

Intercounty Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 18, 2011
Sauk County Board Room
Baraboo, Wisconsin

ICC Participants

Marquette County - Brent Miller, Paul Wade; Columbia County – John Tramburg, Andy Ross, Debra Wopat; Dodge County – Russell Kottke, Dave Frohling, Jeff Hoffman; Green Lake County – Dan Priske, Joanne Guden; Jefferson County – John Molinaro, Greg David, Steve Grabow; Sauk County- Jenny Erickson, Bill Wenzel; WCA – David Callender; Wisconsin Legislature – None; Guests – Margaret Bau, USDA Rural Development

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by ICC Chair Russell Kottke at 9:30 a.m.

Certification of Wisconsin Open Meetings Law Notice

The Secretary confirmed that the WI Open Meetings Law requirements were met.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Green Lake County, second by Columbia County to approve the agenda – Approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Marquette County, second by Jefferson County to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2011 meeting of the Intercounty Coordinating Committee – Approved.

Legislative Report

None.

Wisconsin Counties Association Report – Dave Calendar

- Concealed carry passed. It is possible to get exemptions for limited duration events. Talk with Corporation Counsel for more information.
- Redistricting is on the fast track in the legislature. An amendment was added that if county and municipal governments have already concluded their redistricting they won't have to redraw to fit the new legislative districts.
 - No minimum size for wards, but still have 1,000 maximum

Open Discussion of County Issues

- The August ICC meeting will be in Jefferson County on county strategic planning. The healthy community topic will be postponed.
- Potential topics for the 2011-2012 ICC topics
 - Windmill siting (hear from the PSC)
 - American Transmission Company (ATC) – How do they determine need for new power lines?

- o Parks. What types of parks do counties have (nature vs. recreation based)? How are they funded? What is the payback time for campsite infrastructure? Jefferson County established an endowment. What is the economic impact of county parks (SCORP). What are the trends in recreation?
- o Are there opportunities for county shared dispatch? Winnebago Co. recently conducted a study
- o Update on the new Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
- o What are the county and state's roles/responsibilities with jail inspections? How can we be sure we need more jailors? Pros and cons of sworn officers vs. correctional officers in the jail
- o Discussion on peak oil. How can we cut costs via biomass?
- o Discussion on future of funding for roads. Are we going gravel?
- o How do counties handle food pantries? What is their role?
- o How is the shared revenue formula derived? Why is it the way it is?

Program

Margaret Bau, Cooperative Development Specialist, USDA Rural Development – Wisconsin, presented *Cooperatives: What Can We Do Together to Build Efficiency (and Save Money)*.

A cooperative is a business owned and democratically controlled by the people who use its services. Traditionally they were formed as a defensive strategy, but now they are proactive.

There are several different types of cooperatives in Wisconsin (consumer co-ops, producer co-ops, shared services co-ops and worker co-ops). Margaret gave examples of the different types in her presentation.

For more information, contact Margaret Bau at (715) 345-7600, Ext. 171 or at Margaret.bau@wi.usda.gov

Next Meeting

Next meeting: August 15, 2011.

Adjournment

Chairman Kottke adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Erickson
UW-Extension, Sauk County