

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING  
PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2017**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Special Meeting was held on Monday, November 20, 2017 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 26 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:

<b>District Name</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
1 Richmond, Andrea	Present
2 Geary, Ralph	Present
3 Weidenbach, Doug	Present
4 Freedland, Maureen	Present
5 Tahiri, Isaac	Present
6 Plesha, Roger	Excused
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	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	Present
22 Barlow, Patrick	Present
23 Nikolay, Matt	Present
24 Pfaff, Leon	Present
25 Ebert, Ray	Excused
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**

- Supervisor Conference Reports
  - Supervisor Richmond announced the Lights Over North La Crosse this Saturday presented by the Northside Businesses at Copeland Park at 5pm.
  - Supervisor Kruse attended the Seven Rivers Alliance Annual State of the Region Event.

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- Supervisor Weidenbach attended a meeting of Homelessness and Art. There is a show planned in February for this art.
- Chair Johnson asked to have the Administrator's Evaluation by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley**

- Holmen Community Center Project Update – Mary Lin Wershofen
  - The Community Center is to be built on property purchased by the Town of Holland Board. In December 2016 they were approached by a group to take over the project, fundraise and run it. The group later backed out which caused the delay. The project will now be constructed in two phases. Program space will be done first and the gym in phase 2. Current construction estimates are approximately at \$3 million. Approximately \$2.2 million have already been raised. Shovel in the ground is planned for April/May 2018. The committed partners are the School District of Holmen, Holmen Police Department, Holmen Area Fire Department, Gunderson Healthy System, Family and Children's Center, WAFER, and Bethany St. Joe.
- Public Safety Radio System Update – Jay Loffler
  - Currently have 3 sites for County Law Enforcement to transmit on. Firefighting / EMS have 4 sites, and 3 separate repeaters for Highway Department. Currently they are in the process of upgrading Hwy 14-61 St. Joseph site. The upgrade was delayed by a back order of equipment. The 2017 budget approved is to add MVC site in the Town of Medary and includes some prep work for Wanlass Site improvement. 2018 has budgeted for Wanlass Site in the Town of Farmington with shelter and tower. 2019 proposed budget will be to add US Cell Mindoro (Town of Farmington). 2020 is planned for the Bangor site and 2021 is the Town of Onalaska. 2022 will be the US Cell Galesville & Dairyland - Portland Site. The total cost for all sites will be \$2,658,000.

#### **County Clerk Report – Ginny Dankmeyer**

- County Board Supervisor Election Information – Clerk Dankmeyer reviewed the paperwork necessary for supervisors who intend to run for re-election and the deadlines involved.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 51-11/17 RE: ORDERING SPECIAL ELECTION FOR TREASURER VACANCY**

**WHEREAS**, elected County Treasurer Shawn Handland, who was serving a term that would have expired January 3, 2021, resigned as of September 1, 2017 leaving a vacancy in the Office of County Treasurer; and, **WHEREAS**, at the August 17, 2017 County Board meeting, it was determined by the Board that the vacancy would be filled by using the special election process pursuant to Wis. Stat. §17.21(3); **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board orders that a special election be held concurrently with the regular 2018 spring election cycle to fill the unexpired term for the office of County Treasurer. The special election will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. If a primary election is necessary it will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. Nomination papers for this office may be circulated beginning on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 and the deadline for filing nomination papers is 5 p.m. on January 2, 2018. Candidates are required to gather a minimum of 500 and maximum of 1,000 valid signatures. **FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated cost to add the issue of election of the County Treasurer to the spring 2018 ballot is estimated to be \$200 - \$300.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by S. Hampson/S. Doyle to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - V. Burke, R. Ebert, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

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**SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

- Supervisor Geary asked about including information on Zoning permits with tax bills.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by L. Berg/M. Larson to adjourn at 6:45 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - V. Burke, R. Ebert, R. Plesha 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 Special Meeting held Monday, November 20, 2017 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 21 OF NOVEMBER 2017.**