

LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC HEARING AND ANNUAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Annual Meeting was held on Monday, November 13, 2017 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 29 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	Tahiri, Isaac	Present
6	Plesha, Roger	Present
7	Hampson, Sharon	Present
8	Isola, Peg	Present
9	Gundersen, Jerome	Present
10	Cable, Kim	Present
11	Scheller, Patrick	Present
12	Holtze, Dave	Present
13	Tryggestad, Tina	Excused at 06:43 PM, Present at 07:47 PM
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	Present
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

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENCED:

- Outline of County Administrator's Recommended Budget – Administrator O'Malley presented an overview of the 2018 recommended budget including gross expenditures, 2018 tax levy, mill rate, and budget priorities.
- Public Comment – Chair Johnson called speakers to the podium.
 - Ag Society
 - Marla Stello – 4012 Starlite Dr, La Crosse – spoke in favor of the \$10,000 funding to the Ag Society.

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- Jeff Schmidt – 104 19th Ave N, Bangor – spoke in favor of the \$10,000 funding to the Ag Society
- Jeff Janurin – 2539 Barlow St, La Crosse – spoke in favor of the 4H agent and 4H staffing.
- La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness
 - Julie McDermid – 1402 29th St S, La Crosse – spoke in favor of \$500,000 to fund the Collaborative to End Homelessness.
 - Karen Neuser – 701 Franciscan Way, La Crosse – spoke in favor of the \$500,000 to fund the Collaborative to End Homelessness.
 - Sandy Brekke – W4125 Cty YY, La Crosse – spoke in favor of the \$500,000 to fund the Collaborative to End Homelessness.
- Vicki Markussen – 344 2th St S, La Crosse – spoke in favor of dues for the La Crosse Chamber of Commerce
- Steve Gores – 415 7th St S Apt 119, La Crosse, - spoke against the budget and the County Administrator.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: With no one else requesting to speak, the public hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m. Motion by R. Geary/D. Hesse to close the Public Hearing passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Freedland attended the Western Sustainability Institute. She also commented on the October 24th panel on La Crosse County groundwater pollution. She also participated on a panel on gerrymandering put on by the League of Woman Voters.
 - Supervisor Kruse announced an event on December 7th at 11:30am at the Black River Beach Community Center, a play and lunch skit called, Steering into the Skid which highlights dementia.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION NOVEMBER 2017 - VETERANS MONTH

WHEREAS, the Veterans Service Office assists and supports La Crosse County veterans and their family members in recognition of the sacrifices and service of veterans to La Crosse County, the state of Wisconsin, and the United States; and, **WHEREAS**, respect for veterans' achievements and sacrifices on behalf of the nation and the world is ensured; and, **WHEREAS**, leadership and advocacy for La Crosse County veterans is demonstrated; and, **WHEREAS**, commitment to service excellence while assisting veterans with their applications for state and federal veterans' programs is of the highest level. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of November 2017 as La Crosse County Veterans Month and urges all residents to join in recognizing the valuable contribution military veterans have made to La Crosse County.

Motion by L. Berg/R. Ebert to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by T. Johnson/T. Wehrs to appoint Joe Moua to the Economic Development Board to replace Michael Richards; appoint Sister Mary Stuttgen to the Aging and Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee to replace Marvel Faherty for the remainder of a term to expire July 31, 2019 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggstad.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by R. Plesha/D. Ferries to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held October 9, 2017 and the Monthly meeting held October 19, 2017 and the claims list for \$2,610,682.64 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggstad.

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RESOLUTION NO. 39-11/17 RE: APPROVE STAFFING PROPOSAL TO FILL 4-H AND AGRICULTURAL EDUCATOR POSITIONS IN LA CROSSE COUNTY UW-EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the County has not had an Ag agent for the past 29 months, while the 4-H Agent has been vacant for 23 of the past 36 months with little action from UW-Extension at the State level; and **WHEREAS**, there is significant uncertainty with the nEXT Generation organizational model that imposes multi-county areas state-wide, particularly in our region where La Crosse County represents over 52% of the population of the defined area with four smaller adjacent counties; **WHEREAS**, the current funding arrangement splits the cost share 40% County/ 60% State for the Community Natural Resources and Economic Development, 4-H and Agricultural Educator positions, while the County pays for 100% for the Youth Program Advisor; and **WHEREAS**, the Dean of UW-Extension has approved filling the vacant 4-H and Agricultural Educator positions with a revised cost share of 60% County / 40% State with a salary range in the mid to high \$60,000 range plus State Fringe Benefits, while dedicating these positions to La Crosse County; and **WHEREAS**, in order for the County to afford a higher share of educator costs, the County will phase out funding for the 4-H Youth Program Advisor effective January 1, 2018. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors that the County will provide a three year commitment for a 60% share of the salary and fringe costs for the 4-H and Agricultural Educator positions to serve the needs of La Crosse County residents. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair and County Administrator are authorized to sign the staffing contracts and a three year Memorandum of Understanding with UW-Extension. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2018 County Administrator's recommended budget includes \$148,544 for the 4-H and Agricultural Educator positions at 60% County cost share and maintains the CNRED Educator position at the nEXT Generation revised flat fee rate.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by T. Wehrs/L. Pfaff to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggestad.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1038 FILED BY MICHAEL D AND MICHELLE A RESCHKE, D/B/A NORTH COUNTRY CONTRACTOR OF WEST SALEM, INC. AND BIG HOOK TRUCKING & DISPOSAL TO AMEND CONDITIONS ON LANDS ZONED EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT APPROVED FOR CONTRACTOR STORAGE UNDER CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 817 TO INCLUDE AN AFTER-THE-FACT DUMPSTER RENTAL BUSINESS INVOLVING OUTDOOR STORAGE OF 18 SITE RENTED DUMPSTERS AND TWO TRUCKS WITH GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 73,000 LBS. ON TWO SITES OF APPROXIMATELY ONE ACRE IN TOTAL IN THE TOWN OF BARRE

No. 1038 filed by: Michael D and Michelle A Reschke, d/b/a North Country Contractor of West Salem, Inc. and Big Hook Trucking & Disposal, N3074 County Rd M, La Crosse, WI, 54601 and having held a public hearing on the 30th day of October, 2017 for a Conditional Use Permit to amend conditions on lands zoned Exclusive Agriculture District approved for contractor storage under Conditional Use Permit No. 817 to include an after-the-fact dumpster rental business involving outdoor storage of 18 site rented dumpsters and two trucks with gross vehicle weight of 73,000 lbs. on two sites of approximately one acre in total in the Town of Barre and described as follows: Part of the NE/SE of Section 26, T16N, R6W. Tax parcel 2-279-0. Property address N3076 County Rd M. Town of Barre. 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

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a vote of four (4) in favor, zero (0) no, two (2) excused (Cornforth, Gundersen), and one (1) absent (Scheller), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1038 subject to the following twelve (12) conditions:

1. Conditional Use Permit granted to run a construction company known as North County Contractors at N3074 County Road M, La Crosse, WI 54601-2808;
2. Conditional Use Permit grants two (2) existing buildings to be used for storage of equipment and materials associated with the business identified as the 2,280 sq. ft. building and a newer garage left and south of the house;
3. No signs advertising business are allowed;
4. Maximum number of employees is five (5);
5. All equipment and trailers shall be reported to the local assessor every year in order to pay personal property taxes;
6. This permit is non-transferable;
7. This permit terminates and replaces Conditional Use Permit No. 557 in its entirety;
8. A zoning Occupancy Permit is required for all existing buildings not used exclusively for agriculture purposes;
9. This permit grants an area 100-ft X 100-ft for outside storage north of the 2,280 sq. ft. shed;
10. This permit replaces CUP No 817 in its entirety and includes Big Hook Trucking & Disposal for garbage and demolition hauling;
11. Eighteen roll-off dumpsters of varying capacity can be stored outdoors on site on the proposed approximately 1 acre area identified by the applicant; and
12. Two trucks with GVW of 73,000 # or equivalent used for either business can be stored on-site, outdoor or indoor.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 13th day of November, 2017. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by T. Wehrs/J. Gundersen to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a voice vote with 27 ayes, 1 nay - S. Hampson, 1 excused - T. Tryggstad.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1040 FILED BY JEFFREY T MARTIN FOR AN AFTER-THE-FACT CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CONTRACTOR STORAGE AND CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION WORK WITHIN AN ATTACHED GARAGE, INCLUDING OUTDOOR STORAGE OF TWO ENCLOSED TRAILERS ON LANDS ZONED RURAL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF HAMILTON

No. 1040 filed by Jeffrey T Martin, N4011 Old M Rd, West Salem, WI, 54669 and having held a public hearing on the 30th day of October, 2017 for an after-the-fact Conditional Use Permit for contractor storage and custom construction work within an attached garage, including outdoor storage of two enclosed trailers on lands zoned Rural District in the Town of Hamilton and described as follows: Part of the E ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 17, T16N, R6W. Tax parcel 7-365-1. Property address N4011 Old M Rd. Town of Hamilton. 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 four (4) in favor, zero (0) no, two (2) excused (Cornforth, Gundersen), and one (1) absent (Scheller), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1040 subject to the following seven (7) conditions:

1. This permit is approved specifically for Jeffrey T Martin d/b/a Custom Construction, LLC, N4011 Old M Rd, West Salem, WI, 54669, on land zoned Rural District for contractor storage and custom construction work within an attached garage, including outdoor storage of two enclosed trailers;
2. All waste materials must be disposed of in a code compliant manner;

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3. Available off-street parking shall be maintained and made available for at least two customer vehicles;
4. Check with the assessor for the Town of Hamilton to determine what equipment must be reported as personal property for tax purposes. Report required equipment on an annual basis;
5. Two enclosed construction trailers are allowed and must be parked off road right of way;
6. One $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup or smaller vehicle is authorized for hauling; and
7. This permit is not transferrable.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 13th day of November, 2017. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by T. Wehrs/D. Hesse to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a voice vote with 27 ayes, 1 nay - S. Hampson, 1 excused - T. Tryggstad.

ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z388-11/17 RE: PETITION NO. 2005 FILED BY SCOTT G AND CHRISTINE S BAKKUM TO REZONE FROM THE GENERAL AGRICULTURE AND GENERAL AGRICULTURE PENDING CONDITIONS NOT RECORDED TO GENERAL AGRICULTURE WITH CONDITIONS TO AMEND THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF ZONING PETITION NO. 1908 TO MATCH OWNER PARCEL BOUNDARIES IN THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD

No. 2005 filed by Scott G And Christine S Bakkum, N2381 Yanzer Rd, La Crosse, WI, 54601 and having held a public hearing on the 30th day of October 2017 for a petition to rezone from the General Agriculture and General Agriculture Pending Conditions Not Recorded To General Agriculture With Conditions to amend the legal description of Zoning Petition No. 1908 to match owner parcel boundaries in the Town of Greenfield and described as follows: Part of the SE/NW and SW/NW, all in Section 5, T15N, R6W. Tax parcels 6-112-0 and 6-117-0. Town of Greenfield. 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 four (4) in favor, zero (0) no, two (2) excused (Cornforth, Gundersen), and one (1) absent (Scheller), the committee recommended approval of Zoning Petition No. 2005 subject to the recording of a deed restriction indicating the following:

1. No further residential development is authorized on the area petitioned for rezoning. (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 13th day of November, 2017. Approved the petition with amendments/conditions, becomes an ordinance, after recording conditions.

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Motion by T. Wehrs/D. Holtze to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a voice vote with 27 ayes, 1 abstention - P. Barlow, 1 excused - T. Tryggstad.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1043 FILED BY ALLEN STORANDT O/B/O CHARLES STORANDT FOR A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE ON A 233.96 ACRE BASE FARM TRACT THAT WILL CONVERT PRIME FARMLAND CURRENTLY USED AS CROP LAND TO RESIDENTIAL USE ON LANDS ZONED EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON

No. 1043 filed by Allen Storandt, W4406 County Rd D, Mindoro, WI, 54644, o/b/o Charles Storandt, W4406 County Rd D, Mindoro, WI, 54644 and having held a public hearing on the 30th day of October, 2017 for a Conditional Use Permit for a single family residence on a

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233.96 acre Base Farm Tract that will convert prime farmland currently used as crop land to residential use on lands zoned EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT in the Town of Farmington and described as follows: NW/NW of Section 20, T18N, R6W. Tax parcel 5-860-0. Town of Farmington. 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 four (4) in favor, zero (0) no, two (2) excused (Cornforth, Gundersen), and one (1) absent (Scheller), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1043 subject to the recording of the following two (2) deed restrictions:

1. The entire Base Farm Tract of 233.958 acres shall be deed restricted indicating no additional residential development is authorized except upon issuance of a Conditional Use or Administrative Conditional Use permit and at density authorized by the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance; and
2. Lots containing the existing and proposed residences and the balance of a minimum of 46.79 acres contiguous to both the existing and proposed residential lots must be deed restricted so that only future agricultural development is authorized with no further residential development.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 13th day of November, 2017. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by T. Wehrs/P. Scheller to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggestad.

FIRST CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 169 TO AMEND S. 1.72 ENTITLED "VETERAN'S SERVICE COMMISSION" OF THE GENERAL CODE OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

VETERANS, AGING AND LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE

Motion by P. Isola/R. Plesha to move the first reading. The ordinance will be held over for 30 days and is on file and open for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the La Crosse County web site at: www.co.la-crosse.wi.us. Upon adoption and publication it will be incorporated into the La Crosse County General Code of Ordinances.

RESOLUTION NO. 40-11/17 RE: APPROVE RESTRUCTURE OF VECTOR AND ANIMAL CONTROL IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Vector Control division is responsible for Animal Control which is a state mandated responsibility fulfilled in part by a contract with the Coulee Region Humane Society (CRHS) and mosquito/tick control that goes above the minimum mandate, that takes the majority of staff time (4.4 FTE's) including providing regional services for up to 11 Counties, 2 Cities and 1 tribal nation; and **WHEREAS**, the County has significant exposure to expenses resulting from Animal Cruelty cases and may be responsible for up to \$130,000 in unbudgeted boarding costs for a single case this past year, which can only be mitigated in the future through a proactive approach to the contract with CRHS; and **WHEREAS**, the Health Director recommends that increased resources be devoted to Animal Control, while reducing mosquito/tick control to focus on Disease Management/Prevention and eliminating the Nuisance control of mosquitos in La Crosse County; and **WHEREAS**, most Wisconsin Counties do not provide mosquito/tick control surveillance/abatement services, while providing this service to other jurisdictions outside La Crosse County seems to be subsidized by our taxpayers and there are few objective measures of the preventative effectiveness of the mosquito/tick control program in comparison with other Wisconsin Counties and municipalities. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the La Crosse County Board of

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Supervisors that the Vector and Animal Control division be restructured to place enhanced attention to meeting the County's legal responsibilities for Animal Control, while mitigating potential costs in animal cruelty cases. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the mosquito/tick control program be reduced to concentrate on Disease Management/Prevention only in La Crosse County through seeking proposals for a contracted service, while eliminating the program for Nuisance Control and regional services to other jurisdictions. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2018 County Administrator's recommended budget includes \$40,000 Tax Levy for Vector Control and \$52,681 Tax Levy for Animal control.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/D. Weidenbach to approve. Discussion ensued. Health Director Jen Rombalski and Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 25 ayes, 3 nays - P. Barlow, V. Burke and R. Geary, 1 excused - T. Tryggestad.

RESOLUTION NO. 41-11/17 RE: AUTHORIZING PREPARATION & SUBMISSION OF A WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE WITH FLOOD DAMAGE

WHEREAS, monies are available under the Community Development Block grant administered by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Administration for the purpose of emergency assistance; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse and surrounding Counties have received a federal disaster declaration as a result of the July 2017 flooding; and **WHEREAS**, there has been significant property damage in La Crosse and surrounding Counties as a result of this flood that is estimated at \$2 million; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County is eligible to apply for this grant in the amount of \$2,242,500 and county staff will administer the distribution of said grant dollars to La Crosse and surrounding County Landowners; and **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board believes that the best interests of the residents in La Crosse County will be served by utilizing these funds to repair and replace flood damage to property in La Crosse and surrounding Counties while taking steps to reduce the potential for additional flood damage in the future; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby authorize the appropriate county staff to assist in the preparation and filing of an application with the Community Development Block Grant Program for Emergency Assistance. **FISCAL NOTE:** The CDBG funds for this program will be accounted for within the new org set "280.685.5820 CDBG Flood Victims". La Crosse County will be reimbursed for the administrative and fiscal costs of staff time for this program. There is no additional cost to the County for this program.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD**

Motion by S. Hampson/V. Burke to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggestad.

RESOLUTION NO. 42-11/17 RE: UPDATING OF RESOLUTION 42-10/15 FROM 2015 REGARDING CASH TRANSFERS BETWEEN LAKEVIEW CAMPUS FUNDS AT YEAR END TO INCLUDE HILLVIEW CAMPUS FUNDS

WHEREAS, Resolution 42-10/15 regarding "the authorization for cash balance transfers between Lakeview Campus Funds at year end" was adopted by the County Board on October 15, 2015; and **WHEREAS**, Resolution 33-10/17 regarding "approving integration of long-term care services and supports provided by Lakeview and Hillview Health Care Center campuses" was adopted by the County Board on October 19, 2017; and **WHEREAS**, the merger the two campuses under one director will lead to continued cost savings and efficiencies; and **WHEREAS**, the financial operations of both campuses include eight different funds within the financial system along with the component unit of Mississippi Valley Health Services Commission (MVHS), and the committed fund balance reserve titled "Lakeview Capital" within the General Fund. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board authorizes the County Administrator, Finance Director, and Executive Director of the Long Term Care Services Department to approve transfers between funds for the

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Lakeview entities, Hillview entities, MVHS, and Lakeview Capital at year end closeout of the financial statements, and that a report is presented to the Executive Committee each year showing any transfers that were executed, effective beginning with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. **FISCAL NOTE:** At December 31, 2016, the balance in the Lakeview Capital committed reserve was \$891,041; the MVHS fund balance was \$3,569,185, the Hillview Campus entities combined fund balance was \$12,503,084, and the Lakeview Campus entities combined fund balance was \$3,069,924.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/A. Richmond to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - T. Tryggestad.

RESOLUTION NO. 43-11/17 RE: AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION TO CERTAIN LA CROSSE COUNTY PERMITS, FEES, AND CHARGES FOR 2018

WHEREAS, the 2018 budget includes certain fee increases for various revenue accounts commencing January 1, 2018 for various departments; and, **WHEREAS**, the fees in each of the departments have been identified in the 2018 Budget document entitled "La Crosse County Proposed User Fees, Charges for Services, and Permit Revenues for 2018 and "La Crosse County Human Services Department 2018 Fees"; and, **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Financial Management Policies indicate that the County will establish service fees and charges wherever appropriate for the purpose of keeping property taxes to a minimum; and **WHEREAS**, these fees and charges will attempt to fairly allocate the full cost of services to the users of those services whenever possible and as deemed appropriate by the County Board, including consideration of waiving or offering reduced fees to youth, seniors, or other special population groups identified as requiring preferential consideration based on policy goals. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby approve budget document entitled "La Crosse County Proposed User Fees, Charges for Services, and Permit Revenues for 2018 and "La Crosse County Human Services Department 2018 Fees" to be effective commencing January 1, 2018. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if any new rates or rate changes are determined to be needed during the 2018 fiscal year, the standing committee responsible for the department will have the authority to approve the change. **FISCAL NOTE:** the proposed fees, charges, and permit fees for 2018 have been included in the proposed 2018 Budget.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/M. Giese to approve. Discussion ensued. Motion by T. Wehrs/J. Gundersen to amend the After the Fact Permit Fees in Zoning to where they are now at double the permit fee. Discussion ensued. Zoning and Planning Administrator Nate Sampson responded to questions from the Board. The motion to amend passed on a roll call vote with 17 ayes, 12 nays - V. Burke, R. Geary, M. Giese, S. Hampson, P. Isola, T. Johnson, M. Kruse, M. Nikolay, R. Plesha, A. Richmond, T. Tryggestad and D. Weidenbach. Further discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley and Associate Administrator Jane Klekamp responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve as amended passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 44-11/17 RE: ADOPTION OF CONTRACTS FOR AFSCME UNION EMPLOYEES FOR 2018

WHEREAS, La Crosse County and the representatives of AFSCME Unions representing Para-Professional Employees (Local 2484), Professional Employees (Local 2484) and Highway (Local 227) have concluded collective bargaining negotiations; and, **WHEREAS**, the parties have reached tentative agreements. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the tentative base wage agreements of the parties are within the requirements of Act 10. The agreement reached is a 1.5% across the board wage increase to a one year collective bargaining agreement with the term beginning on January 1, 2018. The ratified new collective bargaining agreement between La Crosse County and the three AFSCME locals, is effective for all those employed in such units on January 1, 2018. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County

Board Chair, County Administrator and Personnel Director are authorized to sign the base wage Collective Bargaining Agreements upon approval of the Corporation Counsel. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Personnel and Finance departments are authorized and directed to take such action as is necessary to implement the action approved and carry out the intent of this resolution. **FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated increase in cost of wage, WRS, FICA and Medicare for 2018 is \$338,190. The number of employees in each group is approximately: Para-Professional Employees 253, Professional Employees 138 and Highway 50.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/M. Kruse to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 45-11/17 RE: MODIFICATION OF COMPENSATION PLAN FOR NON-UNION EMPLOYEES FOR 2018

WHEREAS, the County Administrator and Personnel Director recommend modifications to the present County Compensation Plans for non-bargaining employees covered by the following Classification and Pay Grades designated as B, CE, HV, JL, JLS, LS, LV, NM, NH, NL, TL and TLS; and, **WHEREAS**, upon consideration of the union contract settlement for the Deputy Sheriff's for 2018 and the recommended settlements for the other union contracts for 2018, the budget and internal compensation equity, the County Administrator and Personnel Director recommend setting the pay rates for the Non-Bargaining Pay Schedules consistent with the bargaining units; and, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that those employees covered by the non-bargaining pay schedules referenced above have pay set for 2018 reflecting an across-the-board increase of 1.5% effective January 1, 2018. Minimum wage positions will remain indexed to minimum wage and certain grant-funded positions with a specific rate will not be increased. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following position on the CM Pay Grade receives a 1.5% increase effective January 1, 2018: Children & Youth System of Care Administrator. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department and the Personnel Department are authorized to take the necessary action to implement these changes. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2018 budget contains funding in salary contingency and other accounts. The estimated increase of salary, WRS, FICA and Medicare for non-bargaining employees for 2018 is \$520,700. There are approximately 782 employees covered by this resolution.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/P. Isola to approve. Discussion ensued. Personnel Director Mary Marco responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 28 ayes, and 1 abstention - P. Barlow.

RESOLUTION NO. 46-11/17 RE: CHANGES IN POSITIONS FUNDED BY OUTSIDE SOURCES (NON-TAX LEVY) FOR 2018

WHEREAS, the County Administrator's 2018 budget includes changes in positions that are fully funded by outside sources; and, **WHEREAS**, new positions of 11.15 FTE are the result of increased grant revenues and other outside sources. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following position modifications be approved for inclusion in the 2018 La Crosse County budget, reflecting a net decrease of 2.75 FTE with \$0 levy impact.

	<u>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</u>	<u>Annual Cost Salary & Fringe</u>	<u>Net Levy Impact</u>
<u>Health Department</u>			
- 0.50 Health Educator 1	- 0.50	(\$25,332)	\$0
- 0.10 Health Educator 2	- 0.10	(\$6,228)	\$0

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- 0.10 Community Health Aide	- 0.10	(\$3,804)	\$0
- 0.20 Health Educator 2	- 0.20	(\$12,504)	\$0
+0.15 Work Assistant LTE	+0.15	\$3,480	\$0

Human Services

+3.00 CSN Social Workers	+3.00	\$217,566	\$0
+2.00 CCS Social Workers	+2.00	\$145,044	\$0
+1.00 Therapist	+1.00	\$87,054	\$0
+1.00 CSN Social Services Specialist	+1.00	\$56,700	\$0
+1.00 CSN QA Supervisor	+1.00	\$75,804	\$0
- 1.00 F&C Supervisor	- 1.00	(\$97,464)	\$0
- 1.00 F&C Social Services Specialist	- 1.00	(\$58,308)	\$0

Human Services – already approved by resolution in 2017

+1.00 Economic Support Supervisor (Res 66-2/17)	+1.00	\$78,816	\$0
+1.00 Economic Support Clerk (Res 18-7/17)	+1.00	\$47,136	\$0

Aging

-11.00 ADRC Employees (single County ADRC)	-11.00	(\$771,842)	\$0
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Solid Waste

+1.00 Fiscal Clerk	+1.00	\$56,940	\$0
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Net Change/Totals -2.75 (\$206,942) \$0

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget as needed and the Personnel Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any position addition reliant on non-tax-levy funding will be deleted if outside funding ends. **FISCAL NOTE:** These positions will be fully funded by grant revenue or other outside sources and will not impact the tax levy.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/K. Cable to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 47-11/17 RE: CHANGES IN POSITIONS AT LAKEVIEW & HILLVIEW CAMPUSES FOR 2018

WHEREAS, the County Administrator's 2018 budget includes changes in positions as a result of integration of the Lakeview and Hillview campuses under a single Long Term Care Services Department, while the number of licensed Hillview nursing home beds has been reduced from 191 down to 175; and **WHEREAS**, the anticipated census changes will affect the staffing pattern of each facility. For 2018 the anticipated changes from the 2017 budget are as follows:

	<u>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</u>	<u>Annual Cost Salary & Fringe</u>	<u>Net Levy Impact</u>
-22.28 FTE Hillview Campus	-22.28	(\$902,124)	\$0
+7.83 FTE Lakeview Campus	+7.83	\$570,943	\$0
Net Change/Totals	-14.45	(\$331,181)	\$0

WHEREAS, decreases in Hillview Campus positions have begun to be implemented through staff attrition in 2017 in response to decreasing the number of licensed nursing home beds, while affecting a variety of position classifications to increase staffing efficiencies and duties. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator and Lakeview Executive

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Director are authorized to make modifications to the total number of allocated positions for the Lakeview campus implementing a total decrease in full time equivalent positions for 2018 of 14.45 from 368.72 FTE in 2017 to 354.27 FTE in 2018 and may increase the number of positions based on the needs of the clients during the year if sufficient non-tax levy revenues are available. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget and the Personnel Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan. **FISCAL NOTE:** Decrease of salary and fringe costs in the amount of \$331,181 are included in the Administrator's Proposed 2018 Budget. These positions are fully funded by grant revenue or other outside sources and will not impact the tax levy.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/T. Tryggestad to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 48-11/17 RE: CHANGES IN GENERAL OPERATING LEVY POSITIONS AND HOURS FOR 2018 BUDGET

WHEREAS, based on input from the departments, the County Administrator's 2018 budget includes a total decrease of 8.38 Full Time Equivalents (FTE) and an increase of 6.88 FTE for positions supported by local property tax levy. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following position modifications be approved for inclusion in the 2018 La Crosse County budget, reflecting a net decrease of 1.50 FTE with a net decrease of \$8,731 in the 2018 Tax Levy.

	<u>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</u>	<u>Annual Cost Salary & Fringe</u>	<u>Net Levy Impact</u>
<u>Zoning</u>			
+0.20 Secretary III	+0.20	\$8,076	\$8,076
<u>Courts</u>			
-1.00 Clerk	-1.00	(\$46,296)	(\$46,296)
<u>Corporation Counsel</u>			
-0.20 Secretary	-0.20	(\$5,343)	(\$5,343)
<u>Child Support</u>			
-1.00 Support Specialist	-1.00	(\$54,960)	(\$54,960)
<u>Library</u>			
+0.43 Library Clerk, Sr.	+0.43	\$36,660	\$36,660
+0.03 Library Clerk, Sr.	+0.03	\$1,068	\$1,068
+0.03 Library Clerk, Entry	+0.03	\$996	\$996
+0.03 Library Clerk, Entry	+0.03	\$918	\$918
<u>Medical Examiner</u>			
+0.20 Chief Deputy	+0.20	\$11,664	\$11,664
- 0.28 Deputy	- 0.28	(\$9,672)	(\$9,672)
<u>Health</u>			
- 0.50 Grant Writer	- 0.50	(\$25,332)	(\$25,332)
- 1.00 Vector Control Manager	- 1.00	(\$93,336)	(\$93,336)
- 3.40 Vector Control Monitors	- 3.40	(\$83,736)	(\$83,736)
<u>Human Services</u>			
- 1.00 Accounting Specialist (ending 6/1/18; 50% levy funded)	- 1.00	(\$24,897)	(\$12,449)

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Human Services – already approved by resolution in 2017

+1.00 Jail Clinical Therapist (Res 67-2/17)	+1.00	\$86,688	\$86,688
+4.46 JDF positions (Res 10-5/17) <i>**Partially Non-Levy Funded**</i>	+4.46	\$251,990	\$137,107

Highway

+0.50 Clerk	+0.50	\$39,216	\$39,216
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Net Change/Totals - 1.50 (\$93,704) (\$8,731)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget as needed and the Personnel Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/M. Nikolay to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 49-11/17 RE: COMPENSATION FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD 2018 – 2020 TERM

WHEREAS, La Crosse County is a self-organized County pursuant to s. 59.10(1), Wis. Stats., and s. 2.01(1)(a) of the General Code of La Crosse County; and the method of compensation of Supervisors shall be determined by the County Board by resolution prior to the earliest time for filing nomination papers; and, **WHEREAS**, the County Board Supervisor's current monthly compensation is \$411 and the County Board Chair's current monthly compensation is \$1270; and, **WHEREAS**, the last increase for the County Board Supervisor's compensation was in 2013 and the last increase for the County Board Chair's compensation occurred in 2009; and, **WHEREAS**, the Executive Committee has considered and reviewed the current monthly compensation; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the monthly compensation for County Board Supervisors shall be \$417. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair's monthly compensation shall be \$1,289. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation of the County Board Supervisors and the County Board Chair shall be effective at the commencement of the next term of office in April, 2018. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator, Finance Director and Personnel Director shall take all necessary steps to carry out the intent of this resolution. **FISCAL NOTE:** The total annual compensation for County Board Supervisors and County Board Chair for the 2018 – 2020 term commencing April 17, 2018 is \$160,584.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/S. Doyle to approve. Discussion ensued. Motion by S. Hampson/S. Doyle to amend by changing April 2020 to 2018 in the 2nd Be It Further Resolved clause passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes. Motion by S. Hampson/V. Burke to amend by changing April 2018 to April 17, 2018 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes. The motion to approve as amended passed on a roll call vote with 18 ayes, 10 nays - R. Cornforth, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, R. Geary, J. Gundersen, D. Hesse, M. Larson, M. Nikolay, I. Tahiri and T. Wehrs, 1 abstention - L. Berg.

APPROVAL OF 2018 ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Motion by S. Hampson/K. Cable to approve. **Motion** by S. Hampson/M. Freedland to amend by accepting the housekeeping amendments / corrections from the Executive Committee. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. **The motion to amend passed** on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes. **Motion** by T. Wehrs/L. Pfaff to amend by adding \$10,000 to the Ag Society for one time. Discussion ensued. **The motion to amend passed** on a voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 nay - S. Hampson. **Motion** by S. Hampson/V. Burke to amend by increasing the County Board compensation **passed** on a voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 nays - R. Geary, J. Gundersen, D. Hesse, M. Nikolay and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by K. Cable/T. Tryggestad to amend by adding \$500,000 in place holder funds in a

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new non-departmental org to support the work of the La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. **Chair change.** 2nd Vice chair Mike Giese took the chair. Human Services Director Jason Witt and Health Director Jen Rombalski responded to questions from the Board. Deputy Finance Director Lanae Nickelotti responded to questions from the Board. **Motion** by A. Richmond/S. Doyle call the question / close debate **passed** on a voice vote with 26 ayes, 3 nays - R. Ebert, M. Freedland and T. Wehrs. **The motion to amend passed** on a roll call vote with 22 ayes, 7 nays - L. Berg, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, J. Gundersen, D. Hesse, M. Nikolay and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by D. Holtze/M. Nikolay to amend by removing \$3,090 from account 60770.01 membership dues to not pay the La Crosse Chamber dues for 2018. Discussion ensued. **The motion to amend failed** on a roll call vote with 26 nays, 3 ayes - D. Holtze, M. Nikolay and L. Pfaff. **The motion to approve as amended four times passed** on a voice vote with 28 ayes, and 1 abstention - R. Geary.

RESOLUTION NO. 50-11/17 RE: ADOPTION OF THE 2018 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the County Administrator has worked with all County departments and has prepared the La Crosse County 2018 Recommended Budget; and, **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors has held a public hearing, pursuant to Section 65.90m, Wisconsin Statutes. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors does adopt a budget for calendar year 2018 with total expenditures of \$162,209,269 total revenues of \$115,609,396 and other funding sources of \$12,274,194 and a total La Crosse County tax levy of \$34,325,679 to be divided and levied as follows: County Tax of \$26,538,526 to be levied upon all the taxable property of the County; and, Debt Levy Tax of \$5,782,843 to be levied upon all the taxable property of the County; and, County Library Tax of \$2,004,310 to be levied upon all taxable property of the County except for that property within the City of La Crosse; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in addition to the La Crosse County tax levy, a State Forestry Tax in the amount of \$0 and State Special Charges of \$162 be levied upon all the taxable property of the County as certified by the State Department of Administration. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2018 budget is adopted and approved at the department level of detail as contained in the budget document. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk and County Finance Director shall determine and apportion within 10 days of this date, the tax levy set forth for the respective municipalities, according and in proportion to the valuations for the towns, villages, and cities as submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator and the County Clerk are hereby authorized to correct any clerical errors that may be found in the budget document prior to the publishing of this resolution. **FISCAL NOTE:** See reverse side for budget comparison data.

Budget Comparison			
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Total Expenditures	161,796,791	162,209,269	0.25%
Total Revenues	115,274,997	115,609,396	0.29%
Total Other Funding Sources	<u>12,874,900</u>	<u>12,274,194</u>	-4.67%
Total County Levy	\$33,646,894	\$34,325,679	2.02%
Operating Levy	26,042,162	26,538,526	1.91%
Library & WRLS	1,935,774	2,004,310	3.54%
Debt Service	<u>5,668,928</u>	<u>5,782,843</u>	<u>2.01%</u>
Total County Levy	\$33,646,864	\$34,325,679	2.02%
Equalized Value	8,656,333,800	9,149,390,900	5.70%
Mill Rate - County Tax	3.887	3.752	-3.48%
State Forestry Tax	1,534,861	\$0	-100.00%
Mill Rate - Forestry Tax	0.177	0	-100.00%
State Special Charges	\$0	\$162	100.00%

Dated this 13th day of November, 2017.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/K. Cable to approve. Motion by P. Isola/P. Scheller to amend by changing the date of 14th to the 13th passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes. The motion to approve as amended passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Supervisor Geary asked for a report on livable wages.

ADJOURN

Motion by R. Ebert/M. Kruse to adjourn at 10:08 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

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 Annual Meeting held Monday, November 13, 2017 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 16 OF NOVEMBER 2017.