

**VERNON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES**  
**June 10, 2014**

County Board Chairman, Herbert Cornell called the June 10, 2014 meeting of the Vernon County Board of Supervisors to order at 9:30 A.M. in the County Boardroom of the Courthouse Annex. Pastor Judie Jacobson, New Hope and Retreat United Methodist Churches gave the invocation. Board members and others present gave the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Cornell affirmed there had been proper public notice of the meeting. County Clerk, Ron Hoff, called roll call with all 29 Supervisors present.

Chairman Cornell moved to the minutes of the last meeting. **Motion by Subera, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brose to dispense with reading of the April 15, 2014 proceedings and approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.**

**Chairman Cornell moved to the announcements on the agenda.** Hoff stated that after the County Board meeting everyone is invited to the employee picnic at Vernon Manor. John Spears and Dan Meyer will be grilling. Also, there is a mural painted on the west farm's barn wall that should be very interesting to see. The WCA Convention this year is in Wisconsin Dells on September 14 – 16th. Reservations need to be made before August 1<sup>st</sup>. If you would be interested in being a second vice for the Wisconsin Counties Association, forms can be submitted to the County Clerk. If you are interested in a County Board picture, complete the order form along with the \$3 fee and submit to the County Clerk.

Chairman Cornell announced that Francis Mathison was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Veterans Service Commission. Jim Servais made the announcement that as Chair of the Vernon County Dairy Promotion Committee he would like to thank Kevin Larson for the super job he did on being Chair for the dairy breakfast and to thank the County Board members who helped sell tickets. It was a great success, everything went smoothly and 1900 people were served. Brian Richardson announced that Hillsboro is having the Cesky Den this weekend. Dennis Brault updated the Board that at the beginning of the year there were a couple of resolutions that the Board passed, one was the USA Freedom Act. Congress passed it the other day, unfortunately, there were some 11<sup>th</sup> hour changes made by the White House. It is now before the Senate Judiciary Committee and he recommends that people contact, individually this time around, Senators Johnson and Baldwin to support the version that is now before that committee. Karen Dahl asked the question, "Who is Representative Edward Brooks?" Hoff stated that during the re-districting, the Town of Greenwood got pulled out of Vernon County and Ed Brooks from the Richland area kept the Town of Greenwood, so, we now have two Senate districts and two Assembly districts instead of one in Vernon County.

**Under the Special Order of Business,** Pat Peterson, Director of Unit on Aging, is requesting an addition of staff. Her receptionist of 27 years has given her notice. She is requesting that the position move from a 30-hour a week position to a 37.50 hour position due to the increase in work load. Peterson said that she had included in the County Board packets some information regarding the position. She discussed several requests from citizens that their office had received and dealt with. Yttri asked about the costs. Peterson explained that the difference in benefits from the current employee and the new employee would be approximately \$3000. She anticipates they would be using a mix of grants that have already been received, so, they are not looking for any new money. They will just reallocate this. **Motion made by Dahl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Subera to bring forward.** Chairman Cornell stated it will be a 2/3 roll call vote. 26 yes votes to 3 no votes. The 3 no votes were Gobel, Brault, and Richardson.

Phil Hewitt, Highway Commissioner, withdrew his request of part-time to full-time maintenance staff at this time for further investigation.

Pam Eitland, Director of Human Services is requesting authorization of payment for State Mental Health Institute Expenses. She stated that they have had 13 individuals go to state mental health institutes so far this year with just 1 person there today. Everybody else has been transitioned out into community programs. They are using all of the local facilities when that is appropriate. At the last County Board

