

**Amended Regular Meeting
Oneida County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, June 16, 2015 – 9:30 a.m.
Oneida County Courthouse
County Board Meeting Room 2nd Floor**

Vice-Chairman Sorensen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Meeting Room of the Oneida County Courthouse. There was a brief moment of silence for our troops here and overseas, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisors: Ted Cushing, Bill Freudenberg, Billy Fried, Scott Holewinski, Jim Intrepidi, Mitchell Ives, Robb Jensen, Tom Kelly, Lance Krolczyk, Bob Metropulos, Bob Mott, Carol Pederson, Sonny Paszak, Tom Rudolph, Jack Sorensen, Michael Timmons, Alan VanRaalte, and Lisa Zunker.

OF MEMBERS PRESENT: 18

SUPERVISORS EXCUSED: 3 Absent – David Hintz, Alex Young. Greg Oettinger- arrived 10:45 a.m.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: 1 Student Alternate – Marie Aguirre, Lakeland High School.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Bartelt, County Clerk; Melodie Gauthier, Chief Deputy Clerk; Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel; Freeman Bennett, Highway Department; Mike Romportl, Land Information; Karl Jennrich, Planning and Zoning and Mary Rideout, Social Services Director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR, CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Sign Attendance Form at the Podium
- Please Use Microphones When Speaking
- Passing around a petition to sign for a Special County Board meeting July 15 @ 6:30 p.m.

ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2015 MINUTES

Additions, deletions, corrections: Supervisor Rudolph – Line 1 of the minutes “9:30 a.m.” should read “6:30 pm.” Page 3 last paragraph, Supervisor Rudolph would like added that Freeman Bennett stated “yes these are tax dollars used”. Page 4, Supervisor Rudolph would like to add that he gave a brief synopsis of Wilbur Petroskey’s awards and achievements while serving the County. Page 5, Supervisor Rudolph would like to add that Wilbur Petroskey received a framed Resolution commemorating his years of work for Oneida County. Mr. Petroskey thanked the County Board and stated he hopes the County Board members will continue their work for the County and that the County, State and world need them.

MOTION/SECOND: **Cushing/Paszak** to approve the May 19, 2015, minutes as amended. All aye of voice vote, motion carries.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

- **Tourism Update** – Dana DeMet, Chamber of Commerce, introduced Jeff Anderson, WI Department of Tourism, who gave a brief update/presentation regarding “The Power of Wisconsin Tourism”.
 - Tourism is a significant role in Wisconsin’s economy and is a source of both employment and tax revenue.
 - Total business sales in Oneida County were \$274.3 million in 2014, an increase of 5.5% from 2013.
 - There were 2,132 jobs with a total personal income of \$46.6 million supported by visitors to Oneida County in 2014.
 - Visitors to Oneida County generated \$20.7 million in state and local tax revenue during 2014.
 - Website: industry.travelwisconsin.com. for more information.
- **Social Service 2014 Annual Report** – Mary Rideout, Social Services Director, gave a brief summary on Social Services. The department continues to employ 47 people in 2014. Major service areas are Adult Protective Services and Long Term Care, Child Protective Services, Delinquencies, Economic Support and the Child Support Program.

Allocation/budget for 2014 was \$7,223,964. and the total expenditures were \$6,556,773.85.

Of the \$7,223,964, \$1,897,138 was county tax levy.

An area of focus in 2014 was the elimination of the Client services wait list for Long Term Care. There was a focus to recruit and retain the Social Services staff. In the past there has been a big turnover and hopefully we have put things into place that will reduce the staff turnover; this is a problem state-wide.

The Department was able to return funds to the County at the end of the year primarily due to the under spending of the out-of-home care budget. The cost of out-of-home placements in 2014 was approximately \$930,843.

Coordinated Service Teams (CST) were started in 2014 to help bring all the players in a child's life together at the table, in which they come up with a plan on how to maintain the child in the home, to improve the quality of that child's life. So far CST is working to help keep children out of out-of-home placement and keep costs down. There are also approximately four parenting workshops a year, two on older adolescents and two with the focus on younger children. They are funded with the Prevention funds.

MOTION/SECOND: Cushing/Paszak to receive the Social Services Annual Report. All ayes on voice vote, motion carries.

* **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Kari Zambon – Lake Thompson. RE: Resolution #52-2015 - Urges the County to not support Senator Tiffany's addition to the budget. Michael Murphy, President of Two Sisters Lake Association, is asking the Board to support Resolution #52- 2015.

Vice-Chairman Sorensen introduced Marie Aguirre, Student Representative from Lakeland Union High School. Ms. Aguirre was an alternate student representative and this school year she will become one of two regular student representatives.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution #47-2015 – offered by the Public Safety Committee for adoption and enforcement of the excessive force and physical barricade policies.

Resolution #48-2015 – offered by the Land Records Committee regarding the sale of parcel- CA 957-1. Town of Cassian; parcel- part of PL 42-1, Town of Pine Lake; parcel-RH-424, City of Rhinelander; parcel-WR 547- Town of Woodruff and parcel- CA-980-1, Town of Cassian.

Resolution #49-2015/ General Code O/A – offered by the Forestry, Land & Recreation Committee amending section 14.17(2)(i), (All Terrain Vehicles) (restricted use) of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) (UTVs) off-road motorcycles, mini-bikes, go-carts, and other non-street-legal vehicles.

- Appointments to committees, commissions and other organizations
To reappoint Harland Lee, Guy Hansen and Norris Ross to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a term to expire July 2018.

MOTION/SECOND: Cushing/Timmons to approve consent agenda as presented. All ayes, on voice vote, motion carries.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

POSTPONED - RESOLUTION #43-2015

Resolution offered by Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Oneida County retained a 100 foot strip of land on each side of the center line of existing roads crossing the NW ¼ - NW ¼ of Section 13, Township 38 North, Range 6 East, as recorded in the Register of Deeds, Volume 58 of Deeds on Page 247, Document # 122046, recorded on May 17th, 1945; and,

WHEREAS, a request has been made to Oneida County from Mark R. Schultz and Lindsay A. Schultz requesting that a portion of said strip of land described above adjacent to Sylvan Lake DR be conveyed to the them as they are the present adjoining owners of the land, and they have paid the \$100.00 administrative fee to process this request; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Hazelhurst has been notified of this request, and the Land Records Committee recommends the request be granted provided the Town has no objections to such conveyance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves conveying the parcel described in Exhibit A below to Mark R. Schultz and Lindsay A. Schultz, provided the Town of Hazelhurst does not have any objections to such conveyance, and authorizes the County Clerk, upon receipt of the \$30 deed recording fee, to issue a quit claim deed conveying any interest the County has in the description noted below in Exhibit A.

Approved by the Land Records Committee this 12th day of May, 2015.
Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Intrepidi, Zunker, Oettinger and Paszak.

This Resolution was postponed last month so it could be presented at the Hazelhurst Town meeting before coming to the County Board.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 18 Ayes, 0 Nays, 3 Absent – Young, Hintz and Oettinger.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: 1 Aye.

POSTPONED RESOLUTION: #43-2015: adopted.

RESOLUTION # 50-2015

Resolution offered by the Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, parcel number SC 381-1 was tax foreclosed in 2014 after discussions with the Town of Schoepke, the Oneida County Land Records Committee and the Oneida County Administration Committee regarding the history of the property and an abandoned Cemetery located on the south 75' of the property east of County B; and,

WHEREAS, the County Committees recommended foreclosing on the property provided the Town would accept the property, which the Town of Schoepke at their May 14, 2014 meeting made a motion to accept the property provided there are no restrictions to future sale, otherwise just take the Cemetery portion; and,

WHEREAS, the Land Records Committee recommends that part of parcel number SC 381-1 east of County B, and more particularly described in Exhibit A below, be conveyed to the Town of Schoepke for no charge with the understanding that the Town will assume full responsibility for the abandoned Cemetery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County hereby approves the conveyance of parcel number SC 381-1 east of County B as described in Exhibit A to the Town of Schoepke for no charge; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is authorized to sign and place the county seal upon a quit claim deed for the parcel listed in Exhibit A; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is authorized and instructed to assign to the Town of Schoepke, at the time of issuance of the quit claim deed, all county certificates on the property conveyed.

Approved by the Land Records Committee this 9th day of June, 2015.
Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Intrepidi, Zunker and Timmons.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 18 Ayes, 0 Nays, 3 Absent – Young, Hintz and Oettinger.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: 1 Aye.

RESOLUTION: #50-2015: adopted.

Bill Freudenberg – excused at 10:30 A.M.

**RESOLUTION #51-2015 - GENERAL CODE OF ONEIDA COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #**

Ordinance Amendment offered by Public Works/Solid Waste Committee

WHEREAS, the County allows ATV/UTV use on certain County Highways pursuant to the " Oneida County Highway Committee Policy for ATV Routes and Trails"; and

WHEREAS, the current ordinance does not list the County Highways that are open to ATV/UTV use; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources requires that County roads open for ATV/UTV use be designated by ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section 7.095 of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is amended as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

7.095 ATV ALL TERRAIN/UTILITY VEHICLE TRAILS AND ROUTES ON COUNTY HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGE CROSSINGS. (Rn. #80-2011)

ATV'S are allowed to be operated on County Trunk Highways as designated by the Highway Commissioner and Highway Committee. The trails and routes that are to be on County Trunk Highways shall be reviewed and approved according to the "Oneida County Highway Committee Policy for ATV Routes and Trails", or any successor policy adopted by the Highway Committee.

The following County Highways are open to ATV/UTV use:

CTH A) Open entire length.

CTH B) Open entire length.

CTH C) Closed entire length.

CTH D) Open from Highway 17 to west side of "O" intersection

CTH E) Closed entire length.

CTH G) Open Oneida County Forestry Parking lot at Zimmer Road to Highway 45

CTH H) Open entire length.

CTH J) Closed entire length.

CTH K) Closed entire length.

CTH L) Closed entire length.

CTH M) Open from Highway "B" to Forest County line.

CTH N) Open entire length.

CTH O) Open entire length.

CTH P) Closed entire length.

CTH Q) Open from Highway 45 to Langlade County line.

CTH W) Closed entire length.

CTH Y) Open entire length.

CTH Z) Open entire length.

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute s. 23.33(11)(am)3 ATV's & UTV's shall be allowed to cross the bridge following bridges in Oneida County:

1. Bridge over Crystal Lake on State Highway 45 [Connecting Oneida County parcels TL 586-2 & TL 586-3], Town of Three Lakes, and Federal ID number C-43-08-98.

ATV operators crossing any bridge listed in this Ordinance section shall comply with the following conditions:

- a. Cross the bridge in the most direct manner practicable and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
- b. Stay as far to the right of the roadway or shoulder as practicable.
- c. Stop the vehicle prior to the crossing.
- d. Yield the right-of-way to other vehicles, pedestrians, and electric personal assistive mobility devices using the roadway or shoulder.
- e. Exit the highway as quickly and safely as practicable after crossing the bridge.

Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Cushing, Jensen, Paszak, Holewinski and Timmons.

Supervisor Mott noted that on the Agenda under Consideration of Resolutions & Ordinances, Resolution #52-2015, line 3 states "bride" crossing and should read "bridge" crossing.

Freeman Bennett, Highway Department, briefed the County Board regarding the bridge crossing. Bennett stated there were some concerns about safety with the 55 mile an hour speed limit. Bennett stated this is the only way to get from one side to the other side of Three Lakes and the Highway Department has to ability to pull any ATV's from any trails for any reason.

There was discussion between County Board Members regarding the safety of crossing a bridge on a busy highway.

Pro's / Con's:

- Busy highway.
- Road needs to be kept up.
- Give a 6 months evaluation/trial period.
- ATV's not made to travel on blacktop.
- If problems/complaints, the Highway Department has the ability to close any ATV route.
- Risk's to County regarding accidents.
- Good for tourism.
- This is a special situation and high visibility warning signage is needed by the bridge.
- E-mail from Jeff Hess, DOT stating they will not permit an ATV crossing at this location.

Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel, states it may be possible that this will open Oneida County up for more legal liability. Liability rests on the facts of a situation. Recreational immunity may apply. There is a duty for us to maintain roads and that includes the shoulders of the roads where these vehicles are operating. The Highway Department will need to be on top of maintaining this area in order to keep these roads in a safe manner.

A Resolution may be brought to the next meeting to change the policy section to add a trial 6 month period for the bridge crossing. Also, the ordinance section would need to be changed.

MOTION/SECOND: Cushing/Paszak to amend Resolution #51-2015 to remove lines 73-89.

There was further discussion on this motion stating to pass Resolution #51-2015 as it is, without any removal of lines, due to the fact the Highway Department can rescind this route at any time. Tourism time is now and a lot of people will be coming up with their ATV's to use the assigned roads.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON MOTION: 0 Ayes, 17 Nays, 4 Absent – Hintz, Young, Freudenberg and Oettinger.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: 1 Nay.

MOTION: fails.

Public:

Stella Westfall, Town of Three Lakes Chairman, regarding ATV's/bridge crossing – states Three Lakes opened roads for ATV's on a one year basis and there have been no issues. The Highway 45 crossing bridge is a unique situation because there is no other way to get across from the east to the west side of Three Lakes. She thinks this should be looked at on a six month or one year basis and it is very important there is signage by the bridge.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 15 Ayes, 2 Nays – Rudolph and Metropulos, 4 Absent – Hintz, Young, Oettinger and Freudenberg.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: 1 Aye.

RESOLUTION #51-2015: enacted.

RESOLUTION #52-2015

Resolution offered by the Conservation and UW-Extension Education Committee

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin

WHEREAS, the Oneida County Conservation and UW-Extension Education Committee has been advised that the Joint Committee on Finance has passed Motion #520 as part of its discussion and deliberation on the Budget Bill; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 23 of Motion #520 changes the standards for regulation of existing structures in the shoreland area contrary to adopted standards in NR 115 and to the detriment of environmental quality, and the orderly economic development of Oneida County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has adopted NR 115 and updated it periodically after public input and review; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County has 428 named lakes and more than 830 miles of streams, of which 192 miles are classified trout streams, that are pressured with both new development and re-development of existing structures; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County has been enforcing the minimum standards of NR 115 since its inception in the late 1960's, and has accumulated considerable experience while working with the various incarnations of NR 115 over many years, and furthermore has noted during these many years that the current laws have protected the water quality in Oneida County, and at the same time have protected property values, the County's wildlife and fisheries habitat, and the natural scenic beauty of Oneida County's shorelands, and at the same time provided flexibility to property owners in development of their property; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County Board members conclude that the water quality of those water bodies within our county would suffer if development is not regulated to the benefit of both the property owner and the water body whose shorelines are proposed for development as it currently is in NR 115; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County has had good protection of landowner rights, property values, and the environment including water quality when following (the current minimum standards); and

WHEREAS, Oneida County has provided some additional protections of our surface and ground water that is slightly more protective than the minimums in NR 115, and feels strongly that Counties should be able to enforce more than the minimum standards to protect their unique resources; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County feels that the minimum standards should not be changed without due consideration by the entire legislature, the Natural Resources Board, and the public; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County strongly objects to paragraph 23 of Motion #520 amending the 2016-2017 state of Wisconsin Budget (SB 21 and AB 21), because it weakens regulation of non-conforming structures and does not provide adequate protection of our valuable water resources; and

WHEREAS, the amendment as written will prevent local governmental units charged by the State of Wisconsin with overseeing development within its shorelands from protecting the rights of the property owner, the citizens of the area, and the environment in a fair and equitable manner; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 23 of Motion #520 as written will result in unchecked development along our shorelines which will cause irreparable harm to the water quality of our County; result in a drop in property values which in turn will damage the economy of our County; and promote harm to the environment by contributing to the degradation of our surface waters and ultimately the ground water of our County and the State, and

WHEREAS, Oneida County Board supports the June 5th and June 8, 2015 letters from Wisconsin

Counties Association, Wisconsin County Code Administrators, Land + Water Conservation Association, and Wisconsin County Planning and Zoning Directors (attached).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Oneida County board of supervisors that it hereby requests that the State of Wisconsin, repeal Paragraph 23 of Motion #520 to the 2016-2017 Budget Bill (SB 21 and AB 21), and retain the current provisions of NR 115, Wisconsin Administrative Code, and thereby protect the citizens and environment of our County and great State, and

NOW, FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that Oneida County Board approved Resolution to repeal Paragraph 23, of Motion #520 to the 2016 – 2017 Budget Bill (SB 21 and AB 21), be forwarded to members of the Joint Committee on Finance, area Legislators, and the Governor's office.

Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Rudolph, Mott and Intrepidi.

Public:

- Norris Ross, Three Lakes, stated "don't lose sight of the big picture", and expressed his disbelief about the action on the part of Senator Tiffany. What this is doing is going to usurp your sovereign rights to govern Oneida County.
- Kathy Noel, Sugar Camp, Indian Lake, approves of Resolution #52-20150 and would like the County Board to approve this resolution.
- Karl Fate, Spur Lake - states we need to protect our rights of all stake holders. Would like the County Board to fully support Resolution #52-2015.
- Terry Cummings – Would like Resolution #52-2015 passed.

Supervisor Mott read letter from Jean Roach, President, PLPOA Board, and requested it to be entered into the record.

Dear County Board Members,

The Pelican Lake Property Owners Association (PLPOA) supports County Board Resolution #52-2015. We are the largest lake in the County and our organization is dedicated to protecting residential property values and tourist business viability along our lake. Shoreline protections are critical in achieving that goal. Local control is the only sensible way to ensure that appropriate protections are enacted and enforced. A one-size-fits-all SPO is wrong for Pelican Lake, and it is wrong for Oneida County.

The vibrancy of our tourist based economy rests upon managing the balance between individual property rights, and the need to protect healthy lake water and wildlife resources. We believe the current system, in which County Zoning professionals work with local elected officials to keep that balance, has worked well and should continue. Our Lake Association officers, elected to represent more than 300 dues-paying property owners, is opposed to State Motion 520, and we support the Oneida County resolution as drafter.

We urge all County Board Members to vote YES to County Board Resolution #52-2015.

Thank you.

*Jean Roach
President, PLPOA
Pelican Lake, Oneida Co.*

Supervisor Mott stated Oneida and Vilas County have the largest lakes area within the state, and with that, a lot of pressure is on the lakes with boats, pontoons, jet skis etc. This is what causes more protective and more restrictive permits. People do not come up here for dirty lakes and without permits we would be lost. We should not change what we have, it works now. Supervisor Mott urges the County Board to pass this resolution.

Supervisor VanRaalte feels Motion 520 Chapter 23, undermines local government. Property rights end at the end of your property and what you do on the shoreline impacts and diminishes the rights of neighbors downstream, value of property and quality of life. Supervisor VanRaalte supports Resolution #52-2015.

Supervisor Cushing reminds the County Board Members that a similar policy was put in the Finance Budget Bill regarding cell towers; taking away the rights of towns and the rights of the County to say where a cell tower could be located. Supervisor Cushing would like to quit putting policy into the budgets; step up to the plate and say we're tired of one size fits all and being told you no longer have control. Cushing stated we need to listen to what the public has told us.

Supervisor Holewinski stated the Zoning Committee should get on board and oppose Motion 520, Chapter 23. Supervisor Holewinski stated he has had correspondence with Senator Tiffany and correspondence with legal counsel. With that, Supervisor Holewinski took the County Board through the Resolution and gave his opinion on what he felt is really in there.

More discussion took place and the Planning and Zoning staff, Karl Jennrich and Pete Wegner answered questions for County Board giving facts, stating they are not debating any policy issues.

Supervisor Rudolph stated we need to take action on this Resolution today. We need to support this Resolution. There is complete and unanimous support from the public for this Resolution as it stands.

Public:

Shane Shrameyer, Hazelhurst, stated this resolution will cut your power and what you want for our county will have no value anymore. The State Legislature will make the laws for our county. Anything that hurts the environment will hurt us and we will have no say. We have to protect tourism.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 14 Ayes, 4 Nays – Jensen, Fried, Holewinski and Ives, 3 Absent – Young, Hintz and Freudenberg.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: 1 Aye.

RESOLUTION #52-2015: adopted.

Student Representative Marie Aguirre excused 11:55 a.m.

Recessed for 5 minutes at 11:55 a.m.

Reconvene – Vice-Chairman Sorensen called the meeting back into order 12:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION # 53-2015

Resolution offered by the Supervisors of the Conservation & UW-EX Education and Labor Relations Employee Services Committees.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, the Labor Relations Employee Services Committee did request North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (NCWRPC) to conduct a study of the Land & Water Conservation Department to determine if there was duplication of services, adequate staffing levels, and potential efficiencies to be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation & UW-EX Education and Labor Relations Employee Services Committees met jointly to review the NCWRPC study and discuss any potential changes to the Land & Water Conservation Department; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation & UW-EX Education and Labor Relations Employee Services Committees does recommend the merger/reorganization of Land & Water Conservation Office and Planning & Zoning Office to create efficiencies with administrative work, allow more time for field work, complete work outlined in the Five Year Plan, and better serve Oneida County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors effective August 1, 2015:

1. The Land & Water Conservation Department will be merged with the Planning & Zoning Department.
2. During the twelve-month trial period, the Planning & Zoning Director will report to both the Planning and Development and Conservation, UW-EX. Education Committees.

3. During a twelve-month trial period, the Planning & Zoning Director, County Conservationist, and the Human Resource Director shall routinely
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that by adoption of this resolution it shall be deemed that no additional County and/or taxpayer dollars shall be required to meet the projected costs for the reorganization as set forth in the fiscal impact statement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Approved by the Conservation & UW-EX Committee this 8th day of June 2015.
Approved by the Labor Relations Employee Services Committees this 10th day of June 2015.
Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Rudolph, Mott, Intrepidi, Holewinski, Jensen, Cushing, Pederson and Paszak.

Supervisor Rudolph stated this Resolution #53-2015 is from a joint meeting and results from a study that was commissioned from the North Central Regional Planning Commission. A recommendation from the results of this study was to merge Land Water Conservation Department with Planning and Zoning Department. Supervisor Rudolph opposed this merger stating it may weaken the Land and Water Conservation Department. He hopes they get the staffing that they need but felt this did not come out of the joint meeting that this would be addressed. Rudolph stated he reluctantly signed on to this and since then have second thoughts.

Supervisor Cushing from LRES Committee stated there was much debate on this Resolution. Cushing stated we successfully joined Solid Waste and Highway Department and it has worked successfully and also Emergency Management with the Sheriff's Office and this has worked successfully. The attempt here is the same thing on a trial bases to improve some efficiencies and help them to achieve their 5 year plan. This did turn out a unanimous vote. The majority thought it was a good idea on a trial bases.

Supervisor VanRaalte stated he read the report from the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and he does not feel that it makes a compelling case to merge these two departments.

MOTION/SECOND: VanRaalte/Rudolph move to postpone Resolution #53-2015 and return it to the committees with instructions to quantify the savings, in dollars, of merging Land & Water with Planning & Zoning; to quantify the cost, in dollars, of leaving them as stand-alone departments; to determine the cost in dollars, service and productivity of the merger itself and how long those costs must be borne; and to determine the staffing level required by Land & Water to meet the goals of their five year plan and the cost of meeting that staffing level.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON MOTION: 3 Ayes, 14 Nays – Mott, Ives, Intrepidi, Cushing, Pederson, Jensen, Kelly, Paszak, Oettinger, Sorensen, Timmons, Krolczyk, Holewinski and Fried. 4 Absent – Freudenberg, Metropulos, Young and Hintz.
MOTION: failed.

More discussion took place regarding Resolution #53-2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE – RESOLUTION #53-2015: 15 Ayes, 2 Nays – Rudolph and VanRaalte, 4 Absent – Freudenberg, Young, Metropulos and Hintz.
RESOLUTION #53-2015: adopted.

**RESOLUTION #54-2015 - GENERAL CODE OF ONEIDA COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #**

Ordinance Amendment offered by the Administration Committee

WHEREAS, the Veteran Services Commission has specified duties pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chap. 45; and
WHEREAS, currently the Veteran Service Commission was tasked with duties above and beyond those duties prescribed in Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 45; and
WHEREAS, a review of numerous other Counties indicated a general trend of the Veteran Services Commission being limited to the duties prescribed by statute and another County Committee acting as the oversight and policy-making body for the Veteran's Services

Department; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee has determined that Oneida County would be best served by the Social Services Committee being the oversight and policy-making body for the Veteran's Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section 1.20, 2.31, 2.51 & 2.54 of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is amended as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

1.20 VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER.

- (1) ~~EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.~~ The Veteran's Service Officer shall be under the jurisdiction of the Social Services Committee ~~Veteran's Service Commission and shall act as Executive Secretary of such Commission.~~
- (2) DUTIES. The Veteran's Service Officer shall:
 - (a) ~~Hold regular monthly~~ Attend scheduled meetings of the ~~Veteran's Service Commission~~ Social Services Committee and submit monthly reports of expenditures and activities.
 - (b) Submit annual reports to the County Board.
 - (c) Assist the Veteran Services Commission to complete the duties prescribed in Wisconsin Statute s. 45.81.

2.31 RULES GOVERNING COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (Rep. & recr. #55-2011)

[Sections 2.31(1) -2.31(6) remain unchanged]

- (7) COMMITTEES OF JURISDICTION, REPORTS.
 - (a) DESIGNATION OF COMMITTEE OF JURISDICTION. (Am. #13-94; #37-94; #53-97; #29-2000; #31-2000; #03-2001; #86-2009; #34-2014) The elected officials and department heads of the County shall report to the following committees of jurisdiction and are encouraged to meet with such committees on a regular basis, and shall meet when specifically requested:

Elective County Official	Committee of Jurisdiction
Circuit Court Judges	Public Safety
Clerk of Circuit Court	Public Safety
County Clerk	Administration
County Treasurer	Administration
District Attorney	Public Safety
Register of Deeds	Land Records
Sheriff	Public Safety

Appointed Official	Committee of Jurisdiction
Administrative Coordinator	County Board
Aging Unit Director	Aging and Health
Auditor/Finance Director	Administration
Building and Grounds Manager	County Facilities
Corporation Counsel	Public Safety
Community Resource Development	Conservation & UW-EX Education
County Conservationist	Conservation & UW-EX Education
County Coordinator	Labor Relations/Employee Services
Emergency Management Director	Public Safety
Family Court Commissioner	Public Safety
Family Living Agent	Conservation & UW-EX Education
Forestry Administrator	Forestry, Land, and Outdoor Recreation
4-H and Youth Agent	Conservation & UW-EX Education
Highway Commissioner	Public Works and Solid Waste
Highway Safety Coordinator	Highway
Information Technology Services Director	Administration
Land Information Manager	Land Records
Medical Examiner	Public Safety
Planning and Zoning Administrator	Planning and Zoning
Public Health Director/Health Officer	Health and Aging
Register in Probate	Public Safety
Social Services Director	Social Services

Veterans Service Officer	Veteran's Service Commission <u>Social Services</u>
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[Sections 2.31(7)(b) remains unchanged]

2.51 SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE. (Cr. #19-98; Rep. & recr. #55-2011)

- (1) APPOINTMENT. The Committee shall consist of 5 members of the County Board who shall be appointed by the County Board Chair, subject to confirmation by the Board, for purposes of compliance with §46.22(1m)(b), Wis. Stats.
- (2) POWERS AND DUTIES.
 - (a) The Committee shall act as the County Social Services Board for purposes of compliance with Ch. 46, Wis. Stats.
 - (b) The Committee shall have the powers and duties of the County Social Services Board as set forth in §46.22(1)(b), Wis. Stats.
 - (c) All the powers and duties of the Family Care Committee pursuant to Resolution #61-2009.
 - (d) Act as the oversight and policy making committee for the Veteran Services Department, with all powers and duties that are not statutorily vested in the Veteran Services Commission.
- (3) ADDITIONAL POWERS AND DUTIES. See Ch. 46, Wis. Stats, as amended from time to time and Chapter 11 of this General Code.

2.54 VETERAN'S SERVICE COMMISSION. (Rep. & recr. #55-2011)

- (1) APPOINTMENT. The members of the Veteran's Service Commission shall be appointed by the County Board Chair pursuant to §45.12, Wis. Stats. Such appointment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.
- (2) POWERS AND DUTIES. The Veteran's Service Commission shall have such powers and duties as are prescribed by Ch. 45, Wis. Stats., as amended from time to time and shall:
 - (a) ~~Meet monthly and approve the bills and expenses of the Veteran's Service Officer.~~ Meet as necessary to accomplish the duties prescribed in Wisconsin Statute s. 45.81.
 - (b) Submit an annual report to the County Board.
Offered and passage moved by Supervisors: Cushing, Mott, Paszak and Jensen.

Supervisor Cushing stated he feels this is a step in the right direction and Chairman Hintz talked directly with Tammy Walters, Veterans Service Officer, and she felt the Social Services Committee was the most logical place to be.

Supervisor Mott stated at this point it is not clear on the chain of command. This will assign a committee of jurisdiction and allow the Veteran's Service Officer a place to report and ask questions. He feels this is a step in making the process better.

Supervisor Rudolph believes that this will weaken our Veterans' Service Office and the service provided to Veterans. Rudolph wondered if any of the Veteran's organizations were consulted on this move. Rudolph states this is a disservice to the veterans, in that it minimizes the importance of the Veteran's Office. It should be a stand-alone office and wonders what this will do to the Veteran's Service Commission. Rudolph feels we need an oversight committee that will deal with Veteran's affairs. Supervisor Rudolph will not support this resolution.

Supervisor Sorensen stated he firmly believes the Veterans of Oneida County deserve their own standing committee to oversee the Veteran's Service Officer and Veteran's Commission and opposes this Resolution.

Supervisor Mott takes offense at both Supervisor Sorensen and Rudolph's comments implying that this is a blow against Veterans because this certainly wasn't meant to be that. Other Counties around the state were looked at and they had the Veteran's Office with the Social Services Committee because we see a service to our Veterans as a Social Service. There are certain responsibilities assigned to the Veteran's Service Commission by statute. There is a split because we have a County Board Department as well and there are certain responsibilities assigned to Veteran's Service Commission by statute but they don't oversee County Board

Departments. So rather than developing a new committee, which can be an option, it would fit in the Social Service area.

More discussion took place regarding Resolution #54-2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 15 Ayes, 2 Nays- Sorensen and Rudolph, 4 Absent – Young, Metropulos, Freudenberg and Hintz.

RESOLUTION #54-2015: enacted.

Sonny Paszak excused 12:40 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

Closed Session: It is anticipated that the County Board may go in to closed session pursuant to sec. 19.85 (1)(e) of the Wisconsin statutes for 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. Motion will be made to enter into closed session.

Item 1: Request from Town of Newbold to acquire tax foreclosed parcel NE 93 located in the SW-SE, Section 8, Township 37 North, Range 8 East for a Disc Golf Course.

Item 2: Discussion on request from adjoining land owners for county owned parcel number LT 11 east of Poplar Rd, Section 1, Township 38 North, Range 7 East, Town of Lake Tomahawk.

Upon completion of this portion of the meeting, it is anticipated the County Board will make a motion to return to open session to consider the remainder of the meeting agenda. Announcement of action taken in closed session (**NOTE:** if the announcement of action taken in closed session would compromise the need for the closed session, the action taken will not be announced. Any action taken in closed session will be announced when the need for the closed session as passed).

Supervisor Holewinski stated he feels there is no need to enter into closed session. Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel, agreed.

Item # 1. - Mike Romportl, Land Information Director, stated the first item is a request from the Town of Newbold to acquire tax foreclosed property.

Dave Kroll, Chairman of the Town of Newbold, states the Town of Newbold has been working on developing a disc golf course on the old landfill site where you can take a useless piece of land and turn it into something that will benefit the citizens of Oneida County. The land is not big enough to support a full size quality disc golf course. Nine quality holes could fit on this town property but with the addition of the tax foreclosed property we could have a world class disc golf course in Newbold which could possibly attract the National Tour. Kroll states he is not here at this time to make an offer for the tax foreclosed property but would like to come up with something to bring back to the Town Board for approval.

Supervisor Holewinski stated the county would take an offer between \$19,000 and \$25,000. He noted the Town of Sugar Camp paid for their own disc golf course and improvements and didn't ask the County to give it to them.

Supervisor Ives said it states the price would be dropped considerably for the next bid, what price would that be? Mike Romportl stated approximately \$19,900. because a special permit would be needed to put a well on the property.

Supervisor Rudolph stated disc golf is a growing sport and will benefit the County. It is an opportunity do something right. This is a long term investment and should bring more tourists here. This would be a tremendous asset to the County and a good investment.

MOTION/SECOND: Rudolph /Zunker that the county indicates to the Newbold Town Board that we are willing to sell the property for the amount that is due from the taxes \$7,799.85.

Supervisor Timmons commented on the motion stating this is the 3rd disc golf course in the Oneida area and if it closes for any reason, this land should come back to Oneida County. Timmons states that the County is starting to give away property by continuing to lower prices.

Supervisor Jensen asked if we can we attach to the motion that if it was no longer used for disc golf the property will come back to the County.

Mott suggests taking the offer back from the Town of Newbold and then we can develop some contingencies within that and not vote until next session.

Supervisors Ives stated he doesn't think it is a good idea to sell it for that price; the Town can log it off and make a profit. Why should the county lose money on this. Supervisor Ives thinks the price should be higher on the property and states we are losing money otherwise.

Supervisor Rudolph feels this is short term thinking and we should look at a longer term investment.

Dave Kroll, Town of Newbold, reminded the County Board that this is public land and not owned by the County Board. This land is owned by the citizens of Oneida County and the Town of Newbold is not looking to make a profit. The Town of Newbold is looking at developing this property for recreational opportunity for all citizens. This will enhance the economic development of Oneida County. A worthless piece of land will now be valued.

Supervisor Ives states the property is worth \$18,000 to \$19,000 and feels it should be sold for more than \$7,000 - \$8,000.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON MOTION: 4 Ayes, 12 Nays – Timmons, Sorensen, Cushing, Holewinski, Pederson, Mott, Jensen, Krolczyk, Kelly, Fried, Ives and Oettinger. 4 Absent Young, Metropulos, Freudenberg and Hintz. 5 Absent – Freudenberg, Paszak, Metropulos, Young and Hintz.

MOTION/SECOND: Jensen / Fried would like to refer this to Land Records and Corporation Counsel to work with the Town of Newbold to bring back options to the to the Land Records Committee for consideration.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 15 Ayes, 1 Nay – Rudolph, 5 Young, Paszak, Freudenberg, Metropulos and Hintz.

MOTION: passes.

Supervisor Rudolph states his understanding is that the consultants on this disc golf course would like to start on the disc golf course relatively soon. Postponing this will have an impact.

Item #2 – Mike Romportl states because of correspondences that was just received, Item #2 will be taken back up with the Land Records Committee before being, if at all brought back to the County Board.

Brian Desmond announced there will be a July special meeting regarding the Consideration and/or taking action on the offer to purchase from Kwik Trip regarding the County Highway Department property and any other various matters concerning the welfare of Oneida County, and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before said board. There will be a new petition that will need to be signed.

Supervisor Mott announced the Oneida County Fair is July 30 - August 2, 2015 and help is needed. He would like to see supervisors volunteer to help at the fair.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE AND TIME: August 18, 2015 @ 9:30 a.m.
(unless a motion is made to change the starting time).

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION/SECOND: VanRaalte/Jensen to adjourn the County Board meeting at 1:25 p.m. All aye on voice vote, motion carries.