

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING  
PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, APRIL 09, 2018**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, April 09, 2018 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 25 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</b>	<b>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	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	Present
14	Larson, Margaret	Excused
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	Excused
25	Ebert, Ray	Present
26	Hesse, Dan	Present
27	Wehrs, Tina	Excused
28	Tyser, Kathie	Excused
29	Johnson, Tara	Present

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson**

- County Board Supervisor Recognition
  - Chair Johnson recognized outgoing supervisors Kathie Tyser and Leon Pfaff for their service on the County Board and to the County.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
  - Supervisor Kruse attended a bill signing that was held in the Administrative Center where Governor Walker was in town to sign bills related to foster care.

- Supervisor Cable updated the Board on Facing Homelessness where there was over 600 people in attendance of the production.
- Associate Administrator Jane Klekamp reviewed the County Facebook page.

**Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley**

**PROCLAMATION APRIL 2018 - LA CROSSE 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 Roy Charles Brooks' "Serving the Underserved" initiative, NACo is focusing on the critical role counties play in breaking multi-generational cycles of poverty; 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 2018 as National County Government Month and encourages all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Motion by S. Hampson/M. Giese to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - M. Larson, L. Pfaff, K. Tyser and T. Wehrs.

- County Land Ownership Inventory; History and Future Decisions
  - Current Inventory and Purpose – Facilities Director Jim Speropulos gave an overview of the various properties that La Crosse County owns and their purpose. La Crosse County owns 2898 total acres excluding tax foreclosures and highway right of ways.
  - County Parkland and Lake Neshonoc - La Crosse County has a total of 963 acres of forests and preserves, 1908 acres of parks, and 710 acres of leased land for Goose Island. The forest and parks include; Bice Forest – 462 acres, Hoeth Forest – 439 acres, forest preserves – 62 acres, Mindoro County Park – 114 acres, Swarthout Neshonoc Park – 55 acres, Neshonoc South Park – 60 acres, Lake Neshonoc – 737 acres, and Veterans Memorial Park and Camground – 232 acres.
  - Nursing Home and County Farm History – Lakeview Administrator Wanda Plachecki overviewed the properties for the nursing homes and the history. In the 1800's there were three models; Poor Farm – Hillview Health Care Center, Mental Hospital – Lakeview Health Center, and a Specialty Hospital – Oak Forest (TB Sanitarium). In the 1970 – 1990's, many facilities closed or privatized in Wisconsin. There are only 35 facilities in 32 counties remaining today.
  - Economic Development and Lakeview Land Sales History – Planner Charlie Handy reviewed the Economic Development and Lakeview Land Sales. Phase 1 of Lakeview Business Park started in 2002 with a mini TIF District. There was approximately \$2.2 million in initial development costs. Currently there has been 69.18 acres of land sold in Phase 1 with 8.42 acres yet to sell. The County and Village of West Salem signed a revenue sharing agreement allowing the County to serve as developer on the park using TIF incremental revenues for Phase 2. The TID district was effective in January 2007.
  - Future Decisions – Future decisions to be made include clarifying the role of the County: Land Owner, developer and local governmental partner. Next steps for Phase 2 of Lakeview Business Park include transferring operations of the park to tenants, storm water, utilities and planning, Lake Neshonoc dredging

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and public access. Potential residential developments with redevelopment of old Lakeview, Tilson Street and Appleshore area.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – none offered.**

**ADJOURN**

Motion by K. Cable/D. Weidenbach to adjourn at 7:06 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - M. Larson, L. Pfaff, K. Tyser 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 Planning Meeting held Monday, April 09, 2018 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 10 OF APRIL 2018.**