

**JOURNAL OF THE MEETING OF THE
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

October 26, 2010

Pursuant to Section 59.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the October 26, 2010 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Michael J. Vandersteen at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Vandersteen noted that the notice of meeting was posted on October 19, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

The roll call was taken and recorded with 33 Supervisors present; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

INITIAL PRESENTATION OF THE 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET

County Administrator Adam Payne presented the 2011 Proposed Budget. The 2011 Sheboygan County Budget marks the first budget in the last four years that increases the property tax levy. However, the County property tax levy for 2011 remains lower than it was for 2007. The proposed 2011 budget increases the property tax levy by \$1,170,202, or 2.65%, and increases the tax rate from \$4.96 to \$5.24, a \$.28 increase. The County tax rate for 2011 remains lower than it was for 2008, and 52 cents lower than the average tax rate over the past ten years. Mr. Payne also reviewed key components of the proposed budget, and summarized the County's fiscal track record. Mr. Payne acknowledged and thanked the County Board, Department Heads and staff for their efforts and exemplary teamwork in developing the 2011 budget.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET

Chairperson Vandersteen noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was published on October 7, 2010 and declared the public hearing on the proposed 2011 budget open for anyone wishing to be heard.

Wayne Sargent, N6516 Hillside Road, Sheboygan Falls
Frank Sterzen, 340 Prospect Avenue, Sheboygan Falls
Jim Koenig, 3310 Hickory Circle, Sheboygan
Aaron Hau, N7091 County Road E, Plymouth
Scott Plocar, N8214 Rangeline Road, Sheboygan
Phil Mersberger, 9759 Middle Road, Oostburg
Lil Pipping, 562A Crestwood Drive, Elkhart Lake
Carol Kolzow, 1729 Andrae Circle, Sheboygan

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, Chairperson Vandersteen declared the public hearing closed at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business would be the review of the 2011 Proposed Budget and directed the County Clerk to go through the budget on a department by department basis. As each department was identified, the Chairperson requested that any amendments be offered.

Supervisor Baumgart made a motion to amend the Planning Department Budget by increasing Conservation Congress mileage and meals by \$1,200 and increasing tax levy by \$1,200. Supervisor Koch seconded the motion.

Supervisor Ogea made a motion to amend the Baumgart/Koch motion to take the \$1,200 from the Recreation Fees Reserve Account. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Abler and was defeated on vote of the board of Ayes: 8, Supervisors Abler, Bosman, Conrardy, Hoffmann, Holub, Ogea, Adrian Van Dixhorn, and Jacob Van Dixhorn; Noes: 25; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

The original Baumgart/Koch motion was defeated on vote of the board of Ayes: 5, Baumgart, Koch, Procek, Vandersteen, and Winkel; Noes: 28; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

Supervisor Baumgart made a motion to amend the Planning Department Budget by reducing Parks/Recreation revenue by \$40,500, reduce expenditures in Parks/Recreation by \$37,900, increase recreation reserve by \$247,900 for a net increase in tax levy \$250,500. Supervisor Koch seconded the motion.

The motion and second were withdrawn.

Supervisor Bemis made a motion to amend the Planning Department Budget by reducing Parks/Recreation revenue by \$40,500, and reducing expenditures in Parks/Recreation by \$37,900 and increasing the use of Fund Balance by \$2,600. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Marthenze.

Supervisor Baumgart made a motion to amend the Bemis/Marthenze motion reinstating the expense for Parks/Recreation and changing the amount of Fund Balance to \$40,500. Supervisor Ogea seconded the motion which carried on unanimous vote of the board.

The original motion as amended carried on vote of the board of Ayes: 28; Noes: 5, Supervisors Dunton, Feider, Procek, Schultz, and Jacob Van Dixhorn; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

Supervisor LeMahieu made a motion to amend the Sheriff's Department Budget by eliminating funding for the dispatch manager and reduce the tax levy by \$45,344. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Ogea and carried on voice vote of the board of Ayes: 17; Noes: 16, Supervisors Abler, Baumgart, Dunton, Feider, Hoffmann, Koch, Medina, Procek, Schultz, Van Der Male, Jacob Van Dixhorn, Vandersteen, Weggeman, Wegner, Wheeler, and Ziegelbauer; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

Supervisor Epping made a motion to amend the Non-Departmental Budget by reducing the museum Grant by \$20,000 and reducing the tax levy by \$20,000. Supervisor Winkel seconded the motion which was defeated on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 9, Bemis, Damp, Epping, Feider, Hoffmann, Holub, LeMahieu, Otten, and Winkel; Absent: 1, Supervisor Raml.

Supervisor Winkel made a motion to amend the Highway Department Budget by increasing the bridge aid tax levy by \$24,161 and increasing grant expense for bridge aid by \$24,161 per Resolution 22. The motion was seconded by Supervisor TeStroete and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

When no further motions were offered, Chairperson Vandersteen declared the Budget Review Session concluded.

Supervisor Otten made a motion to refer the budget back to the Finance Committee. Supervisor Conrardy seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The 2011 Proposed Budget, as modified by the floor motions, was referred back to the Finance Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Bemis made a motion to adjourn to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2010. Supervisor Wheeler seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

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