

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING  
PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, July 19, 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	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	Excused
18	Berg, Laurence	Excused
19	Cornforth, Rick	Present
20	Doyle, Steve	Present
21	Burke, Vicki	Present
22	Barlow, Patrick	Present
23	Nikolay, Matt	Present
24	Hoyer, Kevin	Present
25	Ebert, Ray	Present
26	Hesse, Dan	Present
27	Wehrs, Tina	Excused
28	Keil-Arellano, Karen	Present
29	Johnson, Tara	Present

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson**

- WCA September Conference updates – the WCA Conference will be held in La Crosse County this year and any Supervisor interested in attending should contact Alice in the Chair’s office. Supervisor Holtze is organizing County clothing for the conference. Please contact Supervisor Holtze, Hampson or Cable if interested in helping with the planning.
- Supervisor Conference Reports

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- o Supervisor Barlow asked for an economic impact report for hosting the WCA Conference in La Crosse.
- o Supervisor Hampson noted the La Crosse Conventions and Visitors Bureaus does an analysis of conferences that come to La Crosse.
- o Supervisor Burke announced the Mississippi Regional Planning Commission mailed out their annual report.
- o Supervisor Cable noted the La Crosse Collaborative is holding their semi-annual street count and will have the Homeless Connect event at the La Crosse Center on July 26<sup>th</sup>.
- o Supervisor Tahiri announced the new laptops that will be used by Supervisors in October.
- o Supervisor Ebert invited everyone to West Salem to the La Crosse County Fair which goes through Sunday.
- o Supervisor Richmond invited Supervisors to the City of La Crosse Fire Station #4 on Gillette Street to initiate the new fire struck on Saturday.
- o Supervisor Freedland invited Supervisors to People Fest on July 29<sup>th</sup>.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by D. Ferries/D. Hesse to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held June 11, 2018 and the Monthly meeting held June 21, 2018 and the claims list for \$831,240.72 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z396-7/18 RE: PETITION NO. 2013 FILED BY JIM WEBB, ACTING ON BEHALF OF KARL SCHILLING, D/B/A PROPERTY LOGIC, LLC TO REZONE FROM COMMERCIAL DISTRICT WITH CONDITIONS RECORDED TO THE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT WITH NO CONDITIONS IN THE TOWN OF HOLLAND**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered Petition No. 2013 to amend the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance filed by: Jim Webb, PE, 1224 King St, La Crosse, WI, 54601, acting on behalf of Karl Schilling d/b/a Property Logic, LLC, 2435 Hauser St, La Crosse, WI, 54603 and having held a public hearing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2018 for a petition to rezone from the Commercial District with Conditions Recorded to the Commercial District with No Conditions to allow contractor storage, retail, wholesale, service and continued storage uses in an existing 40-ft x 185-ft building and in two proposed buildings with dimensions of 50-ft x 240-ft and 40-ft x 100-ft in the Town of Holland and described as follows: Part of the SW/SW of Section 26, T18N, R8W. Tax parcel 8-1129-3. Property address N7757 Amsterdam Prairie Rd. Town of Holland. 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 five (5) in favor, zero (0) no, one (1) excused (Scheller), and one (1) absent (Wehrs), the committee recommended approval of Deferred Zoning Petition No. 2013 subject to the recording of deed restrictions indicating:

1. Permanent outdoor storage within fenced areas is allowed;
2. Temporary storage (deliveries, equipment drop-off, etc....) outside of fenced areas is authorized and limited to 30 consecutive days only; and
3. These deed restrictions shall be recorded within 30 days of county board action if approved or this zoning petition shall be considered voided.

(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 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018. Approved the petition with amendments/conditions, - becomes an ordinance, after recording conditions.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by R. Cornforth/J. Gundersen to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 128-7/18 NO. 1063 FILED BY BENJAMIN TIPPETTS OBO UPPER MISSISSIPPI PROPERTIES, LLC FOR A TRANSIENT RESIDENTIAL USE OF A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE ON PROPERTY ZONED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT "A" IN THE TOWN OF ONALASKA**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by Benjamin Tippetts, W7919 County Rd ZB, Onalaska, WI, 54650, o/b/o Upper Mississippi Properties, LLC, W7919 County RD ZB, Onalaska, WI, 54650 and having held a public hearing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2018 for an after-the-fact Conditional Use Permit for Transient Residential Use of a single family residence on property zoned Residential District "A" in the Town of Onalaska and described as follows: Lot 1 of Block 4, Bellevue Addition. Tax parcel 10-1827-0. Property address W8019 County Rd ZB. 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 five (5) in favor, zero (0) no, one (1) excused (Scheller), and one (1) absent (Wehrs), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1063 subject to the following four (4) conditions:

1. This permit is granted specifically to Benjamin Tippetts, W7919 County Rd ZB, Onalaska, WI, 54650, o/b/o Upper Mississippi Properties, LLC, W7919 County Rd ZB, for an after-the-fact Conditional Use Permit for Transient Residential Use of a single family residence on property zoned Residential District "A" and described as Lot 1 of Block 4, Bellevue Addition;
2. The applicant shall contact the La Crosse County Environmental Health Department to determine whether modification to the existing private on-site wastewater treatment system (POWTS) is required due to the increased wastewater flow. The determination by the Environmental Health Department in the form of correspondence shall be provided to the Zoning Department and made part of this file;
3. The applicant shall contact the Town of Onalaska Building Inspector to determine whether modification to the existing residence is needed to meet building code requirements. The determination by the Inspector in the form of correspondence shall be provided to the Zoning Department and made part of this file. Any structural alteration or addition shall require application for a Zoning/Occupancy Permit by the owner of the residence; and
4. This permit shall automatically terminate upon transfer of ownership or discontinuance of this use for a period of 12 consecutive months or more.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by R. Cornforth/P. Scheller to approve. Discussion ensued. Zoning and Planning Administrator Nate Sampson responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-7/18 RE: SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE TO ENACT A SUSTAINABLE FUNDING STREAM FOR TRANSPORTATION IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN**

**WHEREAS**, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads as well as city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County and other local governments across Wisconsin have been highlighting our unmet transportation needs in many different avenues including events such as the historic Turnout for Transportation event in September of 2016 where local governments in every region of this state held simultaneous meetings calling on the state legislature to prioritize transportation and pass a sustainable funding package; and **WHEREAS**, while the increase in transportation funding for local governments in the last budget was appreciated, many still are not back to 2011 levels when adjusted for inflation; and **WHEREAS**, local governments, including La Crosse County, continue to struggle to meet even the most basic maintenance needs for our transportation system; and **WHEREAS**, states surrounding Wisconsin and across the country have stepped up with sustainable funding plans for their state and local roads; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin will be at a competitive disadvantage if it does not implement a revenue and spending plan that addresses both our Interstates that were built in the 1950's and 60's and our local and state roads; and **WHEREAS**, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors recognizes that our state highway and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin. Both local and state roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and **WHEREAS**, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and Legislature to "Just Fix It" and agree upon a sustainable solution that additionally gives flexibility to local government: one that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts user fees to adequately and sustainably fund Wisconsin's transportation system; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that La Crosse County Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker. **FISCAL NOTE:** No cost to the County.

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

Motion by P. Barlow/R. Geary to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-7/18 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:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
Jane A. Korn	Clerk of Courts	31+
Kevin C. Moorhead	Highway	28+
Beverly A. Trussoni	Human Services Department	22+
Dean A. Slindee	Information Technology Department	16+
Charles A. Callan	Lakeview Care Center	15+

**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**

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Motion by M. Kruse/T. Tryggestad to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-7/18 RE: APPROVING UP TO \$50,000 FOR HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES IN 2018**

**WHEREAS**, preventing individuals and families from becoming homeless will save intervention dollars currently spent on shelter, incarceration, mental health, emergency room and related services, while averting loss of employment, insecurity for children, and mental health crises; and **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors allocated \$500,000 from General Fund Balance reserves, Excess Sales Tax, as a placeholder in the 2018 budget to leverage other community funding for homelessness prevention services, toward the goal of enabling a shift from higher end intervention and shelter services, toward funding lower cost prevention services, and; **WHEREAS**, the Collaborative to End Homelessness has received commitments of more than \$300,000 for prevention services, from the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, other faith organizations, Gundersen Health Care and Mayo Health Systems, and the Franke Foundation to be used over the next few years and is pursuing additional funding. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors, that up to \$50,000 of the 2018 budget allocation for homelessness prevention is approved for short-term direct aid to individuals and families through the Salvation Army, Catholic Charities and the La Crosse Area Family Collaborative, which will be equally matched from other funding sources for staffing and support services. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the county funding will be provided to reimburse the above mentioned agencies for short-term direct aid provided to individuals and families, contingent upon assessment of household income at or below 80% of County Median Income, while verifying that the recipients are not receiving assistance from multiple agencies. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that county funding for short-term direct aid may be used for rental assistance, utilities, security deposit, child-care and vehicle repairs in order to maintain housing, prevent eviction and/or continued employment. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness will collect data and report to the County Board on the specific uses of the short-term direct aid, the number of individuals and families assisted and any measurable effect on the use of local intervention and shelter resources, in order to consider the effectiveness of the expanded prevention services for accessing funding in future budgets. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2018 approved budget allocated \$500,000 in Org 100. 155.1590 Non-Departmental Account 64300.01 for Operating Expenses to be funded from General Fund Balance – Excess Sales Tax, with the expectation that the County Board would need to approve any use of the allocation.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/K. Cable to approve. Discussion ensued. Associate Administrator Jane Klekamp responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-7/18 RE: HAROLD E. CRAIG IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has owned the Harold E. Craig fleeting site (aka Hintgen Island) since its construction in 1996; and **WHEREAS**, The Harold E. Craig lease revenues (Lease with Brennan Marine through 2028) have historically been utilized for operation of the Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners, with approximately \$12,000 in net revenues being returned to the La Crosse County General Fund annually; and **WHEREAS**, from 1996-2017, the operations portion of the Harbor Commission org returned \$159,695 to the General Fund; and **WHEREAS**, the Harold E. Craig Fleeting Site was improved in 2016 and 2017 due to erosion from the west side of the island (Broken Arrow Slough) at a total cost of \$635,869, receiving grant funding from the State totaling \$475,273 and the balance of funding approved via resolutions and account transfers from the General Fund; and **WHEREAS**, future structural improvements may be eligible for Wisconsin Harbor Assistance Program funds at a twenty percent (20%) match from La Crosse County for eligible construction funds; and **WHEREAS**, reserving net revenues is a self-sustaining approach to infrastructure maintenance and the 2018 budget was prepared with the assumption that the net revenues

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will be reserved in a designated fund for future maintenance and improvements of the Harold E. Craig facility. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes that each year the net revenue of the Harbor Commission (Org. 100.200.2470) be reserved in account 100-34301.013 Committed Fund Balance – Harbor Commission for future maintenance and improvements of the Harold E. Craig Fleeting facility. **FISCAL NOTE:** The amount budgeted for 2018 to reserve in this account is \$12,100.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/P. Isola to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-7/18 RE: APPROVAL OF EXPANSION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION ACQUISITION AND DEMOLITION GRANT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County created the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant program in 2016 (by Resolution No. 80-2/16) to encourage the redevelopment of deteriorated housing stock within target residential neighborhoods based on criteria including low valued housing stock, concentration of poverty, and proximity to employment; and **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the initial program guidelines, the program was available for projects within the Powell-Poage-Hamilton and Washburn Neighborhoods in the City of La Crosse; and **WHEREAS**, since 2016, the program has leveraged \$548,710 in grant awards into at least \$5,889,000 of new tax base and 47 new housing units; and **WHEREAS**, the Lower Northside and Depot Neighborhood in the City of La Crosse has similar characteristics to the initial two program neighborhoods, with only 22 of 900 housing units above the County median home value and proximity to major employers in the north side industrial parks; and **WHEREAS**, the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Review Committee, which was appointed to oversee the implementation of the Acquisition and Demolition Grant Program, has determined that the current budget allocations and available resources would support the expansion and is recommending that the County Board consider the expansion of the program to include the Lower Northside and Depot Neighborhood with a boundary extension north to Sill Street; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the expansion of the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant Program to include the Lower Northside and Depot Neighborhood, with an extension north to Sill Street, in the City of La Crosse in accordance with the existing Program Guidelines. **FISCAL NOTE:** There is sufficient funding available in the Neighborhood Revitalization Account 100.155.1570-63250.00. No additional budget allocation is being requested at this time.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/A. Richmond to approve. Discussion ensued. Community Development Specialist Brian Fukuda responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-7/18 RE: ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON THE LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA**

**WHEREAS**, in a 2016 poll, 59 percent of Wisconsinites said that marijuana should be "fully legalized and regulated like alcohol," and recent polls show a majority of Americans favor legalization of adult recreational use of marijuana; and **WHEREAS**, Alaska, California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington have legalized adult personal use of marijuana, and regulate the production, distribution, and sale of marijuana, while Vermont and the District of Columbia have legalized limited personal possession and cultivation of marijuana by adults; and **WHEREAS**, in 2006, pursuant to §59.54(25), La Crosse amended County ordinance §9.16 to provide that possession of small amounts of marijuana, 25 grams or less, would be treated as an ordinance violation punishable by a fine rather than as a misdemeanor under the criminal code; and **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute §59.52(25), the Board can conduct a county-wide advisory referendum; and **WHEREAS**, a county-wide advisory referendum on the issue of the legalization of

marijuana would provide guidance to the state legislature as to the will of the La Crosse County electorate; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board hereby directs the County Clerk to place the question set forth below on the November 6, 2018 ballot as an advisory referendum:

*“Should the State of Wisconsin legalize the use of marijuana by adults 21 years or older, to be taxed and regulated in the same manner that alcohol is regulated in the State of Wisconsin, with proceeds from the taxes used for education, healthcare, and infrastructure?”*

- a. Yes
- b. No

**FISCAL NOTE:** Approximately \$3,000 for the preparation and noticing of the referendum ballot.

**JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/K. Keil-Arellano to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve passed on a roll call vote with 17 ayes, 8 nays - P. Barlow, V. Burke, R. Ebert, D. Ferries, R. Geary, D. Holtze, K. Hoyer and I. Tahiri, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-7/18 RE: ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON TRANSPORTATION FUNDING OPTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, according to the 2018 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) there are currently \$101 million in unmet road needs on the 282 miles and 69 bridges that La Crosse County must maintain; and **WHEREAS**, in 2018, La Crosse County borrowed \$2.7 million to fund only the highest priority transportation funding projects; and **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 current 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**, the La Crosse County Board has determined that, on an annual basis, \$5 million is needed to address needed highway maintenance and construction projects; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board hereby directs the County Clerk to place the question set forth below on the November 6, 2018 ballot as an advisory referendum:

**Question 1**

*The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors has determined that an expenditure of \$5 million per year is necessary to address unmet road and bridge needs currently totaling \$101 million. Do you support the County investing \$5 million annually to address needed road and bridge repairs?*

- A. YES B. NO

**Question 2**

*If the La Crosse County Board finds it necessary to increase local spending on roads and bridges due to insufficient state and federal funds, do you support pursuing the enactment of a Premier Resort Area Tax (PRAT) of 0.5 percent as a sales tax on tourism-related goods and services as defined in state law? This option is estimated to raise \$6.6 million per year, of which \$1.6 million will be shared with the cities, villages and towns for their transportation needs.*

- A. YES B. NO

**Question 3**

*If the La Crosse County Board finds it necessary to increase local spending on roads and bridges due to insufficient state and federal funds, do you support imposing an annual vehicle registration fee (“wheel tax”) of approximately \$56 per auto and light truck? This option is estimated to raise \$5 million per year.*

- A. YES B. NO

**Question 4**

*If the La Crosse County Board finds it necessary to increase local spending on roads and bridges due to insufficient state and federal funds, do you support increasing short-term borrowing by approximately \$5 million? This option is estimated to increase the County portion of taxes by approximately 15 percent in the 2020 tax cycle.*

A. YES B. NO

**FISCAL NOTE:** Approximately \$3,000 for the preparation and noticing of the referendum ballot.

**PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Kruse/P. Barlow to approve. Discussion ensued. Highway Commissioner Ron Chamberlain and Finance Director Sharon Davidson responded to questions from the Board.

**Motion** by S. Doyle/D. Holtze to amend by replacing with current referendum language with 4 questions; 1- invest in roads; 2-support PRAT; 3-support Wheel Tax; 4-short-term borrowing/property tax increase of 15%.

**Motion** by A. Richmond/R. Geary to amend question 3 by adding "and direct the County and City of La Crosse to share the Wheel Tax funding 75% - 25%" failed on a roll call vote with 22 nays, 3 ayes - R. Geary, A. Richmond and P. Scheller, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by D. Ferries/K. Hoyer to amend question 1 by changing the last line to read "road and bridge repairs" instead of needed highway maintenance and construction projects.

**Motion** by P. Isola/S. Hampson to amend question 1 by inserting the word "needed" before road and bridge repair in the last sentence passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs. **The motion by D. Ferries/K. Hoyer to amend** as amended passed on a roll call vote with 24 ayes, 1 nay - M. Nikolay, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**Motion** by D. Ferries/M. Freedland to amend by adding to the end of each of the four questions; "with a sunset of five years to be reviewed after that", failed on a roll call vote with 19 nays, 6 ayes - D. Ferries, R. Geary, K. Hoyer, P. Isola, A. Richmond and P. Scheller, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by T. Tryggestad/P. Scheller to amend question 4 by changing the last sentence to read; "This option is estimated to increase the County portion of property taxes by approximately 15% in the 2020 tax cycle."

passed on a roll call vote with 18 ayes, 7 nays - S. Doyle, D. Hesse, K. Hoyer, M. Kruse, M. Nikolay, A. Richmond and D. Weidenbach, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by A. Richmond/R. Ebert to amend by adding a question 5 – "Do you favor an increase in your tax levy for road funding? Yes or No", failed on a roll call vote with 19 nays, 5 ayes - R. Ebert, D. Ferries, J. Gundersen, K. Hoyer and A. Richmond, 5 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, M. Nikolay, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**Motion** by R. Geary/A. Richmond to amend by adding a question 5 – "Should the State of Wisconsin increase vehicle registration fees and gas taxes? Yes or No", failed on a roll call vote with 18 nays, 7 ayes - R. Ebert, D. Ferries, R. Geary, J. Gundersen, D. Hesse, K. Hoyer and A. Richmond, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**The motion by S. Doyle/D. Holtze to amend** as amended passed on a roll call vote with 20 ayes, 5 nays - V. Burke, K. Cable, S. Hampson, A. Richmond and D. Weidenbach, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs. **Motion** by R. Ebert/D. Ferries to amend by adding a question 5 – "Use \$5 million from sales tax revenue to fund County roads? Yes or No", failed on a roll call vote with 20 nays, 5 ayes - R. Ebert, D. Ferries, J. Gundersen, K. Hoyer and I. Tahiri, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**The motion to approve as amended** passed on a roll call vote with 17 ayes, 8 nays - K. Cable, R. Geary, J. Gundersen, S. Hampson, D. Hesse, K. Hoyer, A. Richmond and D. Weidenbach, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-7/18 RE: NEIGHBORHOOD SOCIAL WORKER FOR HINTGEN-HUBER NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Hintgen-Huber Neighborhood project aims to address what has been a growth in family instability in the Hintgen-Huber area, including a high level of referrals to child protective services; and, **WHEREAS**, the project is a two-year pilot that includes a collaborative partnership between the La Crosse County Human Services Department, School



District of La Crosse, City of La Crosse, La Crosse Housing Authority and Boys and Girls Club of Greater La Crosse; and, **WHEREAS**, a central element of the project proposes the School District of La Crosse and La Crosse County equally share the salary and fringe costs of a La Crosse Area Family Collaborative (LAFC) neighborhood social worker, beginning September 1, 2018, who would be located in an office in the Huber Homes provided as an in-kind donation by the La Crosse Housing Authority; and, **WHEREAS**, the Robert and Eleanor Franke Charitable Foundation, Inc., has provided a boost to the project by providing the La Crosse County Human Services Department a one-time \$50,000 "Coulee Collaboration Award" to support a flexible funding pool to assist families, after-school activities staffed by the Boys and Girls Club and various project start-up costs; and, **WHEREAS**, continuation of the project after two-years would depend on each partner's assessment of its cost/benefit, such as the lowering of child protective services referrals. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors approve the one-time use of salary contingency funds to support the County's share of the LAFC Neighborhood Social Worker Position from September 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, with continuing funding to be included as part of the 2019 budget. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2018 salary and fringe cost of the position (September – December) is approximately \$26,667 which will be transferred from General Fund Salary Contingency 100.155.1480 Account 60700.04 to the appropriate salary and fringe accounts in the new org 210.500.4245 Hintgen-Huber LAFC

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

Motion by S. Hampson/P. Scheller to approve. Discussion ensued. Director of La Crosse Area Family Collaborative Isaac Hoffman and Human Services Director Jason Witt responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 23 ayes, 2 nays - R. Ebert and K. Hoyer, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, R. Plesha and T. Wehrs.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

- Supervisor Freedland asked about voter education for the referendums on the ballot.
- Supervisor Freedland asked for an update on how ordinances and how they apply to the Airbnb.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by D. Ferries/D. Hesse to adjourn at 8:52 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - L. Berg, M. Giese, 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 Monthly Meeting held Thursday, July 19, 2018 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 20 OF JULY 2018.**