

Notice of Special Meeting
Oneida County Board of Supervisors
May 29, 2012– 9:30 a.m.
Nicolet Area Technical College Auditorium
5364 College Drive (Off of Highway G)
Rhinelander, WI 54501

Chairman Cushing called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of Nicolet Area Technical College. There was a brief moment of silence for our troops here and overseas, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisors: Gary Baier, Greg Berard, Ted Cushing, Paul Dean, Billy Fried, David Hintz, Scott Holewinski, Jim Intrepidi, Bob Martini, Jack Martinson, Bob Metropulos, Bob Mott, Sonny Paszak, Carol Pederson, Thomas Rudolph, Candy Sorensen, Jack Sorensen, Denny Thompson, Michael Timmons and Romelle Vandervest.

OF MEMBERS PRESENT: 20

SUPERVISORS EXCUSED: 1 – Jerry Shidell

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: 1 – Jayla Paulson

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Bartelt, County Clerk; Melodie Gauthier, Chief Deputy County Clerk; Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel; Mike Romportl, Land Information; Lynn Grube, ITS and Willette Court Reporting Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR, CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Cushing stated we are working off an Amended Agenda which was passed out at the beginning of the meeting.

Please Use the Microphone when speaking and identify yourself by Name and Address.

All Supervisors must abide by the committee rules, 3 chances to speak, and only speak when you have the micro-phone stating your name for the court reporter.

Chairman Cushing called on Supervisor Rudolph to explain the Amended Report on Lake Nokomis Lake District (Dated 5-4-2012).

Supervisor Rudolph stated the report was an amended/updated report which resulted by a court order stating a new meeting was needed. Supervisor Rudolph then referred to Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel for further details. Desmond states that he has no other comment on the report that Supervisor Rudolph referenced.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Cushing stated the limit for groups speaking on the Lake Nokomis Lake District Petition will be limited to 5 minutes and individuals will be limited to 3 minutes.

Group Representatives

Chairman Cushing called for a Representative of the Lincoln County Board – None

Chairman Cushing called for a Representative of Nokomis – None

Chairman Cushing called for a Representative of Little Rice – None

Chairman Cushing called for a Representative of the Town of Bradley – None

Chairman Cushing called for a Representative of the Town of Wilson – None

Representative of Petitioners

Ron Ament – Little Rice Township. - Board member of the LNCC and a Petitioner of the Lake District. – Supports the Lake District.

John Bowman – Old Rd. Tomahawk – Representative of the Lake Nokomis Concern Citizen Assoc. - Supports the Lake District.

Representative of WVIC, (Wisconsin Valley Improvement Co.). Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel; states that the WVIC has sent a letter regarding the Lake District

indicating they will not be in attendance today. The letter was provided to all County Board members for their review, their letter plus all the other letters sent regarding the Lake District was incorporated into the records today. For review of these letters, contact Oneida County.

Representative of a State Agency.

Brian Desmond stated for the record, the DNR was notified of this hearing as required by the statute, and received notification they were unable to attend today but does have a person from U.W. Extension here on their behalf.

Patrick Gogain from UW Extension/University of Wisconsin Stevens Point works at the Rhinelander DNR as a Lake Specialist – Supports Lake District.

Representative of the Nokomis Reservoir Lake Association

Mike Beals, President of NRLA – Opposes Lake District.

General Public Comments:

Gerald Dessow – Lake Nokomis Rd. – Opposes Lake District.

Russ Wadzinski – Point Road West – Supports Lake District.

Jerome Brickner - Supports Lake District.

Judy Cooper - Supports Lake District.

Ken Dirks – Sunset Drive. – Supports Lake District.

James Brickner- Deer Trail Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Dale Elliott – County Highway L. – Supports Lake District.

Amanda Tress – Resident of Outagamie County/ Mohawk Tr. - Supports Lake District.

Paul Garner – Point Road West – Supports Lake District

Richard Arends – Point Road West - Supports Lake District.

(Mr Arends asked the General Public in the auditorium by a show of hands how many is for the Lake District to raise their hands and all against the Lake District to raise their hands.) Brian Desmond requested the Court Reported add to the record that the majority of hands were raised showing that they are in favor of the Lake District when Mr. Arends put this question to a hand raising vote here in the auditorium.)

Gerald Ludeke – County Highway L. – Supports Lake District

John Bowman – Old Road – Supports Lake District.

Bob Pinter – Rice Point Road – Opposes Lake District.

Eileen Skees- Ross Rd. – Opposes Lake District.

David Nycz – Sunset Drive – Supports Lake District.

Janelle Rucinski – County Highway Y. – Supports Lake District.

David Russell – County Highway L. – Supports Lake District.

Jamie Mangels – Rainbow Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Julia Mc Donald- Nancy Dr. – Supports Lake District.

Sallie Sickles- Robinson Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Don Sickles – Robinson Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Susan Claflin – Sunset Dr. – Supports Lake District.

Richard Ross- Township of Bradley/ Tomahawk Trail – Supports Lake District.

Leonard Gorzalski – East Deer Lake Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Laurie Rogney – Gator Bay – Supports Lake District.

Joe Case –Hall Dr – Opposes Lake District

Robert MacDonald- Smokey Dr. – Supports Lake District

Barb MacDonald – Smokey Dr. – Supports Lake District

Mary Martin- Town of Bradley – Supports Lake District

Dean Tessenske – Sunset Dr. – Supports Lake District.

Nancy Smith – Deer Lake Rd – Supports Lake District.

Trina Ford – Cherokee Rd, Lincoln Cty. – Supports Lake District

Tom Skony- Robinson Rd – Supports Lake District.

Tom Gerum – Arrowhead Dr. Supports Lake District.

Margaret Beals – County Highway L. - Opposes Lake District

Cindy Selewski- Town of Bradley – Supports Lake District.

Ralph Andren – White Rd. – Supports Lake District.

Cynthia Andren – White Rd. Supports Lake District.

Mike Beals- County Highway L – Opposes Lake District
Robert Bell – Robinson Rd – Supports Lake District
David Lemtke – Spillman Ln – Opposes Lake District.
Mike Orlowski – Robinson Rd. – Supports Association-Opposes Lake District
Ruth Ann Richardson – Wood Smoke Dr. – Supports an Association-Opposes the Lake District.
Tina Lussow – Town of Bradley/Camp Rice Point Rd. – Supports Lake District

Chairman Cushing called for a last call for general public to speak. Public comment ended and Chairman Cushing moved to the Decision on the Lake Nokomis Lake District Petition. The County Board will make a decision on the proposed Lake Nokomis Lake District Petition in accordance with Wis. Stat. s. 33.26.

Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel, reminded the County Board Supervisors that the petitioners have met the number of signatures in the proposed district. Desmond stated what is left here today for the County Board to consider is whether the district is necessary, whether the Public Health comfort, convenience, necessity or public welfare will be promoted by establishment of a lake district and whether the property included in the district will be benefitted by the establishment of the district.

Mr. Desmond then turned the micro-phone over to County Board Supervisors who wished to voice their opinions, comments and ask some questions.

Motion/Second: Martini/Pederson to approve the motion to accept the application for the Lake Nokomis District.

Brian Desmond explained a vote of "Aye" will form the Lake District and a vote of "Nay" is not to form the Lake District.

Supervisor Holewinski questioned Brian Desmond if the motion would be including the existing Lake District boundaries or is this looking into the future to include all property owners that have access to the lake. Desmond addressed this question from Supervisor Holewinski stating without a separate motion to include other properties in the Lake District the vote right now will be on the boundary as it was presented by the petitioners which is represented in the map (identified in green) that is on the wall. The map will be made part of the record.

Roll Call Vote: 13 Aye, 7 Nay- Timmons, Thompson, Dean, Martinson, Fried, Holewinski and Baier, 1 Absent- Shidell.

Student Rep. 1 Aye

Motion carries

Desmond explains now that the motion has been accepted other motions and duties of the County Board need to undertake further motions. The County Board needs to appoint three owners of property within the district, at least one of whom is a resident of the district to serve as commissioners until the first annual meeting of the district.

Charmin Cushing states he has 3 people he would like to appoint, Ron Ament, Dave Nycz and Mike Beals to serve as commissioners until the first annual meeting of the district.

Motion/Second: Hintz/Vandervest to appoint three owners of property within the district, at least one of whom is a resident of the district, (Ron Ament, Dave Nycz and Mike Beals), to serve as commissioners until the first annual meeting of the district.

Roll Call Vote: 19 Ayes, 1 Nay - Fried, 1 Absent- Shidell

Student Rep. 1 Aye

Motion carries.

Brian Desmond states per statutes one member of the Conservation and UW Extension Committee, or a nominee of the Conservation and UW-Extension Committee is needed to serve on the Board of Commissioners.

Motion/Second: Baier/Holewinski to appoint Jim Intrepidi as one member of the Conservation and UW Extension Committee, or a nominee of the Conservation and UW-Extension Committee to serve on the Board of Commissioners.

Roll Call Vote: 19 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1- Absent- Shidell and 1 Abstain- Intrepidi

Student Rep. 1 Aye

Motion carries.

Motion/Second: Vandervest/Rudolph to authorize the County Board Chairman and the County Clerk to sign a written order per state statute forming the Lake Nokomis Lake District.

Roll Call Vote: 20 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent – Shidell

Student Rep. 1 Aye

Motion carries.

Excused Student Representative, Chief Deputy Clerk, and General Public from meeting

Motion/Second: Martinson/Paszak to enter into closed session pursuant to sections 19.85(1) (e), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of: (1) Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Topic: OCEDC-Project Top Hat).

Roll Call Vote: 19 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent – Shidell & Vandervest

Motion carries.

Motion/Second: Baier/Holewinski to return to Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: 19 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent – Shidell & Vandervest

Motion carries.

No announcement from Closed Session.

Adjournment:

Motion/Second: Rudolph/Berard to adjourn the County Board Special Meeting at 1:22 p.m.

All “Aye” on voice vote, motion carries.