

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, JANUARY 09, 2017**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, January 09, 2017 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. 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
1 Richmond, Andrea	Present
2 Geary, Ralph	Present
3 Weidenbach, Doug	Present
4 Freedland, Maureen	Present
5 Rosa, Keyla	Present
6 Plesha, Roger	Present
7 Hampson, Sharon	Excused
8 Jerome, Peg	Present
9 Gundersen, Jerome	Present
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	Present
19 Cornforth, Rick	Present
20 Doyle, Steve	Present
21 Burke, Vicki	Excused
22 Barlow, Patrick	Present
23 Nikolay, Matt	Present
24 Pfaff, Leon	Present
25 Ebert, Ray	Present
26 Hesse, Dan	Present
27 Wehrs, Tina	Present
28 Tyser, Kathie	Present
29 Johnson, Tara	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- New Administrative Center Open House – Thursday, January 12, 2016.
 - Facilities Director Jim Speropulos gave an update on the boardroom. There are still some things that need to be done and a demonstration was provided for the new mics installed in the boardroom. There will be an open house for the public to view the entire building on Thursday, January 12th from 4pm – 6pm.

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- County Board Room Furniture Configuration – Chair Johnson asked for patience with the configuration of the furniture. It's a work in progress and some tweaking still needs to be done.
- 2016 Mileage Reimbursement - Clerk Dankmeyer reminded Supervisors that the deadline to turn in 2016 mileage reimbursement would be January 19th. 2016 and 2017 mileage reimbursement must be on separate forms and turned in every 60 days.
- WCA Legislative Exchange deadline to sign up is tomorrow.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Weidenbach attended the La Crosse City Arts Board meeting and was elected Chair.
 - Supervisor Freedland distributed information on the MLK Community Celebration on Monday at 7pm at Viterbo University.
 - Supervisor Ebert thanked Chair Johnson, Mayor Kabat, and Representative Billings for attending the Civil Air Patrol, Wreaths Across America.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION JANUARY 2017 - 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 2017 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.

Motion by M. Freedland/R. Geary to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 2 excused - V. Burke and S. Hampson.

- Update on work of Heroin Task Force and Governor's Task Force on Opioid Abuse – Health Director Jen Rombalski and Health Educator Al Bliss presented.
 - Today's presentation concentrated on background and statistics on illicit drugs in the La Crosse Area and current efforts and strategies by the Heroin & Other Illicit Drug Task Force. The public meetings are the third Thursday of each month and anyone is welcome to join. The average age is 46 and is split between genders. The number of pain narcotics has gone down and that is likely to the awareness and tracking of them. Oxycodone use has gone up. Narcan administration has gone up since 2007. There was 382 prescription drug charges in 2015 and 197 other charges of possession of controlled substance. Drug related hospitalizations from Gundersen were 1188 in 2013, 1487 in 2014, and 1938 in 2015. Thirty one babies were born with withdrawal symptoms or impacted by the mother's drug use.
 - The goals of the task force are: save and protect lives; reduce illegal and prescription drug substance misuse; improve overdose interventions; improve early intervention to treatment and recovery; provide education to the community about heroin and prescription drugs; and reduce the burden on the Criminal Justice Programs. Task force members include Sheriff Helgeson, Dr. Cheri Olson, Dr. Chris Eberlein, Mayor of Onalaska Joe Chilsen, and Supervisor Monica Kruse. Recommendations for 2015-2017 are: reduce prescription drug misuse and overdose deaths; increase access to early intervention, treatment, and recovery; implement harm reduction strategies to reduce overdose deaths and poisonings; and empower and engage parents as first line prevention among youth. Over 550 leaders and community members attended a drug forum in February 2016. Over 20,000 pounds of medications collected in the 7 medication drop boxes installed at 7 law

enforcement sites in La Crosse County. The targeted outreach includes patients/drug seekers, drug rings, doctor shopping, forged or fraudulent prescriptions, medicine cabinet, trading drugs for sex or money, and the internet.

- o The State of Wisconsin Governor signed Executive Order #214 which orders the following: State Health Officer to issue advisory regarding the serious public health problems created by the recent opioid epidemic; WI Department of Health Services to use the powers under SS 250.04 to do what is reasonable and necessary for the prevention and suppression of opioid abuse; and creation of the Governor’s Task Force on Opioid Abuse. The mission of the Task Force is to gather and review data outlining the problem facing Wisconsin including the emerging threat of synthetic opioids; review and analyze the actions already taken to combat the opioid crisis; review the actions of other states and the National Governor’s Association Compact to Fight Opioid Addictions; and identify and recommend potential action items for the State of Wisconsin. The task force has met several times and will continue to meet.
- Progress report on implementation of the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System project – presented by Finance Director Sharon Davidson, IT Director John Parshall, and Personnel Director Mary Marco.
 - o An ERP System is an industry standard term used to describe software that will closely integrate major facets of your operations. An ERP system provides for cleaner and easier automation, integrate core business processes, and runs a single technology platform. The scope of the project was to replace and modernize the current financial, HR, and payroll software legacy systems. The accomplishments for the 2016 project include the Sheriff scheduling, new chart of accounts, general ledger, core AP/AR, purchasing, PO’s and check requests, and core financial reporting.
 - o Remaining project timeline for 2017. Kronos; time entry, time and attendance, and scheduling. New World System Financial; miscellaneous AR/AP, fixed assets, grants and projects, GASB reporting, and budget. Telestaff; emergency services scheduling. New World Systems HR/Payroll; HR benefits, payroll, benefit enrollment, and HR position control. 2018 projects include New World Systems; continued 2017 items above that have not been completed, self service for employees, and extended features/enhancements.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Supervisor Barlow asked for an update on parking issues.

ADJOURN

Motion by K. Rosa/L. Pfaff to adjourn at 7:26 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 2 excused - V. Burke and S. Hampson.

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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, January 9, 2017 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 17 OF JANUARY 2017.