NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FULL COMMISSION February 4, 2009

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MARILYN BHEND GEORGE BORNEMANN **BOB EGAN** FRED CAMACHO TOM HAFERMAN **ERHARD HUETTL RON JACOBSON** DONALD KRAHN MAURICE MATHEWS PAUL MILLAN BETTYE NALL RON NYE THOMAS RICK PAUL SCHUMAN EDMUND WAFLE DOUG WILLIAMS

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

GLEN LICITAR ROBERT LUSSOW WILBUR PETROSKEY HELMI MEHUS THOMAS RUDOLPH

STAFF PRESENT:

DARRYL LANDEAU DENNIS LAWRENCE BERNIE LEWIS MATT SCHREIBER

GUESTS PRESENT:

BARKLEY ANDERSON, Interim Administrator for the Village of Edgar

JEFF GATES, Administrator for City of Mosinee

PAUL KNUTH, Northern Field Representative for U.S. Representative Steve Kagen

1.) <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>:

MR. HUETTL called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M., in the Bayberry Room at the Midway Hotel & Hoffman House. Roll call was as presented on page one.

2.) <u>AUDIENCE COMMENT:</u>

MR. HUETTL welcomed everyone, and for the new members and guests present, asked everyone to introduce themselves and indicate what county they represented.

3.) <u>APPROVAL, ADDITIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA AS MAILED:</u>

MR. HUETTL asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda as mailed. There being none, a motion was made to approve the Agenda as mailed by MR. MATHEWS and seconded by MR. KRAHN. Motion carried.

4.) <u>APPROVAL, ADDITIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES OF THE</u> <u>NOVEMBER 5, 2008 COMMISSION MEETING:</u>

MR HUETTL asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes as mailed. There being none, MS. BHEND made a motion to approve the Minutes and MR. BORNEMANN seconded this motion. Motion carried.

5.) <u>BUSINESS & DISCUSSION:</u>

5.1 <u>CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u>:

MR. HUETTL stated that the federal economic stimulus funding is in the works and counties were very much in need of this funding and anxiously waiting for word of this program and looked forward to the discussion later in the meeting.

5.2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

MR. LAWRENCE reported that 2008 was a good year both operationally and financially for the NCWRPC. He stated that the auditor's initial report was that all appears to be in good order for the NCWRPC and the NCWDC. At the next meeting the final audit report will be available for review, and the auditor will provide an overview of their findings and answer any questions.

MR. LAWRENCE updated the Commissioners on the on-going efforts to increase membership. He announced that Vilas County had become members

of the Commission effective January 1, 2009. He had also had met with the Marathon County Towns Association discussing membership. Currently, Marathon County is reimbursing half the cost of membership to new and current members in Marathon County.

MR. LAWRENCE also presented a handout entitled the Wisconsin Scenic Byways Program that is administered through the WisDOT. This might be a possible future work item for the Commission.

5.3 FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS OVERVIEW:

MR. LAWRENCE presented an overview of the federal stimulus process as outlined in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The House of Representatives did pass this bill and the Senate is still working on this, sometime soon it will make it to the President's desk and the money will start to flow. A copy was provided for review, as well as a letter from Governor Doyle regarding the projects submitted by the NCWRPC for federal economic stimulus funding.

Funding will likely flow through existing state and federal programs and the normal application process will need to be followed. He went on to state that the list of projects submitted by communities showed the demand for funds needed. It's expected that projects will need to be submitted individually to be considered for funding.

5.4 <u>STIMULUS PROJECTS IDENTIFIED & RANKING:</u>

MR. HUETTL introduced MATT SCHREIBER, the new economic development planner who is working with the stimulus program. MR. SCHREIBER presented a Stimulus Review Criteria handout that will be used to prioritize projects submitted to NCWRPC as part of the 2009 Stimulus Funding process. He highlighted the seven criteria areas for each county as follows: Unemployment, Per Capita Income, Listed in the CEDS; Project Readiness, Number of Jobs Created, Cost Per Job, and Project Category. MR. SCHREIBER stated that 151 projects were received totaling approximately \$350,000,000 in funding requests.

This rating process, although applied to all projects, will be utilized to rank EDA related projects. These will then be incorporated into the CEDS document for adoption in April.

5.5 <u>2008 TRANSPORTATION WORK PROGRAM OVERVIEW:</u>

MR. LANDEAU presented an overview of projects completed for the Commission's Transportation Program for 2008. These projects were as follows: County Level Coordinated Transit Plans; Local Road Improvement

Plans; Traffic Counts for the Towns of Cassian and Rolling; Safe Routes to School for City of Antigo and City of Wisconsin Rapids; Transportation Enhancements for City of Rhinelander; and Comprehensive Planning for Langlade County as well as for numerous city, villages and towns that are either completed or in progress.

5.6 <u>RESOLUTION 2009-1: 2009 DOT Work Program Review & Adoption:</u>

MR. LANDEAU presented a 2009 Rural Transportation Planning Work Program and highlighted the three sections, Work Elements, Budget Summary, and Activity Schedule of this program. He also presented the 2009-2010 Fee Schedule for the various services the NCWRPC provides. He stated that a Resolution was needed to accept this program.

MR. BORNEMANN made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2009-1 Adopting Annual Transportation Work Program, and MR. KRAHN seconded this. Motion carried.

5.7 <u>COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE DISCUSSION:</u>

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, April 29th, 2009.

5.8 <u>OTHER</u>

MR. HUETTL asked if there was any other business. There was none.

6.) ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by MS. NALL adjourn the meeting, and MR. WAFLE seconded this motion. All were in favor.

A lunch was served following the meeting.

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Chair, Vice-Chair, or Secretary-Treasurer