

NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
FULL COMMISSION
June 27, 2007

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MARILYN BHEND
GEORGE BORNEMANN
FRED CAMACHO
TOM HAFERMAN
ROBERT HAYWARD
ERHARD HUETTL
RON JACOBSON
DONALD KRAHN
BEVERLY LONG
PAUL MILLAN
BETTYE NALL
RON NYE
WILBUR PETROSKEY
CURTIS POWELL
THOMAS RICK
HERB RIECKMANN
THOMAS RUDOLPH
DOUG WILLIAMS

STAFF PRESENT:

DARRYL LANDEAU
DENNIS LAWRENCE
BERNIE LEWIS

GUESTS PRESENT:

None

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

BRAD KARGER
DONALD KLINE
MAURICE MATHEWS
HELM MEHUS

1.) CALL TO ORDER:

MR. HUETTTL called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M., in the Aspen Room at the Midway Hotel & Hoffman House Restaurant. Roll call was as presented on page one.

2.) AUDIENCE COMMENT:

MR. HUETTTL asked if there were any comments from the audience. No audience was present.

3.) APPROVAL, ADDITIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA AS MAILED:

MR. HUETTTL asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda as mailed. There being none, a motion was made by MR. RUDOLPH and seconded by MR. HAYWARD to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

4.) APPROVAL, ADDITIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2006 COMMISSION MEETING:

MR HUETTTL asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes as mailed. MS. NALL made a motion to approve the Minutes and MR. PETROSKEY seconded this motion. Motion carried.

5.) BUSINESS & DISCUSSION:

5.1 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

MR. HUETTTL reported that Commissioner Don Kline recently suffered a heart attack and for the time being is staying at an assisted living facility to receive physical therapy. MR. HUETTTL stated that MR. KLINE is in his usual good spirits and doing well. All the Commissioners wished him a speedy recovery.

MR. HUETTTL also reported that the Executive Committee found the financial status in very good condition and complemented the Executive Director and staff.

5.2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

MS. NALL confirmed MR. HUETTTL's report that the Executive Committee found the financial status of the NCWRPC was very good. She reviewed the financial report, which showed the current position of \$740,072. MS. NALL reported that the Executive Committee recommended setting the 2008 Levy to

not exceed 0.00145 percent. She indicated that Wisconsin statutes allow the Regional Planning Commission levy a service charge up to 0.003 percent of the equalized real estate value to each member government. The Committee also recommended maintaining the current levy rate cap of \$52,000.

5.3 GOVERNOR'S NORTHERN OFFICE DIRECTOR,
BRYCE LUCHTERHAND:

MR. HUETTL reported that Bryce Luchterhand, Governor Doyle's Northern Office Director, was not present.

5.4 BYLAWS REVIEW...ABSENCE OF MEETINGS & REMOVAL:

MR. LAWRENCE reviewed Wisconsin Statute s.66.0309 and the NCWRPC Bylaws, related to appointment and removal, as a refresher for all Commissioners. By statute commissioners are appointed as follows: One member is appointed by the County Board; and two members are appointed by the Governor, one directly, and the other from a list of at least two names provided by the County Board Chair. Commissioners should be individuals who have experience in local government in elective or appointive offices or who are professionally engaged in advising local governmental units in the fields of land-use planning, transportation, law, finance, engineering or recreation and natural resources development. Commissioners must be electors of the state and reside within the region. There is no process for removal.

According to NCWRPC bylaws, Officers of the Commission may be removed for cause or if incapacitated or unable to attend meetings and perform the duties of their office. Removal of an officer will require a two-thirds vote of the Commissioners present, but in no event less than a majority of the Commissioners.

5.5 RESOLUTION 2007-4: ESTABLISH 2008 LEVY RATE:

MR. LAWRENCE indicated that the Executive Committee had recommended that the 2008 rate be set at a not to exceed of 0.0145 percent. At that rate the NCWRPC would collect about \$218,000.

A motion to approve Resolution 2007-4 to establish the 2008 Levy Rate at not to exceed 0.00145 percent was made by MS. NALL, and seconded by MR. BORNEMANN. Motion carried.

5.6 ESTABLISH 2008 MEMBER LEVY CAP RATE LIMIT:

MR. LAWRENCE indicated that a levy cap was set each year as well. The Executive Committee has recommended maintaining the rate at \$52,500.

MS. BHEND made a motion to maintain the 2008 Member Levy Cap Rate Limit at \$52,500, and MR. KRAHN seconded this motion. Motion carried.

5.7 2007 WORK PROGRAM UPDATE:

MR. LAWRENCE provided all Commissioners with a NCWRPC 2007 Work Program, and reviewed several projects listed under the five program areas as follows:

Economic Development: There were several projects listed, including the annual comprehensive economic development strategy, grant applications for the City of Wisconsin Rapids for waste water treatment plant expansion in the amount of \$1.5 million, and for Grow North to establish themselves as a regional organization.

GIS: Projects include: addressing in Forest County; creating fire zone maps for Vilas County working with the DNR; an addressing range project for Oneida County, and several mapping projects.

IGOV: The major projects here were NEWCOM, a project that comprises 18 counties; another project is the 2010 Air Photo Consortium.

Land Use: This program area has over half of the total projects. Staff is working on a variety of plans, including the Ice Age Trail, All Hazard Plans for Forest and Langlade County, and the Ho-Chunk Nation; and numerous Comprehensive Plans, which must be in place by the year 2010.

Transportation: Staff is working on several road-planning projects throughout the region as well as a number of WISLR/road surface assistance projects.

MR. KRAHN made a motion to approve this Work Program, and MR. PETROSKEY seconded this motion. Motion carried.

5.8 REFERRALS REVIEW:

MR. LANDEAU reviewed the four referrals he received since the April 25, commission meeting totaling \$5,376,513. One referral was for the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians to construct a cultural and natural resource complex that would include Indian Bowl Rehabilitation and development of Eco-tourism in the amount of \$1,210,000; the second referral was for the City of Pittsville for construction of wastewater treatment facility in the amount of \$3,301,636; the third referral was for the Portage County

Health and Human Resources to innovate programs that will advance current juvenile justice practices and delinquency prevention efforts and better serve chemically-involved youth/families by reducing risk factors and building protective factors in the amount of \$755,209. The fourth referral was for the Northwoods NiiJii Enterprise Community to build local capacity for business and economic development on the three Reservation Enterprise Community in the amount of \$109,668.

MS. LONG made a motion to approve the referrals presented and MR. HAFERMAN seconded this motion. Motion carried.

5.9 OTHER:

MR. LAWRENCE announced that the next Commission Meeting would be held on September 26, 2007. The major topic will be the 2008 Annual Budget.

6.) ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by MR. POWELL to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 A.M., and MR. RUDOLPH seconded this motion. All were in favor. A buffet lunch was served immediately following the meeting.

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Minutes Approved on June 27, 2007

Chair, Vice-Chair, or Secretary-Treasurer