The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, January 15, 2015 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 6:00 P.M. and those otherwise present, excused or absent are noted in the roll call detail:

**District** | **Name** | **Attendance**
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1 | Richmond, Andrea | Present
2 | Geary, Ralph | Present
3 | Veenstra, Joe | Present
4 | Freedland, Maureen | Excused
5 | Rosa, Keyla | Present
6 | Plesha, Roger | Excused
7 | Hampson, Sharon | Present
8 | Jerome, Peg | Present
9 | Caucutt, Nancy | Present
10 | Cable, Kim | Present
11 | Scheller, Patrick | Present
12 | Holtze, Dave | Present
13 | Logue, Brian | Present
14 | Schroeder, Jeffrey | Excused
15 | Kruse, Monica | Present
16 | Ferries, Dan | Present
17 | Giese, Mike | Present
18 | Berg, Laurence | Excused
19 | Hoffman, Hubert | Present
20 | Doyle, Steve | Present
21 | Burke, Vicki | Present
22 | Barlow, Patrick | Present
23 | Nikolay, Matt | Present
24 | Pfaff, Leon | Present
25 | Ebert, Ray | Present
26 | Hesse, Dan | Present
27 | Wehrs, Tina | Excused
28 | Keil, Robert | Present
29 | Johnson, Tara | Present

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**County Clerk Report – Ginny Dankmeyer**
- Deadline for turning in 2014 mileage statements – Clerk Dankmeyer reminded Supervisors that the deadline for turning in 2014 mileage statements is January 30, 2015. Please also make sure you have an updated declaration of insurance on file.

**Corporation Counsel Report – David Lange**
Corporation Counsel David Lange gave information on how ordinances and resolutions are placed on the County Board agenda. Three options are available; through standing committees, minority report, or by the chair placing a resolution directly on the board agenda.

Minority Reports are allowed (rarely) for resolutions and/or ordinances that fail. This is a report from a committee that does not agree with the committee report (majority). A supervisor in the minority presents the report. The board votes to receive the minority report.

Advisory vs. Binding Referenda – Only advisory or contingent referenda are allowed by State Statutes. The board may conduct a countywide referendum for advisory purposes or for the purpose of ratifying or validating a resolution adopted or ordinance enacted by the board contingent upon approval in the referendum. Contingent referenda rarely happens.

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- **WCA Legislative Exchange** – Chair Johnson reminded supervisors that today is the deadline for signing up for the WCA Legislative Exchange in February.
- **Expectations and responsibilities of Administrative Center and Downtown Campus Construction Committee (AC&DCC)** – A handout was provided to supervisors that explains the purpose, scope of work, timeframe, membership and expectations of the committee. If supervisors are interested in being on the committee, they should fill out the form and return by to Chair Johnson by January 20, 2015.
- **Supervisor Conference Reports**
  - Supervisor Ebert announced the Lake Neshonoc Rehabilitation District Committee has two items that they would like to work with the County on; increase parking on the south boat landing and new rocks on the west end. Supervisor Ebert also attended the graduation of Drug Court and supervisors were acknowledged for their support of it.
  - Supervisor Pfaff attended the Winter Road School in Wisconsin Dells. Pros and cons were discussed on raising funds for roads.
  - Supervisor Jerome announced the City of La Crosse had open houses for 5 new homes that replaced deteriorated homes. They are all targeted for low to moderate income families.
  - Supervisor Hoffman announced a social gathering for US Fish and Wildlife Service Jim Neissen who is retiring. It will be on Friday, January 23, 2015 from 5-8 pm at 207 Pearl Street, 2nd floor banquet hall.

Administrator Report - Steve O’Malley

**PROCLAMATION JANUARY 2015 – HIGHWAY SAFETY / TRANSPORTATION MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, staff works so diligently to build safe roads for the residents of La Crosse County and visitors to travel upon; and, **WHEREAS**, maintenance such as snow plowing; salting; grading shoulders; mowing; repairing, sealing, sweeping, and paving roads and many other duties that keep La Crosse County highways clean and safe; and, **WHEREAS**, the safety of all traveling persons is ensured by the hard working men and women of the highway department. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of January 2015 as La Crosse Highway Safety Month and urges all residents to join in recognizing the valuable contribution of persons dedicated to ensuring safe roads for La Crosse County residents and visitors.


**APPOINTMENT**

Motion by M. Kruse/K. Cable to appoint Sarah Spah as the Health Director. Sarah Spah has worked for La Crosse County for 17 years and for the past 5 years as the Public Health Nursing Director. Motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.
• 2015 Budget Summary – a summary of the 2015 approved budget has been placed on supervisors desks.
• History of La Crosse County initiated referenda and Appropriate Role of County Staff – a memo was given to supervisors on the history of La Crosse County initiated referenda and the appropriate role of county staff when a referendum question is on the ballot.

APPOINTMENTS
Reappoint Vicki Burke to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as an elected official for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Benjamin Hein to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as a representative of a community group for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Keith Lee to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as a representative of transportation for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Gregg Cleveland to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as a representative of fire services for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Dale Krageschmidt to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as a representative of a hospital for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Tom Wright to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as a representative of a hospital for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017; reappoint Jennifer Shilling to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as an elected official for a term to expire on the 3rd Tuesday in January, 2017.

Motion by T. Johnson/A. Richmond to approve. Discussion ensued. Chair Johnson responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by P. Jerome/P. Scheller to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting held December 8, 2014, Monthly Meeting held December 18, 2014 and Special Meeting on December 29, 2014 and the claims list for $4,724,846.49 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-1/15 RE: ADOPTING THE LA CROSSE COUNTY MULTI-HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN 2015-2019
WHEREAS, La Crosse County recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property; and, WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation actions before disasters occur will reduce the potential for harm to people and property and save taxpayer dollars; and, WHEREAS, an adopted all hazards mitigation plan is required as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects; and, WHEREAS, La Crosse County participated jointly in the planning process with the other local units of government within the County to prepare a Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board, hereby adopts the La Crosse County Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan 2015-2019 as an official plan; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Emergency Management Department will submit on behalf of the participating municipalities the adopted Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan to Wisconsin Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency officials for final review and approval. FISCAL NOTE: No cost to La Crosse County.

JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE
Motion by V. Burke/P. Barlow to approve. Discussion ensued. Motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 940 FILED BY DALE HEXOM, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE CITY OF LA CROSSE O/B/O THE CITY OF LA CROSSE FOR A 180-FT SELF-SUPPORTED PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM SUPPORT TOWER WITH A 12-FT X 12-FT EQUIPMENT BUILDING AND LP TANK ON LAND ZONED RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE TOWN OF MEDARY

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by Dale Hexom, Director of Public Works for the City of La Crosse o/b/o the City of La Crosse, 400 La Crosse St, La Crosse, WI 54601-3396 and having held a public hearing on the 29th day of December, 2014 for a Conditional Use Permit for a 180-ft self-supported public safety radio system support tower with a 12-ft x 12-ft equipment building and LP tank on land zoned Recreation and Natural Resources in the Town of Medary and described as follows: The NE/NW in Section 22, T16N, R7W. Tax parcel 9-1085-0. Town of Medary. And pursuant to s. 59.69 Wis. Stats. and s. 17.36 Zoning Code: the Committee did publish and receive proof of a Class II notice of the hearing; did receive receipts of mailing of the notices to the affected Town Clerk(s); did hold a public hearing to hear testimony or correspondence from the people; and, did receive and consider action from the affected Town Board(s). The Committee, under s. 91.48(1), Wis. Stats., along with the affected Town Board(s), under s. 17.36(4), have the authority to approve the application with integral conditions or to disapprove of the application. Having considered the entire record the Committee’s recommendation is to: By a vote of five (5) in favor, zero (0) no, and two (2) excused (Holtze, Nikolay), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 940 subject to the following eleven (11) conditions:

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 940 is granted specifically to Dale Hexom acting on behalf of the City of La Crosse, 400 La Crosse St, La Crosse, WI for a 180-ft (190-ft with appurtenant lightning rod) tall self-supported public safety radio system support structure with a 12-ft x 24-ft equipment building and LP tank, in accordance with plans dated 11-12-14 signed by P.E. Arlen Ostreng;
2. The tower shall be used for public safety communications purposes only, with no commercial use or renting of the tower for commercial purposes;
3. The requirement for the support structure to handle up to 3 additional carriers for future co-locations for wireless phone, data and internet service is hereby waived;
4. The tower owner shall completely remove the support structure, including subsurface structures, and restore the site to its pre-construction state within 6 months after the tower is no longer in use.
5. The access shall be kept clean and open in the event of an emergency;
6. No advertising allowed on the support structure or fencing;
7. A fence bordering the tower compound for security purposes shall be installed as indicated in the submitted construction plans;
8. A sign with contact information, including phone numbers of emergency response agencies, shall be installed at the site;
9. Any applicable permits and approvals required by the FAA, FCC, DNR, Mississippi Valley Conservancy and the La Crosse County Land Conservation Department shall be obtained before construction may commence;
10. A Zoning/Occupancy Permit shall be obtained from the La Crosse County Zoning, Planning & Land Information Department prior to construction; and
11. This permit is transferrable.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 15th day of January, 2015. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Motion by D. Holtze/H. Hoffman to approve. Discussion ensued. Planner Charlie Handy responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.
RESOLUTION NO. 60-1/15 RE: APPROVAL OF JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF PORTION OF OLD COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY OA TO TOWN OF BARRE

WHEREAS, the County of La Crosse may make deletions from the County Trunk system pursuant to §83.025, Wis. Stats., with the approval of the municipality where the proposed deletion is located and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT); and, WHEREAS, the County recently made substantial improvements to County Trunk Highway OA (CTH OA), which has resulted in certain sections of the old CTH OA no longer being part of the present CTH OA; and, WHEREAS, the County and the Town of Barre agree that the portion of old CTH OA, with a legal description attached hereto as Exhibit A, is more appropriately a town road; and, WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of La Crosse County to transfer jurisdiction of the portion of old CTH OA attached hereto as Exhibit A to the Town of Barre.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves that the portion of old CTH OA attached hereto as Exhibit A be deleted from the County highway system and transferred to the Town of Barre highway system; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board Chair and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents to effectuate this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel. FISCAL NOTE: No direct cost to La Crosse County. The County will no longer have maintenance responsibilities for the portions of old CTH OA transferred.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE


RESOLUTION NO. 61-1/15 RE: APPROVAL OF JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF PORTION OF OLD COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY OA TO TOWN OF GREENFIELD

WHEREAS, the County of La Crosse may make deletions from the County Trunk system pursuant to §83.025, Wis. Stats., with the approval of the municipality where the proposed deletion is located and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT); and, WHEREAS, the County recently made substantial improvements to County Trunk Highway OA (CTH OA), which has resulted in certain sections of the old CTH OA no longer being part of the present CTH OA; and, WHEREAS, the County and the Town of Greenfield agree that the portion of old CTH OA, with a legal description attached hereto as Exhibit A, is more appropriately a town road; and, WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of La Crosse County to transfer jurisdiction of the portion of old CTH OA attached hereto as Exhibit A to the Town of Greenfield. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves that the portion of old CTH OA attached hereto as Exhibit A be deleted from the County highway system and transferred to the Town of Greenfield highway system; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board Chair and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents to effectuate this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel. FISCAL NOTE: No direct cost to La Crosse County. The County will no longer have maintenance responsibilities for the portions of old CTH OA transferred.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE


RESOLUTION NO. 62-1/15 RE: REQUEST TO CHANGE ANNUAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE STATUTE

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. s. 341.35 authorizes a municipality or county to impose an annual vehicle registration fee on all motor vehicles or motor trucks registered at a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds, with certain statutory exceptions; and, WHEREAS, the statute authorizes that any fees collected shall be utilized only for transportation related
purposes; and, WHEREAS, vehicles with a gross weight of over 8,000 pounds do significantly more damage to the highways in the State of Wisconsin in comparison to vehicles with a gross weight of under 8,000 pounds; and, WHEREAS, the damage to roads from a fully-loaded quad axle dump truck is approximately equivalent to the damage from 9,600 automobiles; and, WHEREAS, it appears that the imposition of a fee upon vehicles of less than 8,000 pounds unfairly targets those vehicles that do not cause the majority of damage to highways in the State of Wisconsin; and, WHEREAS, a more fair and equitable annual registration fee law would authorize the imposition of a fee on registered vehicles that do not exclude those with a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or more; and, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board hereby supports an amendment to Wis. Stat. s. 341.35 to include within the definition of motor vehicles an automobile or motor truck with a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or greater so that such vehicles are not exempt from application of the registration fee. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Walker, Senator Shilling, Representatives Doyle and Billings, Wisconsin Department of Transportation Secretary Mark Gottlieb, and the Wisconsin Counties Association. FISCAL NOTE: No cost to the County of La Crosse.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE


RESOLUTION NO. 63-1/15 RE: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT OF OFFER TO PURCHASE WITH STIZO DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR PURCHASE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

WHEREAS, by Resolution 71-1/14, the La Crosse County Board accepted the Offer to Purchase from STIZO Development, LLC (STIZO) to purchase the La Crosse County Administrative Center for a purchase price of $250,000, which also included an agreement to lease property back to La Crosse County at closing, with the lease commencing at closing and ending August 31, 2016, and the County and STIZO entered into the Offer to Purchase on or about January 21, 2014; and, WHEREAS, the closing date has been extended several times with STIZO Development, LLC and currently expires January 9, 2015; and, WHEREAS, due to the delays in the closing date for the sale of the Administrative Center to STIZO Development, LLC as well as the delays in reaching an agreement between La Crosse County and Weber Holdings, LLC, it is necessary to adjust the lease term to reflect the new timeline for the move of La Crosse County from the Administrative Center; and, WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the Offer to Purchase from STIZO Development, LLC as follows:

• Closing date to be changed to no later than January 30, 2015.
• Termination date of the lease to be changed to December 1, 2016, with the provision that La Crosse County will allow STIZO Development, LLC under certain restrictions to occupy the jail portion of the La Crosse County Administrative Center as of July 1, 2016.
• Termination date to provide for further extension of the lease to June 30, 2017, as necessary if Associated Bank exercises its purchase rights to up to one-quarter of Lot C, in the event the County exercises its right to re-purchase Lot C, or if the County is not able to vacate the County Administrative Center by December 1, 2016 for any other reason and County provides notice of intent to request such extension by August 1, 2016.
• If the County is unable to vacate the Administrative Center by June 30, 2017, lease can be extended for additional 12 month lease term with rent to be market rent based on appraisal of the leased property.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County of La Crosse to enter into such an amendment. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the amendment to the Offer to Purchase between La Crosse County and STIZO in accordance with the terms of this resolution; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair is further authorized to execute any documents necessary to effectuate
this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** La Crosse County will be responsible for additional $1,667/month for any additional lease term through June 30, 2017. County responsible for market rate rent if extension needed beyond June 30, 2017.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by J. Veenstra/P. Jerome to approve. Discussion ensued. Supervisor Veenstra explained the need for the replacement with updates on this resolution. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 21 ayes, 3 nays - D. Ferries, H. Hoffman and B. Logue, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-1/15 RE: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH ASSOCIATED BANK**

WHEREAS, by resolution 17-6/14 the La Crosse County Board approved a Purchase Agreement whereby La Crosse County would purchase 3 Associated Bank properties and also approved a short term lease of portions of the property to Associated Bank; and, 

WHEREAS, La Crosse County and Associated Bank entered into a Purchase Agreement on or about November 7, 2014 for the purchase of the Associated Bank properties, which included a lease which provided that the lease would terminate the earlier of either the date Associated Bank opens for business at the County Lot C or December 31, 2016; and, 

WHEREAS, the Purchase Agreement provided for a closing date of December 1, 2014, or such other time as mutually agreed upon by the parties in writing; and, 

WHEREAS, due to delays in reaching an agreement regarding the sale of County Parking Lot C and due to concerns of Associated Bank to make sure that they have a bank location in case there are significant problems in constructing a new Associated Bank on Lot C, Associated Bank has requested certain amendments to the Purchase Agreement; and, 

WHEREAS, La Crosse County and Associated Bank have agreed to an amendment to the Purchase Agreement with the following terms:

- 8.2.2 is amended to correctly replace the word ‘Purchaser’ with ‘Seller’, which is a housekeeping change.
- The closing date is changed to be on or before January 30, 2015.
- The Exhibit B Lease language shall be changed to add language that the Seller agrees to use good faith efforts to ensure it is open for business at County Lot C by June 1, 2016 and if Seller is unable to vacate by January 1, 2017, that Seller shall pay market rental rates based on an appraisal of the Associated Bank property.
- The amendment shall include a right of Associated Bank to purchase up to one-quarter of Lot C at a purchase price of $13 per square foot, less applicable prorations, if La Crosse County successfully exercises its right to repurchase Lot C under its agreement with Weber Holdings, LLC; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of La Crosse County and Associated Bank to enter into this amendment to the Real Estate Purchase Agreement. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that La Crosse County Board hereby approves the amendment to the Real Estate Purchase Agreement between La Crosse County and Associated Bank dated November 7, 2014 in accordance with the terms outlined in this resolution; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to effectuate this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** Associated to pay rent based on market rates if lease extends beyond January 1, 2017, and County to pay appraisal expense.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**


**RESOLUTION NO. 65-1/15 RE: ESTABLISHING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER AND DOWNTOWN CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE**
WHEREAS, the Administrative Center has significant deferred maintenance needs for asbestos abatement, major repairs to plumbing, electrical and network systems and roof replacement; and, WHEREAS, by resolution #35-8/13, the La Crosse County Board selected River Architects to conduct a space needs and options study for remodel or replacement of the Administrative Center, and the lowest cost option identified includes remodeling of the current Associated Bank property and constructing an addition to the Health and Human Service (HHS) building; and, WHEREAS, by resolution #71-1/14 the La Crosse County Board accepted an offer to purchase from STIZO Development for the County Administrative Center; and, WHEREAS, by resolution #17-6/14 the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors approved entering into a purchase agreement and a short term lease with Associated Bank, conditioned upon Associated Bank participating in the development of County Lot C; and, WHEREAS, by resolution #58-12/14 the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors approved Acceptance Of a Purchase Agreement from Weber Holdings for the development of Lot C, which included various contingencies, including entering into a final long-term parking agreement. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the formation of the Administrative Center and Downtown Campus Construction Committee (ACDCCC) with the Chair and a total membership of up to nine Board members to be appointed by the County Board Chair. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ACDCCC shall oversee the next phases of design, remodeling and construction of the addition to the HHS building and the Associated Bank Building for recommendation directly to the County Board. FISCAL NOTE: There is no immediate cost to La Crosse County to form this committee. The 2014 budget included funding for Architectural and Engineering services to begin design of the preferred options and the 2015 budget includes up to $22 million to construct the preferred option.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Motion by J. Veenstra/D. Holtze to approve. Discussion ensued. Motion by V. Burke/H. Hoffman to amend by deleting the words “up to” in the Now Therefore Be It Resolved. Chair Johnson responded to questions from the Board. Corporation Counsel David Lange and Community Development Specialist Brian Fukuda responded to questions from the Board. The motion to amend failed on a roll call vote with 16 nays, 8 ayes - V. Burke, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, R. Geary, D. Hesse, H. Hoffman, R. Keil and A. Richmond, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 23 ayes, 1 nay - V. Burke, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

AGENDA ORDER
Chair Johnson asked for unanimous consent to take item #1-20 First Consideration of Ordinance No. 137 to create section 4.12 entitled “Annual Vehicle Registration Fee” of the General Code of La Crosse County, Wisconsin out of order. There were no objections.

FIRST CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE ORDNANCE NO. 137 TO CREATE SECTION 4.12 ENTITLED “ANNUAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE” OF THE GENERAL CODE OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE; PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE: Motion by J. Veenstra to move the first reading. Motion by J. Veenstra/D. Holtze to postpone indefinitely. Discussion ensued. Supervisor Veenstra explained the reasoning for postponing this ordinance indefinitely. Corporation Counsel David Lange responded to questions from the Board. The motion to postpone indefinitely passed on a roll call vote with 23 ayes, 1 nay - M. Giese, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

MINORITY REPORT
RESOLUTION RE: ADVISORY REFERENDUM REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF A COUNTY ANNUAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Supervisor Veenstra reported the resolution failed in committee and yielded the floor to Supervisor Burke who was in the minority vote. Supervisor Burke yielded the floor to Supervisor Ebert who asked
for the minority report. Chair Johnson asked for any objections to receive the minority report. There were no objections. Motion by R. Ebert/D. Ferries to approve. Motion by R. Geary/P. Scheller to postpone indefinitely passed on a roll call vote with 18 ayes, 6 nays - S. Doyle, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, H. Hoffman, B. Logue and K. Rosa, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 66-1/15 RE: OPPOSITION TO STATE OF WISCONSIN EMERGENCY RULE EMR1417

WHEREAS, this emergency rule adopted by the Natural Resources Board and approved by the Governor impacts public health; and, WHEREAS, Emergency Rule 1417 substantially changed Chapter NR 150 and the process to adopt the Rule did not require notice, hearing, public input or legislative review; and, WHEREAS, Chapter NR 150 outlines the definitions, procedures and criteria used by the DNR to consider the public health effects of certain industries known to emit pollutants to air, water, and soil; and, WHEREAS, Emergency Rule 1417 made significant changes limiting public involvement and reducing Natural Resources Board (NRB) oversight of the DNR’s environmental review process; and, WHEREAS, Emergency Rule 1417 repealed NR 150.10(1m)(b) which required the DNR to conduct a strategic analysis for issues or policies if requested by the NRB or a member of the public whose request was approved by vote of the NRB; and, WHEREAS, Emergency Rule 1417 expanded the list of actions that do not require environmental analysis under NR 150 because they are now considered minor actions; and, WHEREAS, Emergency Rule 1417 added Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs), nutrient management plans and land application sites, and specifications for industrial facilities to the list of minor actions no longer requiring environmental analysis; and, WHEREAS, the Health & Human Services Board has reviewed this emergency rule and, based upon the recommendation of Health Department staff, opposes EMR1417 and the revisions the rule made to NR Chapter 150.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board hereby opposes EMR 1417 and the changes it made to NR Chapter 150. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Walker, the Natural Resources Board, DNR Secretary Stepp, Senator Shilling, and State Representatives Doyle and Billings.

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
Motion by M. Kruse/V. Burke to approve. Discussion ensued. Environmental Health Director Jim Steinhoff responded to questions from the Board. Supervisor Doyle responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 23 ayes, 1 nay - B. Logue, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS
• Supervisor Geary asked for an update on Ophelia’s House.

ADJOURN
Motion by D. Hesse to adjourn at 8:11 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Freedland, R. Plesha, J. Schroeder and T. Wehrs.

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, January 15, 2015 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREBETO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 22 OF JANUARY 2015.