

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2013**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, October 17, 2013 in the Administrative Center, Room B410. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 21 supervisors were present when Chair Tara Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.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	Present
4 Freedland, Maureen	Present
5 Johnson, Karin	Present
6 Plesha, Roger	Absent
7 Hampson, Sharon	Present
8 Jerome, Peg	Excused
9 Londre, Andrew	Present
10 Becker, Richard	Excused
11 Schultz, Bill	Excused
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	Excused
19 Downer, Thomas	Present
20 Doyle, Steve	Excused
21 Burke, Vicki	Present
22 Spiker, Charles	Excused
23 Pedretti, Marilyn	Present
24 Pfaff, Leon	Excused
25 Ebert, Ray	Present
26 Gamroth, Tammy	Present
27 Wehrs, Tina	Present
28 Keil, Robert	Present
29 Johnson, Tara	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- November, December, and January Agenda Items – A number of ordinances will be coming through committees and chapters 1, 2, 11, and 13 are scheduled to come through in the November/December cycle. There will also be a number of items coming through from the Administrative Center & Downtown Campus Study Committee.

(154-13/14)

- November 2013 Public Hearing & Annual Meeting Date/Time – Supervisors are reminded that we will have the Planning meeting on November 4th and the Budget Public hearing is moved from Monday, November 11th to Tuesday, November 12th and the budget meeting will be on the Wednesday, November 13th. The change is due to Monday being Veteran's Day.
- United Way Campaign – Supervisors were shown a video on the Great Rivers United Way Campaign. Pledge sheets were distributed to Supervisors and the deadline to return to the County Clerk is Friday, October 25th. There are a number of incentive prizes available if you turn in your pledge card by October 25th.
- **Addendum Item:** Status of District 22 County Board representation – Supervisor Spiker submitted his letter of resignation after a total of 27 years on the Board. He served from 1978 – 1992 and then again from 2000 – present. **Motion by R. Ebert/V. Burke to accept the resignation of Supervisor Spiker with deepest regrets passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.** The media has been notified of the vacancy and the deadline to turn in applications is Friday, October 25th at 4:30 P.M. with interviews planned for Tuesday, October 29th. If you are interested in attending the interviews, please notify Chair Johnson or Alice in her office. The hope is that a replacement is appointed before the budget hearings.
- Supervisor Conference Reports and Announcements
 - Supervisor Burke serves on the City of La Crosse Arts Board as the County representative. Artist John Pugh will be here next week to get a feel of the community for the mural he will be sketching. There will be two public meetings next Wednesday: noon at the Pump House or 7:00 P.M. at the Weber Center. Brian Fukuda has been helping a great deal with this grant.
 - Supervisor Holtze attended Oktoberfest at the Capital on Wednesday, October 9th. Approximately fifty La Crosse area residents traveled to Madison to talk to legislators on issues that concern the area. The group split into teams and visited just about every State Representative and State Senator. The three topics discussed were Health Care Reform, Interstate 90 Welcome Center, and Improving Passenger Rail and Air Service.
 - Supervisor Pedretti represented the County at a conference put on by the State Energy Department on Sustainability. Multiple agencies and municipalities reported on what they are doing and what else can be done.
 - Supervisor Pedretti announced that Karl Green, an agent with our UW Extension office received the UW Extension Chancellor Award for Excellence in Community Engagement.
 - Supervisor Pedretti also announced that the Habitat for Humanity Women in Government Build raised \$1,805. They had 19 women on the team and it was a great success.

County Clerk Report – Ginny Dankmeyer

- November 2014 Public Hearing & Annual Meeting Date/Time – County Clerk Dankmeyer informed Supervisors of the conflict of the 2014 November Public Hearing, Annual Budget meeting, and canvass of the November Election. She suggested that because of the conflict with Veteran's Day falling on Tuesday, November 11th, 2014 and the canvass of the November Election also being required to convene on November 11th, the Public Hearing be held on Monday, November 10th, and the Annual Budget meeting convene on Wednesday, November 12th. There were no objections to this suggestion and the 2014 calendar will be updated as noted.
- County Board Supervisor Election Information – Candidate information for running for County Board was distributed to Supervisors. County Clerk Dankmeyer reviewed the paperwork and noted the important dates. December 1st is the first day that

candidates can circulate nominations papers and January 7th is the last day for candidates to file nomination papers, declaration of candidacy, and campaign registration statements. Supervisors were also reminded that if any current Supervisor does not plan on seeking reelection, December 27th is the last day you must submit the Notification of Noncandidacy. Failure to file this form by the deadline will result in the district being held open for an additional three days for nomination papers to be submitted. Any Supervisors with questions are encouraged to stop in the County Clerk's office for assistance.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

- Final Budget Instructions – Supervisors are reminded that Committees will review budget items for concerns or questions. The Home Health Division appears to be the only standing item left with a significant amount of discussion. If you are planning on making budget amendments, please notify Administrator O'Malley or Finance Director Gary Ingvalson so they can make sure that the correct budget line is updated. The Board will also need to vote on a resolution regarding County Board compensation for the next term. This needs to be finalized before December 1st when candidacy papers are circulated.

CHAIR CHANGE

1st Vice Chair Hampson took the chair.

APPOINTMENTS

Appoint **Maureen Funk** to the Criminal Justice Management Council to replace Xong Xiong for a term to expire April 30, 2015; appoint **Vicky Gunderson** to the Criminal Justice Management Council to replace Leroy Souza for a term to expire April 30, 2014; and appoint **Lisa Kruse** to the Criminal Justice Management Council to replace Dick Mial for a term to expire April, 30, 2015.

Motion by T. Johnson/J. Veenstra to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

CHAIR CHANGE

Chair T. Johnson resumed the chair.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by D. Ferries/J. Veenstra to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held September 9, 2013, the Monthly meeting held September 19, 2013, and the claims list for \$5,011,798.46 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

RESOLUTION NO. 44-10/13 RE: ACCEPTANCE AND AWARD OF BIDS FOR AN 8-BED COMMUNITY BASED RESIDENTIAL FACILITY (CBRF) FOR LAKEVIEW CAMPUS AND FINANCING AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, Resolution 32-8/13 dated August 15, 2013 authorized Lakeview to proceed with soliciting bids for the construction of an 8-bed Community Based Residential Facility (CBRF) at the Lakeview Campus; and, **WHEREAS**, construction bids were received and publicly opened on September 27, 2013 with the assistance of HSR Architects and our construction manager, Market & Johnson; and, **WHEREAS**, bids received are listed below.

(156-13/14)

Contractor	Base Bid	Recommended Alternates	TOTAL
Simmons Construction, Holmen	\$854,000	\$9,000	\$863,000
Olympic Builders, Holmen	\$887,787	\$47,010	\$934,797

WHEREAS, the full cost of the project will not exceed \$999,935 including Architectural & Engineering, construction, contingency, furnishings and other miscellaneous costs and that the projected financial performance of the facility will be a net positive to the Lakeview campus based on the average daily rate of \$250 and maintaining an average census of 6.5 clients. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby awards the contract for construction of Lakeview's 8-bed Community Based Residential Facility to Simmons Construction for a cost of \$863,000 in accordance with the bids opened September 27, 2013, and the contract specifications provided by La Crosse County. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any and all agreements to accomplish said work, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board of Supervisors authorizes the transfer of \$200,000 from the Lakeview Capital Fund and approves an advance from the General Fund of up to \$800,000 to be repaid by the CBRF at a rate of 3.5%, amortized over 20 years. **FISCAL NOTE:** Total project cost not to exceed \$999,935 would be paid with \$200,000 from the Lakeview Capital Fund which are proceeds set aside from prior land sales and \$800,000 borrowed from the General Fund for a 20 year term at 3.5% interest (Principal \$28,124.47; Interest \$27,551.69). This rate currently exceeds the investment interest rate available to the General Fund, but is lower than the current estimated market rate available for 20 year debt of 4%.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

VETERANS, AGING AND LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE

Motion by A. Richmond/D. Holtze to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

RESOLUTION NO. 45-10/13 RE: APPROVAL OF UTILITY EASEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE OF WEST SALEM, XCEL ENERGY, AND CENTURYLINK

WHEREAS, an 8 inch forced sanitary sewer has been completed across La Crosse County property for the benefit of the Lakeview Business Park; and, **WHEREAS**, Xcel Energy and Centurylink will relocate their power and data lines to said utility easement; and, **WHEREAS**, the sanitary sewer line is owned by the Village of West Salem; and, **WHEREAS**, the Village of West Salem, Xcel Energy, and Centurylink have requested a 30 foot perpetual easement across La Crosse County property; and, **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to grant a non-exclusive perpetual easement to the Village of West Salem, Xcel Energy, and Centurylink. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby approve the granting of a 30 foot non-exclusive perpetual easement to the Village of West Salem, Xcel Energy, and Centurylink for the above-described sanitary sewer, power and data lines. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is authorized to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this resolution, after approval of Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** Recording fee of \$30.00 will be paid out of Org/Acct 1131-74045 - Property Care and Maintenance.

VETERANS, AGING AND LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE

Motion by A. Richmond/D. Ferries to approve. Discussion ensued. Corporation Counsel David Lange responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

(157-13/14)

RESOLUTION NO. 46-10/13 RE: APPROVAL OF QUIT CLAIM DEED TO THE CLEMENTS FAMILY, INC.

WHEREAS, La Crosse County has recently been in the process of completing a significant highway reconstruction project on CTH OA; and, **WHEREAS**, prior to commencement of construction La Crosse County representatives negotiated with adjacent landowners to obtain interests in property to enable the project to occur; and, **WHEREAS**, part of the negotiations with the adjacent landowner Clements Family, Inc. involved a land exchange that reduced the amount of compensation paid to the Clements Family, Inc.; and, **WHEREAS**, the negotiated agreement was approved by the County Public Works & Infrastructure Committee; and, **WHEREAS**, the property to be conveyed to the Clements Family, Inc. as part of this exchange consists of .56 acres of land, more or less, and has a legal description as shown on the attached Exhibit A; and, **WHEREAS**, the Clements Family, Inc. has already transferred the property to the County of La Crosse needed for the construction project by warranty deed on February 4, 2013. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the transfer by quit claim deed of the property described in the attached Exhibit A to the Clements Family, Inc. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair and County Clerk are authorized to execute the quit claim deed, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** Recording fee for the document is \$30.00.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by D. Meyer/J. Schroeder to approve. Discussion ensued. Corporation Counsel David Lange responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

ADJOURN

Motion by A. Londre/T. Downer to adjourn at 6:41 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 absent - R. Plesha, 7 excused - R. Becker, L. Berg, S. Doyle, P. Jerome, L. Pfaff, B. Schultz and C. Spiker.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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 Monthly Meeting held Thursday, October 17, 2013 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 20 OF OCTOBER 2013.