

This meeting of the Vilas County Board of Supervisors was held in the conference rooms located in the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI.

Call to Order - County Board Chairman Stephen Favorite called the assembly to order at 9:00 A.M. and instructed the Clerk to read aloud and insert into the minutes the following: A Public meeting notice was given to the public by posting on the bulletin boards in the hall by the main entrance to the Vilas County Courthouse, Olson Memorial Library and Eagle River City Hall. The Vilas County News-Review; the Rhinelander Daily News; the Lakeland Times; the Ironwood Daily Globe; W.E.R.L. Radio; W.R.J.O. Radio; W.L.S.L Radio; W.H.D.G. Radio; and Channel 12 TV were notified on April 17, 2009 more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. The Clerk then requested that all present silence their cell phones and pagers for the duration of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance - The Chairman asked all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call - Roll call found the following members present: Emil Bakka, Alden Bauman, Edward Bluthardt, Jr., Gene Cizek, Ronald De Bruyne, Bob Egan, Jack Harrison, Sig Hjemvick, Leon Kukanich, Christopher Mayer, Dennis Nielsen, Mary Platner, Fred Radtke, Kathleen Rushlow, Ralph J. Sitzberger, Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe and Stephen Favorite. James Behling and Charles Rayala, Jr. were both excused. Maynard Bedish was absent. The Clerk reported 18 Supervisors in attendance, constituting a quorum of the County Board.

The Chairman then called for the following motions:

Approval of the Agenda to Be Discussed in Any Order - Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by R. Sitzberger to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order at the Chairman's discretion. All voted aye. Carried.

Approval of the Minutes of the March 24, 2009 Meeting - Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by L. Thorpe to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2009 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Omit Reading of All Resolutions and Ordinances by the County Clerk Unless Requested - Motion by K. Rushlow, seconded by R. Sitzberger to omit the reading of all resolutions and ordinances by the Clerk, unless requested from the floor. All voted aye. Carried.

Suspend the Rules to Act on Any Resolutions or Ordinance Received after the Ten Day Deadline - Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by K. Rushlow to suspend the rules to act on any resolution or ordinance received after the 10 day deadline, but received in time to list to the press and post. All voted aye. Carried.

Supervisor M. Bedish joined the meeting at 9:07 A.M.

Circuit Court Activities B Judge Neal Nielsen - Beginning at 9:08 A.M., Circuit Court Judge Neal Nielsen presented a State of the County Court program. He spoke concerning the various tasks and caseloads that his court is experiencing. This was followed by questions from the County Board members. Judge Nielsen's presentation concluded at 9:53 A.M.

Due to individuals waiting in the audience wishing to testify concerning Resolution 2009-40, the Chairman chose to bring that resolution to the floor for consideration at this time.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 40

RE: Families First Program Support

WHEREAS, the Families First Program provides home visitation, resources and information to families with children, specializing in ages birth to five; and

WHEREAS, the Families First Program is geared to meet the needs and to support the health and well-being of both parents and children; and

WHEREAS, the WIC and PNCC Program frequently refer their high risk clients to Families First for followup; and

WHEREAS, many of the clients we refer are single, teenage mothers, who are at a higher risk for a variety of poor outcomes including premature and low birth weight babies and academic and behavioral problems; and

WHEREAS, these mothers are at greater risk of receiving public assistance and living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, Families First Program is based on the highly successful Hawaiian home visitation model which focuses on parenting education, mentoring and developing individual family strengths; and

WHEREAS, Families First Program provides vital services to our County=s most at-risk and vulnerable population B our children; and

WHEREAS, Howard Young Health Care, due to economic considerations, is no longer able to support the Families First Program; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Public Health Department and Board recognize the need to continue this important program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the Vilas County Public Health Department is authorized to **explore** partnerships and funding sources to continue the Families First Program in Vilas County and bring their recommendations back to the full County Board for consideration.

Submitted by: **Public Health Board**

s/ Ron DeBruyne, Chair
s/ Alden Bauman
s/ Linda Thorpe
s/ Ed Bluthardt
James Behling

s/ Terrance Moe, MD
s/ Dan Paretsky, DVM
s/ Colleen Gorilla
Dawn Gapko
Randy Samuelson

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by E. Bluthardt to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

Presentation by Commission on Aging Benefit Specialist B Connie Gengle - Beginning at 10:09 A.M., Commission on Aging Benefit Specialist Connie Gengle presented a slide show detailing the services that the Benefit Specialist provides to the senior citizens of Vilas County. Her presentation ended at 10:27 A.M.

The Board then acted on all resolutions and ordinances in the order as posted.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES, IN THEIR ENTIRETY, ARE ON FILE IN THE COUNTY CLERK=S OFFICE.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 23

RE: Amendment of Standing Rules for Vilas County

WHEREAS, the Legislative and Judicial Committee has re-evaluated the Standing Rules and Committee Duties of the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in force at the present and deems it necessary to further update them to increase efficiency and service to the citizens of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the attached changes to the Standing Rules and Committee Duties for the Local Emergency Planning Committee be adopted effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any resolutions adopted by the County Board in the past governing the subject matter of this resolution are hereby rescinded and repealed.

Submitted by: **Legislative & Judicial Committee**

s/ Christopher Mayer, Chair
s/ Gene Ciszek
s/ James Behling
Stephen Favorite
s/ Sig Hjemvick

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by L. Thorpe to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 31

RE: Grant proposal to the Wisconsin Department of Tourism for AOriginal Gangster=s Paradise,@ a marketing and public relations plan

WHEREAS, tourism is a major source of revenue for Vilas County; and

WHEREAS, fall is traditionally known as a Ashoulder season,@ a period of the year when

historically tourism revenues substantially fall off from the previous season=s levels; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for increased incentives to attract travelers during the fall season beyond the brief period of fall color, which is both hard to predict and can sometimes last only a few weeks; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County is home to Little Bohemia, the former hideout of John Dillinger and ABaby Face@ Nelson and site of a huge gun battle between Federal agents and the gang, as well as other historic sites related to notorious crime figures of the early 20th century; and

WHEREAS, the major motion picture *Public Enemies*, scheduled for a nationwide release in July of 2009, focuses on the real life events of John Dillinger and ABaby Face@ Nelson, and is expected to create national and worldwide interest in the life and times of Dillinger and Nelson; and

WHEREAS, the expected public interest in John Dillinger generated by *Public Enemies* will create some excellent opportunities for Vilas County and its communities to promote its unique historic attractions to travelers; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County Tourism and Publicity has created Original Gangster=s Paradise, a marketing strategy that capitalizes on this expected wave of publicity and public interest; and

WHEREAS, this grant proposal outlines a strategy that cross-promotes Vilas County=s traditional tourism assets, including lakes, trails, resorts, fishing, boating, paddling, restaurants and dining; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County should take full advantage of this timely situation by applying for a Department of Tourism Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) grant of \$38,550 to execute its marketing and public relations efforts related to promoting Original Gangster=s Paradise; and

WHEREAS, Pilch and Barnet, Vilas County=s marketing firm, is qualified to execute the tasks and responsibilities associated with this grant proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Tourism & Publicity will meet the obligations of the JEM Grant by using Vilas County Tourism & Publicity=s current marketing budget to match funds received from the state up to \$38,550 and by reporting any results collected relating to economic impact to the appropriate Wisconsin Department of Tourism personnel.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April 2009 that the Tourism & Publicity Committee is authorized to apply for a JEM Grant for \$38,550 to fund the Original Gangster=s Paradise proposal for marketing and public relations efforts as described above.

Submitted by: **Vilas County Tourism & Publicity Committee**

s/ Linda L. Thorpe, Chair
s/ Charles Rayala
s/ Emil Bakka
Jim Behling
s/ Erv Teichmiller

Motion by E. Bakka, seconded by L. Thorpe to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 32

RE: Land O= Lakes Lakeland Development Ordinance Amendment

WHEREAS, the attached amendments to the Town of Land O= Lakes Lakeland Development Ordinance #2009-1, Section 5 and Section 7, were adopted as final by the Land O= Lakes Town Board on the 11th day of February, 2009 after the Land O= Lakes Town Plan Commission Public Hearing that was held on January 28, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Board must approve these amendments prior to them taking effect and Wis. Stat. 60.62(3), provides for such procedure; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Zoning Committee has reviewed these amendments and recommends approval of the attached amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the attached amendments to the Town of Land O= Lakes Lakeland Development Ordinance #2009-1, Section 5 and Section 7, are hereby approved pursuant to Wis. Stat. 60.62(3)

Submitted by: **Zoning and Planning Committee**

s/ Chris Mayer, Chair
s/ Jack Harrison, Vice Chair
s/ Bob Egan

s/ Fred Radtke
s/ Maynard Bedish

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 33

RE: Support Wisconsin Smoke-Free Air

WHEREAS, secondhand smoke is a Class A carcinogen containing over 4,000 chemicals, 200 of which are known poisons and 69 of which are known to cause cancer; and

WHEREAS, secondhand smoke kills 50,000 to 60,000 Americans and 900 Wisconsinites every year from heart disease and lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Surgeon General's 2006 Report *The Health Consequences of Involuntary Exposure to Tobacco Smoke* declares there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco smoke; and

WHEREAS, children are particularly vulnerable to the hazards of secondhand smoke, which causes respiratory tract infections, asthma induction and aggravation, middle ear infections, sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), and decreased lung function; and

WHEREAS, employees should not be forced to risk their health through exposure to dangerous and deadly toxins in their workplace; and

WHEREAS, the most effective way to protect employees and the public's health from the hazards of secondhand smoke is to eliminate secondhand smoke by creating smoke-free environments; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments are directly responsible for protecting the public health and safety of Wisconsin's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned believe that the issue of smoking in public places and work sites should be a concern for all levels of government B federal, state and local.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that we respectfully request the Wisconsin Legislature to strengthen state laws to fully protect workers and the public from the known health dangers of secondhand smoke by adopting a smoke-free law that creates completely smoke-free workplaces and indoor public places, including restaurants and bars.

Submitted by: **Public Health Board**

s/ Ronald DeBruyne, Chair	s/ Terrance Moe
s/ Alden Bauman	s/ Dan Paretsky
James Behling	s/ Colleen Gorrilla
s/ Edward Bluthardt Jr.	Dawn Gapko
s/ Linda L. Thorpe	s/ Becky DeMuth
	Randy Samuelson

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by E. Bluthardt to adopt. Discussion. 14 voted aye. 5 voted no: E. Bakka, G. Ciszek, C. Mayer, F. Radtke and R. Sitzberger. Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 34

RE: Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance Grant Funds

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, (OCI), has awarded funds to the Vilas County Commission on Aging (COA); and

WHEREAS, OCI is offering grant funds to assist the Benefit Specialist function; and

WHEREAS, the COA would use such grant funds to purchase services, supplies and equipment; and

WHEREAS, performance of Vilas County Commission on Aging Benefit Specialists is outstanding and qualifies for grant funding; and

WHEREAS, available grant funds in the amount of \$4,301 is available for the period April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Commission on Aging has approved and the Director has accepted such funds contingent on the following approvals: Corporation Counsel and County Board of Supervisors

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that we authorize the Vilas County Commission on Aging to use OCI Grant funds in the amount of \$4,301 to purchase services, supplies and equipment to assist the Benefit

Specialist function from April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 to more effectively serve the mature population of Vilas County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission on Aging is authorized to apply for said OCI Grant funds on an annual basis without further approval of the full County Board of Supervisors as long as the terms and conditions of the grant remain unchanged, no marching funds are required, and Personnel Committee approval is obtained for any resulting change in staff hours.

Submitted by: **Commission on Aging**

s/ Erwin G. Teichmiller, Chair	s/ Betty Hansen
s/ Dennis Nielsen, Vice Chair	s/ Shirley Haws
s/ Mary Platner	Danielle Montgomery
s/ Loyd Black	s/ Donna Rollman
s/ Betty Gussick	s/ Chris Wise

Motion by L. Kukanich, seconded by B. Egan to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 35

RE: Cancel 2006 and 2007 Taxes in the Town of Boulder Junction

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the following 2006 and 2007 taxes are hereby canceled and the Vilas County Clerk is instructed to charge the same back to the town:

TOWN OF BOULDER JUNCTION

Pt SW NE, Sec. 20, T42, R6E	2006 - \$10.78	
	2007 - \$11.29	Total: \$22.07

Reason: Assessor states the assessment was removed in 2008 and after review with the Tax Listing Department it was determined that no land exists on this computer number.
Computer Number: 004-534

Submitted by: **Finance & Budget Committee**

s/ Kathleen Rushlow, Chair
s/ Christopher Mayer
s/ Charles Rayala, Jr.
s/ Linda L. Thorpe
s/ Stephen Favorite

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by A. Bauman to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 36

RE: Application for Wisconsin Land Information Program Grants-In-Aid to Local Government Units

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration-Division of Intergovernmental Relations (DOA-DOIR) has received funds in the form of retained fees collected by the Vilas County Register of Deeds from recorded documents; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County is eligible for Year 2009-Cycle Base Budget and Training and Education Grant Funds in the amount of \$7,428.00 from the DOA-DOIR.; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Register of Deeds collects recorded document fees per Wis. Stat. s.59.43(2)(ag), and a portion of these recording fees are sent to the Wisconsin Department of Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Register of Deeds would use such grant funds to convert recorded documents currently stored on microfilm to digital images, to develop and maintain a computerized indexing of the county=s land information records relating to housing, including the housing element of the county=s land use plan, in a manner that would allow for greater public access via the internet; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Land Information and Mapping Department and Register of Deeds use the training and education portion of the grant to offset the annual membership and conference fees associated with the Wisconsin Land Information Association; and

WHEREAS, these activities are consistent with the countywide plan for land records modernization; and

WHEREAS, grant application deadline is June 16, 2009.

April 21, 2009

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that we authorize the Vilas County Land Information Officer to apply for Year 2009-Cycle Base Budget and Training and Education Grant Funds in the amount of \$7,428.00 from the DOA-DOIR for the purpose of converting recorded documents currently stored on microfilm to digital images within the Register of Deeds Office.

Submitted by:

s/ Mary Platner

Motion by L. Kukanich, seconded by R. De Bruyne to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 - 37

RE: Opposition to Proposed Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Season in Late December

WHEREAS, the current muzzleloader deer season in Wisconsin runs for 10 days immediately after the close of the regular 9-day firearm deer season; and

WHEREAS, at its recent Annual Spring Fish and Wildlife Rule Hearings, the Department of Natural Resources proposed a number of advisory questions, including the following two questions dealing with a later muzzleloader deer season:

1) Would you support a 10-day muzzleloader deer season opening on December 22nd, no matter what day of the week, running through December 31st?

2) Would you support a 16-day muzzleloader deer season opening the Saturday before Christmas, and continuing through the Sunday following New Year=s Day? (Example: 12/19/2009 until 1/3/2010); and

WHEREAS, the statewide results from the 2009 DNR Spring Rule Hearings for the above-stated questions were as follows: Question 1: 2,546 yes and 4,174 no; Question 2: 2,432 yes and 4,440 no; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress will take an official position regarding these advisory questions at its State conference in May and will thereafter forward their advisory recommendations to the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board; and

WHEREAS, the proposed later muzzleloader deer seasons would present a conflict with the snowmobiling season and could result in the Vilas County snowmobile trail system remaining closed until after the winter holidays, contrary to the best interests of the citizens of Vilas County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009, that we strongly oppose the proposed later muzzleloader deer seasons as set forth in the DNR Annual Spring Fish & Wildlife Rule Hearing advisory questions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Wisconsin Conservation Congress State Liaison Kurt Thiede and Wisconsin DNR Secretary Matt Frank.

Submitted by:

s/ Christopher Mayer

s/ Alden Bauman

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by S. Hjemvick to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-38

RE: ORGANIZATION BORROWING RESOLUTION (Do Not Use For Partnerships or Sole Proprietorships)

By the (~~Board of Directors~~) (~~Board of Trustees~~) (Other: Board of Supervisors) of Vilas County Government a (~~corporation~~) (~~cooperative~~) (~~unincorporated association~~) (other: Municipal corporation organized pursuant to Ch 59 Wis Stats.), hereinafter called "Organization"; whose principal place of business is located at 330 Court Street Eagle River Wisconsin 54521

RESOLVED, THAT ANY one (1) of the officers of this Organization from time to time holding the following offices of this Organization:

Vilas County Clerk

is/are authorized for and on behalf of this Organization:

(1) to arrange for the borrowing and to borrow from time to time money from M&I Marshall & Ilsley ("Lender") and to give instructions to Lender regarding the same;

April 21, 2009

- (2) to execute and deliver to Lender, from time to time, notes and loan agreements evidencing such debts in such amounts, with such maturities, at such rates of interest and upon such terms and conditions as said officer(s) deem(s) proper;
- (3) to pledge, assign, mortgage or otherwise grant a security interest in any or all real property, fixtures, tangible or intangible personal property, or any other assets of this Organization, to execute and deliver to Lender such security agreements, assignments, mortgages, financing statements, hypothecations, agreements not to encumber and other agreements as may be requested by Lender from time to time with such promises, warranties, representations and conditions as said officer(s) deem(s) proper and to guarantee and/or secure the obligations of others to Lender, and to perform such acts required of the Organization in such agreements or otherwise to perfect such security interests, including the deposit of such property with Lender (and to withdraw and make substitutions of same from time to time);
- (4) to endorse or assign with or without recourse and deliver to Lender for discount, negotiation, deposit, application to loan balances or for collateral purposes, notes, drafts, checks, certificates of deposit, acceptances, chattel paper, accounts, commercial and other business paper now owned or hereafter acquired by this Organization;
- (5) to execute and deliver to Lender applications, agreements and other instruments for the issuance by Lender of letters of credit for the account of this Organization;
- (6) to execute and deliver subordinations, guarantees or other financial undertakings to Lender; and (7) to do all other things necessary or appropriate to the authority granted by this Resolution, and that the signature(s) of said officer(s) appearing on any of the foregoing shall be conclusive evidence of (his) (their) approval thereof.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the custodian of the records of this Organization be and hereby is authorized and directed to certify to Lender the foregoing Resolution and that the provisions thereof are in conformity with the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, Charter, Bylaws and/or rules of this Organization and to provide the names and to provide specimen or facsimile signatures if requested of the person(s) authorized therein and that the foregoing Resolution and the authority thereby conferred shall remain in full force and effect until this Organization notifies Lender to the contrary in writing, and Lender may conclusively presume that such Resolution and signature(s) are in effect and that the persons identified therein from time to time as officers of the Organization have been duly elected or appointed to and continue to hold such offices. Receipt of any such notice shall not affect any actions taken by Lender prior thereto.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Organization assumes full responsibility and holds harmless Lender for any and all payments made or any other actions taken by Lender in reliance upon the signatures (whether original, facsimile, digital or electronic) of any person or persons holding the offices of this Organization designated above regardless of whether or not the use of the signature was unlawful or unauthorized and regardless of by whom or by what means the purported signature may have been affixed to any instrument and for refusing to honor any signatures not provided to Lender, and that this Organization agrees to indemnify Lender against any and all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages or expenses suffered or incurred by Lender resulting from or arising out of any such payment or other action, including reasonable attorney's fees and legal expenses.

I hereby certify that I am the custodian of the records and seal (if any) of the above-named Organization organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin ; that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of resolutions duly adopted in accordance with law and the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Constitution, Charter and/or rules of said Organization by unanimous consent, or at a meeting of a quorum of its governing body on Tuesday April 21 2009 , and that said resolutions, not being in conflict with those Articles, Constitution, Charter or Bylaws, are now in full force and effect.

Dated April 21 2009
By David R. Alleman
Title Vilas County Clerk

Submitted by

s/ KathleenRushlow

Motion by D. Nielsen, seconded by L. Thorpe to adopt. Discussion. Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by E. Bluthardt to amend the resolution by adding the following sentence immediately under the title of the resolution: The purpose of this resolution is limited to the procurement and use of a Vilas County credit card. Discussion. R. De Bruyne and E. Bluthardt each amended their previous motion and second by adding the following additional language to the end of the resolution: Further Resolved, that the authority granted herein is limited to borrowing related to the Vilas County credit card and subject to the credit card use policy. 18 voted aye on the amendment. 1 no vote: A. Bauman. Amendment carried. All

voted aye on the resolution as amended. Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 - 39

RE: Transfer of Funds from the Social Services Fund

WHEREAS, in accordance with standard accounting practices and the program requirements of the State of Wisconsin, all revenues and expenditures for the Vilas County Social Services Department are contained in a separate fund, designated as the Social Services Fund in the County=s annual audit report; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Fund is a non-lapsing fund which means that any monies not expended from that fund each year do not automatically return to the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 99-73, the Fund has been capped at \$200,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 Social Services Budget is faced with a probable shortfall in the Youth Aids and Substitute Care portions of the budget which, as of March 31, 2009, was projected to be almost \$613,004.00 (see attached); and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Board and the Finance and Budget Committee both recommend that the \$200,000.00 of undesignated funds in the Social Services Fund be transferred into the Social Services Department=s 2009 operating budget if necessary for the purpose of covering the projected budget shortfall.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the \$200,000.00 of undesignated funds in the Social Services Fund is authorized to be transferred into the Social Services Department=s 2009 operating budget in the event of a shortfall in the Youth Aids and Substitute Care 2009 budget.

Submitted by:
Finance & Budget Committee

Submitted by:
Board of Social Services

s/ Kathleen Rushlow, Chair
s/ Christopher Mayer
s/ Charles Rayala, Jr.
s/ Linda L. Thorpe
s/ Stephen Favorite

s/ Alden Bauman, Chair
s/ Christopher Mayer
s/ Erv Teichmiller
s/ Leon Kukanich
s/ Emil Bakka

Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by C. Mayer to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 41

RE: Opposing the Governor=s Proposed Changes to Insurance Laws and 2009 Senate Bill 20

WHEREAS, Governor Jim Doyle=s 2009 Executive Budget Bill (2009 Assembly Bill 75) contains several anti-tort reform proposals including, but not limited to:

- § Changing comparative negligence laws to force a defendant to pay one hundred percent of the damages when they have as little as one percent of liability;
- § Forcing individuals, companies and local governments to pay for higher levels of insurance by increasing mandatory minimum auto liability insurance limits;
- § Changing the definition of an Aunderinsured motorist@ in a way that increases insurance claims;
- § Requiring insurance companies to cover Auninsured motorist@ insurance claims when no contact was made between the insured=s car and another car, thereby increasing the risk of fraudulent claims;
- § Allowing Astacking@ of coverage for Aunderinsured motorists@ such that the coverage limits for an accident are not limited to the policy relating to the particular vehicle involved in the accident;
- § Forcing excess or umbrella insurers to offer to cover certain claims when the coverage was not requested by the insured; and

WHEREAS, the above anti-tort reform proposals would significantly increase the cost of providing insurance in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County currently procures it liability insurance through Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation (WCMIC); and

WHEREAS, WCMIC is a county owned and operated mutual insurance company created for the purpose of providing long-term stability in insurance coverage and insurance costs for counties; and

WHEREAS, as a mutual insurance company, WCMIC=s increased cost of providing insurance

resulting from the anti-tort reform proposals would be borne by counties and their taxpayers directly in the form of increased insurance premiums; and

WHEREAS, 2009 Senate Bill 20 is currently pending before the Senate Labor, Election and Urban Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 20 would have a dramatic financial impact on counties by changing employment discrimination laws as follows:

- § Allowing claimants to collect unlimited punitive damages against counties contrary to current state and federal law;
- § Forcing counties to pay a punitive 10% surcharge to the court system in addition to unlimited damages;
- § Forcing counties to litigate issues of compensatory and punitive damages years after the initial discrimination complaint was filed;
- § Creating an irrational and inefficient complaint process where both parties have an incentive to litigate claims to the fullest extent possible; and

WHEREAS, Vilas County faces significant budgetary challenges related to the provision of critical state and county services at a time when state and federal financial support for such services is decreasing and the burden placed on Vilas County taxpayers is growing; and

WHEREAS, adding new costs for counties and forcing counties to increase their tax levies during our current economic downturn would be devastating to property taxpayers who can ill afford increased taxes or increased insurance costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that we oppose the Governor=s proposed changes to insurance laws included in his 2009 Executive Budget and the proposed changes to employment discrimination laws in 2009 Senate Bill 20 and strongly encourage our senators and representatives in the Wisconsin State Legislature to reject the Governor=s proposals and Senate Bill 20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator Jim Holperin, Representative Dan Meyer, and the Committee on Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform and Housing.

Submitted by: **Legislative & Judicial Committee**

s/ Christopher Mayer, Chair
s/ Gene Ciszek
s/ James Behling
s/ Stephen Favorite
Sigurd Hjemvick

Motion by R. De Bruyne, seconded by L. Kukanich to adopt. Discussion. All voted aye. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 42

RE: Hiring One Full-Time Deputy Sheriff due to a Vacancy

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Sheriff=s Department has twenty (20) full-time Deputy Sheriffs assigned to the Patrol Division within the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Sheriff has one vacant full-time Deputy Sheriff position due to one full-time Deputy Sheriff resigning from the department; and

WHEREAS, this position needs to be filled, as it is critical to the operation of the Sheriff=s Department to meet the agency=s statutory obligations in the protection of persons and property and maintaining Patrol operations; and

WHEREAS, the Vilas County Sheriff requests authorization to hire one full-time Deputy Sheriff for this vacant position; and

WHEREAS, the starting wage for the full-time Deputy Sheriff=s position is **\$18.49** in wages, all of which is included in the current Sheriff=s Department CY2009 Budget; and

WHEREAS, a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Board of Supervisors is necessary for filling a vacancy in a department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009, that the Vilas County Sheriff is authorized to fill the vacant full-time Deputy Sheriff position within the Department as outlined above.

Submitted by: **Law Enforcement Committee**

s/ Robert Egan, Chair

Sigurd Hjemvick
s/ Jack Harrison
Alden Bauman
s/ Edward Bluthardt

Motion by J. Harrison, seconded by R. Sitzberger to adopt. Discussion. A : majority positive vote is required for adoption. 18 voted aye. 1 no vote: F. Radtke. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2009 - 43

RE: Corrections Sergeant and Subordinate Position in Sheriff=s Department

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the Sheriff=s Department command staff effective April 26, 2009, in a position of Corrections Sergeant in the Vilas County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the duties of the Corrections Sergeant position include directing and coordinating activities of the Jail Division, assisting the Jail Administrator managing nineteen corrections staff assigned to the jail division and maintaining the care and control of all inmates; and

WHEREAS, the Corrections Sergeant may be filled by an eligible employee through a promotional policy, which would result in a vacancy in a Corrections Officer position; and

WHEREAS, should a vacancy in a Corrections Officer position occur due to a promotion to the Corrections Sergeant, the Sheriff is requesting authorization to fill the vacated Corrections Officer position; and

WHEREAS, these two positions need to be filled, as they are critical to the operation of the Sheriff=s Department to meet the agency=s statutory obligations in the protection of persons and property and maintaining jail operations; and

WHEREAS, the starting annual compensation for a Corrections Sergeant position is **\$39,449.20** in wages, and total fringe benefit and wages of **\$68,727.76**, which is included in the current Sheriff=s Department CY2009 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the starting wage for a Corrections Officer position is **\$32,822.40** in wages, and total fringe benefit and wages of **\$60,638.14**, all of which is included in the current Sheriff=s Department CY2009 Budget; and

WHEREAS, a three quarters (3/4) majority vote of the Board of Supervisors is necessary for filing a vacancy in a department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors in session this 21st day of April, 2009 that the Vilas County Sheriff is authorized to fill the vacated position of Corrections Sergeant, and also fill the vacant Corrections Officer position that this appointment may create.

Submitted by: **Vilas County Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Committee**

s/ Robert Egan, Chair
Sigurd Hjemvick
Alden Bauman
s/ Jack Harrison
s/ Edward Bluthardt, Jr.

Motion by B. Egan, seconded by D. Nielsen to adopt. Discussion. A : majority positive vote is required for adoption. All voted aye. Carried.

Annual Reports

A. Child Support - Motion by E. Bluthardt, seconded by R. Sitzberger to accept the Child Support Department report as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

B. Register of Deeds - Motion by L. Thorpe, seconded by R. Sitzberger to accept the Register of Deeds report as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Committee Reports

G. Ciszek and D. Nielsen reported on the success of a recent hazardous waste collection conduct by the Solid Waste Committee. They reported a good turnout of individuals wishing to dispose of old and unusable medications. F. Radtke reported that area towns were incurring additional expenses related to the disposing of recyclables, due to the collapse of prices paid for those recycled materials.

L. Thorpe reported that as a member of the Tourism & Promotion Committee, she has been attending Vilas Chamber of Commerce meetings. She also announced that a Business Securities seminar would soon be held in Boulder Junction, dealing with financial issues.

E. Teichmiller reported on Commission on Aging issues, and recognized Supervisor Radtke=s recent

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appointment as an officer of C.W.A.G. He also reported on Human Service Center issues, including the adverse impacts expected due to the Governor=s proposed budget cuts.

A. Bauman reported that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation had approved the repaving of 11 miles of State Highway 70, in the western part of Vilas County. The project is scheduled to begin on May 4, 2009.

C. Mayer reported a 100% increase in Zoning permit applications over this same period last year.

Letters and Communications

1. S. Favorite spoke about a recent WCA memo in opposition to the lowering of prevailing wage limits, as proposed in the Governor=s budget.

2. S. Favorite announced the inclusion of a property located in the Town of Washington into the National Register of Historic Places.

3. S. Favorite reported that Ahlborn Equipment, located in Sayner, Wisconsin, was now offering wholesale rates to WCA member counties.

4. S. Favorite announced that Oneida County would possibly be deliberating on a Human Services Center related resolution, during their County Board meeting being held this morning.

Pay Per Diem - Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by C. Mayer to approve payment of per diem. All voted aye. Carried.

E. Bakka \$83.00, A. Bauman \$103.35, M. Bedish \$58.25, Bluthardt \$55.50, G. Ciszek \$89.60, R. De Bruyne \$83.00, B. Egan \$59.90, S. Favorite \$56.60, J. Harrison \$103.90, S. Hjemvick \$70.90, L. Kukanich \$55.505, C. Mayer \$93.34, D. Nielsen \$73.10, M. Platner \$62.10, F. Radtke \$66.50, K. Rushlow \$53.85, R. Sitzberger \$77.505, E. Teichmiller \$78.05, L. Thorpe \$50.00.

Adjournment - Motion by A. Bauman, seconded by G. Ciszek to adjourn. All voting aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:42 A.M.

Prepared and submitted by:

David R. Alleman
Vilas County Clerk