

LAND RECORDS COMMITTEE MEETING October 11, 2016 Oneida County Courthouse Second Floor – Committee Room 2 Rhinelander, Wisconsin 54501		
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Committee Members	Lisa Zunker	Sonny Paszak
Mike Timmons	Greg Pence	Greg Oettinger

Call to Order and Chair’s announcements.

Chairman Paszak called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in accordance with the Open Meeting Law noting that the meeting notice had been properly posted and the location is handicap accessible. All members present, except Greg Oettinger with an excused absence.

Approve agenda for today’s meeting.

Motion/Timmons/Zunker to approve today’s agenda. All ayes.

Approve minutes of Land Records September 13th, 2016 meeting.

Motion/Paszak/Pence to approve minutes for the September 13th, 2016 meeting. All ayes.

Staff members’ attendance at land-related meetings/seminars.

Romportl had nothing to report. Franson noted he had attended the WRDA Fall Conference in Ashland last week addressing statewide issuance of vital records, Department of Revenue, and statewide conference items.

Monthly bills, line item transfers, purchase orders, budget surveys, budget hearings, reports, plans, non-budgetary item requests.

Motion/Timmons/Zunker to approve monthly bills, line item transfer submitted by the Register of Deeds Office. All ayes.

Motion/Zunker/Pence to approve monthly bills submitted by the Land Information Office. All ayes.

Wisconsin Land Information Program 2017 grant application and update on the 2016 grant.

Romportl stated that the State of Wisconsin has released the information for the 2017 grant, which will be available in January. There will be \$1,000 for education, \$14-\$15,000 for a base budget grant to bridge the gap between what the County retains from recording fees in the ROD office and \$100,000. That money must be spent on Land Records projects. The state is also granting all counties \$50,000 each to work on strategic initiatives. The strategic initiatives are to be focused on tax parcel and zoning data, extended parcel attribution, completion of parcel mapping, or land survey control for parcels or Public Land Survey corners. Romportl recommended obtaining more control on the PLSS corners and other areas to increase the accuracy of the parcel mapping which is done using GPS.

Motion Pence/Paszak to approve submission of the Wisconsin Land Information Program application for the Base Budget Grant and the Strategic Initiative grant. All ayes.

Update on county owned parcel number LT 11 east of Poplar Rd, Section 1, Township 38 North, Range 7 East, Town of Lake Tomahawk.

LT 11 is a 66’ wide County owned parcel on Hodstradt Lake. Romportl explained that previously the owner of LT 146-9, had objection to the vacation or discontinuance of said parcel being public because it added value to his property. That owner has since sold to the neighboring property owner of LT 828, Kevin Perlinger and Julie Sell-Perlinger whose parcel is on the lake and is now interesting in acquiring the 66’ parcel east of the road. The other adjoining property owner to the LT 11, David and Mary Schmitz, LT 146-1 are not opposed to the discontinuance but may need an easement. Romportl recommends pursuing the request. The request will require Corporation Counsel’s time to review and determine if the property can be sold. At some point the County granted an easement to the Town of Lake Tomahawk for town road purposes, but the Town has not maintained the road and in favor of discontinuing the road. There is an improved public access/boat landing on the south side of the lake. Romportl recommended to have Corporation Counsel review and get his opinion on the option to sell to adjoining property owners. The portion of LT 11 to the west of Poplar Rd would remain in County ownership.

Motion/Zunker/Timmons to authorize Romportl to discuss with Corporation Counsel Desmond the legality of selling a portion of LT 11 to adjoining landowners and bring his opinion back to the Committee for action. All ayes.

Request by Town of Minocqua to acquire excess right-of-way part of SW-NW, Section 23, Township 38 North Range 4 East along Manhardt RD.

The Town of Minocqua inquired if there is any other County owned parcels in the Manhardt Rd area that the Town could look at for ATV Parking Lot purposes. Romportl and Town Chairman Mark Hartzheim reviewed 100' strip R.O.W. parcels in the area and Hartzheim indicated an interest in a parcel to the Northwest of Manhardt Rd and Green Rd, MI 356-4. There is a snowmobile trail that runs through the property and the ATV trail runs on Manhardt Rd in this location. The Town of Minocqua is specifically interested in the Eastern portion of said R.O.W. strip, however, when Romportl inquired if the Town would be willing to take the whole strip Hartzheim indicated that the Town would not be opposed to this option. Corporation Counsel Desmond questioned if the snowmobile club would have any concerns about the sale of this property. Romportl has inquired with the Forestry Department to see if there would be any opposition by the snowmobile club to this purchase and he has not received a response yet. Romportl has also inquired with Planning & Zoning to see if a parking lot can be placed there as it is zoned Forestry 1A. The other question is if the property owner to the North would take exception to a parking lot being placed there or if the adjacent owner would have an interest in purchase of the property.

Motion/Zunker/ Timmons to request a representative from the Town of Minocqua and the local ATV club attend the upcoming November Land Records committee meeting to discuss the use parcel MI 356-4 for parking lot purposes and for the Town of Minocqua to submit a form to purchase of the property. All ayes.

Romportl to contact adjacent property owner to the North after November meeting to make them aware of status of the property.

Update on tax foreclosed properties being offered for sale.

Romportl gave an update on the status of clean-up efforts on tax foreclosed properties.

Closed session: it is anticipated that the Committee may meet in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(c), considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility.

(Topic Assistant Real Property Lister)

A roll call vote will be taken to return to open session and may ratify any matter(s) discussed in closed session.

Motion/Timmons/ Zunker to return to open session. All ayes.

No announcements made.

Public Comments/Communications.

There were no comments from public.

Date of next meeting and possible items for the agenda.

November 8th, 2016 at 9:30 A.M.

Adjournment.

Motion/Pence/Zunker to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 A.M. All ayes.

Sonny Paszak Chair Land Records

Michael J. Romportl Staff Chair