

Lime Quarry Governing Committee
August 20, 2008
West Conference Room, 2nd Floor
Polk County Government Center
Balsam Lake, WI

Vice Chair Diane Stoneking called the meeting to order at 2:30. Committee members Dean Johansen, Ted Johnson, Kathryn Kienholz, and Diane Stoneking, plus office manager Judy Glenna, were present.

Motion by Johnson/Kienholz to approve the agenda; passed.

Motion by Johnson/Johansen to consider all open session items first, then go into closed session; passed.

Chairman Larry Jepsen joined the meeting at 2:40.

There was public comment from Steve Swenson, St. Croix Falls, 715-483-9797, and Kent Muschinski, Dresser, both of whom opposed closing the lime quarry.

Motion by Stoneking/Kienholz to approve the invoices; passed.

Glenna reviewed operations. Motion by Stoneking/Johnson to authorize her to buy two tires for the loader; withdrawn. The committee authorized Glenna to purchase the tires and to work with the finance director to ensure that the purchase matched county purchasing policy.

Andrea Jerrick, employee relations director, joined the meeting. Motion by Johnson/Johansen to appeal the personnel committee's recommendation to eliminate all staff at the lime quarry; passed. The appeal will take place at a joint meeting of the personnel and finance committees at 9 am on Tuesday, October 7. It was noted that if a quorum of the lime committee attended the appeal it will need to convene a meeting, with proper public notice and published agenda.

The committee discussed the gasoline-metering device that was put in place at the lime quarry in late June or early July. The move to obtain and install the device was initiated by the finance director as part of the internal control process. It was noted that Larson Allan, the outside auditing firm, is doing an internal control audit of the lime quarry's books and records.

The committee took a five-minute break.

Motion by Stoneking/Johansen to go into closed session; passed, unanimous. The committee convened at 4:00 pm in closed session under Wisconsin Statue Section

19.85(1)(c) for 1, the purpose of considering the employment of a public employee over which the Lime Quarry Committee exercised authority, and 2, the purpose of discussing the minutes of the July 28 closed session as said closed session involved the employment of a public employee over which the lime quarry committee exercised authority. Judy Glenna, Andrea Jerrick, and Jeff Fuge, corporation counsel, were invited to join the closed session.

Motion by Johansen/Johnson to go back onto open session; passed. The committee reconvened in open session at 4:48 pm.

Motion by Johnson/Johansen to approve the minutes of the July 28 open session; passed.

The committee announced to the public that it had accepted the resignation of the lime quarry manager, Merrill Nehring, and had appointed Judy Glenna as interim manager.

Motion by Johnson/Johansen at 4:55pm to adjourn; passed.