

**Polk County Board of Supervisors**  
Polk County Government Center  
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI  
County Board Room  
**Tuesday December 16, 2014**  
**Regular Business Meeting, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Open Session**

1. Call to Order
2. Evidence of Proper Notice
3. Roll Call
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Time of Reflection
6. **Consent Agenda**
  - A. Consideration of noticed agenda for December 16, 2014 meeting;
  - B. Consideration/corrections to the published minutes of November 12, 2014 County Board Meetings
7. Public Comments - 3 minutes per person- not to exceed 30 minutes total
8. Time for Committee Q&A (if any)
9. Chairman's Report, Wm. Johnson
  - A. Update from WCWRPC
  
10. Presentation by Dan Bahr, Legislative Associate from Wisconsin Counties Association, information on the implements of animal husbandry ordinance legislation and transportation funding in the next state budget
  
11. Approval of the 2015 Polk County Forest Annual Work Plan
  
12. **Proposed Resolutions and Ordinances**
  - A. **Resolution 48-14: Resolution to Opt In – Adopting State Regulation of Weight Limits of Category B Implements of Husbandry**
  
  - B. **Resolution 49-14: Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund**
  
13. Supervisors Reports
  
14. Adjourn

This meeting is open to the public according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.83. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend and/or participate are asked to notify the County Clerk's office (715-485-9226) at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time so all reasonable accommodations can be made.

# 2015 ANNUAL WORK PLAN



**pcforestry**

## **POLK COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT**

### **GOVERNING COMMITTEE**

CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, RECREATION & EDUCATION

Kim O'Connell – Chairperson

Craig Moriak – Vice Chair

Jim Edgell

Dean Johansen

Warren Nelson

Dale Wood

### **FOREST ADMINISTRATOR**

Jeremy Koslowski

### **WI-DNR LIAISON FORESTER**

Paul Heimstead

Following is the annual Polk County Forest work plan for the calendar year 2015. The plan gives direction and meaning to the proposed County Forest budget, and further defines and supplements the County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan and emphasizes the current needs of the County Forest program. This plan is needed to comply with Wis. Statute 28.11(5) and Chapter NR47.75 of the Wisconsin Administrative Rules for the administration of the County Forest Administrator Grant program.

## **REFERENCES**

1. Annual Integrated Planning Meeting held on September 18, 2014.
2. Polk County Fifteen Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan (2006-2020)

## **THE POLK COUNTY FOREST MISSION STATEMENT**

Natural resources, such as those provided by the Polk County Forest (PCF), are the base for addressing the ecological and socioeconomic needs of society. The mission of the Polk County Forest is to manage, conserve and protect these resources on a sustainable basis for present and future generations.

PCF resources should be protected from natural catastrophes such as fire, insect and disease outbreaks, and from human threats such as encroachment, over-utilization, environmental degradation, and excessive development. While managed for environmental needs including watershed protection, protection of rare plant and animal communities, and maintenance of plant and animal diversity, these same resources must also be managed and provide for sociological needs, including provisions for recreational opportunities and the production of raw materials for wood-using industries.

Management must balance local needs with broader state, national and global concerns through integration of sound forestry, wildlife, fisheries, endangered resources, water quality, soil, and recreational practices. Management will provide a variety of products and amenities for the future through the use of sustainable forest management practices.

## POLK COUNTY FOREST

The Polk County Forest is 17,144 acres in size and includes acreage in seven townships throughout Polk County.

The following list shows the acreage of forest land by its type classification:

Forest Type Acreage	Forest Type	Forest Type Description	Stands	Acres	Percent of Forested Acres	Percent of Recon Acres
	A	ASPEN	113	3,518	22 %	21 %
	BW	WHITE BIRCH	2	15	0 %	0 %
	MR	RED MAPLE	1	19	0 %	0 %
	NH	NORTHERN HARDWOODS	17	535	3 %	3 %
	O	OAK	48	3,532	22 %	21 %
	OX	SCRUB OAK	136	4,138	26 %	24 %
	PJ	JACK PINE	82	2,634	16 %	15 %
	PR	RED PINE	50	1,433	9 %	8 %
	PW	WHITE PINE	6	132	1 %	1 %
	SB	BLACK SPRUCE	1	2	0 %	0 %
	SH	SWAMP HARDWOODS	2	81	1 %	0 %
	SW	WHITE SPRUCE	2	27	0 %	0 %
	T	TAMARACK	4	67	0 %	0 %
<b>Total:</b>			<b>464</b>	<b>16,133</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>93 %</b>

Non-Forest Type Acreage	Forest Type	Forest Type Description	Stands	Acres	Percent of Non-Forested Acres	Percent of Recon Acres
	G	UPLAND GRASS	11	50	5 %	0 %
	GH	HERBACEOUS VEGETATION	4	15	2 %	0 %
	K	MARSH	2	51	6 %	0 %
	KB	MUSKEG BOG	3	46	5 %	0 %
	KEV	EMERGENT VEGETATION	5	179	19 %	1 %
	KG	LOWLAND GRASS	2	19	2 %	0 %
	KH	LOWLAND HERBACEOUS VEGETATION	1	100	11 %	1 %
	L	WATER	3	74	8 %	0 %
	LB	LOWLAND BRUSH	2	38	4 %	0 %
	LBA	LOWLAND BRUSH - ALDER	7	102	11 %	1 %
	LM	MINOR LAKE	6	126	14 %	1 %
	LMS	MINOR STREAM	2	58	6 %	0 %
	ROW	RIGHT OF WAY	8	37	4 %	0 %
	UB	UPLAND BRUSH	3	29	3 %	0 %
<b>Total:</b>			<b>59</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>4 %</b>

\*Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding

### TIMBER SALE ADMINISTRATION

Timber sale administration is an extremely important part of forest management. The Forest Administrator is responsible for the selling, contract compliance, and record keeping on all County Forest sales. Most PCF sales are sold as combination mill scale for pulp products and woods scaled for logs although we are now trying to sell more lump sum sales ease the burden of administration.

## ANNUAL DNR TIME STANDARDS

Each year, the DNR provides Polk County a certain number of technical assistance hours to use on the County Forest. Every five years, these 'time standards' are set and then become the minimum hours the DNR will provide the county during each DNR fiscal year (July 1-June 30). The Forest Administrator meets with various DNR staff during the Annual Integrated Planning Meeting and part of the discussion revolves around the availability of DNR staff for the upcoming year. Currently the DNR provides a minimum of 536 hours per year. Historically, the DNR has met or exceeded the 'time standards' each year. These hours are needed by Polk County to address the ever increasing workload on the County Forest.

## TIMBER SALE PLANNING AND ESTABLISHMENT

Timber harvests that are properly designed and implemented are vital to maintaining a healthy and vigorous forest. There are many social, environmental, and economic benefits derived from a managed harvest program. Professional implementation of proper forest management and harvest techniques is essential. The timber harvest goal is to produce a sustained yield of forest products using harvest techniques that are suited to regeneration and growth needs of each forest type. The goal is to develop a regulated harvest in which the same number of acres or same volume of wood could be harvested each year in perpetuity. Compartment reconnaissance information will be used as a guide to determine stands where timber harvests are needed.

The goal for 2015 will be to setup and sell the following number of acres per timber type. These acreage goals are based on the long term average harvest and will vary from year to year. These acreage goals do not include salvage sales that may occur due to unforeseen circumstances.

15 Year Average (acres)	Forest Type Description
18	ASPEN
1	WHITE BIRCH
30	NORTHERN HARDWOODS
206	OAK
88	SCRUB OAK
78	JACK PINE
50	RED PINE
8	WHITE PINE
1	WHITE SPRUCE
<b>480</b>	

Information about specific timber sale establishment plans may be obtained by contacting the Polk County Forestry Department, 100 Polk County Plaza suite 40, Balsam Lake, WI 54810 (715) 485-9265

## FOREST RECONNAISSANCE

The goal for the PCF is to have all recon less than 20 years old. Currently, all forest reconnaissance is less than 15 years old on the County Forest. Forest reconnaissance is done following the completion of a timber sale and when a stand is physically entered and subsequently re-scheduled for a later harvest date. In addition to these on-going updates, in 2015 we will work towards entirely updating at least one compartment.

	Total Acres	Forested Acres	Acres of Recon by age and % of Total Acres*											
			< 5 years		5-10 years		11-15 years		16-20 years		21-30 years		>30 years	
			(acres)	(%)	(acres)	(%)	(acres)	(%)	(acres)	(%)	(acres)	(%)	(acres)	(%)
	17,057	16,133	5,983	35.08	6,782	39.76	4,273	25.05	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>17,057</b>	<b>16,133</b>	<b>5,983</b>	<b>35.08</b>	<b>6,782</b>	<b>39.76</b>	<b>4,273</b>	<b>25.05</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT

Timber stand improvement (TSI) projects that are most likely to happen for 2015 include hand release of naturally regenerated and planted Red Pine on PCF in the Town of Sterling. More surveys of potential project areas must be done before any projects will be established. Decisions on TSI are typically made in the spring of the year.

## REFORESTATION

In 2015, we will take a break from actively planting to assess previous year's plantings. Planting will begin again in the spring of 2016.

Currently, we collect our own Jack Pine seed and use the seed for growing seedlings which then get planted back into Polk County Forest. We will continue to collect Jack Pine seed each year and continue to have that seed grown into seedlings for planting. All future Jack Pine plantings will be stock from our own seed source.

## FOREST PROTECTION

We will continue to cooperate with the WI-Department of Natural Resources by:

1. Improving and maintaining fire lanes
2. Continue annual meetings to evaluate County Forest operations
3. Support fire suppression efforts when needed
4. Monitor insect and disease issues and take appropriate action when necessary

## COUNTY FOREST ROADS

PCF receives state aid money for the maintenance of 7.61 miles of primary roads. These roads are maintained as needed. Plans for 2015 include improving road crossings in Sterling Township and adding additional gravel to sustain current traffic levels.

The County Forest has many miles of secondary forest roads that have been built primarily by logging contractors in conjunction with timber sales. These roads are now serving a wide range of uses including the hauling of forest products, snowmobile trails, horse trails, and hunter/walking trails. Many of the new logging roads are bermed or gated to restrict motorized use. These roads are either seeded or allowed to naturally re-vegetate.

## **LAND ACQUISITION**

Lands within the County Forest boundaries or areas of special or unique values may be recommended to the County Board for acquisition as they become available and upon a determination by the County Administrator and the Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee that ownership of those lands is beneficial to the people of Polk County.

## **SURVEYING**

We will continue our property line maintenance and establishment with the aid of the County Surveyor. Surveys are generally needed to prevent trespass or to clarify boundaries in order to continue management.

## **WILDLIFE HABITAT PROJECTS**

Polk County will continue to develop and implement projects in cooperation with DNR wildlife personnel. This year we will continue efforts to naturally regenerate Jack Pine in the Sterling Township, with the aid of “nickel per acre” wildlife grants.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. Issue firewood cutting permits.
- B. Respond to public inquiries and issues as they arise.
- C. Increase signage on the Forest to identify boundaries, roads, and natural features.
- D. Work with other departments (i.e. Land & Water) for education classes for students and adults.
- E. Recreation: The Forest Administrator is also the Parks Assistant. Work includes assisting with the oversight and management of the maintenance and operation of the county’s park and recreation areas, public lake accesses, ski areas, and system of snowmobile, ATV, hiking and biking trails. Accomplishing this broad range of activities requires: attending meetings, clearing trails, writing permits, writing grants, and increasing overall county recreational opportunity awareness. Currently the Polk County Forest supports organized ATV/UTV, horse, snowmobile, and hiking trails.
- F. Attend all Wisconsin County Forest Association meetings and continue technical training sessions to aid in the management of the County Forest.
- G. Forest Certification: Polk County will continue its commitment to be qualified for Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) certification and make changes as necessary to comply with corrective actions.
- H. Investigate and address easement, land trade requests and encroachments as they arise.

## GRANTS AND FUNDING

### Administrator Grant

Pays 50% of administrator's fee for services and up to ½ of WCFA membership dues each year.

### "Nickel per Acre" Grant

Used to be "Dime per Acre" but now reduce to \$0.05 per County Forest acre to be used for wildlife habitat development.

### County Forest Road Aid

\$360.00 per mile of County Forest road for maintenance and improvement projects.

### Interest Free Loans (2)

#### Variable Acreage Share Loan and Project Loans

These loans are interest free and are paid back from annual stumpage revenues at 20% of annual revenues. These loans are used to aid in a wide variety of projects on the County Forest and for land purchases.

### Sustainable Forestry Grant

Awarded twice a year. It's used on projects that promote sustainable forestry practices on the County Forest.

### Polk County Funds

The Forestry Department begins each year with a *negative* levy amount. The department typically covers all of its expenses and most (if not all) of the negative levy amount through timber sales and grant funding.

Resolution No. 48-14

Resolution To Opt In – Adopting State Regulation of Weight Limits of Category B Implements of Husbandry

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Lady and Gentlemen:

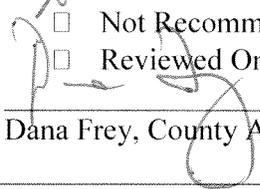
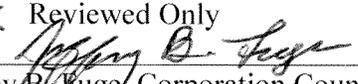
WHEREAS, 2013 Wis. Act 377, enacted in April 2014, sets weight and length limits for Implements of Husbandry ("IOH") and Agricultural Commercial Motor Vehicles ("Ag CMV"), with specific exemptions and allows local governments officials to adopt resolutions and enact ordinances regarding the maximum gross vehicle and axle weight limits for IoH and Ag CMVs operating upon roads under their jurisdiction; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Polk County Board of Supervisors declares that Polk County shall opt-in to the state regulation of Implements of Husbandry ("IOH") and Agricultural Commercial Motor Vehicles ("Ag CMV") as provided for in 2013 Wisconsin Act 377, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Wisconsin Stats., § 348.15(9)(f), all implements of husbandry (including Category B implements of husbandry) defined in Wis. Stats., § 340.01(24)(a)1.b., may not exceed the weight limits imposed by Wis. Stats., § 348.15 (3)(g).
2. That to exceed the length and/or weight limitations on highways under the jurisdiction of Polk County, an owner of a Category B implement of husbandry may apply for a no-fee permit pursuant to Wis. Stats., § 348.27 (19), from the Polk County Highway Department.
3. Pursuant to Wis. Stats., § 348.27 (19)(b) 4m.a., in the event an application for a no-fee permit is made for a Category B implement of husbandry as defined in Wis. Stats., § 340.01 (24)(a)1.b., the county is required to provide an approved alternate route, which may include highways that are not under this jurisdiction if prior approval has been given by the jurisdiction over the alternate routes not under Polk County's jurisdiction for operation of Category B implements of husbandry.
4. This resolution shall become effective on January 1, 2015 and remain in effect until rescinded by further action of the Polk County Board of Supervisors or terminated by state law.
5. That the County Clerk cause a certified copy of this resolution to be filed with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) for posting on the DOT website.

(Resolution Continued to Page 2)

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable.
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	January 1, 2015
Dated Submitted To County Board	December 16, 2014
Submitted By:	_____ _____ _____

Review By County Administrator: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel
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Acknowledgement of County Board Action

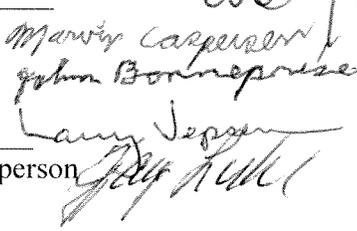
Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_, 2014, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_-14  
 Resolution To Opt In – Adopting State Regulation of Weight Limits of Category B Implements of Husbandry, as follows:

- Adopted by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Adopted by majority vote.
- Defeated by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Defeated by majority voice vote.
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNED BY:

  
 William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

Resolution No. 49-14

Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund

TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-13, Polk County accepted a donation of 180 acres of land located in the Town of Balsam and established thereon the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area, which is managed for non-motorized recreational, forestry and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the maintenance of the County’s properties protects not only the investment of the County, but increases the recreational opportunities for Polk County constituents and others interested in the tourism of Polk County; and

WHEREAS, although the County maintains its properties with tax dollars, on occasion individuals and organizations may wish to donate private or public monies for the purpose and benefit of maintaining, improving or enhancing recreational properties owned by the County; and

WHEREAS, others may wish to donate items for the express purpose of improving those various conservation initiatives and recreational opportunities provided by and through the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to applicable Internal Revenue Code provisions, contributions made to local governmental units solely for public purposes may be tax deductible; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.52(19) and 59.56(9), the Polk County Board of Supervisors may accept on behalf of Polk County donations, gifts or grants for any public purpose and allocate donated moneys toward the expenditure for recreational and educational purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors establishes the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.52(19), the Polk County Board of Supervisors accepts those monetary donations and gifts made to Polk County for the purpose of maintaining, improving or enhancing Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that monetary donations and gifts received for the purpose of purpose of maintaining, improving or enhancing Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area shall be deposited into the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.47 and Resolution No. 73-08, the Department of Administration is directed to administer the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing fund, as follows:

- 1        1. Separate lines shall be established and maintained for tracking the receipt and expenditure of  
2        donated and gifted moneys.
  
- 3        2. Monetary donations that are received with a specific purpose for a particular usage,  
4        maintenance, improvement and enhancement of the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and  
5        Recreational Area, shall, within reason, be accounted for by project line consistent with the  
6        designated purpose specified by the respective donor.
  
- 7        3. General monetary contributions to the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational  
8        Stewardship Fund shall be divided equally as possible amongst established project lines.

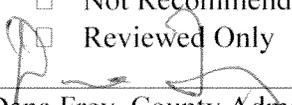
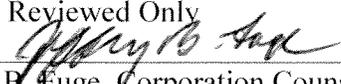
9        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Polk County Parks, Buildings and Solid  
10       Waste Department may, after consultation with the County Finance Manager, expend money  
11       contributions on account in the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund  
12       toward the maintenance, improvement and enhancement of the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and  
13       Recreational Area consistent with this authorization and the Resolution No. 15-13.

14       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent that personal property is donated and accepted by  
15       the Polk County Board of Supervisors for purposes and allocation towards the Ahlgren Wildlife  
16       Preserve and Recreational Area, the same is deemed accepted and its use allocated consistent with  
17       the general operational guidelines of the County and the purpose for which includes, but is not  
18       limited to, those purposes recognized in Resolution No. 15-13.

19       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, notwithstanding the above authorization and directives, the  
20       Polk County Board of Supervisors, in its sole discretion, may opt to refuse the acceptance of any and  
21       all donations and designations for donation.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	DRAFT – December County Board
Submitted By:	
Submitted and Sponsored By Assigned Functional Committee:	General Government Committee:  _____ Ken Sample, Chairperson  Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee:  _____ Kim O’Connell, Chairperson

*Craig Monak*  
*L. A. O'Connell*  
*James A. Edgell*  
*Dean Johnson*  
*Dale Wood*

<p>Review By County Administrator:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only</p> <p></p> <p>_____ Dana Frey, County Administrator</p>	<p>Review By Corporation Counsel:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only</p> <p></p> <p>_____ Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel</p>
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Acknowledgement of County Board Action

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, 2014, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_: Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve Stewardship Fund, as follows:

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- Adopted by majority voice vote.
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SIGNED BY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk



**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
Minutes from Tuesday, December 16, 2014  
Polk County Government Center – County Board Room  
Balsam Lake, WI 54810

Chairman Johnson called the regular December 16, 2014 meeting of the Polk County Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Johnson recognized the County Clerk for purposes of receiving evidence of proper notice. The County Clerk stated that the notice of meeting, was properly posted in three public buildings, published in a legal newspaper in accordance with Wisconsin Statute Section 985.02 and posted on the county website the week of December 8, 2014. In addition, the Office of County Clerk distributed on December 4, 2014, copies of such notice of meeting and proposed resolutions to supervisors in accordance with Article 3, Section 2 of the County Board Rules of Order. The County Board received the verbal opinion of Corporation Counsel that the advance written meeting notice, posted and published as described by the clerk satisfied the applicable provisions of Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and the applicable procedural provisions of the Polk County Board Rules of Order.

Chairman Johnson recognized the County Clerk for purposes of taking roll call. Roll call was taken with all 15 members present. Chairman Johnson led the pledge of Allegiance. Chair called for a moment of silence in remembrance of former County Supervisor Tom Engel during the Time of Reflection.

**Chairman Johnson called to the floor the Consent Agenda. Chair requested to handle the two parts of the consent agenda separately. Motion (Luke/Jepsen) to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman called for an amendment to the published minutes. Motion (Sample/Bonneprise) to amend the published minutes as follows: Library Support – Act 150 strike \$662,412 and insert \$653,826. Motion to amend the minutes, carried by unanimous voice vote. Motion (Luke/Jepsen) to approve the published minutes as amended, carried by unanimous voice vote.**

Time was given for public comment.

Time was given for Committee Q&A.

Chairman's Report was given by Chairman Johnson.

Presentation by Mark Servi, Barron County Highway Commissioner regarding Implements of Husbandry Legislation and the local government options.

Chairman called for a 10 minute recess.

Chairman declared meeting back in session 7:25 p.m.

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December 16, 2014

**Chairman called for a motion to approve the 2015 Forest Work Plan. Motion (O’Connell/Edgell) to approve the 2015 Polk County Forest Annual Work Plan. Motion to approve the plan, carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**Chairman Johnson called to the floor, Resolution No.48-14, Resolution to Opt In – Adopting State Regulation of Weight Limits of Category B Implements of Husbandry. Motion (Luke/Edgell) to approve Resolution 48-14. Polk County Highway Commissioner, Steve Warndahl addressed the resolution. Motion to approve Resolution 48-14, carried by unanimous voice vote. Resolution adopted.**

**Chairman Johnson called to the floor, Resolution No.49-14, Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund. Motion (Nelson/Schmidt) to approve Resolution 49-14. Motion to approve Resolution 49-14, carried by unanimous voice vote. Resolution adopted.**

Supervisors Reports were received.

Motion (Bonneprise/Demulling) to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Johnson declared meeting adjourned 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole T. Wondra  
Polk County Clerk