

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, MAY 06, 2013**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, May 06, 2013 in the Administrative Center, Room B410. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 24 supervisors were present when Chair Tara Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M. and those otherwise present, excused or absent are noted in the roll call detail:

District Name	Attendance
1 Richmond, Andrea	Present
2 Geary, Ralph	Present
3 Veenstra, Joe	Excused
4 Freedland, Maureen	Present
5 Johnson, Karin	Present
6 Plesha, Roger	Present
7 Hampson, Sharon	Present
8 Jerome, Peg	Present
9 Londre, Andrew	Present
10 Becker, Richard	Present
11 Schultz, Bill	Present
12 Holtze, Dave	Present
13 Meyer, Donald	Present
14 Schroeder, Jeffrey	Present
15 Kruse, Monica	Present
16 Ferries, Dan	Present
17 Berns, Jim	Present
18 Berg, Laurence	Present
19 Downer, Thomas	Present
20 Doyle, Steve	Present
21 Burke, Vicki	Excused at 06:46 PM
22 Spiker, Charles	Excused
23 Pedretti, Marilyn	Present
24 Pfaff, Leon	Excused
25 Ebert, Ray	Present at 06:30 PM, Excused at 07:37 PM
26 Gamroth, Tammy	Present
27 Wehrs, Tina	Excused
28 Keil, Robert	Present
29 Johnson, Tara	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Update on Administrative Center and Downtown Campus Study Committee
 - Supervisor Hampson gave an update on the Administrative Center and Downtown Campus Study Committee meetings. They have reviewed the history of the building and the 2007 report that was done on the downtown campus. The committee also discussed current conditions of the building and

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the reuse of the Administrative Center in case the decision to build new is selected. The County has been approached by a group expressing interest to purchase the current building and the committee has now gone out for RFPs (Request for Proposal) to see if other groups/individuals are interested. The committee will now work with each department to look at the needs of a new building, what they need for space, the possibility of combined reception areas, and also look at other county sites to potentially build a new administrative building if that is decided. Discussion on the RFP process ensued.

Motion by A. Londre/R. Plesha to close debate failed on a roll call vote with 15 ayes, 9 nays - L. Berg, J. Berns, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, M. Freedland, R. Geary, T. Johnson, K. Johnson and J. Schroeder, 5 excused - V. Burke, L. Pfaff, C. Spiker, J. Veenstra and T. Wehrs. Discussion on the RFP process continued.

- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Londre thanked several County staff and Supervisors who were involved with the Renew Powell/Hamilton Neighborhood; also. for their help along with a group of students for starting the Dumpster Diversion Program which will collect items from students and donate to local charities instead of having it thrown on the curb when they move out for the summer.
 - Supervisor Pedretti announced a joint meeting between Planning, Resources & Development and Health & Human Services on Frac Sand Mining. It will be Thursday, May 16th at 5:00 PM in the auditorium. Planning, Resources & Development will also be holding a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30 PM in the auditorium on the Zoning amendments.
 - Supervisor Schroeder announced the Town of Campbell Police Department will be having a fundraiser to purchase defibrillators for the police cars on June 8th at Tom Sawyers.
 - Chair Johnson announced the WCA will be having their September conference in Madison and inquired how many supervisors are interested in attending.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION MAY 2013 - LAW ENFORCEMENT / PUBLIC SAFETY & COURTS MONTH

WHEREAS, in a free society, law enforcement is entrusted and expected to protect the civil rights of its residents and visitors to our community; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County employees serve to enhance public safety in the Courts, District Attorney, Sheriff Patrol and Jail, Emergency Management Coordination, Medical Examiner and Public Safety Communications; and **WHEREAS**, thousands of residents and visitors are helped each year by the professionals who respond to emergencies and assist those in need. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of May as Law Enforcement, Public Safety & Courts Month and urges all residents to join in recognizing the valuable contribution of persons dedicated to ensuring the safety of its county's residents and visitors to our community.

Motion by R. Becker/D. Meyer to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - V. Burke, L. Pfaff, C. Spiker, J. Veenstra and T. Wehrs.

- Progress report on Sustainability Plan
 - Sustainability Coordinator Nick Nichols presented an overview on the Sustainability plan. The Joint Oversight Committee on sustainability was started in 2007 with the goals to reduce the use of fossil fuels, conserve mineral resources, protect the ecology, and treat people fairly. The strategic plan was approved in the Spring of 2009 and is organized into action items

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for key departments and categorized into short, medium, and long - term goals. He reviewed the different County buildings use of electricity, natural gas, fuel (gas/diesel), and water use. Some further changes made incorporated sustainability into vendor evaluation process with RFPs, a reallocation site was started as well as a public surplus website. The Health Department, Information Technology, Highway Department, and Solid Waste have all done a big part to help in recycling and reducing energy use. The triple bottom line is: environment, economy, and society all create sustainability.

- Report on offer to purchase Park Plaza Property
 - Corporation Counsel Dave Lange went over the details of the offer to purchase the Park Plaza Property and the contingencies that are included. A cash offer of \$750,000 with \$25,000 in earnest money was made by West Coast Development, LLC.
 - Planner Charlie Handy reviewed the responsibilities of the developer, County, and the City of La Crosse. The developer will have to make appropriate submittals to the City of La Crosse PDD approval process and will need to navigate the County approval process. The City and County will have to negotiate an Intergovernmental Agreement. The City of La Crosse will also be required to remove a sanitary sewer and abandon easements.
 - Brian Fukuda explained the TIF District #10 and how it relates to this offer.
 - Administrator O'Malley reviewed the next steps and the proposed timeline. There will be a joint meeting with Public Works and the Executive Committee during recess at the County Board meeting on May 16th, and the Board will then act on the offer to purchase.

RECESS: Motion by M. Pedretti to recess at 7:46 PM. There were no objections. The Board reconvened at 8:03 PM.

ADJOURN

Motion by A. Richmond/R. Geary to adjourn at 8:04 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 23 ayes, 6 excused - V. Burke, R. Ebert, L. Pfaff, C. Spiker, J. Veenstra and T. Wehrs.

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COUNTY OF LA CROSSE)

I, Ginny Dankmeyer , La Crosse County Clerk, in and for the County of La Crosse, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of Proceedings of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors at the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting held Monday, May 06, 2013 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 12 OF MAY 2013.