

LAND RECORDS COMMITTEE MEETING  
 December 13, 2011  
 Oneida County Courthouse  
 Second Floor – Committee Room #2  
 Rhinelander, Wisconsin 54501  
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Committee Members	Gary Baier, Chairman	Sonny Paszak
David O'Melia	Denny Thompson	Peter Wolk

**Call to Order.**

Baier called meeting to order in accordance with the Open Meeting Law at 9:35 a.m., noting that the meeting notice had been properly posted and that the building and meeting room are handicap accessible. All committee members were present. Staff members present were Romportl, Desmond and Leighton.

**Approve Agenda/Minutes.**

Motion/Paszak/Thompson approving today's Land Records Committee agenda. All ayes.

Motion/Wolk/O'Melia approving the minutes of the November 8, 2011 meeting. All ayes.

**Staff member's attendance at land-related meetings/seminars.**

Romportl reported on the annual WSLs surveyor's institute being held January 25 – 27, 2012.

Motion/O'Melia/Paszak approving staff attendance at the WSLs surveyor's institute. All ayes.

**Branham Road Right of Way, Three Lakes, Sec. 29, T38N, R11E.**

Romportl informed the committee that he recently received correspondence from Eiden (one of the property owners along Branham Road Right of Way).

**It is anticipated that the committee may go into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved (Branham Road, Three Lakes, Sec 29, T38N, R11E.)**

Motion/O'Melia/Wolk to enter into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved (Branham Road, Three Lakes, Sec 29, T38N, R11E.)  
On roll call vote: O'Melia, aye; Thompson, aye, Baier, aye, Wolk, aye and Paszak, aye. Motion passes with 5 ayes and 0 nays. The committee entered into closed session.

Motion/O'Melia/Wolk to return to open session. On roll call vote: O'Melia, aye; Baier, aye, Thompson, aye, Wolk, aye and Paszak, aye. Motion passes with 5 ayes and 0 nays. The committee returned to open session.

Baier announced that in closed session Wolk made a motion, seconded by Paszak directing Desmond and Romportl to work with all parties and the Town to help develop a solution that would be in the best interest of the County concerning Branham Road and bring back recommendation to Committee. On roll call vote: O'Melia, aye; Baier, aye, Thompson, aye, Wolk, aye and Paszak, aye. Motion passed with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

**Status of former WPS building (111 E. Davenport St.) and Department on Aging Building (1103 Thayer St.)**

Romportl reminded the committee that the County Board approved our resolution giving us authority to solicit offers including but not limited to, purchase with conventional financing, land contract, lease/purchase option, long term lease, buyer agency agreements, single party listings or other reasonable proposals for purchase of the properties. We anticipate that the Building & Grounds committee will be submitting a resolution to County Board recommending the sale of the Department on Aging Building, similar to what they did for WPS so that we can move forward with marketing the buildings.

**Review/Act on monthly bills, line item transfers, purchase orders, budget surveys/report and non-budgetary item requests: a. Register of Deeds b. Land Information**

Motion/O'Melia/Wolk to approve the Register of Deeds bills as presented. All ayes.

Motion/Thompson/O'Melia to approve the Land Information bills as presented. All ayes.

Motion/O'Melia/Paszak to approve the Land Information line item transfer as presented. All ayes.

**Public Comment/Communications.**

Leighton informed the Committee of legislature that is proposed to allow the public to acquire free certified copies of birth certificates for voting purposes. He was concerned about the lack of revenue and the way it is being handled.

**Discuss/Act on date of next meeting and items for agenda.**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

**Adjourn:** Motion/O'Melia/Wolk to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. All ayes.

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Gary Baier  
Chairperson

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Michael J. Romportl  
Staff Chairperson