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LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, May 11, 2015 in the Administrative Center, Room B410. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 27 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 | Present |
| 5 Rosa, Keyla | Present |
| 6 Plesha, Roger | Present |
| 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 | Present |
| 15 Kruse, Monica | Present |
| 16 Ferries, Dan | Present |
| 17 Giese, Mike | Present |
| 18 Berg, Laurence | Present |
| 19 Hoffman, Hubert | Excused |
| 20 Doyle, Steve | Present |
| 21 Burke, Vicki | Present |
| 22 Barlow, Patrick | Present |
| 23 Nikolay, Matt | Excused |
| 24 Pfaff, Leon | Present |
| 25 Ebert, Ray | Present |
| 26 Hesse, Dan | Present |
| 27 Wehrs, Tina | Excused at 07:31 PM |
| 28 Keil, Robert | Present |
| 29 Johnson, Tara | Present |

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Chair Johnson announced the passing of Supervisor Hoffman's mother over the weekend. A plant will be sent on behalf of all Supervisors.
- September Planning Meeting Date – A doodle poll was done and the best available date for the September Planning meeting was Tuesday, September 1, 2015.
- Western Wisconsin Cares Report - Western Wisconsin Cares Executive Director Tim Garrity gave a report on WWC.

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- Family Care which is a program that WWC operates, replaced the county waiver system. Issues with that program were the waiting lists and over reliance on institutional care. The Family Care program pilot started in La Crosse County in 2008. During the pilot program, the State of Wisconsin established four goals for the program that are still in existence today; create a system for long term care that eliminated wait lists, improve choice of providers, improve quality in the long term care system, and create a system that is more cost effective.
- Family Care Program consists of three main components; Aging, Disability and Resource Center (ADRC), IRIS Program (I Respect, I Self Direct, I Believe), and MCO where WWC is the MCO for this region. In 2008, WWC broke off from La Crosse County and started serving the eight county region which it currently serves today. WWC is a long term care district with a board that is represented by each of the eight counties and also has members or clients on the board. There are five offices in the region with about 265 employees and a \$135 million budget each year.
- Governor Walker has proposed in his budget to dismantle the current system being used. The budget would eliminate IRIS, change Family Care system and replace all MCOs with a statewide for profit insurance model, give the DHS authority to change LTC services, eliminate county run ADRCs, and reduce legislative oversight of LTC. Recommendations would be to remove the proposed changes from the budget; make the existing Family Care, IRIS, and ADRC models available statewide; and maintain the current level of legislative oversight of LTC.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Kruse attended the 2015 Shining Star Awards ceremony where people were recognized for their work with the mentally ill.
 - Supervisor Burke announced the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new overlook on County Road ZB on Saturday, May 30, 2015 at 1 PM.
 - Supervisor Veenstra participated in Youth & Government Day 2015 and was interested to see the young people in the community interested in learning about county government.
 - Chair Johnson noted that noon tomorrow is the deadline for turning in the Administrator evaluation form.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION MAY 2015 - 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, 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**, 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 P. Barlow/V. Burke to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 2 excused - H. Hoffman and M. Nikolay.

- Update on Facilities Department Reorganization – The reorganization is primarily a pay and management issue. The Facilities Director is primarily responsible for the downtown campus but over the years Hillview and Lakeview campuses have been included. A resolution will come through Executive Committee this week and help to equalize pay of custodial and janitorial staff which was one of the vast differences.

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- Report on Downtown Campus Building Floor Plans – Val Schute with River Architects went over the layouts of the Administrative Center remodel, HHS remodel and build out and the Law Enforcement Center remodel. Department heads were shown the layout and were able to take it back to their staff for review. All departments worked together on the layouts to make sure it was working together. Mr. Schute gave a detailed explanation of each department and office of each floor of the three buildings. He also explained possible issues and reasoning for the layout that was necessary to meet code.
- Overview of Debt Service Plan for Bonding – Administrator O'Malley presented the debt service plan timeline and overview. Capital projects scheduled for bonding in 2015-2016 include the Lakeview Campus, Administrative Center, HHS and LEC construction, radio system, Carroll Heights and Highway. Fiscal strength will be used to minimize interest and total debt. Lakeview will anticipate bond notes of 1.5% during construction, preserve revenue diversity and maximize rates, and use capital funds to help debt services and future land sales. The Administrative Center will use the HS budget to assist. Borrowing will be split over 2 years plus Lot C parking and spread the debt service impact on tax levy over 3 years. Highway will begin to reduce debt with added levy or other revenue. The Radio System will be funded with 2015 General Fund, Carroll Heights will be postponed, and evaluate refinancing of Solid Waste debt (non-General Obligation). Updates to the construction costs, savings, and square footage of the three downtown buildings were presented. The total increase in construction costs after savings on other costs is \$3,330,586 and an additional 29,006 square feet has been added to project. Preliminary detail on bonding over the next 3 years include the Admin Center being broken into two issues of \$11 million and \$500,000 for the 40 parking spaces; Bond Anticipation Notes (BAN) of \$16,900,000 would be sold this fall, Lakeview Campus would be repaid off with long term debt and issue bonds in 2017 for \$17,200,000, and Highway would be \$2,600,000 in fall of 2015 and 2017 and \$2,700,000 for 2016.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – none offered.

ADJOURN

Motion by D. Ferries to adjourn at 8:02 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 26 ayes, 3 excused - H. Hoffman, M. Nikolay 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 Planning Meeting held Monday, May 11, 2015 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 2015.