ICC Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2015
Columbia County Annex, Portage, WI

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Russell Kottke, Chairman, at 9:30 a.m.

Certification of Open Meeting Notices

The Secretary confirmed that the requirements of the WI Open Meeting Law were met.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion by Co., Columbia County seconded by Marquette Co., to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Green Lake Co., seconded by Dodge County to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2015, meeting with correction to 3 page, under *addition discussion section*, 1st dot point, "...Marquette county has petitioned the state to allow counties to independently raise sales tax. This did not get into the budget. However, it is **not** (added text) dead yet. ...". Motion approved.

Review and Adoption of 2015-2016 ICC Program Schedule

Motion by Green Lake Co., seconded by Dodge Co. to adopt 2015-2016 ICC program schedule. Motion approved.

Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials -- none

Update on County Issues

WCA Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf reported out on several WCA legislative topics:

- Transportation bill is held up.
- There will be Civil Service Reform legislation.
- There will be government accountability reform legislation.
- Income Maintenance funding bill is being proposed that will address the county's role in implementing the IM program for people on public aid. The 2016 funding is $9.8 million dollars; 2016 funding will be cut to $4.7 mil and another cut to $2.3 million in 2017.
- 17 year old juvenile defender bill proposes to treat non-violent juvenile defenders as youth instead of adults, however, WCA wants to see reimbursement to counties included in the bill, estimate costs is $8.3 for 71 counties and Milw. = $7 million reimbursement. Legislature estimates that the costs to counties is overinflated and has proposed $6 million/year to all counties.
- Transportation funding swap: swap out state transportation funding for federal funding. Take local transportation projects funding and access federal funds for larger state projects.
- Transportation sales tax: add ½ cent transportation sales tax for municipalities and counties, legislature considers this a tax increase. Governor has indicated he would veto.
- Shoreland zoning: changes made to shoreland zoning, striped local control. Only can enforce around rules that are in place. WCA wants to see three changes: exception from 150 foot setback to 75 foot setback when there is an existing development pattern; definition of structure; limiting owners on footprint of construction.
- Transportation contingency bonding is still high priority. Large transportation projects are on hold for two years, maybe longer.

- Relief from state public fund notice, legislation proposes, list once publically and then print smaller list two other times.
- Sales tax exception for new building projects for county projects. Governor vetoed provision, new legislation has been introduced to allow for tax exception for new county building projects.
- Child welfare legislation, also referred to as the justice for children package: would require all child welfare referrals to involve county law enforcement, this would overburden county law enforcement agencies. WCA would like to see an amendment that includes an agreement that would allow exceptions.
- Proposed legislation regarding post-retirement benefits: have fund fulling funded at all times. WCA thinks it's dead.
- Repeal comprehensive planning, WCA is in opposition to bill.
- Exempt M.A. state bed tax in three counties nursing homes, so those counties will be reimbursed.
- Floor session begins 10/20-11/5.

Program Topic: Cooperative Extension: Transforming Today's Extension for Tomorrow's Possibilities with *Rick Klemme, Dean and Director of Cooperative UW-Extension*
The presentation will focus on:

- Communicating the impacts of the state budget cuts on Cooperative Extension;
- Providing updates regarding the timeline and development of our future model – local/county/tribal presence, campus relationships and administrative support;
- Inquiring how county partners would like to be engaged in the development and implementation of the model; and,
- Providing county partners opportunities to continue the conversation and ask questions.

Open ICC Discussion

- How many county committees meet in day time?
  Jefferson has co bd meeting in evening yet committee meetings in day time; Dodge is mixed, Dodge would like to see more evening meetings; Green Lake co bd is in evening, and committee meetings at 4:30-5 pm; Sauk has meeting in evening w/ some committees meeting at 4 pm; Marquette has some committee meetings at 4:30 pm, and co bd meetings in evening. It was stated that some younger committee members have to take off work if committee(s) meet.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m. on a motion by Sauk County and seconded by Columbia County. Motion approved.

ICC Participants

Refer to sign-in sheet

Respectfully submitted by,

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