

A General Meeting of the Ashland County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 18, 2015. Chairman Pete Russo called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A moment of personal prayer was held followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PETITION FOR MEETING

We, the undersigned, being a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors, Ashland County, Wisconsin do hereby petition that a General Meeting of the Board be called at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 18, 2015, the said meeting to be held for the purpose of transacting business as a Board of Supervisors of the said Ashland County.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	George Mika	Patrick Daoust
	Charles Ortman	Kenneth Lindquist
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Roll Call: Present: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Williamson, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 18

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

MINUTES – APRIL 16, 2015 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Motion was made by Jerry Teague and seconded by Charles Ortman to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2015 County Board Meeting as printed. Motion carried.

DRUG COURT PRESENTATION

Judge Robert Eaton addressed the board in regards to the Ashland County Drug Court program. He commented that the graduation rate for participants in the Ashland County program is higher than the national average. Judge Eaton noted that the grant which provides the funding for this program will be ending in September -- two applications have been submitted but will not be awarded until September. He stressed the need to continue this program with county funding if the grants are not awarded.

The board also heard an affirmation from a graduate of the program and he also urged the board to consider funding the program. In addition, District Attorney, Kelly McKnight, spoke about the benefits of the drug court program. Two handouts were distributed---a copy of those handouts can be found on file in the County Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1190

A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION R06-2013-1123 AND ADOPTING A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE BAD RIVER BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

WHEREAS, with the need to find cost effective ways to continue the everyday cost of law enforcement, jail and health and human services functions; and

WHEREAS, with an amendment to State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact of 1991 beginning in 2007, the first One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.⁰⁰) of the annual amount required to be paid by the section entitled “Payments to the State” can now be retained by the Tribe and paid directly to Ashland County.

WHEREAS, in order for the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians to allocate said funds to Ashland County, an agreement will need to be filed with the Wisconsin Department of Administration, Division of Gaming on an annual basis for approval and compliance.

WHEREAS, this MOA will become effective upon the passage by the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians Tribal Council.

WHEREAS, the Finance and Economic Committee approved the MOA at their March 20, 2015 meeting and recommended forwarding to the full County Board for approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors go on record authorizing the County Board Chair to enter into the attached Memorandum of Agreement between Ashland County and the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians for the purpose of allocating the first \$100,000.⁰⁰ of the annual amount required to be retained by the Tribe and paid to Ashland County on a quarterly basis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution R06-2013-1123 is repealed in its entirety.

Signed at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin this 18th day of June, 2015.

Motion was made by Charles Ortman and seconded by George Mika to adopt the resolution. A discussion followed during which the following amendment was brought forth:

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	George Mika	Patrick Daoust
	Charles Ortman	Kenneth Lindquist
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

EXTENSION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This EXTENSION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is entered into this 18th day of June, 2015 by and between the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians, a federally recognized Tribe, and the County of Ashland, pursuant to section XXXII.A(5) of the Tribe’s Gaming Compact of 1991, as amended.

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Agreement between the parties dated April 7, 2014 expired on December 31, 2014 and the parties want to extend and continue the Agreement; it is agreed that said Agreement is extended for an additional term commencing on January 1, 2015 and shall now expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this extension shall be on all the other terms and conditions as stated in the Memorandum of Agreement between the parties dated April 7, 2014.

Both the Bad River Tribe and the County of Ashland respectively represent that the following signatories are authorized to enter into this Agreement, and the signatories below hereby agree to the terms of this Agreement:

Michael Wiggins, Jr.
Tribal Chairman
Bad River Band of the Lake Superior
Tribe of Chippewa Indians

Pete Russo
Chairperson
County of Ashland
Board of Supervisors

Dated this 18th day of June, 2015.

Motion was made by Jim Oakley and seconded by Frank Kempf to propose an amendment to replace the resolution with the one page Memorandum of Agreement extending the 2014 agreement for a period of one year.

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Mertig. 16

No: Williamson. 1

Abstain: Schutte. 1

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 17

No: Williamson. 1

Abstain: 0

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1191

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACTUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BAD RIVER BAND OF THE LAKE SUPERIOR TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA AND THE COUNTY OF ASHLAND, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the Bad River Indian Reservation is located within the boundaries of Ashland County; and

WHEREAS, the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians currently have a Bad River Police Department; and

WHEREAS, both the Tribe and County agree on the importance of having a law enforcement presence on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe and County previously operated under a joint law enforcement program where the County Sheriff deputized officers in the Tribe's law enforcement department, but that the Tribe now has a need for a contractual law enforcement services agreement; a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement is established in order to promote the general welfare of the Bad River Community and Ashland County residents through common law enforcement goals of protection of life and property, preservation of peace and order, and provision of training and employment benefits including retirement benefits for law enforcement personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Public Property and Law Enforcement Committee approved the Contractual Law Enforcement Services Agreement between the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa and the County of Ashland, Wisconsin at their June 2, 2015 committee meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Contractual Law Enforcement Services Agreement and authorizes the Ashland County Board Chair to execute this Agreement and any other documents required to fulfill this Resolution.

Signed at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Donna Williamson and seconded by Dick Pufall to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Williamson, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 17

No: MacKenzie. 1

Abstain: 0

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1192

SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO REGULATE E-CIGARETTE USE INDOORS

WHEREAS, e-cigarettes are not currently regulated by the Food and Drug Administration. There is no way for consumers to know what types or concentrations of potentially harmful chemicals are found in e-cigarettes or how much nicotine they are inhaling; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2014 Wisconsin Youth Tobacco Survey, traditional cigarette smoking use decreased sharply among youth (13.1% in 2012 to 10.7% in 2014); however, e-cigarette use increased dramatically (7.9% of students used an e-cigarette). Re-normalizing of smoking indoors with e-cigarettes may increase appeal for youth; and

WHEREAS, to date, there is no evidence that using e-cigarettes or inhaling the secondhand vapor they emit is safe. Studies have shown the presence of heavy metals and carcinogens in e-cigarette vapor; and

WHEREAS, currently, using e-cigarettes does not meet the definition of “smoking” under Wisconsin’s Statewide Smoke-Free Air Law-so using them in public places, such as bars and restaurants, is not against the law; and

WHEREAS, since Wisconsin workplaces became smoke-free in 2010, clean indoor air has become the standard and 75% of Wisconsin voters support the statewide smoke-free air law.

WHEREAS, currently 4 cities (Onalaska, Ashwaubenon, Greenfield and Madison) in Wisconsin have prohibited the use of e-cigarettes anywhere smoking is prohibited by state law, including workplaces, bars and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, e-cigarettes can complicate enforcement of smoke-free laws, as it may be difficult to distinguish e-cigarettes from traditional cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, the only way to completely protect workers and the public from the health threats of secondhand emissions from electronic cigarettes is to create 100% smoke-free workplaces and public spaces.

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Health & Human Services Department Board passed this resolution at their April 15, 2015 meeting;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ashland County Board hereby supports efforts to prohibit the indoor use of electronic cigarettes in all workplaces, including bars and restaurants.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June 2015.

Signed:	Richard Pufall	Kathy L. Schutte
	Carl Kubley	Pete Russo
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Clarence Campbell and seconded by Donna Williamson to adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1193

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A \$1,000.00 DONATION FROM THE 2015 CONTINGENCY FUND

WHEREAS, Ashland County has been a past supporter and sponsor of Lake Superior Business & Technology conferences; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Wisconsin Innovation Network (WIN) Conference will be held on August 14, 2015 in Ashland; and

WHEREAS, at the May 20, 2015 Finance and Economic Development Committee meeting, the Committee voted to approve a \$1,000.⁰⁰ donation from the Contingency Fund to help sponsor this Conference, contingent upon full County Board approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Ashland County contribute \$1,000.⁰⁰ for the Lake Superior Business & Technology Conference, monies to come from the 2015 Contingency Fund.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by George Mika and seconded by Frank Kempf to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 17

No: Williamson. 1

Abstain: 0

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1194

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R11-2014-1170 ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO ALL NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES OF ASHLAND COUNTY IN CALENDAR YEAR 2015

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Board of Supervisors passed resolution R11-2014-1170 on November 12, 2014 establishing wages for non-represented employees of Ashland County for calendar year 2015.

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee at their May 19, 2015 meeting approved an additional wage increase for the Dispatch Supervisor/IT position and the Office Assistant (Clerk of Circuit Court p/t), effective June 22, 2015, which is the first pay period following the scheduled June 18, 2015 full County Board meeting.

Dispatch Supervisor/IT	\$43,722.00
Office Assistant (Clerk of Circuit Court p/t)	\$15.00/hour

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors does hereby amend resolution R11-2014-1170 and establish the amount of compensation which is set forth above to be the annual compensation to be paid by Ashland County to the persons holding such employment positions for Ashland County in calendar year 2015.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin on this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed: Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Matt MacKenzie and seconded by Dick Pufall to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Williamson, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 18

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1195

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN
THE CORONER CREMATION FEES**

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Coroner provides requested services to the funeral homes for cremations; and

WHEREAS, the current rate for providing these services has not increased in many years and is currently below the State average; and

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Board of Supervisors has the authority to raise or implement service fees for county services; and

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Public Property and Law Enforcement Committee has reviewed the current fee at their June 2, 2015 meeting and agrees with increasing the fee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Ashland County Coroner to raise cremation fees from \$100.⁰⁰ to \$150.⁰⁰ effective July 1, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all previous Resolutions pertaining to cremation fees be repealed in their entirety.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Dick Pufall and seconded by Donna Williamson to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Williamson, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 18

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1196

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A REVOLVING LOAN FUND APPLICATION
FROM FARMHOUSE, LLC**

WHEREAS, Farmhouse, LLC located in the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, has made an application for a loan from the Ashland County Revolving Loan Fund (RLF); and

WHEREAS, the loan application has been completed and Farmhouse, LLC. meets all the necessary loan criteria to qualify for a loan under the Ashland County RLF; and

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Loan Review Committee has reviewed the loan application and determined that Farmhouse, LLC is eligible for a \$20,000.⁰⁰ loan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board does hereby approve a \$20,000.⁰⁰ loan, at 6% annual interest, amortized over seven (7) years secured by a first position General Business Security Agreement and the personal guarantee of Lauren M. Schuppe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Ashland County Board of Supervisors does hereby grant the Ashland County Chairperson the authority to sign all documents necessary to close the loan and that the Ashland County Corporate Counsel approve all legal documents to secure this loan.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Frank Kempf and seconded by Kathy Schutte to adopt the resolution. Ann Kozak from the Ashland Area Development Corporation spoke briefly on the loan.

Roll Call: Yes: MacKenzie, Teague, Oakley, Campbell, Ortman, Williamson, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Mika, Lindquist, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 17

No: 0

Abstain: Wheeler. 1

Absent: J. Kabasa, Korpela. 2

Excused: G. Kabasa. 1

RESOLUTION - R06-2015-1197

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE ASHLAND COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

WHEREAS, § 59.54(8)(a)1, the County Board shall create a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) with members as specified in 42 USC 11001 (c); and

WHEREAS, § 59.54(8)(a)4, the County Board shall at least annually, submit to the Division of Emergency Management in the Department of Military Affairs a list of the members of the LEPC; and

WHEREAS, these LEPC administrative requirements are a compliance item of the Ashland County Emergency Management's FY15 Plan of Work (directive 2005.3.1); and

WHEREAS, at the Ashland County Public Property & Law Enforcement Committee meeting on May 5, 2015, the committee reviewed the LEPC membership list and recommended forwarding this resolution to the Ashland County Board of Supervisors for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors of the County of Ashland approves the LEPC Membership List for FY15; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Office of Emergency Management will submit, on behalf of the County, the approved LEPC Membership List to Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM), a Division of Military Affairs, as a completed compliance item for FY15 Plan of Work.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2015.

Signed:	Pete Russo	Richard Pufall
	Kathy L. Schutte	Carl Kubley
	Gary A. Mertig	Donna Williamson
	Patrick Daoust	Charles Ortman
	Kenneth Lindquist	George Mika
	James Oakley	Clarence Campbell

Motion was made by Jim Oakley and seconded by Dick Pufall to adopt the resolution. Motion carried with Matt MacKenzie abstaining.

APPROVAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Jim Oakley and seconded by Pat Daoust to confirm the appointment of Charles Ortman, Jerry Teague, Pete Russo, George Mika, Donna Williamson, Joe Rose and Gary Mertig to the Comprehensive Planning Committee. Jeff Beirl noted that the committee would also be involved in updating the Farmland Preservation Plan. A discussion followed. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

COUNTY TREASURER

REPORT OF ASHAND COUNTY TREASURER ASHLAND, WISCONSIN

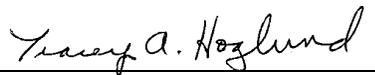
To the County Board of Supervisors, Ashland County, Wisconsin

County Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and
Disbursements as of 05/31/15

COUNTY GENERAL AND HIGHWAY FUND

Cash Balance on Hand as of 05/01/15	\$	<u>608,028.04</u>
Receipts 05/01/15 through 05/31/15	\$	<u>1,430,523.53</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 2,038,551.57</u>
Disbursements	\$	<u>1,782,401.72</u>
	CASH BALANCE ON HAND	<u>\$ 256,149.85</u>
Total all Special Accts. Principal Amounts	\$	<u>7,015,028.61</u>
Interest on Special Accounts	\$	14,217.98

I, Tracey A. Hoglund, Ashland County Treasurer for Ashland County, Ashland, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of receipts, disbursements, balances and investments with interest for the period ending 05/31/15.



Tracey A. Hoglund, Ashland County Treasurer
Ashland County, Wisconsin

Motion was made by Pat Daoust and seconded by Charles Ortman to approve the Treasurer's Report and to place on file. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Clarence Campbell announced that Patricia Ortman resigned from the Health and Human Services Board after 19 years of service. He read the resolution thanking Pat for her 19 years of service.

Donna Williamson commented on the 100th Anniversary celebration of the Courthouse which will be on July 10th.

Other topics that were discussed including the upcoming Dairy Days, the Drug Court program and an update from Jeff Beirl on the Super Fund Site court case.

There being no further business, motion was made by Dick Pufall and seconded by Charles Ortman to adjourn. Motion carried. County Board adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Schutte
Ashland County Clerk