

**PRICE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: May 12, 2022

Time: 9:00am

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Call to Order and Roll Call. Meeting called to order by Alan Barkstrom, Committee Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Alan Barkstrom, Brian Ernst, Jeff Hallstrand, Paula Houdek, Larry Palecek. Also present: Nick Trimner, Carrie Kyle, Lynn Neeck, Ginny Strobl, Jordan Spacek.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Meeting minutes April 14, 2022: Motion Houdek/Palecek to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
2. Public Comment and Communications: None.
3. Treasurer Report – Lynn Neeck
 - a. Monthly reports: Reviewed. Sales tax and property tax revenues are doing well.
 - b. Delinquent Taxes and In Rem: 2018 59 delinquent parcels petition filed in the court. Letters and publications to be processed and court date will finalize transfer of ownership. 2019 delinquents have been published. Foreclosure process will start in November. No information from Phillips Lionite. 2017 land auction sale currently in process with seven parcels.
4. County Administrator – Nick Trimner
 - a. Financial Report: 2022 Executive Report as of April 30th: Reviewed current financial status.
 - b. American Recovery Plan Act Update: Projects that have funds earmarked are moving forward. \$650,000 of remaining funds being requested by the Forestry & Parks Committee for use in expanding the campgrounds at Solberg Lake and Smith Lake County Parks. This will deplete the available funds. There may be reallocation if any of the designated projects don't happen.
 - c. Administrator Report: Joe Baratka filed his retirement notice.
5. Carbon Credit Revenue Allocation: First year expected \$980,000. Recommendation: Place in a reserve fund until it reaches \$1 million. 2.5% added each year. 10% to municipalities similar to stumpage payments. County Forest improvement projects up to \$250,000. Any remaining into the Capital Improvement Fund. Resolution will be developed for approval of process.
6. Request from Specsyst for Letter of Support: They have not met the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation loan forgiveness requirement of 80 employees. Motion Palecek/Hallstrand to approve a letter to WEDC in support of Specsyst Ritalka. Motion carried.
7. WCA Annual Conference
 - a. Attendance: Motion Ernst/Hallstrand to allow all new supervisors to attend plus three returning supervisors, one being the Board Chair. Motion carried on voice vote.
 - b. Resolutions for Consideration: No suggestions.
8. Monthly Vouchers: Motion Houdek/Hallstrand to approve the accounts payable and payroll for April in the amount of \$1,612,663.74 and voucher in the amount of \$548,264.81. Motion carried.
9. Date of Next Meeting – June 16
10. Meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jean Gottwald, County Clerk