

GREEN LAKE COUNTY



BOARD PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR SESSION

SEPTEMBER 16, 2008

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Tuesday, September 16, 2008, at 6 PM in the County Board Room, Green Lake, Wisconsin.

The Board was called to order by Daniel G. Priske, Vice-Chairman. Roll Called, 17 Supervisors present, 2 Absent (Thomas W. Traxler, Jr., Dist. 13, Joann Guden, Dist. 17)

<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>Supervisor Districts</u>
Orrin W. Helmer	1
Wallace Williams	2
Eugene Henke	3
Elden Dallman	4
Alma Hedberg	5
Howard Sell	6
Maureen Schweder	7
John A. Zelenski	8
Gus Mueller	9
Daniel Priske	10
Susan E. McConnell	11
Eugene Schroeder	12
Debra A. Schubert	14
Michael R. Stoddard	15
Roberta A. Erdmann	16
Robert Krause	18
Gene Thom	19

CALL TO ORDER

1. The Clerk read the Call.

NOTICE GREEN LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DRAFT OF SEPTEMBER 16, COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
To be approved at the October 21, 2008 County Board Meeting

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors will convene at the Courthouse in the City of Green Lake, Wisconsin on Tuesday, the 16th day of September, 2008, 6 PM for the regular meeting of the Board. Regular Monthly business to be transacted include:

Call to Order

Roll Call

Reading of the Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes 8/19/08, 09/02/08

Announcements

Public Comments (3 min limit)

Appearances

- Jon Troutmann, County Auditor, 2007 Audit
- Kurt Berner, Samuels Group – Geothermal and Utilities

Correspondence

Long Range Plan Discussion

Resolutions:

- Relating to Initial Resolution Authorization General Obligation Bonds in the approximate amount of 28 million.
- Relating to CodeRed, reverse 911
- Relating to Green Lake County Smoke Free Policy
- Relating to Cemetery Plat – Town of Manchester
- Relating to Farmland Preservation – Bogucke Family Trust
- Relating to Farmland Preservation – Bogucke Living Trust
- Relating to Support of Creation of A State and National Heritage Parkway Area Designation corresponding to the Historic Marquette & Joliet Route of Exploration along the Fox and Wisconsin Rivers.

Ordinances:

- Relating to Amending Ordinance #811-04, Personnel Policies & Procedure Manual – Workplace Violence Policy

Reports

Committee Appointments

Committee Reports

- Administrative
- ICC
- Economic Development Corporation

Committees to Report in October

Future Agenda Items for Action & Discussion

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 11th day of September, 2008.

Margaret R. Bostelmann,

(SEAL) Green Lake County Clerk

2. *Motion/second (Schubert/Stoddard)* to acknowledge Joann Guden's presence via conference call. All Ayes. Motion carried. 18 Supervisors present, 1 absent (Traxler, Jr.).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MINUTES

3. Approval of the August 19, 2008 and September 2, 2008 minutes. Discussion held. Letter from Judge Storck, requesting that the minutes of September 2, 2008, page 3 be amended to read "Green Lake County will likely be getting another Judge within the life expectancy of the facility." *Motion/second (Schubert/Stoddard)* to approve the August 19, 2008 minutes as presented and the September 2, 2008 minutes as amended. All Ayes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. Chairman Helmer updated the board on his medical condition.
5. All Supervisors are asked to use their microphones tonight, as that is the only way your voice gets picked up by the speaker system to be recorded.
6. Next meeting date: October 21, 2008 at 6 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minute limit)

7. Richard Mueller, Town of Green Lake, spoke Regarding voting requirements on bond issue, any vote to bond this project will require a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of ALL supervisors to be in compliance with State Statutes, not a "simple majority vote". Contact the Department of Revenue if you want an honest answer. Times are bad, we need to slow down on this project.
8. Vern Ammentorp, Town of Princeton, spoke regarding Resolution 20-2005 which states that no tax money will be used for this project. Another account is being used to pay for items that the sales tax dollars should be used for. An independent audit should be done.
9. Art Hartwig, Town of Princeton, called the extravagant courthouse a "courthouse to the stars" much like the "bridge to nowhere". By 2010 we will run out of sales tax money. He also gave out his version of the Fleece Awards.

10. JoAnn LaMire, Town of Brooklyn, stated that this project is based on projected sales tax. People are not spending more in this hard economic time. A new Highway building will be needed before this project is paid for.
11. Merlyn Soda, Town of Berlin, Big banks are closing, borrowing is tight. At one time the good Supervisor's voted against this project.
12. Sam Hennesey, Be good stewards and use what you have. The building next door has a 3rd floor that is not being used.
13. Marilyn Voeltner, Green Lake County Health Department, spoke about the impacts of a smoke-free building and grounds police for Green Lake County. Please seriously consider implementing this policy.

APPEARANCES

14. Jon Troutmann, County Auditor, reviewed the 2007 County Audit with the board. *Motion/second (Helmer/Mueller)* to accept the 2007 County Audit Report. All Ayes. Motion carried.
15. Kurt Berner, Samuels Group presented the savings by using Geothermal as \$37,890 per year. Geothermal would pay for itself in 16 years. A summary was included in the County Board packets. There are incentive dollars out there for using Geothermal: Focus on Energy would work with the County, also Alliant Energy has a shared savings program. Put \$60,000 in the budget for utilities and then take it to City Counsel and see if any adjustments can be made. Suggestion that we deduct the \$824,091 for downtown renovation and forget the demolition for now. Have the county put out a RFP for developers and see what is out there. Leave \$215,000 in the budget for interior remodeling of the present courthouse only, for now. Total budget for Justice Center would come to \$27, 681,741. You can not build any cheaper if you wait another year. Interest rates and prices keep going up. Kurt answered questions by the board members.

CORRESPONDENCE

16. Letter from WCHSA to Linda Van Ness, Health & Human Services Director, regarding service award. At the July 10th Wisconsin County Human Services Association meeting, the WCHSA Board approved the creation of a service award to acknowledge and recognize your county's efforts to help the citizens that were affected by the flooding this year. We appreciate your efforts in this time of great need.
17. Letters in the County Board packets from Quarles & Brady, Samuels Group, PFM and Kunkel Engineering.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ON LONG RANGE PLAN

18. Supervisor Thom, Property & Insurance Committee Chair, stated that he agrees with dropping the downtown renovation for \$824,091 and keeping \$215,000 for interior renovation of the courthouse. Total budget would be \$27, 681,741.

RESOLUTIONS

19. Resolution No. 20-2008 Relating to Initial Resolution Authorization General Obligation Bonds in the approximate amount of 28 million. *Motion/second (Mueller/Schroeder)* to adopt Resolution No. 20-2008. *Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell)* to allow Dave Anderson from PFM to explain the resolution. All Ayes. Motion carried. This would be the first of three resolutions, the second resolution would be taking bids, and the third resolution would be awarding the bid. Wisconsin Administrative Code, 67.045 states that this can be done by a simple majority vote. Discussion Held. Kurt Berner guaranteed that this project can be done for \$27,618,741. That will be written in his contract. *Motion/second (Thom/Schubert)* to amend the resolution to a total of \$27, 618,741 as a result of adding \$215,000 for downtown renovations, plus the Geothermal Alt 7. Roll Call on motion to amend – 14 Ayes, 4 Nays (Henke, Schweder, Williams, Zelenski), 1 Absent (Traxler, Jr.) Motion passed Roll Call on resolution as amended – 12 Ayes, 6 Nays (Hedberg, Henke, Schweder, Sell, Williams, Zelenski), 1 Absent (Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 20-2008 adopted as amended.
20. *Motion/second(Mueller/Stoddard)* to recess for 10 minutes. All Ayes. Motion carried. 7:50PM.
21. Resume session 8PM 17 Supervisors present, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.).
22. Resolution No. 21-2008 Relating to CodeRed, reverse 911. *Motion/second (Thom/Schubert)* to adopt Resolution No. 21-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 21-2008 passed as adopted.
23. Resolution No. 22-2008 Relating to Green Lake County Smoke-free Policy. *Motion/second (Schroeder/Dallman)* to adopt Resolution No. 22-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 22-2008 passed as adopted.
24. Resolution No. 23-2008 Relating to Cemetery Plat – Town of Manchester. *Motion/second (Erdmann, Henke)* to adopt Resolution No. 23-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 23-2008 passed as adopted.

25. Resolution No. 24-2008 Relating to Farmland Preservation – Bogucke Family Trust. *Motion/second (McConnell/Sell)* to adopt Resolution No. 24-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 24-2008 passed as adopted.
26. Resolution No. 25-2008 Relating to Farmland Preservation – Bogucke Living Trust. *Motion/second (McConnell/Henke)* to adopt Resolution No. 25-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 25-2008 passed as adopted.
27. Resolution No. 26-2008 Relating to Support of Creation of a State and National Heritage Parkway Area Designation corresponding to the Historic Marquette and Joliet Route of Exploration along the Fox and Wisconsin Rivers. *Motion/second (Helmer/Hedberg)* to adopt Resolution No. 26-2008. Roll Call on motion to adopt – 17 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden/Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Resolution No. 26-2008 passed as adopted.

ORDINANCES

28. Ordinance No. 938-2008 Relating to Amending Ordinance #811-04, Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – Workplace Violence Policy.. *Motion/second (Schroeder/Dallman)* to enact Ordinance No. 938-2008. Roll Call on motion to enact – 17 ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Guden, Traxler, Jr.). Motion passed. Ordinance No. 938-2008 passed as enacted.

REPORTS

29. None.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

30. None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

31. Vice Chairman Priske reported on the activities of the Administrative Committee, ICC, and the Economic Development Corporation.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN OCTOBER

32. Vice-Chairman Priske announced the committees to report in October will be: Reports from the WCA Convention.

OTHER ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION

33. None.

ADJOURN

34. *Motion/second /Stoddard/Williams)* to adjourn. All Ayes. Motion carried.

35. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Wendt
Assistant Clerk