursements be established for all county employees effective January 1, 2012.

From:	Breakfast	\$ 5.75
	Lunch	\$ 7.00
	Dinner	\$15.00

To:	Breakfast	\$ 8.00
	Lunch	\$ 9.00
	Dinner	\$17.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that receipts are required for all reimbursements and that no tips or alcoholic beverages may be included.

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin this 21st day of March, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Ernest Vold
/s/ David Suchla
/s/ Douglas Winters
/s/ Mark Smick
EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE

It was moved by Ernest Vold and seconded by Douglas Winters to adopt the resolution. Tom Bice stated that with economic times as they are, he will be voting no on this. Roll call vote taken; motion carried with 13 yes votes and 3 no votes, resolution adopted. The no votes were Tom Bice, Rob Reichwein and Dick Miller.

**2011-03-02
RESOLUTION**

Transfer from Undesignated General Fund for Highway Purposes

WHEREAS construction and maintenance of County highways in Trempealeau County has not been a priority, and

WHEREAS budgets for construction and maintenance of County highways have been reduced due to levy limits and other constraints, and

WHEREAS Trempealeau County sees a need to continue a good County Highway System, and

WHEREAS Trempealeau County will realize an increase to the General Fund for 2010 due to reduced spending and increased revenues in various county departments

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that One hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) be transferred from the Undesignated General Fund and placed in the Highway Account 701.53318.999 to be matched by the Highway Department by three hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000.00).

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin this 21st day of March, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Ernest Vold
/s/ David Suchla
/s/ Douglas Winters
/s/ Mark Smick
EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE

It was moved by John Aasen and seconded by Michael Nelson to adopt the resolution. Dick Miller questioned what the Executive/Finance Committee would consider as a minimum balance in the

general fund. He asked this so as to have a guideline to go by when the fund balance goes above a certain point. Committees could then designate the overage to other infrastructure items. Olin Fimreite talked extensively about the growing bicycle and motor coach tourism in this county and how important it is to maintain our roads for tourism and our citizens. Tom Bice said the Highway Department has a great facility to make black top and he thinks this transfer of funds is a great idea. George Brandt talked about increasing this fund by \$500,000 a year for the next eight years to catch up from what we took away from the highway fund 13 years ago. Roll call vote taken; motion carried with 16 yes votes, resolution adopted.

**2011-03-03
RESOLUTION**

Sheriff's Office Restructure – Operations Lieutenant Position

WHEREAS one of the goals of the County Sheriff is to formalize the organization of the Office of Sheriff to improve effectiveness and efficiencies; and

WHEREAS one Patrol Sergeant was eliminated in 2011 reducing daytime supervisory coverage and resulting in a financial savings for the County; and

WHEREAS in considering the department restructure it was determined a Operations Lieutenant is necessary to oversee the day to day operations of the Patrol Division and assign necessary tasks to the Patrol Sergeants thus, improving conformity and accountability; and

WHEREAS the Operations Lieutenant would be promoted from within the department and would require no additional staff within the department; and

WHEREAS additional compensation associated with the Operations Lieutenant position would be absorbed by the current 2011 budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department restructure be approved, including the creation of a Operations Lieutenant position; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Operations Lieutenant position would not be an additional employee, but rather a promotion from within the department and would be funded from funds currently available in the budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that since the Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department restructure, including the Operations Lieutenant position, has been reviewed and approved by the Law Enforcement, Personnel/Bargaining and Executive/Finance Committees, this proposal does not have to be returned to those committees for further review or approval.

Dated this 21st day of March, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
 /s/ Robert Reichwein
 /s/ Olin Fimreite
 /s/ Dick Miller
 /s/ David Suchla
 LAW ENFORCEMENT
 COMMITTEE

/s/ Tom Bice
 /s/ Robert Duellman
 /s/ Douglas Winters
 /s/ Dick Miller
 PERSONNEL/BARGAINING
 COMMITTEE

/s/ Ernest Vold
 /s/ David Suchla
 /s/ Douglas Winters
 EXECUTIVE/FINANCE
 COMMITTEE

It was moved by Olin Fimreite and seconded by Tom Bice to adopt the resolution. Sheriff Anderson said he is not adding another employee. He is making a sergeant position into a lieutenant position with some job changes. Roll call vote taken; motion carried with 15 yes votes and 1 abstain, resolution adopted. George Brandt abstained.

**2011-03-05
 RESOLUTION**

REPORT – CLAIMS OF MEMBERS

Your Audit Committee hereby respectfully reports that they have audited the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows:

NAME	PER DIEM	EXPENSES	TOTAL
John Aasen	\$105.00	\$22.44	\$127.44
Tom Bice	\$140.00	\$81.60	\$221.60
George Brandt	\$420.00	\$69.36	\$489.36
Robert Duellman	\$140.00	\$76.50	\$216.50
Arild Engelién	\$140.00	\$97.92	\$237.92
Olin Fimreite	\$140.00	\$0.00	\$140.00
Wally Geske	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Michelle Haines	\$35.00	\$12.75	\$47.75
Dick Miller	\$105.00	\$36.72	\$141.72
Michael Nelson	\$210.00	\$57.12	\$267.12
Rob Reichwein	\$140.00	\$65.28	\$205.28
Rodney Severson (3 mo)	\$210.00	\$66.86	\$276.86

Mark Smick	\$175.00	\$89.76	\$264.76
Dave Suchla	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ernest Vold	\$595.00	\$99.96	\$694.96
Hensel Vold	\$140.00	\$89.76	\$229.76
Douglas Winters	\$105.00	\$85.68	\$190.68
TOTALS	\$2,800.00	\$951.71	\$3,751.71

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin, this 21st day of March, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Ernest Vold
/s/ Dick Miller
/s/ George Brandt
AUDIT COMMITTEE

It was moved by John Aasen and seconded by Hensel Vold to adopt the resolution. Roll call vote taken; motion carried with 16 yes votes, resolution adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT/APPOINTMENT/ELECTION – APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE COMMITTEE: Clerk Syverson read a letter addressed to Chair Geske from Kevin Lien requesting the appointment Roland Thompson as the town representative member and David Quarne as the livestock producer member to the Environment and Land Use Committee with the terms starting in April. Michael Nelson made a motion to approve the appointments and Olin Fimreite seconded it. Motion for approval was carried unanimously by acclamation.

APPOINT REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE: Chair Geske stated that the committee will consist of Mark Smick, David Suchla, Ernest Vold, Wally Geske, Paul Syverson and Martin Goettl unless someone had objections. Rodney Severson made a motion to approve the appointed committee and John Aasen seconded it. This committee will come up with a few options and bring it back to the full board for approval, with consideration on keeping the same number of supervisors, increasing or decreasing. Motion for approval was carried unanimously by acclamation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE REPORT: Chair Geske said everyone has a copy of the budget on their desk and if there are any questions, contact the clerk. David Suchla had a question on one of the Human Services accounts. Clerk Syverson will check to see how last year looked at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was none for March.

CLOSING: It was moved by Rodney Severson and seconded by Robert Duellman to waive the reading of the minutes and that a copy be mailed to each member. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation.

It was moved by Ernest Vold and seconded by George Brandt to instruct the Clerk to pay mileage and per diem; roll call vote; motion carried with 16 yes votes.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Geske declared the meeting adjourned until Tuesday, April 19 2011 at 10:00 am. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. Rian Radtke from Corporation Council asked the supervisors to come in at 9 a.m. on April 19th for a short WCA presentation on open meeting laws.

Recording Secretary,
Mary Martin

Dist #	SUPERVISOR	PER DIEM	# Of MILES	MILEAGE
1	ARILD ENGELIEN	\$70.00	64	\$32.64
2	DOUGLAS WINTERS	\$70.00	60	\$30.60
3	TOM BICE	\$70.00	54	\$27.54
4	ROBERT DUELLMAN	\$70.00	50	\$25.50
5	MARK SMICK	\$70.00	44	\$22.44
6	GEORGE BRANDT	\$70.00	34	\$17.34
7	ROBERT REICHWEIN	\$70.00	32	\$16.32
8	MICHELLE HAINES	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
9	DICK MILLER	\$70.00	24	\$12.24
10	WALLY GESKE	\$70.00	19	\$9.69
11	OLIN FIMREITE	\$70.00	2	\$1.02
12	JOHN AASEN	\$70.00	10	\$5.10
13	DAVE SUCHLA	\$70.00	14	\$7.14
14	RODNEY SEVERSON	\$70.00	16	\$8.16
15	HENSEL VOLD	\$70.00	44	\$22.44
16	MICHAEL NELSON	\$70.00	22	\$11.22
17	ERNEST VOLD	<u>\$70.00</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>\$19.38</u>
	TOTALS	\$1,120.00	527	\$ 268.77