# Minutes Oneida County Board of Supervisors

## Tuesday, January 19, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.

County Board Meeting Room - 2nd Floor Oneida County Courthouse

## **CALL TO ORDER.**

Chairman Hintz called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Meeting Room of the Oneida County Courthouse. There was a brief moment of silence for our troops, law enforcement officers and emergency responders followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Members Present:</u> Greg Pence, Bob Mott, Alan VanRaalte, Billy Fried, Dave Hintz, Jack Sorensen, Mike Timmons, Mitch Ives, Scott Holewinski, Bob Thome Jr., Jim Winkler, Ted Cushing, Bill Liebert, Steven Schreier, Sonny Paszak, Greg Oettinger, Lance Krolczyk, Tom Kelly, Bob Almekinder, and Russ Fisher.

Members Present: 20 Vacant: District 15

## ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR, CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Sign attendance form at the podium.
- Please use a microphone when speaking.
- The District 15 position was advertised for and there has been two letters of interest to fill this position at this time
- An updated COVID plan will be released for the County this week.

## ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING:

Motion/Second: Sorensen/VanRaalte to accept the minutes of the November 10, 2020 meeting as presented. All "Aye", Motion approved.

## REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

- Planning and Zoning 2019 Annual Report Planning and Zoning Director Karl Jennrich gave a brief update and stated there was a \$76,000 increase in total revenues for 2019.
- 2021 Oneida County Forestry Work Plan Forestry Director Paul Fiene gave a brief overview of the 2021 Forestry Work Plan, he stated some of this may fluctuate due to markets and weather. Discussion of the Townline Park land sale ensued.
- Community Development Block Grant Close Program Presentation Jeff Verdoorn, Executive Director of Economic Development presented the status of the CDBG Close Grant. Verdoorn read a handout that was distributed, a copy of this handout is retained on file at the County Clerk's Office. Verdoorn stated that this plan has been preliminarily approved by the State of Wisconsin.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Robb Jensen thanked the board for their time and service on the Board. Jensen went over the recruitment and hiring process for the County. Jensen stated outside candidates should be looked at when openings arise. Hintz stated there was an anonymous letter received as public comment, Hintz read the letter. A copy of this letter is on file at the County Clerk's Office.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Resolution # 01 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee approving conveyance of part of LY-536-7 to Paul Klopacz.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Oneida County retained a 100 foot strip of land on each side of the center line of existing roads crossing the SW ¼ - NW ¼ of Section 34, Township 36 North, Range 4 East, as recorded in the Register of Deeds, Volume 42 of Deeds on Page 521, Document # 99811, recorded on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1937; and,

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made to Oneida County from the adjoining landowner listed in Exhibit A below requesting that a portion of said strip of land described above adjacent to Willow RD be conveyed to the them as they are the present adjoining owners of the land, and they have paid the \$100.00 administrative fee to process this request; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lynne has been notified of such request, and if the Town has no objection to conveying the excess lands to the adjoining landowner; the Land Records Committee recommends that the parcel described in Exhibit A be conveyed to the adjoining landowner.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves conveying the parcel described in Exhibit A below to the adjoin landowner, and authorizes the County Clerk, upon receipt of the \$30 deed recording fee, to issue a quit claim deed conveying any interest the County has in the description noted below in Exhibit A.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Records Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Sonny Paszak, Mike Timmons, Greg Pence, Greg Oettinger and Bill Liebert.

**Resolution # 02 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee approving conveyance of part of PL-417-3 to RJFS, LLC.

Resolution to convey excess county lands to RJFS, LLC.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County retained a 100 foot strip of land on each side of the center line of existing roads crossing part of the Northeast ¼ - Northeast ¼ of Section 17, Township 37 North, Range 9 East, as recorded in Volume 64 of Deeds, Page 164, Document Number 106672, together with timber rights on said land, recorded in the Register of Deeds on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 1940; and,

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made to Oneida County from the adjoining landowner listed in Exhibit A below requesting that a portion of said strip of land described above adjacent to **Pine lake RD** be conveyed to them as they are the present adjoining owner of the land, and have paid the administrative fee to process this request; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Pine Lake has been notified of such request, and if the Town has no objection to conveying the excess lands, the Land Records Committee recommends that the parcels described in Exhibit A be conveyed to the adjoining landowner.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves conveying the parcel described in Exhibit A below to the adjoining landowner, and authorizes the County Clerk, upon receipt of the \$30 deed recording fee, to issue a quit claim deed conveying any interest the County has in the description noted below in Exhibit A.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Records Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Sonny Paszak, Mike Timmons, Greg Pence, Greg Oettinger and Bill Liebert.

<u>Resolution # 03 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee approving conveyance of part of LT-566-4 to Alexander D. Sulzer.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County retained a 100 foot strip of land on each side of the center line of existing roads crossing part of the Northwest ¼ - Southwest ¼ of Section 7, Township 38 North, Range 8 East, as recorded in Volume 58 of Deeds, Page 123, Document Number 118638, together with timber rights on said land, recorded in the Register of Deeds on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1944; and,

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made to Oneida County from the adjoining landowner listed in Exhibit A below requesting that a portion of said strip of land described above adjacent to **River RD** be conveyed to them as they are the present adjoining owner of the land, and have paid the administrative fee to process this request; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lake Tomahawk has been notified of such request, and if the Town has no objection to conveying the excess lands, the Land Records Committee recommends that the parcels described in Exhibit A be conveyed to the adjoining landowner.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves conveying the parcel described in Exhibit A below to the adjoining landowner, and authorizes the County Clerk, upon receipt of the \$30 deed recording fee, to issue a quit claim deed conveying any interest the County has in the description noted below in Exhibit A.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Records Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Sonny Paszak, Mike Timmons, Greg Pence, Greg Oettinger and Bill Liebert.

**Resolution # 04 -2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee approving conveyance of part of NE-210-1 to David and Cynthia A Schmitz and part of NE-210-1 to the Town of Newbold.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee.

## Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS,** Oneida County retained a 100 foot strip of land on each side of the center line of existing roads crossing the NE ¼ - SE ¼ of Section 21, Township 37 North, Range 8 East, as recorded in the Register of Deeds, Volume 64 of Deeds on Page 443, Document # 112977, recorded on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1942; and,

WHEREAS, a request has been made to Oneida County from the adjoining landowner listed in Exhibit A below requesting that a portion of said strip of land described above adjacent to Northwestern DR be conveyed to the them as they are the present adjoining owners of the land, and they have paid the \$100.00 administrative fee to process this request; and, WHEREAS, the Town of Newbold has been notified of such request, and if the Town has no objection to conveying the excess lands to the adjoining landowner; and if the Town has no objection to accepting a conveyance for Northwestern Dr right-of-way, the Land Records Committee recommends that the parcels described in Exhibit A be conveyed to the adjoining landowner and the Town.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves conveying the parcel described in Exhibit A below to the adjoining landowner and the Town as listed in Exhibit A, and the Board authorizes the County Clerk, upon receipt of the \$30 deed recording fees, to issue a quit claim deed conveying any interest the County has in the description described in Exhibit A.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Records Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Sonny Paszak, Mike Timmons, Greg Pence, Greg Oettinger and Bill Liebert.

<u>Resolution # 05 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee granting an access license across County lands located in the Town of Woodboro, Oneida County, to Phillip J. and Amy A. Kriesel to access their property.

Resolution to grant an access license across County lands located in the Town of Woodboro, Oneida County, to Phillip J. and Amy A. Kriesel to access their property.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the Oneida County Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee for an access license across County lands located in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ and part of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 27, T36N, R7E Town of Woodboro, by the owners of the land in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 27, T36N, R7E Town of Woodboro; and WHEREAS, the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee has reviewed the aforementioned access request and determined that no significant negative impact would result to County Forest land or its users by granting an access license; so

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that upon receipt of \$72.73 land value, \$500.00 administration fee, and \$30.00 deed recording fee, the County Clerk be authorized and directed to issue the attached access license to Phillip J. and Amy A. Kriesel, as tenants in common.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021

Offered and passage moved by: Jack Sorensen, Alan VanRaalte, Greg Pence and Bob Almekinder.

**Resolution # 06 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee granting an access license across County lands located in the Town of Woodboro, Oneida County, to Thomas C. & Brenda J. Osterman to access their property.

Resolution to grant an access license across County lands located in the Town of Woodboro, Oneida County, to Thomas C. & Brenda J. Osterman to access their property.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the Oneida County Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee for an access license across County lands located in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ and part of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ Section 27, T36N, R7E, Town of Woodboro, by the owners of the land in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ Section 27, T36N, R7E, Town of Woodboro; and WHEREAS, the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee has reviewed the aforementioned access request and determined that no significant negative impact would result to County Forest land or its users by granting an access license; so

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that upon receipt of \$79.55 land value, \$500.00 administration fee, and \$30.00 deed recording fee, the County Clerk be authorized and directed to issue the attached access license to Thomas C. and Brenda J. Osterman, as tenants in common.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

Offered and passage moved by: Jack Sorensen, Alan VanRaalte, Greg Pence and Bob Almekinder.

**Resolution # 07 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee accepting the 2021 Oneida County Forest Work Plan.

Resolution offered by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee. Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS**, as stated in ss. 28.11 (5)(b), administration of county forests requires counties with land enrolled in the county forest program to develop a county board approved annual work plan and budget; and

**WHEREAS**, said plan should outline the projects and work duties scheduled for the upcoming year, as well as the accounts and funds required to execute the plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors adopted the 2021 Forestry Department budget at their annual budget meeting held on November 10, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oneida County Forestry, Land, and Recreation Committee unanimously approved the 2021 Oneida County Forest Work Plan at their monthly committee meeting held on December 2, 2020.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors

accept the recommendation of the Forestry, Land, & Recreation Committee and approve the 2021 Oneida County Forest Work Plan as set forth in Exhibit # 1; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2021 Oneida County Forest Work Plan shall be appended to the existing Oneida County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Forestry Department send a copy of the 2021 Oneida County Forest Work Plan and the associated county board approved resolution to the WDNR.

Approved by the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2020. Offered and passage moved by: Alan VanRaalte, Bob Mott, Greg Pence and Bob Almekinder.

Resolution # 09 – 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 01 – 2021: Offered by the Supervisors of the Administration Committee to amend section 10.02 Fair Housing to adopt Wis. Stat. s. 106.50 relating to the equal rights of all persons to fair housing and providing a means for the implementation and enforcement thereof.

Resolution to amend section 10.02 Fair Housing to adopt Wis. Stat. s. 106.50 relating to the equal rights of all persons to fair housing and providing a means for the implementation and enforcement thereof. Ordinance Amendment offered by the Administration Committee.

**WHEREAS**, the Oneida County Board recognizes its responsibilities under Wis. Stat. s. 106.50, as amended, and endorses the concepts of fair and open housing for all persons and prohibition of discrimination therein;

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section <u>10.02</u> of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is repealed and recreated as follows: [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

## **10.02 FAIR HOUSING**

- (1) The Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts Wisconsin Statutes section 106.50, as amended, and all subsequent amendments thereto.
- (2) The officials and employees of Oneida County shall assist in the orderly prevention and removal of all discrimination in housing within Oneida County by implementing the authority and enforcement procedures set forth in Wisconsin Statutes section 106.50, as amended.
- (3) The Oneida County Clerk shall maintain forms for complaints to be filed under Wisconsin Statutes section 106.50, as

amended, and shall assist any person alleging a violation thereof in Oneida County to file a complaint thereunder with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Equal Rights Division, for enforcement of Wisconsin State statutes s. 106.50, as amended.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Administration Committee this 11th day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Dave Hintz, Billy Fried and Alan VanRaalte.

- Appointments to Committees, Commissions and other Organizations:
  - Re-appoint Paul Kaiser to the Oneida County Library Board for a three year term to expire December 2023.
  - Re-appoint Dianne Blicharz to the Oneida County Library Board for a three year term to expire December 2023.
  - o Re-appoint Bernie Dart to the Civil Service Commission for a five year term to expire December 2025.

Supervisor Winkler requested Resolutions #8 – 2021 and #10 – 2021 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

**Motion/Second: VanRaalte/Kelly** to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15

Consent Agenda: Adopted

## **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

<u>Resolution # 08 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations Employee Services (LRES) Committee approving to move the Assistant Facilities Director position be placed at Grade Level K of the Exempt Wage Schedule effective January 23, 2021.

Resolution to move Assistant Facilities Director from Grade Level K1 to Grade Level K of Exempt Wage Schedule.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations Employee Services (LRES) Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS,** upon the retirement of the Facilities Director, the Facilities Committee worked with the Human Resources Director to review and reorganize the Buildings and Grounds Department; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities Committee did send their recommendation to the LRES Committee for consideration; and WHEREAS, the LRES Committee did review the recommendation of the Facilities Committee and determining the Assistant Facilities Director position should move from Grade Level K1 to Grade Level K of the Exempt Wage Schedule for purposes of salary.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Assistant Facilities Director position be placed at Grade Level K of the Exempt Wage Schedule effective January 23, 2021; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that by adoption of this resolution it shall be deemed that all cost savings associated with this placement are included in the County budget for fiscal year 2021, and are set forth in the fiscal impact statement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Labor Relations Employee Services (LRES) Committee this 6th day of January, 2021.

Offered and passage moved by: Ted Cushing, Scott Holewinski, Sonny Paszak and Billy Fried.

<u>Discussion:</u> Charbarneau stated that the proposed request is that the Assistant Facilities Director position be moved from a grade level K1 to a K. Charbarneau stated that grade level K is a lesser salary than a K1 due to it being based on a 40 hour work week where the K is based on a 37.5 hour work week. Liebert asked for clarification of how this position is to be filled. Charbarneau stated that this Resolution is setting the wage and at this time there is no vacancy. Charbarneau discussed the difference in the wages.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 08 – 2021: 19 Aye; 1 Absent Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15 Resolution # 08 – 2021: Adopted

<u>Resolution # 10 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Administration Committee approving the submission of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application and:

- Approving the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP)
- o Approving the Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan
- o Approving the Statement of Assurances for the CDBG Application
- Approving the Lobbying Certificate for the CDBG Application

- Approving the Fair Housing Actions Checklist for the CDBG Application
- o Approving the Acquisition/Relocation/Demolition Questionnaire

Resolution to Approve Submission of a Community Block Grant (CDBG) Application. Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Administration Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS,** Oneida County currently contracts with the Oneida County Economic Development Corporation to provide various economic development services, including the administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF); and

WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources (DEHCR) for the purpose of the provision or development of a County plan (CDBG-PLNG), or for the provision or improvement of public facilities (CDBG-PF); and

**WHEREAS**, per Resolution 74-2020, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors authorized application of two projects and returning of CDBG RLF funds held by Oneida County to the State; and

WHEREAS, on December 18th, \$770,976.16 was returned to the Department of Administration, and

**WHEREAS**, after public meeting and due consideration, the Administration Committee has recommended that an application be submitted to DOA for the line items listed in Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Oneida County Board of Supervisors to approve the preparation and filing of an application for Oneida County to receive funds from this program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the need for the proposed projects and the benefits to be gained there from;

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve and authorize preparation and filing of an application for the projects listed on Attachment A; and that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the County; and that authority is hereby granted to the Administration Committee to take the necessary steps to prepare and file the application for funds under this program in accordance with this resolution.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Administration Committee this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Dave Hintz, Billy Fried and Alan VanRaalte.

<u>Discussion:</u> Winkler stated that the plan states that all committee members must be residents of Oneida County. Winkler asked if there should be a Financial because it is a citizen committee. Smith stated there was no additional cost as far as committee because the public hearing was held as part of the Administration Committee. Liebert inquired if there is any part of the process that is not available to the public. Verdoorn stated this is a public process and is open to the public.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 10 – 2021, Citizen Participation Plan, Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan, Statement of Assurances for the CDBG Application, Lobbying Certificate for the CDBG Application, Fair Housing Actions Checklist for the CDBG Application and Acquisition/Relocation/Demolition Questionaire: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15

Resolution # 10 – 2021, Citizen Participation Plan, Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan, Statement of Assurances for the CDBG Application, Lobbying Certificate for the CDBG Application, Fair Housing Actions Checklist for the CDBG Application and Acquisition/Relocation/Demolition Questionaire: Adopted

<u>Resolution # 11 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the ADRC Committee in support of increased funding for Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Resolution Supporting Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the ADRC Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) are one-stop shops designed to provide services to individuals who need, or expect to need, long-term care services; and

**WHEREAS**, ADRC services include providing information and assistance, benefits counseling, coordinating short-term services, conducting functional screens, and enrollment counseling and processing; and

**WHEREAS**, in Wisconsin, there are currently 34 single-county ADRCs, 12 multi-county/tribal ADRCs, and seven tribal Aging and Disability Resource Specialists that work with an ADRC; and

WHEREAS, ADRCs serve the fastest growing demographic of our state's population; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding method for ADRCs has not been revised in more than a decade, and funding for ADRCs has not increased since 2006; and

WHEREAS, it has become evident that ADRC funding needs revision for a number of reasons, including:

- The current inequitable distribution of funding among ADRCs.
- The need to increase funding so that all ADRCs may effectively meet their mission, as outlined in the Scope of Services contract addendum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office for Resource Center Development (ORCD) within the Department of Health Services (DHS) established a stakeholder advisory group in 2017 to discuss ADRC funding; and

WHEREAS, the stakeholder advisory group identified a number of issues with the current funding formula such as:

- Dollars are distributed based on the date of ADRC establishment older ADRCs (Generation One) receive more funding than ADRCs established at a later date (Generation Two and Three ADRCs);
- The current formula does not take into account elements associated with health and social inequity that require a greater need for ADRC services;
- The current formula does not adjust with need Wisconsin's aging and disability populations continue to grow and are expected to grow significantly over the next 20 years;
- The current formula does not account for needed cost of living adjustments; and

**WHEREAS**, a significant state GPR investment is needed to implement the recommendations of the stakeholder advisory group; and

WHEREAS, such a significant state investment would provide consistency in ADRC funding statewide, cover the services required and recommended in the Scope of Service contract addendum, and equalize services among ADRCs; and WHEREAS, the work of the stakeholder advisory group complements the work of the Governor's Task Force on Caregiving.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the following increases in the 2021-2023 state biennial budget to ensure access to critical services provided by ADRCs to Wisconsin's aging and disability populations:

- Provide an additional \$27,410,000 GPR in funding to our state's ADRCs. It is important to note that the
  proposed change in the ADRC allocation methodology cannot occur unless the full \$27.4 million is
  appropriated.
- Provide additional funding to expand/equalize ADRC services across the state:
  - Expand Dementia Care Specialist Funding Statewide: \$3,320,000
  - Fully Fund Elderly Benefit Specialists Statewide: \$2,300,000
  - Expand Caregiver Support and Programs: \$3,600,000
  - Expand Care Transition Services: \$6,000,000
  - Fund Aging and Disability Resources in Tribes: \$1,180,000
  - Fully Fund Aging and Disability Resource Support Systems: \$2,650,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Tony Evers, DOA Secretary Joel Brennan, DHS Secretary-designee Andrea Palm, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all area legislators.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the ADRC Committee this 16th day of December, 2020. Offered and passage moved by: Steven Schreier, Ted Cushing, Russ Fisher and Robert Thome.

<u>Discussion:</u> Social Services Director Mary Rideout stated that this resolution is asking for increased funding in the State budget for the ADRC. Per Rideout this is also requesting to change how these funds are allocated so that ADRC's are able to provide the services they are required to provide. Cushing stated this is to equalize the funding between the ADRC's.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 11 – 2021: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15 Resolution # 11 – 2021: Adopted

<u>Resolution # 12 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land & Recreation Committee accepting and approving the Oneida County Forest Fifteen-Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan for 2021-2035.

Resolution to Accept and Approve the Oneida County Forest Fifteen-Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan for 2021-2035.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Forestry, Land & Recreation Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Oneida County owns approximately 82,930 acres of forest land which collectively provides many benefits such as recreation, employment, wildlife habitat, watershed protection, and green space for Oneida County residents and visitors

alike; and

**WHEREAS**, the lands known as the Oneida County forest are managed under the direction of the Oneida County Forestry, Land & Recreation Committee, in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute Chapter 28.11, the County Forest Crop Law; and

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin State Statute Chapter 28.11 requires that all county forests operate under a current County Forest Fifteen-Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan that has been approved by the County Board of Supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, over the last year, the Oneida County Forestry, Land & Recreation Committee, staff, and interested members of the public have worked on developing such a plan for the period 2021-2035; and

**WHEREAS**, this plan has been presented to the public at informational meetings and has been reviewed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; so

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors do hereby accept and approve the attached Oneida County Forest Fifteen-Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the years 2021-2035, and direct that the Oneida County Forest be managed under its guidelines; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Forestry Director is hereby authorized and directed to submit this plan to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for review and approval.

Offered and passage moved by: Jack Sorensen, Alan VanRaalte, Greg Pence and Bob Almekinder.

<u>Motion/Second: Fried/Timmons</u> to table Resolution # 12 - 2021 until the next County Board meeting. <u>Roll Call Vote on Motion to table # 12 - 2021:</u> 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15 <u>Motion to Table:</u> Adopted

<u>Resolution # 13 – 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 02 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee updating the Highway Commissioner selection process.

Resolution to update the Highway Commissioner selection process. Ordinance Amendment offered by Public Works Committee.

WHEREAS, Oneida County is seeking a new Highway Commissioner; and

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County code section 1.24 provides the process for selecting a new Highway Commissioner; and **WHEREAS**, the Oneida County code needs to be updated (see below) to conform with the process now used to select the Highway Commissioner.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section <u>1.24</u> of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is amended as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

## § 1.24 Highway Commissioner. [Amended by Ord. No. 40-82]

- (1) Purpose. It is the purpose of this section to provide the County with a procedure by which the County Board can appoint by election a competent Highway Commissioner who meets the minimum qualifications for the position as established by the County Board.
- (2) Appointment and Term. The County Board appoints the Highway Commissioner by election and for a term as set forth in § 1.02 of this Code and § 83.01(1), Wis. Stats., pursuant to the procedures set forth in Subsection (3).
- (3) Procedures for Selection of Highway Commissioner.
- (a) The Highway Committee, with the assistance of the Personnel Director/Administrative Coordinator, shall review the position description for Highway Commissioner before recruitment for the position is initiated to determine whether revisions thereof should be made in the best interests of the County.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided below, or by provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes, the purpose, policy and administrative standards for the recruitment and selection of the Highway Commissioner shall be consistent with the purposes, policies and standards set forth in §§ 4.06, 4.07, 4.08, 4.09 and 4.10 4.24, 4.25 and 4.26 of this Code. The recruitment and selection procedures referred to in this section shall be initiated approximately two months

prior to the meeting of the County Board at which the Highway Commissioner will be appointed by election as provided in

#### Paragraph (e).

- (c) The Highway Committee, with the assistance of the Personnel Director/Administrative Coordinator, shall review all applications and establish a list of all qualified applicants who shall be invited to interview in executive session. The Highway Committee shall thereafter establish a list—of finalists who shall be invited to a final interview as provided for in Paragraph (d).
- (d) The Highway and Personnel Committees shall thereafter interview all finalists for the position of Highway Commissioner in executive session. All County Board Supervisors shall be notified as to the time and place of the interviews so they may attend if they desire.
- (e)(c) At the beginning of the County Board meeting in August preceding the expiration of the term of the incumbent Highway Commissioner, an alphabetical list of the names of the qualified applicants who were interviewed as set forth in Paragraph (c) will be made available to the County Board. The Public Works Committee shall forward to the Oneida County Board a resolution nominating the top finalist as determined by the final interview. The names of the finalists who were interviewed as set forth in Paragraph (d) shall be identified by an asterisk (\*) also be provided to the County Board. The Chairman of the Highway Committee or a designee of the Highway and Personnel Committees shall nominate the top finalist as determined by the final interview. Other nominations by County Board Supervisors from the list of qualified applicants finalists who were interviewed as set forth in Paragraph (c) will be entertained and considered pursuant to the normal procedures for amending a resolution.
- (f) (d) Following the close of nominations, voting consistent with the provisions of § 19.88, Wis. Stats., will take place until one of the nominees acquires a majority of the votes cast. the County Board shall vote on the resolution. A majority vote is required to pass the resolution.
- (g) (e) Except for incumbent Highway Commissioners who are reappointed by election as provided herein, or except by specific direction to the contrary by the County Board, the individual appointed by election of the County Board shall, within 30 days, assume the position of employment of temporary Special Assistant to the Highway Commissioner and continue in such position until the first day of the term of office for which the individual was appointed by election as Highway Commissioner.

The person elected to/ holding the office of Highway Commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors for an indefinite period pursuant to Oneida County code section 1.02

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Public Works Committee this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021. Offered and passage moved by: Ted Cushing, Scott Holewinski and Sonny Paszak.

<u>Discussion:</u> Charbarneau stated that the Highway Commissioner is retiring. Charbarneau gave some background and stated that up to the mid 1980's this position used to be elected, this has been an appointed position as of 1986. Per Charbarneau this Resolution updates the County Ordinance selection process for the Highway Commissioner. Charbarneau stated this Resolution makes us in compliance with State Statutes. Mott asked about the ability of attendance of County Board members at the hiring process. Discussion of County Board members being allowed at these meetings, closed sessions and or interviews. Cushing stated this rule is already in place, why should this be added as it is redundant.

<u>Motion/Second:</u> Mott/Winkler to amend Resolution # 13 – 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 02- 2021 to leave lines 64 beginning with the word "All" and lines 65 and 66.

**Roll Call Vote:** 6 Aye, Sorensen, Liebert, Pence, Mott, Thome, Winkler; 13 Nay; 1 Absent Oettinger; 1 Vacant District 15. **Amendment:** Fails

<u>Discussion:</u> Discussion of attending meetings. Hintz stated that interviews are not posted meetings. Schreier stated that delegating responsibility to another person by saying "Shall" in an Ordinance is wrong, by saying "May" that puts the responsibility back to the Supervisor.

<u>Motion/Second: Schreier/Thome</u> to amend the motion that is currently being considered and change that word on line 65 after County Board Supervisors from "Shall" to "May".

Roll Call Vote: 3 Aye, Schreier, Fried, Krolczyk; 16 Nay; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15

Motion: Fails

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 13 – 2021: 18 Aye; 1 Nay, Mott; 1 Absent, Oettinger; 1 Vacant, District 15

Resolution # 13 – 2021: Adopted

Recess called at 11:06 a.m.
Return from recess at 11:13 a.m.

11:00 a.m. - OTHER BUSINESS: Public (Open) Records

<u>Open Records Background</u> – Hintz stated that there has been a lot of discussion regarding Open Records, this is something we as a County need to work on.

<u>Current Oneida County Public Records Ordinance – County Code 1.30</u> – Hintz went over the Ordinance and stated this was written before there were electronic records and correspondence. Hintz stated that this Ordinance is outdated and has to be updated.

<u>Oneida County Sheriff's Memorandum dated January 11, 2021</u> – Hintz went over some of the changes that were proposed by Sheriff Grady Hartman and went over the memo that was submitted by the Sheriff.

<u>Memorandum from Andrew Jones dated January 14, 2021 (waiver of Attorney Client Privilege needed)</u> – Hintz stated there was a memo included in the package today that was prepared by a non-county attorney that is considered attorney client privilege, it takes the County Board to remove that privilege.

Oettinger joined the meeting via Zoom phone at 11:07 a.m.

<u>Motion/Second: Hintz/Sorensen</u> to release the attorney client privilege from this document.

Roll Call on Motion: 20 Aye; 1 Vacant, District 15

Motion: Adopted

<u>Discussion:</u> Attorney Andrew Jones of Hanson Reynolds went over a memo looking at Subsection 5 of the Ordinance. Per Jones this relates to situations where there is an open record request that may contain both public and nonpublic information. Jones stated he looked specifically to see if that portion of the Ordinance is lawful, he stated that it does not conflict with the Open Records Law. Jones stated that there is nothing in the open records law stating the custodian of the records can't seek legal counsel, they are within their rights to seek appropriate counsel. Per Jones the ordinance states that the custodian "shall" seek legal counsel when the requested record contains both public and non-public information, this is not unlawful. Jones stated that Conlon is not an elected official, she has the role of legal custodian based on the County Ordinance subsection 2. Per Jones statute does not state that once she has been designated legal custodian that only she has those roles and responsibilities, more than one person can be designated. Jones stated that in the instance that both Corporation Counsel and Conlon are conferring does not deviate from the Statue. Jones stated he does not feel this ordinance is unlawful. Discussion ensued regarding records that contain information both public and nonpublic. Jones stated he does not think the Ordinance takes away the authority of the custodian and delegate it to Corporation Counsel. Jones stated this Ordinance adds a step to the process but does not change who the custodian is.

<u>Improvement of Open Records Process</u> – Liebert asked for clarification of what is allowed to be withheld from the public besides HIPPA. Hintz stated that the process needs to be improved, this is a topic that will be discussed. Fried stated that just because the attorney stated that our Ordinance is legal, we still need to update our wording and we need to expedite our process. Discussion of potential future changes to the Ordinance. Sorensen suggested to Hintz that this issue should be sent to another committee or there should be a sub-committee set up to work on this.

Mott left at 12:01 p.m.

<u>Motion/Second: Fried/Kelly</u> to forward to the Administration Committee for review of the Oneida County open records policy and other issues related to the open records process including training, etc. and bring back to the County Board at the February meeting with revisions to be adopted.

Roll Call Vote: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15

Motion: Adopted

<u>Update Public Records Ordinance</u> – Electronic records, Clarification of roles, Timeliness, Special Meeting of Administration Committee. – Hintz stated there has been some large requests and we need to find a better process. VanRaalte discussed the deadline. Fried stated that there should be an action expected and a timeline shows that we are committed to this. Per Fried if we need more time then we ask for more time. Discussion of the ability to meet and make this timeframe. Hintz stated this would be a special meeting of the Administration Committee to develop a plan on how to proceed. Schreier stated that the Sheriff's Office should be involved in this process as the decision of legality comes from that Office.

<u>Other action items</u> – Develop procedures to support revised ordinance, Training for staff and elected officials, What is a record? Process, Responsibilities, More direct communications between record custodian and requester. – Sorensen encouraged supervisors to reach out for input from the requester. Holewinski stated that ultimately we as custodians are the stewards of our records.

<u>Resolution # 14 – 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 03 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee amending Oneida County General Code Section 7.096 – Snowmobile Routes and Operation.

Resolution to allow snowmobiles on County Highways.

## Ordinance Amendment offered by Public Works Committee.

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Committee has received a request to open a portion of a County Highway to snowmobile use to provide access to a business, and

WHEREAS, the Public Works committee has reviewed and approved this request; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County needs to update the County Code in order to effectuate the changes.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section <u>7.096</u> of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is created as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

#### 7.096 SNOWMOBILE ROUTES AND OPERATION

## **SECTION I. INTENT**

Following due consideration of the recreational and economic value to connect trail opportunities and weighted against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects.

and terrain involved, this ordinance has been created pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 83 and Wisconsin Statute Section 350.18 whereas in addition to the provisions set forth herein the Oneida County Board adopts Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 350 pertaining to snowmobiles in its entirety. This ordinance is subject to any and all other applicable statutes or laws.

## SECTION II. SNOWMOBILE ROUTES

County trunk highways designated as snowmobile routes shall be established

and approved by the Oneida County Public Works Committee and the Oneida County Board of Supervisors. The Public Works Committee shall develop policies and procedures for designation of snowmobile routes including appropriate criteria for making a designation. Any modification to a designated snowmobile route shall be approved by the Public Works Committee and the Oneida County Board of Supervisors. A copy of snowmobile routes, along with a map showing their location, shall be kept on file at the

Highway Department. The Oneida County Highway Department shall have the authority to close or terminate any snowmobile route on the County Trunk Highway System, subject to approval by the Public Works Committee and the Oneida County Board of Supervisors.

The following routes are established:

A. CTH H: Oneida/Vilas County line south to 9035 CTH H, parcel #SU 1730

#### SECTION III. SNOWMOBILE ROUTES ONLY ON ROADWAY

All snowmobiles shall operate only on the far right portion of the roadbed.

Operation on the slopes or ditches, or other highway right-of-way is prohibited and illegal.

## SECTION IV.OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES ON COUNTY HIGHWAYS

- A. All snowmobile operators shall observe posted roadway speed limits for snowmobile operation.
- B. All snowmobile operators shall ride in single file on the right hand side of the roadbed of the highway.
- C. All snowmobile operators shall display their headlight and taillight while operating on a county highway.
- D. All snowmobile operators shall slow the vehicle to a speed not to exceed 10 miles per hour and yield the right-of-way when traveling within 100 feet of a person who is not on a snowmobile, or in a vehicle.
- E. All snowmobile operators who are born after January 1, 1985 and operating on a county highway are required to have a Snowmobile Safety Certificate. No one under 12 years of age is allowed to operate a snowmobile on a county highway.

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 350.13, the routes shall be marked with uniform snowmobile route signs of a type approved by the department of natural resources and the department of transportation.

The Oneida County Highway Department has sole responsibility for snowmobile signage on county highways and pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 350.135 as established by the Wisconsin department of Natural Resources, no person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking snowmobile routes:

- A. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move or obstruct any uniform snowmobile route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform snowmobile vehicle route sign.
- B. Possess any uniform snowmobile vehicle route sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform snowmobile vehicle route sign standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform snowmobile vehicle route sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

## SECTION VI.ENFORCEMENT

This ordinance shall be enforced pursuant to Oneida County Code s. 7.11.

#### SECTION VII. VIOLATIONS/PENALTY

The penalty for operating a snowmobile off the roadbed of a designated snowmobile route (i.e., grassy in slope, ditch, or other highway right-of-way) or violating any other provision of this ordinance shall result in a forfeiture of as set forth in Oneida County code s. 7.10, plus court costs, law enforcement training penalties, jail assessments or other applicable costs.

## SECTION VIII. SEVERABILITY

Should any sub-section, clause, or provision of this ordinance be declared by the Court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the section as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

## SECTION IX. MAINTENANCE

Designation of segments of the Oneida County Highway System as snowmobile routes does not impose upon the Oneida County Highway Department a greater duty of care or responsibility for maintenance of those segments than for any other segment of county highway. Operators of snowmobiles on county highways assume all the usual and normal risks of snowmobile operation.

## SECTION X. FILING OF ORDINANCE

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 350.047, a copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the County Clerk to the Department of Natural Resources and to the Oneida County Sheriff's Department.

## SECTION XI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance becomes effective immediately upon passage by the County Board of Supervisors and publication.

Offered and passage moved by: Scott Holewinski, Mike Timmons and Sonny Paszak.

<u>Discussion:</u> Bruce Stefonek stated they were approached by an establishment on County H to allow snowmobiles to come down from the Vilas County line, at this time there is no way to get from the county line to this establishment. Per Stefonek there is not enough room in the right-away to access this establishment. Stefonek stated that the Public Works Committee looked at it and felt that it would be best if part of the roadway was used for access.

<u>Motion/Second: Holewinski/Timmons</u> to amend Resolution # 14 - 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 03 - 2021 to remove Line 53 from the Resolution.

<u>Discussion:</u> Holewinski stated the danger of people parking snowmobiles and walking to the facility is a lot riskier than driving the small distance on the roadway. Holewinski stated that passing an Ordinance stating that we will allow it is similar to what we do with the ATV routes. Holewinski stated they would then need to be approved on a case by case basis. Per Holewinski in this instance there is no other way to access.

Roll Call on Amendment to Resolution # 14 – 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 03 – 2021: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15

Amendment to Resolution # 14 - 2021/Ordinance Amendment # 03 - 2021: Adopted

<u>Discussion:</u> Stefonek stated that most times there are ways to access either on a trail or right-away, in this instance there is no other way to access. Holewinski stated that this is a very rare occasion and all avenues were looked at. Discussion ensued regarding the process.

Roll Call Vote on Amended Resolution # 14 – 2021: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15 Amended Resolution # 14 – 2021: Adopted

Recess called at 12:25 p.m. Return from Recess at 12:32 p.m.

<u>Resolution # 15 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations and Employee Services Committee appointing Troy Huber to Facilities Director.

Resolution to appoint Troy Huber to Facilities Director.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations Employee Services (LRES) Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS**, the Facilities Committee has selected and recommends to the LRES Committee to appoint Troy Huber to the Facilities Director position; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRES Committee has reviewed the Facilities Committee recommendation and supports the appointment of Troy Huber as Facilities Director and recommends such appointment to the County Board.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby confirm the appointment of Mr. Troy Huber as the Facilities Director under the following conditions:

- 1. The effective date of the appointment shall be January 23, 2021; and
- 2. For compensation purposes will be placed at Grade Level N, Step 4 of the Oneida County Exempt Wage Schedule at \$66,912.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that by adoption of this resolution it shall be deemed that all cost savings associated with this appointment are included in the County budget for fiscal year 2021, and are set forth in the fiscal impact statement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the LRES Committee this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2020. Offered and passage moved by: Ted Cushing, Scott Holewinski, Sonny Paszak and Dave Hintz.

<u>Discussion:</u> Charbarneau stated that this Resolution is to appoint Troy Huber as Facility Director. Charbarneau stated that this is not unusual to appoint from within. Per Charbarneau this has been done in Social Services, Medical Examiners Office, Forestry, IT, ADRC and LRES where someone was brought up through the ranks without an outside recruitment. Fried stated this process started with the Facilities Committee and then was brought to LRES. Fried stated that LuAnn Brunette retired and Troy Huber as assistant Facilities Director has helped in that transition. Fried stated the Facilities Department has been moving in the right direction and support was unanimous at the committee level. Charbarneau stated the hiring of the assistant position is to be decided by the department Director. Liebert stated he does not support the process of not allowing the public apply for these positions. Charbarneau stated that we recruit from within but most of the time we hire from the outside. Discussion ensued regarding the hiring process.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 15 – 2021: 16 Aye; 3 Nay, Liebert, Winkler, Sorensen; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15

Resolution # 15 - 2021: Adopted

<u>Resolution # 16 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations and Employee Services Committee awarding additional paid time off days to a newly hired employee.

Resolution to award additional Paid Time Off (PTO) days to newly rehired employee.

Resolution offered by the Supervisors of the Labor Relations Employee Services (LRES) Committee.

**WHEREAS,** the Social Services Director has rehired a Social Worker, who has over sixteen years of experience with Oneida County as a certified social worker; and

**WHEREAS**, the Social Services Director and the Human Resources Director did recommend to the LRES Committee that the rehired employee should be awarded more Paid Time off (PTO) hours; and

WHEREAS, the LRES Committee approved placing the rehired employee after one year of employment at year eight (8) of the PTO benefit or thirty-three (33) days of PTO, (this is the annual amount of PTO after eight years of employment), and after three years of employment at year fifteen (15) of the PTO benefit or thirty-eight (38) days of PTO (this is the annual amount of PTO after 15 years of employment) which recognizes the sixteen years of experience; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRES Committee can only approve an additional ten (10) days of PTO at the time of hire, does recommend to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors the increased amounts of PTO be granted in lieu of all other PTO benefits during the first three years of employment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that effective on the completion of one year of employment, Marsha Holley shall receive thirty-three (33) days of PTO in her PTO bank in lieu of the standard PTO for a one-year employee; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that effective on the completion of three years of employment, Marsha Holley shall receive thirty-eight (38) days of PTO in her PTO bank in lieu of the standard PTO for a one-year employee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that by adoption of this resolution it shall be deemed that an amendment has been made to the County budget for fiscal year 2021 as set forth in the fiscal impact statement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Approved by the LRES Committee this 14th day December, 2020.

Offered and passage moved by: Billy Fried, Scott Holewinski, Sonny Paszak and Dave Hintz.

<u>Discussion:</u> Charbarneau stated that we have done this in the past with hiring people who have a lot of experience. Rideout stated that this is a former employee that left less than a year ago, she has 16 years of experience and has over 100 trainings. Rideout stated there were two candidates that applied for this opening and neither completed an interview. Rideout stated that we negotiated to recruit this person back. The employee coming back would be coming back at a lesser amount of PTO than when she left per Rideout.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 16 – 2021: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15 Resolution # 16 – 2021: Adopted

**Resolution # 17 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee to place a binding referendum on the April 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 ballot for raising the tax levy an additional \$1 million per year for the years 2022-2031 for the purpose of road and bridge construction.

Resolution to place a binding referendum on the April 6th, 2021 ballot for raising the tax levy for purpose of funding road construction.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat s. 66.0602 allows for a County to exceed levy limits only by referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County needs, at a minimum, an additional \$1 million dollars per year in order to maintain the County Trunk Highway system (roads and bridges) on a 25 year schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County passed resolution # 93 – 2020 calling for a referendum to increase the tax levy collected for the years 2022-2031 for the purpose of road and bridge construction in the following manner:

2022 - \$1,000,000	2027 - \$1,000,000
2023 - \$1,000,000	2028 - \$1,000,000
2024 - \$1,000,000	2029 - \$1,000,000
2025 - \$1,000,000	2030 - \$1,000,000
2026 - \$1,000,000	2031 - \$1,000,000

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that a binding referendum for the purpose of addressing need road and bridge construction shall be on the April 6th, 2021 ballot; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the ballot question shall read as follows:

"Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Oneida for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2022, is limited to 0.738%, which results in a levy of \$14,804,803. Shall the County of Oneida be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2022, for the purposes of addressing necessary road and bridge construction, by a total of 6.75% which results in a levy of \$15,804,803 and include the increase of \$1,000,000 for fiscal years 2023-2031.

2023 - \$1,000,000	2028 - \$1,000,000
2024 - \$1,000,000	2029 - \$1,000,000
2025 - \$1,000,000	2030 - \$1,000,000
2026 - \$1,000,000	2031 - \$1,000,000

[]Yes

[ ] No

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT & EFFECT OF VOTE:**

The referendum question being submitted is a binding referendum. A binding referendum requires that the County Board shall take action in conformity with referendum results for the tax levy years 2022 through 2031.

AYES VOTE on the question advises Oneida County that the voter approves of increasing the 2022-2031 County tax levy collected for the purpose of road and bridge construction in the following manner:

2022 - \$1,000,000	2027 - \$1,000,000
2023 - \$1,000,000	2028 - \$1,000,000
2024 - \$1,000,000	2029 - \$1,000,000
2025 - \$1,000,000	2030 - \$1,000,000
2026 - \$1,000,000	2031 - \$1,000,000

This approval will result in a property tax increase per parcel of approximately \$13.00 per \$100,000 of valuation for the 2022 budget. It is not possible to determine the increase for the remaining years

A NO VOTE on the question advises Oneida County that the voter opposes increasing the collected 2022-2031 County tax levy for the purpose of road and bridge construction.

Offered and passage moved by: Scott Holewinski, Mike Timmons and Sonny Paszak.

<u>Discussion:</u> Stefonek stated Resolution # 17 – 2021 is addressing a Resolution that was brought forward in November. Desmond stated that there was a Resolution that passed in November asking for a referendum to increase the tax levy for tax years 2022 to 2031 by 1 Million dollars. Desmond stated that the question you see in bold is state mandated and from the Department of Revenue. Desmond stated he understands that the highway Committee does not want to move forward with the \$1 Million referendum. Desmond stated if that is still the intent of the Highway Committee a motion would be needed to Table Resolution # 17 – 2021 Indefinitely. Per Desmond Resolution # 18 – 2021 of \$500,000 per year for those 10 years can then be considered.

**Motion/Second: Fried/Kelly** to table Resolution # 17 – 2021 indefinitely.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 17 – 2021: 17 Aye; 2 Nay, VanRaalte, Thome; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15 Resolution # 17 – 2021: Adopted

**Resolution # 18 – 2021:** Offered by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee to place a binding referendum on the April 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 ballot for raising the tax levy an additional \$500,000 per year for the years 2022-2031 for the purpose of road and bridge construction.

Resolution to place a binding referendum on the April 6th, 2021 ballot for raising the tax levy for purpose of funding road construction.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat s. 66.0602 allows for a County to exceed levy limits only by referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County needs, at a minimum, an additional \$1 million dollars per year in order to maintain the County Trunk Highway system (roads and bridges) on a 25 year schedule; and

**WHEREAS,** it is estimated that the 2022 tax levy allowed to increase \$ 96,000, based on the last six year average of net new construction; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to 2005 the cost per mile of reconstructed highway was \$76,000 and the county was on a 15 year reconstruction replacement schedule or 11.43 miles per year; and

**WHEREAS,** by 2014 the cost per mile increased to \$180,000 per mile enabling only 4.3 miles per year or a 40 year reconstruction cycle; and

WHEREAS, currently the average cost of a mile of reconstructed highway costs \$200,000 per mile; and

**WHEREAS**, the county board added to the Highway Department Construction budget in the past but not enough to keep up with the inflation rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Committee approved forwarding a resolution to the county board recommending a binding referendum for the April 2021 election increasing the tax levy for the next ten years in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of addressing necessary road and bridge construction as follows;

2022 - \$500,000	2027 - \$500,000
2023 - \$500,000	2028 - \$500,000
2024 - \$500,000	2029 - \$500,000
2025 - \$500,000	2030 - \$500,000
2026 - \$500,000	2031 - \$500,000

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Committee recommends that this resolution rescinds resolution #93-2020 calling for \$1,000,000 increase for the next ten years.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that a referendum for the purpose of addressing need road and bridge construction shall be on the April 6th, 2021 ballot; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution supersedes resolution #93-2020

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ballot question shall read as follows:

If the previous referendum for \$1,000,000 for the fiscal years 2022-2031 for road and bridge construction fails, does the voter approve the following question?

"Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Oneida for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2022, is limited to 0.783%, which results in a levy of \$14,804,803. Shall the County of Oneida be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2022, for the purposes of addressing necessary road and bridge construction, by a total of 3.38% which results in a levy of \$15,304,803 and include the increase of \$500,000 for fiscal years 2023-2031.

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## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT & EFFECT OF VOTE:**

The referendum question being submitted is a binding referendum. A binding referendum requires that the County Board shall take action in conformity with referendum results for the fiscal years 2022 through 2031.

A YES VOTE on the question advises Oneida County that the voter approves of increasing the collected 2022-2031 County tax levy for the purpose of road and bridge construction in the following manner:

2022 - \$500,000	2027 - \$500,000
2023 - \$500,000	2028 - \$500,000
2024 - \$500,000	2029 - \$500,000
2025 - \$500,000	2030 - \$500,000
2026 - \$500,000	2031 - \$500,000

This approval will result in a property tax increase per parcel of approximately \$6.50 per \$100,000 of valuation for the 2022 budget. It is not possible to determine the increase for the remaining years.

A NO VOTE on the question advises Oneida County that the voter opposes increasing the collected 2022-2031 County tax levy for the purpose of road and bridge construction.

Offered and passage moved by: Scott Holewinski, Mike Timmons and Sonny Paszak.

<u>Discussion:</u> Desmond stated in Resolution # 18 – 2021 there needs to be an amendment to delete lines 45 and 46. Per Desmond that is a result of tabling Resolution # 17 – 2021, there is no 1 Million dollar referendum that would need to fail before the \$500,000 referendum would become effective.

Motion/Second: Holewinski/Sorensen to amend Resolution # 18 – 2021 to eliminate line 45 and 46.

Roll Call: 19 Aye; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15

**Motion:** Adopted

<u>Discussion:</u> Desmond stated that this Resolution is binding. Per Desmond if the electorate votes in favor of the referendum the board would be required to implement the Resolution. Holewinski reported that there was a lot of feedback from constituents that the Million dollar referendum would not pass. Per Holewinski the \$500,000 may be more likely to pass. Holewinski gave a history of the past road funding distribution changes, cost changes and the road budget. Holewinski stated \$1.6 Million is needed to get these roads on a 25 year rotation. Per Holewinski this is to go directly to road construction. Per Desmond the only way to raise the tax levy is through referendum. Fried stated that we need to look a bit more into what the options are, there needs to be more discussion. Fried stated that as a representative of Minocqua it is not fair to put this burden on his residents when there are less than a mile of county roads in the Town of Minocqua. Fried stated that he is against his residents that make up 25% of the tax base to pay \$250,000 of the 1 Million per year. Holewinski stated that if we went to bonding, this would just put the burden back on the people. Per Holewinski this just disallows the taxpayers to make a decision. Discussion ensued regarding options.

Roll Call Vote on Amended Resolution # 18 – 2021: 12 Aye, Liebert, Ives, Holewinski, Pence, Winkler, Paszak, VanRaalte, Almekinder, Sorensen, Cushing, Kelly, Hintz; 7 Nay, Fried, Oettinger, Fisher, Timmons, Thome, Krolczyk, Schreier; 1 Absent, Mott; 1 Vacant, District 15

Amended Resolution # 18 - 2021: Adopted

<u>Resolution # 19 – 2021:</u> Offered by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee to approve moving forward with an advisory referendum on the April 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 ballot to cut \$500,000 in County programs and services to be applied to the county road and bridge construction budget.

Resolution to approve moving forward with an advisory referendum on the April 6th, 2021 ballot to cut \$500,000 in County programs and services to be applied to the County road and bridge construction budget.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Public Works Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

**WHEREAS**, the County Board paid off the jail in 2007 and never removed the \$2,000,000 for debt service on that loan to build the jail from the tax levy; and

**WHEREAS**, with the \$2,000,000 in extra tax levy the County did not address infrastructure needs but added new services and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Oneida County needs, at a minimum, an additional \$1 million dollars per year in order to maintain the 172.5 miles of County Trunk Highway system (roads and bridges) on a 25 year schedule; and

**WHEREAS,** it is estimated that the 2021 tax levy, collected in 2022 is allowed to increase according to the levy limits \$96,000, based on the last six year average of net new construction; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to 2005 the cost per mile of reconstructed highway was \$76,000 and the county was on a 15 year reconstruction replacement schedule or 11.43 miles per year; and

**WHEREAS**, by 2014 the cost per mile increased to \$180,000 per mile enabling only 4.3 miles per year or a 40 year reconstruction cycle; and

**WHEREAS**, currently the average cost of a mile of reconstructed highway costs \$200,000 per mile; and **WHEREAS**, the County Board added to the Highway Department Construction budget in the past but not enough to keep up with the inflation rate; and

**WHEREAS,** the Public Works Committee is recommending an advisory referendum be placed on the April 6th, 2021 ballot for cutting County programs and services in the 2022 budget by \$500,000 and applying that \$500,000 to the Highway road and bridge construction budget.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that an advisory referendum question for the purpose of cutting County programs and services in order to fund highway road and bridge construction.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the ballot question shall read as follows:

Should \$500,000 of County programs and	services be cut from the 2022 Oneida County Budget and
that \$500,000 be applied to the County hig	hway road and bridge construction budget.

[ ] Yes
[ ] No
EXPLANATORY STATEMENT & FEFECT OF VOTE

The referendum question being submitted is an advisory referendum. An advisory referendum does not require that the County Board take action in conformity with referendum results.

A YES VOTE on the question advises Oneida County that the voter approves of cutting \$500,000 dollars of County programs and services in the 2022 Oneida County Budget and applying that \$500,000 to the County highway road and bridge construction budget.

A *NO* VOTE on the question advises the County Board that the voter disapproves of cutting \$500,000 dollars of County programs and services in the 2022 Oneida County Budget and applying that \$500,000 to the County highway road and bridge construction budget

Offered and passage moved by: Scott Holewinski, Mike Timmons and Sonny Paszak.

<u>Discussion:</u> Winkler asked what programs would be eliminated, it is not specified. Holewinski stated that has yet to be determined, this would be up to the Administration Committee. Holewinski stated that over the years we keep adding services, the people should have a say if they want to fund services or infrastructure. Sorensen stated that this referendum is advisory only. Discussion on what services could be cut. VanRaalte stated the people would not be informed enough the way this is worded, they should be able to know ahead what programs and services are going to be cut.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution # 19 – 2021: 12 Aye, Cushing, Oettinger, Pence, Sorensen, Almekinder, Paszak, Kelly, Holewinski, Liebert, Ives, Timmons, Hintz; 7 Nay, Schreier, Winkler, Thome, VanRaalte, Fisher, Krolczyk, Fried; 1 Absent, Mott: 1 Vacant. District 15

Resolution # 19 - 2021: Adopted

Cushing left at 1:49 p.m.

<u>Closed Session -</u> It is anticipated that the County Board may meet in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 19.85 (1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Topic: Parcel off Air Park RD being part of Certified Survey Map # 5001 in GL 1 (NE-NE) Section 11 and GL 11 (SE-SE) Section 2, Township 36 North, Range 8 East, City of Rhinelander. A roll call vote will be taken to go into closed session and it is anticipated that the County Board will return to open session by roll call vote to consider the remainder of the meeting agenda.

Announcement of action taken in closed session, or take action based on closed session (NOTE: If the announcement of action taken in closed session would compromise the need for the closed session, the action taken will not be announced. Any action taken in closed session may be announced when the need for the closed session has passed).

Motion/Second: Holewinski/Paszak to go into Closed Session at 1:58 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye

Motion/Second: Paszak/Almekinder to return to Open Session at 2:32 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye

**Announcement:** Hintz announced that in closed session the Board discussed negotiation strategy of the subject property.

**NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME**: February 16, 2021 @ 9:30 a.m.

Unless a motion is made to change the starting time.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Hintz adjourned the meeting at 2:24 p.m.