

GREEN LAKE COUNTY



BOARD PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR SESSION

APRIL 17, 2007

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at 9 AM in the County Board Room, Green Lake, Wisconsin.

The Board was called to order by Chairman Helmer. Roll Called, 16 Supervisors present, 5 Absent (Biesenthal, Dist. 3, Galatowitsch, Dist. 9, Myers, Dist. 11, Priske, Dist. 12 and Gonyo, Dist. 20)

| <u>Supervisor</u> | <u>Supervisor Districts</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Orrin W. Helmer | 1 |
| Wallace Williams | 2 |
| Margaret Hollander | 4 |
| Elden Dallman | 5 |
| Susan E. McConnell | 6 |
| Howard Sell | 7 |
| Vern Ammentorp | 8 |
| Richard Gorr | 10 |
| Gus Mueller | 13 |
| Eugene Schroeder | 14 |
| John Brennan | 15 |
| Gene Thom | 16 |
| Debra A. Schubert | 17 |
| Robert Krause | 18 |
| Michael R. Stoddard | 19 |
| Joanne Guden | 21 |

The Clerk read the call.

NOTICE: GREEN LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors will convene at the Courthouse in the City of Green Lake, Wisconsin on Tuesday the 17th day of April, 2007 at 9:00 AM for the regular meeting of the Board. Regular monthly business to be transacted includes:

CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
READING OF THE CALL
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MINUTES
PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 Min Limit)
ANNOUNCEMENTS
CORRESPONDENCE
APPOINTMENTS Relating to Committee Appointments
RECESS Committees elect officers
RECONVENE Announce Committee Officers
APPEARANCES: Relating to:

- Conservation Poster Contest Awards Jim Hebbe – 9:30AM
- Kim Hurtz, Group Health Trust
- Dan Sondalle, Open Meeting Laws
- Bill Wheeler, Tri-County Economic Development
- County Government Day Student Appearances – 10:30AM

RESOLUTIONS:

Relating to Creating a Part-time Deputy Sheriff Assigned to Patrol Less than 970 Hours per year.

Relating to Outstanding Checks

Relating to Supervisor's Meeting Payments, Meals and Mileage

Relating to Opposing the Closing of the Farm Service Agency Green Lake Office

Relating to Ratification of WPPA Contract

Relating to Hiring Samuels Group to evaluate Potter Lawson plans for possible space reduction.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON LONG RANGE PLAN

ORDINANCES:

Relating to Amending the Code of the County of Green Lake, Article IV, (Administrative Coordinator), §60-18, Chapter 60 Officers and Employees.

Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Berlin - Gellerup

Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Manchester – Vinz

Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Green Lake – Little Green Lake Rehab District

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL

REPORTS:

HEARINGS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Ag & Ext: Resource Agent, Agriculture Agent, Family Living Agent and 4-H Youth Agent

ALL OTHER MATTERS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

AND SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

The several committees of the Board may also meet for the purpose of discussing or acting upon matters, which are the subject matter of the meeting of the County Board of Supervisors.

Given under my hand and official seal at the Courthouse in the City of Green Lake, Wisconsin this 6th day of April, 2007.

Margaret R. Bostelmann

(SEAL) Green Lake County Clerk

PLEAGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

2. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Schubert)* to seat Supervisor Galatowitsch. All Ayes. Motion carried. (9:06 AM). 17 Supervisors present, 4 Absent. (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske)

MINUTES

3. Minutes of March 20, 2007. *Motion/second (Thom/Hollander)* to approve the March 20, 2007 minutes as presented. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Mueller/Ammertorp)* to correct #15 and substitute motion as follows: "I would move to hire PTD to design a new 2 story Human Services Building of approximately 36,000-40,000 sq ft., add a 100 POD jail on the north side of the present jail, Remodel the old jail and courthouse bringing the buildings up to ADA compliance. The cost of the design should not be more than \$75,000 after the design work has been approved by the Green Lake County Board, the total cost of the design and build not to exceed 20 million give or take 20% of total cost. This is what a majority of the taxpayers would like." The County Clerk played the tape from the March County Board regarding the wording of the motion recorded in #15. The wording was exactly as recorded in the minutes. Roll Call vote on correction: 8 Ayes (Ammertorp, Dallman, Gorr, McConnell, Mueller, Schubert, Sell, Williams), 9 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske) Motion failed. Roll Call vote on approval of minutes as presented. 9 Ayes, 8 Nays,(Ammertorp, Dallman, Gorr, McConnell, Mueller, Schubert, Sell, Williams), 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed.
4. Supervisor Mueller, left the meeting at 9:15 AM. 16 Supervisors present, 5 absent. (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Mueller, Myers, Priske)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. Phil Anastasi, Town of Marquette, stated that the intent was for Property & Insurance to hire PTD. The Public by enlarge wants to go ahead with the Courthouse/Jail downtown. The County Board needs to put aside their differences and go ahead with the project. If you really want to know that the public wants, a Referendum would let you know exactly what the public wants.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. The next County Board meeting will be May 15, 2007 at 6:00 PM.
7. Chairman Helmer announced that from now on, all motions must be presented in writing before being presented to the County Board. Also all Supervisors need to speak into the microphone so that their comments can be recorded.

CORRESPONDENCE

8. Letter from Craig Thompson, Legislative Director, WCA announcing his resignation from the WCA Board and the acceptance of a new position with the TDA.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

9. A list of the Green Lake County Board Chair's Committee Appointments for April 17, 2007 to April 15, 2008 is on each Supervisors desk. After their approval, we will recess for 5 minutes so that each committee can elect their officers. *Motion/second (Guden/Krause)* to approve the list of Committee Appointments. Roll Call Vote – 16 Ayes, 0 Nays, 5 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Mueller, Myers, Priske). Motion passed.
10. *Motion/second (Schubert/Galatowitsch)* to recess until 9:25 AM. All Ayes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE 9:25 AM

11. The County Clerk announced the Chair and Vice-Chair of the appointed committees. Finance Committee: Dan Priske, Chair, John Brennan, Vice-Chair. Personnel Committee: John Brennan Chair, Margaret Hollander, Vice-Chair. Property & Insurance Committee: John Brennan, Chair, Michael Stoddard, Vice-Chair. Land Use Planning & Zoning: Susan McConnell, Chair, Wallace Williams, Vice-Chair. Information Technology Committee: Debra Schubert, Chair, Joanne Guden, Vice-Chair.

APPEARANCES

12. Conservation Poster Contest Awards were presented by Jim Hebbe, Land Conservation Director.
 - Primary Division (Grades K-1) Peace Lutheran School, Green Lake
1st Place Dalton Weigel, 2nd Place Branden Stibb 3rd Place Sarah Koepke.
 - Elementary Division (Grades 2-3) Peace Lutheran School, Green Lake
1st Place Liza Lettner, 2nd Place Ben Wettstein 3rd Place Andrea Briese
 - Middle Division (Grades 4-6) Peace Lutheran School, Green Lake
1st Place Reid Jahns, 2nd Place Deiontre Pierce 3rd Place Linden Jahns
 - Junior Division (Grades 7-9) St. John's Catholic School Princeton
And Peace Lutheran School, Green Lake
1st Place Angela Sondalle, 2nd Place Alex Hein, 3rd Place Davey Bednarek
 - Senior Division (Grades 10-12) Berlin High School
1st Place Andrea Markowski, 2nd Place Jacob Cox, 3rd Place Stephen Beck, Jr.
 - Special Needs Senior (Grades 7-12) Berlin High School
1st Place Andrew Davis, 2nd Place Gary Anderson, 3rd Place Kyle Lyne
3rd Place Tiffany Mueller (tie)
13. Chairman Helmer thanked the students for their interest in conservation.
14. Josh Biddel, Group Health Trust reported on the grants received by the County for the County Wellness program, initiated by Kathy Munsey, Green Lake County Health Nurse. In 2006 we received a grant for \$9,500 and in 2007 we received another grant for \$12,000. The wellness program helps lower the county's health care expenses. Kathy Munsey, explained the Wellness program and thanked the 92 Green Lake employees for actively participating in the program. There are

health challenges each month, news letters and health screenings for the employees. Each new employee gets a Wellness information packet. Kathy is proud of her staff for the effort they put into this program. Kathy thanked Group Health Trust for the grants given to this program. Chairman Helmer thanked Kathy and Josh for their presentations.

15. Dan Sondalle, Assistant Corporation Counsel gave a presentation on Open Meeting Laws and answered questions from the Board. Chairman Helmer thanked Dan for his fine presentation.
16. Bill Wheeler, Director of the Tri-County Economic Development Corporation, reported on the progress of the corporation which encompasses Green Lake, Marquette and Waushara Counties. Working in cooperation with public and private entities, promoting the region and business in order to attract, stimulate and revitalize commerce, industry and manufacturing, resulting in the retention and creation of viable living wage jobs.
17. *Motion/second (Thom/Guden)* to recess until 10:35AM. All Ayes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE 10:35 AM

18. Government Day Students arrived and Chairman Helmer had the Supervisors and staff introduce themselves
19. Commander Tony Soda announced that this was the 46th year of Student Government Day. Green Lake, Princeton, Berlin and Markesan Schools were represented. Attendance was down this year as only 36 students participated.
20. Commander Soda introduced the students reporting on the departments they visited.
 - Group 1 Stephanie Sondalle, Princeton reported on the County Clerk, County Treasurer/Real Property Lister and Child Support.
 - Group 2 Jillian Broder, Markesan reported on the Clerk of Courts, Circuit Court/Judge McMonigal and District Attorney
 - Group 3 Matt Sharkey Green Lake reported on Register of Deeds, Purchasing/Mail Clerk and Land Use & Planning
 - Group 4 Noah Nofz, Green Lake reported on the Sheriff's Department
 - Group 5 Amy Lieske, Markesan reported on UW Extension/ Information Technology and Land Conservation
 - Group 6 Juan Delbyos, Berlin, reported on the Highway Department
 - Group 7 Britan Kastein, Markesan reported on Aging & Long Term Care, Veteran's Service Office and Fox River Industries
 - Group 8 Ashley Zimmerman, Markesan reported on the Health Unit, and Clinical Services Unit
 - Group 9 Moritz Becker, Markesan Economic Support Unit and Children & Family Services.
21. Commander Soda introduced the two foreign exchange students in the Group: Moritz Becker from Germany and Mubina Amanova from Kaukasthan and welcomed them to the United States. Commander Soda also introduced the teachers that accompanied the students.

22. Chairman Helmer thanked the students, schools and the Veterans for participating in the Government Day Program.
23. *Motion/second (Schubert/Brennan)* to seat Supervisor Mueller. All Ayes. Motion carried. 11 AM. 17 Present, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers and Priske).

RESOLUTIONS

24. Resolution No. 8-2007 Relating to Creating a Part-time Deputy Sheriff assigned to Patrol Less than 970 Hours per year. *Motion/second (Schubert/Thom)* to adopt Resolution No. 8-2007. An amended fiscal note was given to the Supervisors. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Thom/McConnell)* to allow Sheriff Podoll to answer questions from the Board. All Ayes. Motion carried. Roll Call vote on motion to adopt – 16 Ayes, 1 Nay (Hollander), 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Resolution No. 8-2007 passed as adopted.
25. Resolution No. 9-2007 Relating to Cancellation of Outstanding Checks. *Motion/second (Brennan/Schubert)* to adopt Resolution No. 9-2007. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Schubert/Ammentorp)* to correct number of check from eight to eleven. All Ayes. Motion carried. Roll Call Vote on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Resolution No. 9-2007 passed as adopted.
26. Resolution No. 10-2007 Relating to Supervisor's Meeting Payments, Meals and Mileage. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Brennan)* to adopt Resolution No. 10-2007. Discussion held. Roll Call vote on motion to adopt – 15 Ayes, 2 Nays (Helmer, Hollander), 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Resolution No. 10-2007 passed as adopted.
27. Resolution No. 11-2007 Relating to Opposing the Closing of the Farm Service Agency Green Lake Office. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams)* to adopt Resolution No. 11-2007. Discussion held. Roll Call vote on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion Passed. Resolution No. 11-2007 passed as adopted.
28. Resolution No. 12-2007 Relating to Labor Agreement with Green Lake County Law Enforcement Association, WPPA Law Enforcement Employee Relations Division. *Motion/second (Brennan/Schroeder)* to adopt Resolution No. 12-2007. Roll Call vote 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Resolution No. 12-2007 passed as adopted.
29. Resolution No. 13-2007 Relating to Engage Samuels Group to Evaluate Potter Lawson plans for possible space reduction. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Brennan)* to adopt Resolution No. 13-2007. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Ammentorp/Mueller)* to table Resolution 13-2007 indefinitely, because Samuels Group has already studied the Potter Lawson Plans and reported back to this board twice and were in agreement with Potter Lawson's design and price. Roll Call Vote on motion to table – 8 Ayes (Ammentorp, Dallman, Gorr, McConnell, Mueller, Schubert, Sell, Williams), 9 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion lost. Roll Call Vote to motion to adopt – 10 Ayes, 7 Nays (Ammentorp, Dallman, Gorr, McConnell, Schubert, Sell, Williams), 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Resolution No. 13-2007 passed as adopted.

DISCUSSION ON LONG RANGE PLAN

30. Vice-Chairman Brennan stated that there has not been a lot of give and take between board members on this issue. We need to come to some sort of agreement. Public comments are negative to any plans we come up with. We need to look at the 3rd floor, if an elevator can be put in that section, if we can remodel to make space needs acceptable, secure the hallways. I still think that County A is the best place to build, but that's only my opinion. This has dragged on for many years and its been too long. Either we do something, or forget the whole thing. Supervisor Schubert would like to see a referendum on this. Supervisor Galatowitsch stated that we have sought the best architect and hired a construction manager last February. We should listen to our consultants and move forward on this. He is against a referendum as he feels we are advocating our duties to make a decision. We are building for a 50-75 year solution, not just a 20 year solution. 34 million comes off the sales tax, not the tax levy. Supervisor Ammentorp stated that Baird is only out to make money. How can the Samuels group check for 29,000 feet without any plans drawn up? Supervisor Gorr stated that to get the comparison price we are asking for, you can't use just one construction company to compare. Supervisor Ammentorp asked how we can turn down spending \$75,000 on a 34 million dollar project?

ORDINANCES

31. Ordinance No. 895-2007 Relating to an Ordinance amending the code of the County of Green Lake, Article IV (Administrative Coordinator) §60-18, Chapter 60 Officers and Employees. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Brennan)* to enact Ordinance No. 895-2007. Discussion held. Roll Call vote on motion to enact – 16 Ayes, 1 Nay (Ammentorp), 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Ordinance No. 895-2007 passed as enacted.
32. Ordinance No. 896-2007 Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Berlin – Gellerup. *Motion/second (McConnell/Williams)* to enact Ordinance No. 896-2007. Land Use Planning & Zoning recommend approval. Roll Call vote on motion to enact – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Ordinance No. 896-2007 passed as enacted.
33. Ordinance No. 897-2007 Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Manchester – Vinz. *Motion/second (McConnell/Hollander)* to enact Ordinance No. 897-2007. Land Use Planning & Zoning recommend approval. Discussion held. Roll Call vote on motion to enact – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Ordinance No. 897-2007 passed as enacted.
34. Ordinance No. 898-2007 Relating to Rezoning in the Town of Green Lake - Little Green Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District. *Motion/second (McConnell/Williams)* to enact Ordinance No. 898-2007. Land Use Planning & Zoning recommend approval. Discussion held. *Motion/second (Galatowitsch/Brennan)* to allow Land Conservation Director, Jim Hebbe to answer questions from the board) All Ayes. Motion passed. Roll Call vote on motion to enact – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Myers, Priske). Motion passed. Ordinance No. 898-2007 passed as enacted.

35. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Schubert)* to recess until 1:15 PM in order to have lunch with the students. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Noon)

RECONVENE 1:15PM

36. Chairman Helmer stated that Supervisors Krause and Galatowitsch asked to be excused from this afternoons meeting. 15 Present, 6 Absent (Biesenthal, Gonyo, Galatowitsch, Krause, Myers, Priske)

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL

37. Letter on Supervisors desk regarding out of state travel for Land Conservation Director, Jim Hebbe, to attend the 2007 Soil and Water Conservation Society Annual Conference at Tampa Florida on July 21-25, 2007. *Motion/second (Thom/Guden)* to approve out of state travel for Jim Hebbe, July 21-25 per county policy. All Ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

38. Supervisor McConnell reported on the activities of the UW Extension Resource Agent.
39. Supervisor Ammentorp reported on the activities of the Family Living Agent.
40. Supervisor Williams reported on the activities of the Agricultural Agent.
41. Supervisor Stoddard reported on the activities of the 4-H Agent.
42. Supervisor Hollander reported on the tons of information available on the lower level of extension activities.
43. Chairman Helmer announced that the Committees to report in May are: VSO, Personnel Committee and Property & Insurance Committee.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION

44. Supervisor Hollander suggested sending a get well card to Supervisor Biesenthal. Chairman Helmer reported that Supervisor Biesenthal asked to be excused from County business for a period of time.

ADJOURN

45. *Motion/second (Schubert/Sell)* to adjourn. All Ayes. Motion carried.
46. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Wendt
Assistant Clerk