

Intercounty Coordination Committee

Minutes of the November 17, 2014 Meeting Dodge County Administration Building Juneau, Wisconsin

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:30am by Chairperson Russell Kottke.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Certification of Open Meeting Notice

Jeff Hoffman certified that the ICC meeting was posted according to Wisconsin State Open Meeting Law.

Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Dodge County to adopt the meeting agenda as presented; seconded by Columbia County. Motion passed on voice vote.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Green Lake County to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2014 meeting; seconded by Dodge County with a correction to the spelling of Sarah Dietrick-Kasdorf's name. Motion passed on voice vote.

Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials

No reports.

Update of County Issues –WCA

WCA representative Sarah Dietrick-Kasdorf, commented on several issues:

- County Ambassador Program (CAP Team); one from each County. Apps due 1st week in December.
- WCA working on state budget – talking to legislators on top 8 (eight) legislative county issues
- Transportation budget proposal – big deficit to fill

Program Topic: The Political Landscape – Sarah Dietrick-Kasdorf

Sarah Dietrick-Kasdorf, Deputy Director of Government Affairs, Wisconsin Counties Association, gave presentation on County Budgets and Finance in tight times. PowerPoint, handout & presentation questions followed.

Open Discussion of Counties

Sauk County –

16 to 14 - 2015 Budget approval/very close.
Thinks new Supervisors need more Education.
Discussed new programs.
Levied to the max., - 3.65% increase on levy.
Disconnect between services provided and the cost of these services.

Dodge County –

No amendments offered

Additional Finance Committee meeting prior to Board meeting helped Supervisors understand budget.

Passed 2015 Budget with minimum discussion

2015 Budget addressed County's infrastructure

Jefferson County –

Process went well

Good leadership by County Administrator

No amendments/no one at Public Hearing

28-1-1 approving the budget

Very little discussion on budget

4.196 Mill rate

Green Lake County –

15-2-1 budget passed.

Mill rate up .08%

No amendments – little discussion

Formed Ad Hoc Committee to look at County Highway System

Marquette County –

Budget process went smoothly – passed

Administrative Coordinator had meeting with DH's first time (great idea)

No citizens at Public Hearing

Need a lot of road construction in future

Completed Compensation Plan

Tax levy up 1.3%

1 ½% across the board raise to all employees

Columbia County –

Implemented Carlson Dietman Wage Plan

1% Tax levy increase

Used \$700k fund balance to balance budget

Act 10 allowed more control of budget by county

Budget passed easily 30 minute discussion

No amendments

Education is very valuable to new supervisors

Adjournment

Chairman Russ Kottke adjourned the meeting at 12:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

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November 18, 2014