LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, January 19, 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:

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:
County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Supervisor Conference Reports
  - Supervisor Geary attended the WCHA meeting this week on Monday and Tuesday. Topics discussed at the conference can be found online at wcha.org.
Supervisor Giese announced that PACE WI opened their website, pacewi.org at the end of November. Counties continue to be recruited to join.

**Appointments:** Motion by T. Johnson/D. Holtze to appoint Aron Newberry to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as the La Crosse County Health Department Representative to replace Brenda Hanson for the remainder of a term to expire the 3rd Tuesday in January 2018; appoint Loren Caulum to the Winding Rivers Library System Board as a citizen member to replace Judy Bouffleur for a three year term to expire December 31, 2019; reappoint Clara Pasell and Mary Bach-Filla to the Winding Rivers Library System Board for a three year term to expire December 31, 2019; appoint Barbara Manthei to the La Crosse County Library Board to replace Loren Caulum for a three year term to expire December 31, 2019; reappoint Rickie L. Larson to the Veterans Service Commission for a one year term to expire December 31, 2017; appoint Timothy Mitchell to the Veterans Service Commission to replace Carl Sjolander for a three year term to expire December 31, 2019; reappoint Gregg Cleveland, Vicki Burke, Tom Wright, Tim Heiderscheit, and Jennifer Shilling to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for a two year term to expire the 3rd Tuesday in January 2019 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion by R. Plesha/P. Jerome to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly meeting held December 15, 2016 and the claims list for $1,051,807.95 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

**ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z370-1/17 RE: PETITION NO. 1984 FILED BY RYAN SMETANA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF SWISS VALLEY FARMS, CO., FOR AN AFTER-THE-FACT PETITION TO REZONE 1.06 ACRES FROM THE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT “A” TO THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT FOR EMPLOYEE PARKING AND A BACK-UP POWER GENERATOR IN THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered Petition No. 1984 to amend the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance filed by: Ryan Smetana, Acting On Behalf Of Swiss Valley Farms, CO., W3959 County Rd D, Mindoro, WI, 54644 and having held a public hearing on the 3rd day of January 2017 for an after-the-fact petition to rezone 1.06 acres from the Residential District “A” to the Light Industrial District for employee parking and a back-up power generator in the Town of Farmington and described as follows: Part of the NE/SW of Section 21, T18N, R6W. Tax parcel 5-904-0 and part of tax parcel 5-906-0. Property address W3959 County Rd D. Town of Farmington. And pursuant to s. 59.69 Wis. Stats.: 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 and official correspondence; and, did receive and consider action from the affected Town Board(s). The Committee, under s. 59.69(5)(e)4, and under s. 91.48(1), Wis. Stats., has the authority to approve the petition as submitted; to disapprove of the petition; or, to modify and approve the petition. Having considered the entire record the Committee’s recommendation is to: By a vote of six (6) in favor (Nikolay, Gundersen, Hundt-Wehrs, Hesse, Scheller, Cornforth), zero (0) no, and one (1) absent (Holtze), the committee recommended approval of Zoning Petition No. 1984 subject to no conditions. (if this petition is approved as a conditional zoning, deed restrictions must be recorded before zoning takes effect.) The County Board, under s.59.69(5)(e)5 Wis. Stats., has the authority to effectuate the petition by ordinance or to disapprove it. The County Board took the following action this 19th day of January, 2017. Approved the petition as submitted, becomes an ordinance.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Nikolay/P. Scheller to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1003 FILED BY MATTHEW LOHMILLER, ACTING ON BEHALF OF PAUL E AND BARBARA A ARENZ, FOR ONE FARM RESIDENCE ON AN APPROXIMATELY 52.49 ACRE BASE FARM TRACT (BFT) WHERE THE RESIDENTIAL LOT WOULD CONVERT CROPPED CLASS I AND II SOILS FROM AN AGRICULTURAL USE ON LAND ZONED EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF SHELBY

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: Matthew Lohmiller, W6546 Orchard Ln, Onalaska, WI, 54650, acting on behalf of Paul E and Barbara A Arenz, N162 Johnson Rd, Stoddard, WI, 54658 and having held a public hearing on the 3rd day of January, 2017 for a Conditional Use Permit for one farm residence on an approximately 52.49 acre Base Farm Tract (BFT) where the residential lot would convert cropped Class I and II soils from an agricultural use on land zoned Exclusive Agriculture District in the Town of Shelby and described as follows: Part of the NW/NW of Section 36 and part of the SE/NE of Section 35, T15N, R7W. Tax parcels 11-2328-1 and 11-2364-1. Town of Shelby. 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 six (6) in favor, zero (0) no, and one (1) absent (Holtze), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1003 subject to the following eight (8) conditions:

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 1003 is approved for Matthew Lohmiller, W6546 Orchard Ln, Onalaska, WI, 54650, acting on behalf of Paul E and Barbara A Arenz, N162 Johnson Rd, Stoddard, WI, 54658, for a conditional use permit for one farm residence on an approximately 53.79 acre Base Farm Tract (BFT);
2. Since less than 35 acres of the BFT remains for residential development, no further residential development is allowed except upon modifying the boundaries of the BFT as allowed under s.17.05(5)(d)1.a.i of the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance;
3. Deed restrictions shall be recorded for the entire Base Farm Tract indicating all future farm residences proposed on the BFT or a modified BFT shall be allowed by conditional use permit approval only and at densities authorized by the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance;
4. Deed restrictions shall be recorded affecting 35 acres of the existing BFT including and contiguous to the proposed building site to allow future agricultural development and uses only. No additional farm residences are authorized within the deed restricted area;
5. These deed restrictions can be lifted only upon approval by the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors;
6. Any proposed change in grade from the existing to a proposed driveway requires review and approval from Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC). It is the applicant’s responsibility to provide a copy of such approval to be made part of this file;
7. It appears on aerial imagery that a part of the existing travelled access may fall outside of the described easement. The applicant shall make sure that any access is confined within the boundaries of the easement described in Document No. 1572756 in the Office of the La Crosse County Register of Deeds; and
8. This permit is transferrable.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 19th day of January, 2017. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Motion by M. Nikolay/J. Gundersen to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1004 FILED BY WILLIAM D STRUPP, D/B/A W&G STRUPP REAL ESTATE, LLC, O/B/O AMERICAN TRANSMISSION COMPANY (ATC), FOR A TEMPORARY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (22 MONTHS) FOR STORAGE OF ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINE MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT, 4 JOB TRAILERS, AND OFF-STREET PARKING ASSOCIATED WITH STAGING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN OVERHEAD POWER TRANSMISSION LINE ON APPROXIMATELY 5.5 ACRES ON LAND ZONED INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF ONALASKA

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: William D Strupp, D/B/A W&G Strupp Real Estate, LLC, N3567 Shifter Rd, La Crosse, WI, 54603, o/b/o American Transmission Company (ATC), W234 N2000 Ridgeview Pkwy Ct, Waukesha, WI, 53188-1022 and having held a public hearing on the 3rd day of January, 2017 for a temporary Conditional Use Permit (22 months) for storage of wood, concrete, steel poles, dismantled steel transmission towers, crossarms, conductors, insulators and other electrical transmission line material and equipment, 4 job trailers, and off-street parking associated with staging for construction of an overhead power transmission line on approximately 5.5 acres on land zoned Industrial District in the Town of Onalaska and described as follows: Part of the fractional SW/SW and part of the fractional SW/SW of Section 18, T17N, R7W, and; part of the SE/SE of Section 13, T17N, R8W. Tax parcels 10-395-1, 10-391-0, and 10-1452-1. Property address N6172 County Rd XX. Town of Onalaska. 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 six (6) in favor, zero (0) no, and one (1) absent (Holtze), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1004 subject to the following thirteen (13) conditions:

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 1004 is issued to William D Strupp, d/b/a W&G Strupp Real Estate, LLC, N3567 Shifter Rd, La Crosse, WI, 54603, o/b/o American Transmission Company (ATC), W234 N2000 Ridgeview Pkwy Ct, Waukesha, WI, 53188-1022, for a temporary conditional use permit (22 months) on approximately 5.5 acres zoned Industrial District for storage of wood, concrete, steel poles, dismantled steel transmission towers, crossarms, conductors, insulators and other electrical transmission line material and equipment, 4 job trailers, and off-street parking associated with staging for construction of an overhead power transmission line;

2. The area to be utilized for this conditional use permit is limited to that area depicted on the site plan submitted with the application and shall not extend into the adjoining sand pit;

3. Debris tracked onto County Road XX shall be cleaned off at the end of each workday;

4. Storage or use of any hazardous or waste materials shall be in accordance with all laws;

5. No refuse or waste shall be disposed of on-site;

6. Hours of operation are from Monday to Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the impact statement;

7. The cost to repair any damage to County Road XX caused by trucks accessing this site shall be the responsibility of ATC, after assessment is made by the La Crosse County Highway Commissioner to determine whether damages have been caused by this use;
8. The applicant shall obtain any required stormwater or erosion control permits from the La Crosse County Land Conservation Department prior to use of this parcel as approved;
9. The La Crosse County Environmental Health Department shall be contacted to determine if a sanitary permit is required for placement of portable restrooms. Correspondence from Environmental Health regarding this shall be submitted to the Zoning Department to be included in this file;
10. No salvage or remnant materials associated with this transmission line project shall be left on-site after the expiration of this permit;
11. If a proposed post-lease use of this parcel is accessory or incidental to the use of the adjoining sand pit or concrete batch plant, an amendment to Conditional Use Permit No 972 is required;
12. This permit expires May 1, 2019; and
13. This permit is not transferrable.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 19th day of January, 2017. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Motion by M. Nikolay/T. Tryggestad 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 voice vote with 17 ayes, 5 nays - P. Barlow, M. Freedland, S. Hampson, P. Jerome and M. Kruse, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 62-1/17 RE: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LA CROSSE COUNTY AND NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
WHEREAS, La Crosse County and Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy, entered into a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement dated March 18, 1986 for the construction and operation of the Refuse Derived Fuel Facility on French Island; and, WHEREAS, both La Crosse County and Xcel Energy wish to further extend the term of the current agreement and to modify certain provisions; and WHEREAS, La Crosse County and Xcel Energy have reached an agreement to amend the current contract with the following terms:
• The current agreement will be extended to 2030, with the option, if both parties agree, to extend the agreement for two additional five-year terms;
• The County agrees to decrease the price charged to Xcel Energy for fly ash;
• Xcel Energy agrees to increase the price paid to the County for taking its tramp material and bottom ash and has agreed to continue to provide tramp material and bottom ash to the Landfill for the term of the agreed extension;
• The amount of waste that the County is required to provide on an annual basis before a shortfall penalty is triggered has been decreased from 73,000 to 70,000 tons;
• If the County provides excess waste between 73,000 and 75,000 tons, it will be subject to a decreased service fee;
• The cost to the County for the bulky waste disposal fee has been decreased; and WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County to enter into such an amendment; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board authorizes the County Board Chair to execute Amendment No. 9 to the Solid Waste Disposal Service Agreement in accordance with the above terms and after approval by Corporation Counsel.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Motion by M. Freedland/P. Barlow to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 63-1/17 RE: APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF LA CROSSE AND LA CROSSE COUNTY FOR
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PARK II AND APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR JOINT BIDDING

WHEREAS, the County is the owner of certain real estate, known as “International Business Park II”, and that the County and the City of La Crosse have identified this property as a property which would address a current gap in the availability of large parcels which could be developed for light industrial and manufacturing uses; and WHEREAS, the La Crosse County Solid Waste Department, which is located on adjoining property, has identified necessary improvements to the efficiency and safety of the primary public access road to the La Crosse County Landfill; and, WHEREAS, the City and the County have reached an Intergovernmental Agreement as set forth in detail in the agreement attached as Exhibit A; and WHEREAS, the County has agreed to sell said property City of La Crosse for economic development as part of International Business Park II at a price of $1.375 million the proceeds of which the County will utilize to pay back the cost to purchase the Schroeder property in the amount of $375,000 with the remaining $1,000,000 to be used for the sole purpose of providing funds for the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Program within the corporate limits of the City of La Crosse; and, WHEREAS, the City agrees to purchase the property, to redevelop the Property under the Tax Increment Finance statutes, s. 66.1105, Wis. Stats., and within the existing City TID 9 Project Plan as a Business Park and to improve the access to the Solid Waste Department and County Landfill and has indicated it is the City’s intent to devote the proceeds from the sale of the developed property to neighborhood revitalization within the corporate limits of the City of La Crosse; and, WHEREAS, the County and the City both agree it is in the public’s best interest to jointly bid the necessary public works and other improvements in order to accomplish this project and have reached a memorandum of understanding for joint bidding, attached as Exhibit B, to clarify these expectations, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding for Joint Bidding to implement the International Business Park II BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any documents to complete the sale of land as laid out within said agreement, after approval of Corporation Counsel. FISCAL NOTE: Proceeds from the sale to be deposited into account 100.155.1570-48308.00 “Sale of Equipment and Property (Neighborhood Revitalization Division)”. $375,000 of the amount will be reserved in account 100-34501.002 “Excess Sales Tax Reserve” as payback for the purchase of the Schroeder property.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by M. Freedland/M. Kruse to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley and Planner Charlie Handy responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 64-1/17 RE: ACKNOWLEDGE "THE BEST OF PUBLIC SERVICE"

WHEREAS, the following employees have been a faithful part in providing “The Best of Public Service” to La Crosse County:

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WHEREAS, it is the wish of the County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge long and faithful
service on behalf of the citizens of La Crosse County; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,
that a resolution extending our congratulations be recorded in La Crosse County Board
Proceedings and a certificate of our actions be presented as an expression of our gratitude.

TARA JOHNSON, COUNTY BOARD CHAIR
GINNY DANKMEYER, COUNTY CLERK

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Motion by M. Giese/S. Doyle to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1
absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T.
Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 65-1/17 RE: REQUEST TO SEEK STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO
DECLARE LA CROSSE COUNTY A PREMIER RESORT AREA
WHEREAS, La Crosse County is currently considering budget options to fund necessary
highway maintenance and construction projects in La Crosse County; and, WHEREAS, none
of the budget options considered will meet all of the necessary maintenance needs for La
Crosse County highways, and deferring maintenance projects to later dates will only result in
more expensive maintenance options in the future; and, WHEREAS, according to the
Wisconsin Department of Tourism, the local economic impact of Visitor Spending is significant
in La Crosse County at $236.1 million, which this year moved La Crosse up to 9th out of 72
Counties in business activity related to tourism; and WHEREAS, Wisconsin law provides the
opportunity for a political subdivision to impose a .5% premier resort area sales tax on
“Tourism Related Retailers” to pay for infrastructure expenses, which include constructing and
improving roads and bridges; and, WHEREAS, it is estimated by the Department of Revenue
that a premier resort tax in La Crosse County would raise approximately an additional $5.6
million annually in tax revenue; and, WHEREAS, in order for La Crosse County to qualify as
a premier resort area, Wis. Stat. Sec. 66.1113 would need to be amended to specifically add
La Crosse County as an exception to the requirement that 40% of the equalized assessed
value of taxable property in La Crosse County is used by tourism related retailers since La
Crosse County does not meet that requirement; and, WHEREAS, La Crosse County desires
to seek such a change to State law to allow La Crosse County to enact an ordinance or
resolution to declare itself to be a premier resort area. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED
that the La Crosse County Board hereby requests that its state legislators seek the required
change in Wisconsin law to enable La Crosse County to declare itself a premier resort area
to enable imposition of a premier resort area tax. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the La
Crosse County Board hereby directs the County Clerk to place the question set forth below on
the April 4, 2017 ballot as an advisory referendum:

“The County has identified $87.6 million in unmet road needs. To pay for transportation
infrastructure in place of annual borrowing, should La Crosse County seek authority to
levy a 0.5 percent (1/2 cent on the dollar) sales tax on tourist related items sold, leased
or rented through tourist related retailers, (approximately 50% of local retail sales)?”

a. Yes
b. No

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be sent to Governor Walker,
Senator Shilling and Representatives Doyle and Billings. FISCAL NOTE: Estimated cost of
election publications and notices is $450. If the legislative amendment occurs, La Crosse
County will have authority to impose a premier area resort tax that could raise an additional
estimated $5.6 million annually for infrastructure expenses.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Motion by M. Giese/T. Tryggestad to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O’Malley and Highway Commissioner Ron Chamberlain responded to questions from the Board.

Motion by R. Ebert/M. Giese to amend by changing the fiscal note to an estimated cost of election publications and notices is $450 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs. Motion by P. Barlow/M. Nikolay to amend by replacing the referendum question with; "The County has identified $87.6 million in unmet road needs. To pay for transportation infrastructure in place of annual borrowing, should La Crosse County seek authority to levy 0.5 percent (1/2 cent on the dollar) sales tax on tourist related items sold, leased or rented through tourist relates retailers, (approximately 50% of local retail sales)?" passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs. The motion to approve as twice amended passed on a voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 nay - M. Freedland, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa and T. Wehrs.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – none offered.

ADJOURN
Motion by L. Pfaff/K. Tyser to adjourn at 7:38 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hesse, 6 excused - L. Berg, V. Burke, K. Cable, D. Ferries, K. Rosa 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 19, 2017 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 24 OF JANUARY 2017.