

A General Meeting of the Ashland County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 16, 2016. Chairman Pete Russo called the meeting to order at 9:01 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 16, 2016, the said meeting to be held for the purpose of transacting business as a Board of Supervisors of the said Ashland County.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Roll Call: Present: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 18

Absent: 0

Excused: Ortman, Williamson. 2

MINUTES – APRIL 19, 2016 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Motion was made by Joyce Kabasa and seconded by Kathy Schutte to approve the April 19, 2016 County Board meeting minutes as printed. Motion carried.

NORTHLAKES PRESENTATION – REBA RICE

Reba Rice, CEO of Northlakes, gave a presentation and answered questions on the Northlakes Community Clinic. A copy of the presentation can be found on file in the County Clerk's Office.

ASHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HANDBOOK

Motion was made by Joyce Kabasa and seconded by Dick Pufall to approve the Ashland County Board of Supervisors Handbook. Jeff Beirl reviewed the changes made to the handbook with the board.

Motion was made by Matt MacKenzie and seconded by Frank Kempf to amend Rule #16 in the handbook to read: Supervisors can serve on not more than three total standing committees, of which not more than two can be elected (the remainder of the rule stays the same).

Roll Call to amend the handbook:

Yes:	Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Daoust, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Mertig. 13
No:	Teague, Pufall, Rose, Couture, Schutte. 5
Excused:	Ortman, Williamson. 2

Roll Call to approve the handbook as amended:

Roll Call: Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Teague, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig. 18
No: 0
Excused: Ortman, Williamson. 2

RESOLUTION - R06-2016-1223

HONORING JAMES OAKLEY

WHEREAS, James Oakley had served the 4th District as a Supervisor on the Ashland County Board beginning April 2012 until the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, Ashland County recognizes the excellent and dedicated service that James Oakley rendered Ashland County during his term of office; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors on behalf of the entire County, extends a unanimous vote of thanks and appreciation to the family of James Oakley for the four years of excellent and dedicated service he had provided Ashland County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors goes on record thanking the family of James Oakley for his years of public service.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 16th day of June, 2016.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Motion was made by Pat Daoust and seconded by Joyce Kabasa to adopt the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION - R06-2016-1224

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ASHLAND COUNTY DEPOSITORIES

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Finance & Economic Development Committee at their meeting on May 26, 2016 discussed which financial institutions Ashland County should designate as depositories; and

WHEREAS, the Finance & Economic Development Committee recommends the following to be designated as depositories for Ashland County:

Northern State Bank
BMO Harris Bank
Associated Bank
Chippewa Valley Bank
Superior Credit Union
Northwoods Credit Union

WHEREAS, this Municipality will notify the Banks that it requires security for the accounts maintained with the Banks in the name of this Municipality pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 34.07; and

WHEREAS, this Municipality adopts the following resolutions for the purpose of facilitating its request for security.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, any one of the persons holding the offices of this Municipality designated in the Depository Resolution is hereby authorized pursuant Wisconsin Statute § 34.07, to accept such security and to execute such documents as said officer deems proper and necessary to secure the accounts of this Municipality and to issue instructions regarding the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Municipality assumes full responsibility for the instructions from any of the persons designated in the Depository Resolution regarding security for the accounts notwithstanding any inconsistent requirements of this Municipality not expressed in this resolution or the Depository Resolution, and that the Municipality agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Banks against any and all claims, demands, losses, costs damages or expenses suffered or incurred by the Banks resulting from or arising out of any such action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution supersedes any other resolutions pertaining to the designated depositories for Ashland County.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 16th day of June, 2016.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Motion was made by Pat Daoust and seconded George Mika to adopt the resolution.

Jerry Teague was excused from the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call for Resolution R06-2016-1224:

Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig.17

No: 0

Excused: Teague, Ortman, Williamson. 3

RESOLUTION - R06-2016-1225

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING OF \$29,023.50 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TRUCK FOR THE CHIEF DEPUTY

WHEREAS, the County is in need to update the vehicles for the Law Enforcement Administrative staff; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 Ford Ranger utilized by the Chief Deputy is in need of numerous costly repairs; and

WHEREAS, in the 2016 budget for the Sheriff's Department, the County Board approved loan payments to purchase a truck for the Chief Deputy; and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Economic Committee at its May 26, 2016 meeting has approved the borrowing, and to move this recommendation forward to the full County Board for action.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors goes on record to borrow \$29,023.50 for the purchase of a 2016 Dodge Ram Crew Truck for the Chief Deputy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and County Clerk are authorized to sign the appropriate paperwork.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 16th day of June, 2016.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Motion was made by Kathy Schutte and seconded by Dick Pufall to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call for Resolution R06-2016-1225:

Yes:	Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig.17
No:	0
Excused:	Teague, Ortman, Williamson. 3

RESOLUTION - R06-2016-1226

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF COUNTY OWNED LANDS

WHEREAS, Ashland County presently owns the following property located on Madeline Island, in the Township of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin:

Lot Two (2), Block Thirty-four (34), Plat of Village of La Pointe, Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin AND Lot Four (4), Certified Survey Map No. 231, as recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Ashland County, Wisconsin on February 3, 1992 in Volume 2 of Certified Survey Maps, page 14, as Document No. X233863.

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe has expressed an interest in the two parcels of land that Ashland County presently owns; and

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Land and Zoning Committee, the Town of La Pointe Board, and the Townspeople agree that the Town of La Pointe would benefit and better utilize the properties; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2016, the Ashland County Land and Zoning Committee met and recommended this be approved by the Ashland County Board of Supervisors; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the sale and authorizes the Ashland County Clerk to transfer the above-described two parcels of County owned lands to the Town of La Pointe for \$11,562.64, which is the amount of unpaid tax certificates and Ashland County expenses. It is further agreed that the Town of La Pointe will pay the 2016 taxes when due:

Dated this 16th day of June, 2016, in the City of Ashland, Wisconsin.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Motion was made by Joe Rose and seconded by George Mika to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call for Resolution R06-2016-1226:

Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig.17

No: 0

Excused: Teague, Ortman, Williamson. 3

RESOLUTION - R06-2016-1227

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR WISCONSIN'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads as well as city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and

WHEREAS, according to "Filling Potholes: A New Look at Funding Local Transportation in Wisconsin," commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin (LGI) the condition of Wisconsin's highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and

WHEREAS, state funding for local roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with costs over the past several decades which has adversely affected local transportation finances. According to "Filling Potholes," municipal transportation spending has declined from \$275 per capita in 2000 to \$227 in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mass Transit Operating Aids and County Elderly and Disabled Transportation assistance programs are funded through the state gas tax and vehicle registration user fee system. These programs are critical to ensuring that transportation services are delivered to vulnerable citizens; and

WHEREAS, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's over-reliance on borrowing eats away at the state's segregated funding sources – the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees – which increasingly pay debt service rather than fund transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across Wisconsin. Unfortunately, according to TRIP, a national non-profit transportation research group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Ashland County Board recognizes that our state highway and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin. Both local and state roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and

WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the Governor and Legislature clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ashland County Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and Legislature to Just Fix It and agree upon a sustainable solution: one that includes responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately and sustainably fund Wisconsin's transportation system. Furthermore, the County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2016, in the City of Ashland, Wisconsin.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Matt MacKenzie
	Martin J. Vitek	George Mika
	Kathy L. Schutte	Patrick Daoust

Motion was made by Gary Mertig and seconded by Rick Korpela to adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE - O06-2016-85

DESIGNATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATVS) ROUTES AND REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLES (UTVS) ON THE COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY SYSTEM

Following due consideration of the recreational and economic value to connect trail opportunities and weighted against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects, terrain involved, traffic density and history of automobile traffic, this ordinance has been created pursuant to County Board authority under Wisconsin Statutes § 59.02, §23.33(11) and § 23.33(8)(b) as amended.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ASHLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) **TERMINOLOGY.** The term ATV used in the ordinance includes vehicles defined as ATVs and UTVs.

- (2) **ATV ROUTES.** County Trunk Highways or portions of County Trunk Highways designated as ATV routes shall be established and approved by the Highway Committee. The Highway Committee shall develop policies and procedures for designation of ATV routes including appropriate criteria for making a designation. Any modification to a designated ATV route shall be approved by the Highway Committee. A list of approved ATV routes, along with a map showing their location, shall be kept on file at the Highway Department. The Ashland County Highway Department shall have the authority to close or terminate any ATV route on the County Trunk Highway System, subject to approval by the Highway Committee.
- (3) **ATV ROUTES ONLY ON ROADWAY.** All ATVs using an approved route shall operate only on the paved portion of the roadway. Operation on the gravel shoulders, grassy inslope, ditches, or other highway right-of-way is prohibited and illegal.
- (4) **OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES ON COUNTY HIGHWAYS:**
- a) All ATV operators shall observe posted ATV speed limits. If no ATV limits are posted, the ATV speed limit shall be 25 MPH
 - b) All ATV operators shall ride in single file on the right hand side of the paved portion of the highway
 - c) All ATV operators shall have their headlight and taillight illuminated, while operating on a County Trunk Highway.
 - d) All ATV operators who are born after January 1, 1988 and operating on a County Highway are required to have an ATV Safety Certificate. No one under 12 years of age is allowed to operate an ATV on a County Trunk Highway.
 - e) All adults operating an ATV on a County Trunk Highway must possess a valid driver's license.
 - f) All minors operating an ATV on a County Trunk Highway must possess a valid driver's license or must be accompanied by an adult guardian possessing a valid driver's license.
 - g) All ATV operators under 18 years old shall wear protective headgear while operating on County Trunk Highways.
 - h) ATV operation shall be subject to all provisions of Wisconsin State Statutes §23.33, which is adopted as a part of this Ordinance by reference, except for §23.33 (13) (b), (bc) and (bg); §23.33 (13) (c) (cg) (cm) and (d) are not adopted as portions of the Ashland County Ordinance as they provide for criminal penalties which cannot be made part of a county ordinance. Routes shall be marked with uniform all-terrain vehicle route signs in accordance with s. NR 64.12 (7), Wisconsin Administrative Code. The Ashland County Highway Department shall designate the party responsible for ATV signage on a given County Trunk Highway. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking all-terrain vehicle routes:
 1. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move or obstruct any uniform all-terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform all-terrain vehicle route or trail sign.
 2. Possess any uniform all-terrain vehicle route or trail 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 all-terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform all-terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

- (5) ENFORCEMENT. This Ordinance shall be enforced by any officer employed by the Ashland County Sheriff's Department.
- (6) VIOLATIONS. Penalty. The penalty for operating an ATV in violation of this Ordinance on a designated ATV route or violating any other provision of this ordinance shall result in a forfeiture of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00, plus court costs. Citations may be issued in accordance with the attached deposit schedule, which does not include law enforcement training penalties, jail assessments or other applicable costs.
- (7) 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.
- (8) MAINTENANCE. Designation of segments of the Ashland County Highway System as ATV routes does not impose upon the Ashland 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 ATVs on county highways assume all the usual and normal risks of ATV operation.
- (9) EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance becomes effective immediately upon passage by the County Board of Supervisors and publication.

DEPOSIT SCHEDULE:

1.	Illegal Operation of an ATV off roadway:	\$200.00
2.	Speeding on or off roadway:	
	a. 1 – 10	\$100.00
	b. 11 – 15	\$150.00
	c. 16 – 19	\$200.00
	d. 20 – 24	\$250.00
	e. 25 and over	\$300.00
3.	Failure to Operate Single File	\$150.00
4.	Failure to Illuminate Headlights or Taillights	\$150.00
5.	Operating an ATV without Safety Certificate	\$150.00
6.	Operating an ATV without Protective Headgear	\$150.00
7.	Damage to Route or ATV Sign or Removal of Sign	\$500.00
8.	Illegal Possession of ATV Sign	\$250.00
9.	Operating an ATV without valid Driver's License	\$500.00
10.	Minor operating an ATV without adult guardian or valid Driver's License	\$500.00

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, this 16th day of June, 2016.

Signed:	Carl Kubley	Clarence Campbell
	Richard Pufall	Ken Wheeler
	Jerry Teague	Rick Korpela
	Gary A. Mertig	Joyce "Pep" Kabasa
	Gary Kabasa	Martin J. Vitek
	George Mika	Kathy L. Schutte
	Patrick Daoust	

Motion was made by Rick Korpela and seconded by Gary Mertig to adopt the ordinance. Highway Commissioner Emmer Shields commented on the ordinance. A discussion followed.

Motion was made by Ken Wheeler and seconded by Kathy Schutte to amend the ordinance by deleting the Deposit Schedule from the ordinance and send the schedule back to the Highway Committee for review and to change the following sections: (3) strike paved portion and replace with far right side and eliminate gravel shoulders and (4)b strike of the paved portion.

Roll Call for Resolution R06-2016-1226:

Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig.17

No: 0

Excused: Teague, Ortman, Williamson. 3

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Roll Call for Resolution R06-2016-1226:

Yes: Wheeler, MacKenzie, Campbell, J. Kabasa, G. Kabasa, Pufall, Daoust, Rose, Couture, Korpela, Mika, Vitek, Russo, Kubley, Kempf, Schutte, Mertig.17

No: 0

Excused: Teague, Ortman, Williamson. 3

APPOINTMENTS

ASHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND LAND INFORMATION COUNCIL

Motion was made by Kathy Schutte and seconded by Joyce Kabasa to confirm the following appointments:

Board of Adjustments: Kenneth Lindquist

Land Information Council: Donna Williamson, Jessica Stricker, Dorothy Tank, David Carlson, Larry Hildebrandt, Kent Tenney, Matt Schultz and Matt Eitrem.

Motion carried confirming the appointments to the Board of Adjustments and the Land Information Council.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

COUNTY TREASURER

REPORT OF ASHAND COUNTY TREASURER ASHLAND, WISCONSIN

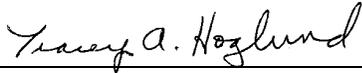
To the County Board of Supervisors, Ashland County, Wisconsin

County Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and
Disbursements as of 05/31/16

COUNTY GENERAL AND HIGHWAY FUND

Cash Balance on Hand as of 05/01/16	<u>847,554.57</u>
Receipts 05/01/16 through 05/31/16	<u>1,732,165.65</u>
TOTAL	<u>2,579,720.22</u>
Disbursements	<u>1,539,948.76</u>
CASH BALANCE ON HAND	<u>1,039,771.46</u>
Total all Special Accts. Principal Amounts	<u>6,754,523.35</u>
Interest on Special Accounts	18,308.20

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 05/31/2016.



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

Motion was made by Joyce Kabasa and seconded by Pat Daoust to approve the County Treasurer's report as presented and to place on file. Motion carried.

Ken Wheeler left the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

A moment of silent prayer was held in memory of Jim Oakley.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

There being no further business, motion was made by Matt MacKenzie and seconded by Joyce Kabasa to adjourn. County Board adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Schutte
County Clerk