

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

April 19, 2022

County Board Room 101, 126 Cherry St, Phillips, WI 54555

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Jean Gottwald, County Clerk.

Invocation: Pastor Larry Tenut.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance.

Roll Call: Present (13): Alan Barkstrom, Doug Erickson, Brian Ernst, Jeff Hallstrand, Jason Hastings, Paula Houdek, Mark Kyle, Larry Palecek, Jordan Spacek, Ginny Strobl, Lorelei Wakefield, Dennis Wartgow. Also present: Nick Trimner.

Instructions were given to any members of the public attending electronically.

Board Elections

1. Chairperson: Palecek nominated Paula Houdek. Strobl nominated Brian Ernst. Wakefield nominated Alan Barkstrom. Ernst declined. No other nominations. Secret ballot vote: Houdek 5, Barkstrom 8. Alan Barkstrom was declared County Board Chairperson and took over running of the meeting.
2. Vice-chairperson: Strobl nominated Brian Ernst. Palecek nominated Dennis Wartgow. Erickson nominated Jeff Hallstrand. No other nominations. Secret ballot vote: Round 1: Ernst 4, Wartgow 4, Hallstrand 6. Round 2: Ernst 3, Wartgow 4, Hallstrand 6. Round 3: Ernst 1, Wartgow 4, Hallstrand 8. Jeff Hallstrand declared County Board Vice-chairperson.

Motion Hallstrand/Spacek to change rules of the Board and move Resolution #1 for consideration. Roll call vote: Yes (8): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield. No (5): Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Wartgow. Motion failed due to lack of 2/3 ayes.

3. Executive Committee (3 members) – Chair and Vice-chair are automatic members. Position #1: Spacek nominated Dennis Wartgow. Hallstrand nominated Larry Palecek. Erickson nominated Brian Ernst. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Round 1: Wartgow 3, Palecek 5, Ernst 4. Round 2: Wartgow 2, Palecek 7, Ernst 4. Larry Palecek declared member elect to the Executive Committee. Position #2: Kyle nominated Paula Houdek. Palecek nominated Dennis Wartgow. Erickson nominated Brian Ernst. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Houdek 4, Wartgow 2, Ernst 7. Brian Ernst declared member elect to the Executive Committee. Position #3: Kyle nominated Paula Houdek. Hallstrand nominated Jordan Spacek. Palecek nominated Dennis Wartgow. Barkstrom nominated Lorelei Wakefield. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Houdek 7, Spacek 1, Wartgow 1, Wakefield 4. Paula Houdek declared member elect to the Executive Committee.
4. Highway and Transportation Committee:
 - a. North (Dist. 1, 3, 5, 7 and 10): Wartgow nominated Larry Palecek. No other nominations. Motion Wartgow/Spacek to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Larry Palecek as member elect to the Highway and Transportation Committee. Motion carried.
 - b. Central (Dist. 8, 9, 11 and 13): Wartgow nominated Jordan Spacek. Stephan nominated Patricia Stephan. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Spacek 11, Stephan 2. Jordan Spacek declared member elect to the Highway and Transportation Committee.
 - c. South (Dist. 2, 4, 6 and 12): Ernst nominated Doug Erickson. Kyle nominated Paula Houdek. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Erickson 10, Houdek 3. Doug Erickson declared member elect to the Highway and Transportation Committee.
 - d. 2 (two) members at-large: Position #1: Spacek nominated Jeff Hallstrand. Wartgow nominated Mark Kyle. Erickson nominated Brian Ernst. No other nominations. Signed ballot vote: Round 1: Hallstrand 3, Kyle 5, Ernst 5. Round 2: Hallstrand 3, Kyle 5, Ernst 5. Round 3: Hallstrand withdrew, Kyle 6, Ernst 7. Brian Ernst declared member election to the Highway and Transportation Committee. Position #2: Wakefield nominated Patricia Stephan. Houdek nominated Mark Kyle. Hastings nominated Jason Hastings. Spacek nominated Jeff Hallstrand. Signed ballot vote: Round 1: Stephan 2, Kyle 4, Hastings 3, Hallstrand 4. Round 2: Stephan 1, Kyle 4, Hasting 4, Hallstrand 4. Round 3: Stephan 0, Kyle 5, Hastings 5, Hallstrand 3. Round 4: Stephan 0, Kyle 7, Hastings withdrew, Hallstrand 6. Mark Kyle declared member elect to the Highway and Transportation Committee.

Approval of Minutes March 15, 2022: Motion Wartgow/Strobl to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Communications and Announcements: None.

Public Comments: Jerome Donohoe (remotely), President of the Wisconsin Commercial Deer & Elk Farmers Association, input on ordinance #1 and #2.

Presentation: Highway Work Zone Awareness Week (April 11 - 15): Joe Baratka, Highway Commissioner presented video developed by the Wisconsin County Highway Association.

Ordinances:

Ordinance 2022-01

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of Price County, Chapter 223
Thereof Entitled "Animals," to add Article III Captive Cervids

Be it ordained by the Price County Board of Supervisors, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 223 of the Code of the County of Price is hereby amended to add a new section, to be known as Article III as follows:

Article III Captive Cervids

§ 223-45 Purpose and intent.

The purpose of this article is to protect the natural deer herd of Price County from the spread of chronic wasting disease through regulation of captive cervids farms and hunting ranches in Price County. This article has been created pursuant to County Board authority under Wis. Statutes Chapters 59 and 90.

§ 223-46 Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

Cervid – Members of the Cervidae deer family (such as elk, moose and white-tailed deer).

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) - A progressive, fatal prion disease of deer, elk, and moose that is characterized by weight loss, tremors, lack of coordination, drooling, excessive thirst, and listlessness.

Deer Farm – A parcel of land in which the activity of breeding, raising, importing or exporting captive deer, elk or moose takes place.

Hunting Ranch – An enclosed area consisting of at least 80 contiguous, unimpeded acres of land in which deer, elk or moose are hunted.

§ 223-47 Fencing standards.

- A. Adoption of standards. In addition to the Wisconsin Statutes and other state laws adopted, there is also adopted in its entirety Wisconsin Administrative Code, § NR 16.45, entitled "Farm-raised deer; white-tailed deer, specifications," including all amendments to the same.
- B. Compliance. All captive cervid operations in Price County, whether now existing at the time of enactment of this article, must comply with the fencing standards specified in Wisconsin Administrative Code, § NR 16.45.

§ 223-48 Annual inspection.

- A. The Price County Land Conservation and Zoning Administrator and Price County Animal Control Officer shall ensure captive cervid operations comply with all applicable fencing standards. Inspection of all captive cervids operations shall occur on at least an annual basis. A captive cervid operation may be inspected any time there is cause to believe a fence is not in compliance with standards or after a weather event that is known to have impact on fences within Price County.
- B. In the event the Price County Land Conservation and Zoning Administrator or Price County Animal Control Officer determines that a fence is out of compliance with applicable fencing standards, either department may, but is not required to, send written notice to the landowner to correct the violation within a specified time period prior to Price County initiating enforcement action.
- C. Price County retains the authority to proceed directly to enforcement through citation or the initiation of legal proceedings in the event any fence is found not to comply with applicable fencing standards.

§ 223-49 Importation of live cervids.

- A. Adoption of standards. In addition to the Wisconsin Statutes and other state laws adopted, there is also adopted in its entirety Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (ATCP) §§ 10.53 (Farm-raised deer; chronic wasting disease herd status program") and 10.56 (Moving farm-raised deer in Wisconsin"), including all amendments to the same.
- B. Importation requirements. Importing into Price County via any means a live cervid that is to be housed in the County is prohibited unless all of the following provisions are complied with:
 - (1) The animal comes from a herd enrolled in the Herd Status Program as specified in § ATCP 10.53.
 - (2) The animal has a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) as specified in § ATCP 10.56(2) and (3).
 - (3) An affidavit certifying cervid origin is submitted demonstrating the animal comes from a location that is not within 10 miles of where there is a documented case of a communicable disease in a wild or captive cervid recorded within five years prior to the animal being moved.
- C. Submission of documentation. The documentation required per § 223-49B(2), above, shall be submitted via certified mail to the Price County Clerk within 30 days of the date the live cervid(s) was brought into Price County. The County Clerk shall then provide copies to the Land Conservation and Zoning Administrator and the Animal Control Officer.

§ 223-50 Enforcement.

This article will be enforced by the Price County Sheriff's Office and the Price County Land Conservation and Zoning Department.

§ 223-51 Violations and penalties.

Anyone causing, creating or maintaining a violation of this article shall be subject to a forfeiture as provided in Chapter 290 of the County Code, together with cost of prosecution.

Section 2. Effective date.

This ordinance shall be effective as of date of publication.

Submitted by the Land Use / UW-Extension Committee: s/Alan Barkstrom, Chairperson; Doug Erickson; Paula Houdek; Mark Kyle; Dennis Wartgow Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 10, Against:3.

Motion Wartgow/Erickson to consider ordinance for adoption. Roll call vote on ordinance adoption: Yes (10): Barkstrom, Erickson, Hallstrand, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (3): Ernst, Hastings, Strobl. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2022-02

An Ordinance to Amend the Price County Code,
Chapter 290 Thereof, Entitled "Fees and Penalties", by adding:
§290.2 (D) Chapter 223, Animals (3) Article III, Captive Cervids
And
§290.5 (D) Chapter 223, Animals (3) Article III, Captive Cervids

Be it ordained by the Price County Board of Supervisors, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 290 of the Code of Price County is hereby amended to add a new section, to Article II, Forfeitures; § 290.2 Schedule of forfeitures; D. Chapter 223, Animals, to be known as Section (3) as follows:

(3) Article III, Captive Cervids: not more than \$200.

Section 2. Chapter 290 of the Code of Price County is hereby amended to add a new section to Article III, Citations; §290.5 Ordinances affected.; D. Chapter 223, Animals, to be known as Section (3) as follows:

(3) Article III, Captive Cervids (Ordinance No. 2022-01).

Section 3. Effective date.

This ordinance shall become effective as of date of publication.

Submitted by the Land Use / UW-Extension Committee: s/Alan Barkstrom, Chairperson; Doug Erickson; Paula Houdek; Mark Kyle; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimmer

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against:1.

Motion Wartgow/Palecek to consider ordinance for adoption. Roll call vote on ordinance adoption: Yes (12): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (1): Strobl. Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Resolution 15-22

Adopt Price County Policy and Procedure Manual:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors initially adopted their Policy and Procedure Manual on April 16, 1991, and has subsequently adopted the manual every even-numbered year since, with or without changes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby adopt the revised Price County Board Policy and Procedure Manual, as of April 19, 2022.

Submitted by the Price County Administration Committee. s/Dennis Wartgow, Chair; Alan Barkstrom; Jeffrey Hallstrand; Robert Kopisch; Jordan Spacek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimmer.

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 7, Against: 5, Abstain: 1

Motion Spacek/Strobl to consider resolution for adoption. Motion Wartgow/Palecek to change the structure of the Executive Committee from one north, one central and one south to three at-large. Roll call vote: Yes (5): Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Stephan, Wartgow. No (8): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Spacek, Strobl, Wakefield. Motion failed. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (7): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl. No (5): Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Wartgow. Abstain (1): Wakefield. Motion carried.

Resolution 16-22

Adopt Revised Employee Handbook:

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee has been charged by the Price County Board of Supervisors with the responsibility of developing, maintaining and enforcing policies and guidelines for personnel management and has also been charged with the responsibility of periodically reviewing said policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee has determined the need for various additions and/or edits to the language in the existing policy; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee has reviewed and approved the attached revisions to the Price County Employee Handbook and recommends them for adoption by the County Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors adopt the revised Price County Employee Handbook as presented.

Submitted by the Price County Administration Committee: s/Dennis Wartgow, Chair; Alan Barkstrom; Jeffrey Hallstrand; Robert Kopisch; Jordan Spacek. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimmer

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair. s/Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 12, Against: 1.

Motion Wartgow/Hallstrand to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (12): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield,

Wartgow. No (1): Hastings. Motion carried.

Resolution 17-22

Employee Wage Adjustment for Cost of Living and Inflation:

Whereas, like many businesses and other government entities, Price County government is in an employee hiring and retention crisis; and

Whereas, we are experiencing a high level of employee turnover, creating an extremely stressful situation for several departments who are understaffed with the duties of those vacant positions being forced upon remaining staff; and

Whereas, this has hit certain departments very hard, but is slowly spreading to other departments, as well; and

Whereas, as a government entity that provides services and protection to its citizens along with maintenance and preservation of county resources and infrastructure, many of these mandated by the State of Wisconsin, decreasing the workforce to stretch our personnel budget is not an option; and

Whereas, we are ineffectively competing with the private business market for the shrinking employee hiring pool, creating more competition in recruitment for vacant positions and retention of existing employees; and

Whereas, the reported percentage of the cost of living increase has gone up over fivefold since last year at this time; and

Whereas, we need to make a cost of living adjustment to the Price County wage schedule in order to competitively compete to hire and retain employees; and

WHEREAS, Administration is confident the funds can be obtained from excess sales tax revenue, Health and Human Service Department high cost placements underbudget and other areas of budget adjustments.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Price County Board of Supervisors approves an across-the-board wage increase of 9% to the Employee Wage Schedule and the County Administrator's contract, to be effective May 1, 2022.

Fiscal Impact: \$350,000 (annual)

Submitted by the Price County Administration Committee: s/Dennis Wartgow, Chair; Alan Barkstrom; Jeffrey Hallstrand; Robert Kopisch; Jordan Spacek. Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner.

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0.

Motion Wartgow/Strobl to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 18-22

Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2021 (2)

WHEREAS the Price County Board of Supervisors at their November 10, 2020 meeting, after public hearing, adopted the 2021 budget for Price County; and

WHEREAS the Executive Committee of the Price County Board of Supervisors on April 14, 2022 were advised to make various adjustments to department budgets; and

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Statutes §65.90(5)(a)(1) states "A budget...may not be changed unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the governing body of the municipality"; and

WHEREAS the proposed amendments recommended by the Price County Executive Committee does not change the amount of tax levied and the proposed amendments will more accurately record the financial activities of Price County departments during 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Price County Board of Supervisors at their April 19, 2022 meeting that the 2021 budget, as adopted, be amended to include the amendments as attached; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk be instructed to publish a Class 1 notice within 10 days of these amendments informing the public of these particular changes.

Fiscal Impact: 0

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0.

Motion Houdek/Spacek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

PRICE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS			
RESOLUTION 18-22 BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021			
	DESCRIPTION:	2021 Budget Amendments #2	
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT CODE	AMOUNT
General	BUDGET PLACE HOLDER FOR CIP	100-00-48930-000-000-00000	(257,302.57)
	TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	100-00-59000-788-000-00000	257,302.57
Buildings & Grounds	RENT OF CO BLDGS & OFFICES	100-31-48210-000-000-00000	(10,800.00)
	B&G MISC REVENUES	100-31-48900-000-000-00000	(8,500.00)
	UTILITIES	100-31-51600-222-000-00000	19,300.00
Forestry & Parks	STATE AID - ATV TRAILS	100-79-43539-000-000-00000	(10,800.00)
	ATV TRAILS - REPAIR & MAINT	100-79-55350-244-000-00000	10,800.00
	HABITAT REST GRANT WILDLIFE	100-79-43578-000-004-00000	(7,520.00)
	HABITAT REST GRANT WILDLIFE	100-79-56110-701-004-00000	7,520.00
	NRA GRANT CRANBERRY CRK RIFLE	100-79-43585-000-000-00000	(19,083.00)
	NRA GRANT CRANBERRY CR 21WI006	100-79-56110-720-000-00000	19,083.00
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT PINE	100-79-43578-000-005-00000	(8,300.00)
	GRANT EXPENSE-RUFFED GROUSE	100-79-56110-700-300-00000	8,300.00
	SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT RAHM	100-79-43578-000-002-00000	(8,225.00)
SUSTAINABLE FOREST GRANT RAHM	100-79-56110-701-002-00000	8,225.00	
Surveyor	WAGES - SURVEYOR	100-25-51720-111-000-00000	9,890.00
	SOCIAL SECURITY	100-25-51720-151-000-00000	755.00
	SURVEYORS FEES	100-25-46121-000-000-00000	(10,645.00)
Land Cons	ST AID - SPECIAL PROJ/BRIDGE	100-91-43573-000-100-00000	(29,300.00)
	CAP OUTLAY - SPECIAL PROJ/BRID	100-91-55300-834-000-00000	29,300.00
	PAYMENTS TO ORGANIZATIONS	100-91-55300-724-000-00000	35,350.00
	ST AID-SNOWMOBILE TRAILS	100-91-43573-000-000-00000	(35,350.00)
	STATE AID - WILDLIFE ABATEMT	100-91-43585-000-000-00000	(10,581.00)
	WILDLIFE ABATEMENT-ADMIN	100-91-56220-389-000-00000	10,581.00
Special Fund	CLERK OF COURTS JURY SOC DIST	250-80-51260-800-000-00000	20,390.00
	B&G TOUCHLESS SINKS, FOUNTAINS	250-80-57140-800-001-00000	19,112.00
	HHS CONGREGATE AREA CHILLER	250-80-57140-800-002-00000	348,600.00
	B&G SAFETY BLDG AIR HANDLER &	250-80-57140-800-003-00000	45,647.00
	B&G PUBLIC HLTH EXAM RM FLOOR	250-80-57140-800-004-00000	5,600.00
	B&G COUNTER/CAB PUB HLTH EXAM	250-80-57140-800-005-00000	1,919.00
	BOARD SUPERVISORS' LAPTOPS	250-80-57140-800-006-00000	6,705.00
	GRANT - ARPA	250-80-43240-000-000-00000	(447,973.00)
Land Information	CO RECORDING FEES RETAINED	100-22-41235-000-000-00000	(4,375.00)
	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	100-22-51709-214-000-00000	4,375.00
Land Information	2017 SURVEY GRANT AD179039	100-22-51709-759-008-00000	12,900.00
	MISC REVENUES	100-22-48900-000-000-00000	(12,900.00)
Land Information	STATE AID - WLIP GRANT	100-22-43513-000-000-00000	(70,296.00)
	2021 GRANT 219108	100-22-51709-759-015-00000	38,529.00
	2019 STRATEGIC INITIATIVE	100-22-51709-759-012-00000	17,367.00
	2021 GRANT STRATGIC INITIATIV	100-22-51709-759-016-00000	14,400.00
Sheriff's Office	SCHOOL AID - DARE	100-35-43700-000-000-00000	(4,160.00)
	DARE SUPPLIES	100-35-52165-309-000-00000	4,160.00
Public Health Title X	TITLE TEN GRANT	115-59-43556-000-000-00000	(789,605.00)
	FISCAL AGENT - TITLE TEN	115-59-54120-256-000-00000	789,605.00
Home Delivered Meals	PROGRAM INCOME HD NUTRITION	110-68-46651-000-000-00000	(31,000.00)
	CONTRACTED SERVICES - FOOD	110-68-54600-299-000-00000	28,000.00
	MILEAGE/MEALS/LODGING	110-68-54600-339-000-00000	3,000.00
Health & Human Services	TAX LEVY	220-60-41110-000-000-00000	39,998.00
	TAX LEVY	220-61-41110-000-000-00000	(39,998.00)

Resolution 19-22

Request to Apply for WDNR Cost Share Grant (Pine Line Trail Resurfacing II)

WHEREAS, Price County is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of trail resurfacing on the Pine Line Rail Trail (as described in the attached proposals); and

WHEREAS, the respondent attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the proposals; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement is required to carry out each project; and

WHEREAS, anticipated estimated cost for the Pine Line Rail Trail project will be \$38,300, of which the State share will be \$31,040 of eligible project costs and a County share of \$7,760, of which \$3,800 is to n

WHEREAS, Price County must designate an authorized representative to: sign and submit proposals, enter into Agreements with the WDNR, submit annual and final reports to the WDNR to satisfy the Agreements, submit reimbursement request(s) to the WDNR per the Agreements, sign Public Access Easements, sign and submit other documentation as necessary to complete the projects per the Agreements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and empowers the Price County Forest Administrator to be the aforementioned representative; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Price County will meet the financial obligations necessary to complete the projects fully and satisfactorily; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the respondent will comply with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to the projects and the cost-share agreements.

Financial Impact: Total estimated cost for the projects is \$38,800 with the State share of \$31,040 and the County share of \$7,760.

Submitted by: Price County Forestry and Parks Committee: s/Jeff Hallstrand, Chair; Brian Ernst; Waldemar Madsen; Jordan Spacek; Ginny Strobl. Reviewed and Approved by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0

Motion Houdek/Strobl to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 20-22

Request to Apply for WDNR Cost Share Grant (Timms Hill Tower Access and Vaulted Toilet Replacement):

WHEREAS, with the failure of a prior grant application, Price County continues to be interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of providing tower access and replacement of a vault toilet at Timm's Hill County Park (as described in the attached proposals); and

WHEREAS, the respondent attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the proposals; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement is required to carry out each project; and

WHEREAS, anticipated estimated cost for the Timm's Hill County Park project will be \$104,725, of which the State share will be \$52,362.50 of eligible project costs and a County share of \$52,362.50, of which \$8,000 is to be in-kind shared by Price County and the Town of Hill; and

WHEREAS, Price County must designate an authorized representative to: sign and submit proposals, enter into Agreements with the WDNR, submit annual and final reports to the WDNR to satisfy the Agreements, submit reimbursement request(s) to the WDNR per the Agreements, sign Public Access Easements, sign and submit other documentation as necessary to complete the projects per the Agreements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and empowers the Price County Forest Administrator to be the aforementioned representative; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Price County will meet the financial obligations necessary to complete the projects fully and satisfactorily; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the respondent will comply with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to the projects and the cost-share agreements.

Financial Impact: Total estimated cost for the projects is \$104,725 with the State share of \$52,362.50 and the County share of \$52,362.50.

Submitted by: Price County Forestry and Parks Committee: s/Jeff Hallstrand, Chair; Brian Ernst; Waldemar Madsen; Jordan Spacek; Ginny Strobl. Reviewed and Approved by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County

Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0

Motion Spacek/Strobl to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 21-22

Request to Apply for WDNR Cost Share Grant (Big Falls County Park Power)

WHEREAS, with the failure of a prior grant application, Price County continues to be interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of installing electric service at Big Falls County Park (as described in the attached proposals); and WHEREAS, the respondent attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the proposals; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement is required to carry out each project; and

WHEREAS, anticipated estimated cost for the Big Falls County Park project will be \$129,000, of which the State share will be \$64,500 of eligible project costs and a County share of \$64,500, of which \$3,000 is in-kind by Price County; and

WHEREAS, Price County must designate an authorized representative to: sign and submit proposals, enter into Agreements with the WDNR, submit annual and final reports to the WDNR to satisfy the Agreements, submit reimbursement request(s) to the WDNR per the Agreements, sign Public Access Easements, sign and submit other documentation as necessary to complete the projects per the Agreements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and empowers the Price County Forest Administrator to be the aforementioned representative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Price County will meet the financial obligations necessary to complete the projects fully and satisfactorily; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the respondent will comply with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to the projects and the cost-share agreements.

Financial Impact: Total estimated cost for the projects is \$129,000 with the State share of \$64,500 and the County share of \$64,500.

Submitted by: Price County Forestry and Parks Committee: s/Jeff Hallstrand, Chair; Brian Ernst; Waldemar Madsen; Jordan Spacek; Ginny Strobl. Reviewed and Approved by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner

Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April 2022. s/Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair; Jean Gottwald, County Clerk. For: 13, Against: 0

Motion Strobl/Houdek to consider resolution for adoption. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Resolution 22-22

Funding for Courthouse Roof Repair Project

Whereas, the maintenance of County buildings is necessary for the continuation of the provision of County services and the safety and well-being of County employees and the public that is served; and Whereas, repairs to the Courthouse roof have been identified as needed, with the project approved and \$110,000 being approved in project funding in the 2021 budget; and

Whereas, the estimate for the project is indicating a cost of ~~\$185,000~~ \$261,000; and

Whereas, the project can move forward when the additional funding is approved.

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Price County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the appropriation of up to ~~\$75,000~~ \$151,000 for the Courthouse Roof Repair Project, with the funding source to be the Capital Improvement Fund.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee: s/Robert D. Kopisch, Chair; James Hintz; Paula Houdek; Dennis Wartgow. Reviewed by County Administrator: s/Nicholas Trimner.

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Motion Houdek/Hallstrand to consider resolution for adoption. Motion Ernst/Houdek amend dollar amounts from \$185,000 to \$261,000 and \$75,000 to \$151,000, respectively. Roll call vote: Yes (13):

Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried. Roll call vote on resolution adoption: Yes (13): Barkstrom, Erickson, Ernst, Hallstrand, Hastings, Houdek, Kyle, Palecek, Spacek, Stephan, Strobl, Wakefield, Wartgow. No (0). Motion carried.

Reports – on file:

1. Clerk of Circuit Court – 2021 Annual Report
2. Forestry & Parks Department – 2021 Annual Report

Appointments:

1. Nutrition Advisory Council (two-year term to expire 4/30/25): Clarita Wenzel, Bill Hoffman: Motion Palecek/Houdek to approve the appointment as presented. Motion carried.
2. Land Information Council: List as provided: Motion Hallstrand/Erickson to approve the appointment as presented. Motion carried.
3. Land Use / UW-Extension Committee: Rick Morgan (School Representative for UWEX), Lawrence Meives (FSA Member Representative): Spacek/Houdek to approve the appointment as presented. Motion carried.
4. NW ITBEC Tourism Committee: Laura Palzkill: Spacek/Ernst to approve the appointment as presented. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole at 11:20 a.m.

1. Board Chair Report: None.
2. County Board of Supervisors
 - a. Committees
 - i. Assignments: Provide assignment preferences to Board Chair.
 - ii. Election of Chairperson and Vice-chairperson: Will be done at the next meeting of each committee.
 - iii. Meeting dates and times: Reviewed meeting dates set.
 - iv. Meeting agendas: Responsibility of Chairperson.
 - v. Responsibilities of committee members and committee chairs: No discussion.
 - b. Representation on Outside Committees/Boards/Organizations: Let Chair know if interested.
 - c. Policy and Procedure Manual: Approved updated manual. Operations and rules of the Board.
 - d. County Issued Email Accounts: Supervisors are required to use County issued emails.
 - e. County Official Workshops (COWS): Highly recommended attendance for all members.
 - f. Goals for the next two years: Nick would like feedback from the Board members.
3. County Administrator's Report – Nick Trimner
 - a. 2021 Financial Summary: Budget amendments approved. Audit currently being conducted.
 - b. 2022 Financial Summary – March 31, 2022: Reviewed. Several building structural issues.
4. Committee Chair Reports:
 - a. Administration – Wartgow: Working on recruitment and retention. Recruiting for several positions. Health insurance increase.
 - b. Buildings & Grounds – Spacek: Have not met. Friends of Fred Smith building pipe broke causing extension flooding. Decisions will be needed on extent of repair project. Normal Building chiller and window projects progressing. Working on Courthouse roof and chiller project.
 - c. Executive – Houdek: Several resolutions. Solberg Lake Park pavilion project overage. Need to designate Carbon Credit allocations. Fairground property ownership transition moving forward.
 - d. Forestry & Parks – Hallstrand: Timber bid sales set. Spring park cleanup. Forester position recruitment. Town of Lake request to assist in paving Omaha Road to Smith Lake Park.
 - e. Health and Human Services – Houdek: Unit quarterly reports. Public Health Strategic Plan including a stakeholder survey. Workload study being done.
 - f. Highway & Transportation – Palecek: Winter and spring road maintenance. Ready for summer projects. Spring flooding. Annual Road Tour to be scheduled. Recruiting for eight operators and two mechanics. Dams are adjusting to spring runoff. Weimers project will be completed. Airport improvement project to start soon. Spring maintenance.
 - g. Land Use & UW-Extension – Barkstrom: Several conditional use permits and special exception applications. Spring land sale minimum bids were set. Ongoing 4-H projects. Considering other options for the UW-Extension Human Development and Relationships position. Meeting with applicable parties to define responsibilities with the Price County Fair.
 - h. Law Enforcement – Have not met. Recreation Officer assigned. Second K-9 Unit expected in August. Several retirements upcoming. Meth investigations and arrests continue.

Convene out of Committee of the Whole at 12:14 p.m.

Date of Next Meeting: May 17, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk