

LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, April 10, 2017 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 22 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 Weidenbach, Doug	Present
4 Freedland, Maureen	Excused
5 Rosa, Keyla	Absent
6 Plesha, Roger	Present
7 Hampson, Sharon	Excused
8 Jerome, Peg	Present
9 Gundersen, Jerome	Absent
10 Cable, Kim	Present
11 Scheller, Patrick	Present
12 Holtze, Dave	Present
13 Tryggestad, Tina	Present
14 Larson, Margaret	Present
15 Kruse, Monica	Present
16 Ferries, Dan	Present
17 Giese, Mike	Present
18 Berg, Laurence	Absent
19 Cornforth, Rick	Present
20 Doyle, Steve	Present
21 Burke, Vicki	Present
22 Barlow, Patrick	Present
23 Nikolay, Matt	Present
24 Pfaff, Leon	Excused
25 Ebert, Ray	Present
26 Hesse, Dan	Present
27 Wehrs, Tina	Excused
28 Tyser, Kathie	Present
29 Johnson, Tara	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Forms – Supervisors were asked to fill out the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest forms and return to the County Clerk by Tuesday, April 18, 2017.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Kruse noted the Health Department held a press conference regarding the water quality in some wells in the Town of Holland and Town of

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- Onalaska due to high nitrate levels. Human Services Director Jason Witt and Supervisor Kruse attended Human Services Day at the Capital.
- o Chair Johnson noted the WCA – Turnout for Transportation scheduled for Wednesday, May 10, 2017 in Madison.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION APRIL 2017 - LA CROSSE COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH, NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and **WHEREAS**, counties move America forward by providing health care, administering justice, keeping communities safe, creating economic opportunities and much more; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and **WHEREAS**, through National Association of Counties President Bryan Desloge's "Brilliant Ideas at Work" initiative, NACo is encouraging counties to focus on the most innovative programs and services that strengthen communities; and **WHEREAS**, in order to remain healthy, vibrant and safe, America's counties provide public health, justice, safety, infrastructure, transportation, technology, environmental stewardship and economic services that play a key role in everything from residents' daily commutes to emergency response; and **WHEREAS**, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve; and **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of April 2017 as National County Government Month and encourages all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Motion by M. Giese/K. Tyser to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 3 absent - L. Berg, J. Gundersen and K. Rosa, 4 excused - M. Freedland, S. Hampson, T. Wehrs and L. Pfaff.

- Fraud Prevention Presentation – Senior Internal Auditor Lanae Nickelotti
 - o Fraud is an intentional act to deceive, intended to result in financial or personal gain. Cost of fraud is loss of public trust. Fraud happens due to opportunity, rationalization and pressure. Fraud is prevented and detected with effective fraud management. Be aware and be educated. Review financial reports, know red flags, ask questions, understand the fraud triangle and what contributes to fraud, and understand trends to gain context.
 - o New World System (ERP) and Fraud. Approval structure in NWS requires two approvals for all transactions. There are restrictions on security. Example would be new vendors are set up by Finance only. Timely data and daily activity by departments is visible to the Finance Department. Plans in 2017 for fraud prevention and detection: surprise counts of each department's cash box, begin detailed review of each department's cash receipting process and begin fraud discussion/assessment of each department.
- Review of the Premiere Area Tax Referendum Results
 - o Administrator O'Malley reviewed the results of the PRAT referendum question on the April 4th ballot. The results from Towns, Villages, and Cities were discussed.
- Discussion of next steps following referendum
 - o Next step is to go to legislators, then a vote by the County Board and finally a binding referendum question on the ballot.
 - o Discussion was held on the formula for the 25% sharing with municipalities. A suggestion was made for guiding principles: expected outcome, fair and equitable. Are all municipalities interested? Representative Doyle gave a preview of how he expects the bill to move through the legislative process.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – none offered.

ADJOURN

Motion by P. Scheller/T. Tryggestad to adjourn at 7:18 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 3 absent - L. Berg, J. Gundersen and K. Rosa, 4 excused - M. Freedland, S. Hampson, T. Wehrs and L. Pfaff.

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, April 10, 2017 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 18 OF APRIL 2017.