

LAND RECORDS COMMITTEE MEETING  
 January 10, 2012  
 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 9:38 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 except for O'Melia. Staff member present was Romportl.

**Approve Agenda/Minutes.**

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

Motion/Wolk/Thompson approving the minutes of the December 13, 2011 meeting. All ayes.

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

Romportl reported on the annual WLIA conference being held in February.

Motion/Paszak/Wolk approving staff attendance at the WLIA annual conference. All ayes.

**Opening of January 10, 2012 Tax Delinquent Land Sale bids and discuss/act/award bids.**

There were no bids submitted.

**Resolutions for January 10, 2012 tax delinquent bids.**

No resolutions were needed.

**Update and setting minimum bid(s) and sale date for unsold tax delinquent property.**

Romportl suggested that we not set prices for the properties at this time. He said that the Woodboro property (WB 381-1) has access restrictions off of Highway 8. He has been in contact with Wisconsin DOT in getting a driveway permit. Romportl also thought that it may be a good idea to get a survey of the property. He figured a survey would be approximately \$1,200 to \$1,500.

Motion/Wolk/Paszak authorizing Romportl to pursue access to Highway 8 for WB 381-1 and at Romportl's discretion order a survey for an approximate cost of \$1,200 to \$1,500. All ayes.

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

Romportl informed the committee that Eiden is in the process of negotiating a deal. Desmond and Romportl had contact with him two weeks ago and thought his proposal was reasonable. Now he has to get the other parties to agree to it.

**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.)**

The committee did not go into closed session

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

Romportl informed the committee that the parking area at the Department on Aging Building was deeded to Oneida County Rhinelander Senior Center, Inc. Romportl and Desmond will be reviewing the title issue to the property, but felt Oneida County would have to sign a deed to the property. The original appraisal did not include the parking area.

Motion/Thompson/Paszak authorizing Romportl to have the appraisal updated to include the parking area subject to Desmond confirming our interest in the parking area. All ayes.

Romportl stated that once the County Board approves the sale of the Department on Aging building and we have the appraisal updated he will advertize both properties in a newspaper display ad. We also have to start thinking about what we should do with the personal property. There have been no inquiries on the former Wisconsin Public Service building.

**Wisconsin Land Information Program budget lapse.**

Romportl reported that \$2.00 from every recorded document is sent down to the state to help counties with their Land Records modernization. The legislature is proposing to take this money and use it to offset the state deficit. The Counties are in opposition of this proposal. The Counties would be willing to give up ½ of the monies for this budget cycle and the rest to go for the intended purpose and all future monies go back to the counties.

Motion/Thompson/Wolk authorizing Romportl to write a letter to the legislature opposing the State to take all of the Land Records Modernization fees but we would agree to half. Romportl to sign the letter with all committee members listed on the letter. All ayes.

**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/Wolk/Thompson to approve the Land Information Office bills and line item transfer as presented. All ayes.

Motion/Thompson/Paszak to approve the Register of Deeds bills as presented. All ayes.

Romportl reported that because of the lawsuit that was filed on the Lake Nokomis lake district, the judge ordered that there be another public hearing for all landowners and another vote by the county board. The public hearing has been scheduled for February 4<sup>th</sup> at the Tomahawk School with the report to be submitted at the February county board meeting and maybe in March the county board would act on the report. Romportl has been helping in the process and attending the public hearing as staff support with maps.

**Public Comment/Communications.**

No public comments were made.

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

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

**Adjourn:** Motion/Thompson/Paszak to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. All ayes.

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Gary Baier  
Chairperson

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Michael J. Romportl  
Staff Chairperson