

HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

DAY & DATE: Thursday, December 13, 2018
PLACE: Wood County Highway Department, 555 17th Ave North,
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495
MEETING TIME: 1:00 p.m.
ADJOURNMENT TIME: 1:21 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Adam Fischer; Supervisor William Winch;
Supervisor Marion Hokamp; Supervisor Dennis Polach;
Supervisor Lance Pliml
EXCUSED:
OTHERS PRESENT: Sandra Green, Parks & Forestry Office Supervisor; Chad
Schooley, Parks & Forestry Director; Fritz Schubert, Forest
Administrator; Marla Cummings, Finance Director; Reuben
Van Tassel, Maintenance Manager; Supervisor Bill
Clendenning; Supervisor Kenneth Curry; Supervisor Joe
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1. Call meeting to order. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.
2. Declaration of Quorum. Quorum of HIRC committee.
3. Public comments. None.
4. Consideration of Resolution referred by Judicial & Legislative Committee to transfer oversight of the Maintenance Department, Purchasing/Risk Management as well as claims against the county to the Highway, Infrastructure and Recreation Committee. Discussion ensued. It passed the Judicial & Legislative Committee with majority, not unanimous. Whatever is decided here today, it will still to go to the County Board floor. Bill Clendenning, Chair of Judicial & Legislative Committee gave a brief background regarding the resolution. What will we gain from doing this? There have been specific requests for remodeling and purchases, etc. that are not being referred to the appropriate person or committee for approval.

Chairman Fischer stated he believes that all property could be defined under county infrastructure. Chairman Fischer supports this resolution and believes it should go to County Board for all nineteen members to vote on. If this is not approved on County Board floor, Chairman Fischer stated he will advocate that whichever committee is assigned, they should take a much more active approach, be involved and have a comprehensive plan.

Marla Cummings stated Risk Management does take care of the property insurance which is a small portion of what that dept. does. Is HIRC the right committee to oversee Workman's Compensation claims? Chairman Fischer reminded everyone the resolution says it's a "trial resolution", which means at the October 2019 board meeting this could be overturned if it is not working out. **Dennis Polach made a motion to approve and forward to County Board with this committee as a co-sponsor and second by Supervisor Hokamp. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.**

5. Chairman Fischer called the meeting adjourned at 1:21 pm.

Signed electronically by, Secretary Marion Hokamp

Marion Hokamp

Minutes taken by Sandra Green, Parks & Forestry Office Supervisor