

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, March 15, 2018 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 28 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	Excused
12 Holtze, Dave	Present
13 Tryggestad, Tina	Excused
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

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Hampson attended a Compass Now meeting in February. This looks at community needs through surveys and focus groups and then identifies the top needs in the community. There will be another meeting on March 22 in West Salem from 5-7pm.
 - Supervisor Kruse attended a Carfentanyl training for emergency responders.

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- Supervisor Cable announced Facing Homelessness in La Crosse is a project going on locally. There will be a production at the Weber Center on March 20th and 21st. Tickets are free on the Collaborative website.
- Supervisor Isola attended the Art Reception on February 16th at the Administrative Center and gave an update on the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Committee that will start issuing grants for 2018.

Administrator Report - Steve O'Malley

PROCLAMATION MARCH 2018 - HUMAN SERVICES AND FAMILY COURT MONTH

WHEREAS, staff who work in the Human Services Department and Family Court of the county literally "touch" thousands of lives every day who are in need of temporary or longer term assistance to meet their basic needs or to adjust to transitions in their families; and, **WHEREAS**, citizens who rely on county human services and family court programs range in age from pre-birth to over 100 years of age; and, **WHEREAS**, county human services programs are designed to protect our most vulnerable populations which include children, adults and children with disabilities, the aging, and people dealing with mental illness; and, **WHEREAS**, to serve and help individuals in need, county human services professionals routinely enter homes and travel to other locations in the community, at times facing volatile situations and safety risks; and, **WHEREAS**, Family Court and Mediation and Family Court Services strive to maintain the dignity, safety and security of families going through difficult transitions; and, **WHEREAS**, the individuals and the entire community benefit from the investment in lives that human services and family court professionals make every day; and, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of March 2018 as Human Services and Family Court Month and urges all citizens to join in recognizing the valuable contribution of Human Services and Family Court staff.

Motion by M. Kruse/D. Holtze to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

PROCLAMATION - DESIGNATION OF THE WEEK OF APRIL 9-13, 2018 AS WORK ZONE AWARENESS WEEK IN LA CROSSE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 9 through April 13, 2018 as National Work Zone Awareness Week; and, **WHEREAS**, construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways periodically require that work zones be established; and, **WHEREAS**, work zones often require narrowed lanes, lane shifts, temporary pavement, reduced speeds, and evening and overnight work hours; and, **WHEREAS**, work zones also include locations where emergency vehicles, utility vehicles, tow trucks, law enforcement, fire, and EMS services are operating with their lights flashing, requiring motorists to move over or slow down; and, **WHEREAS**, in 2017, Wisconsin suffered from nearly 2,700 crashes in road construction and maintenance zones, resulting in over 1,000 injuries and six fatalities; and, **WHEREAS**, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the La Crosse County Sheriff's Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and La Crosse County Highway Department are committed to working together in 2018 to make Work Zone Awareness Week a success; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby designates the week of April 9-13, 2018 as Work Zone Awareness Week in La Crosse County.

Motion by M. Freedland/P. Barlow to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

- Presentation of the Collaboration to End Homelessness -
 - Supervisor Cable introduced Erin Healy who is a national consultant working with the La Crosse Area Collaborative and Julie McDermid who is the local project manager. Multiple agencies have come together to work on ending homelessness. So far today, 42 veterans have been housed with 93% remaining housed. Thirty two chronically homeless were housed with 94% remaining housed. Ten families with 20 children were housed. A volunteer program was created that has 32 trained volunteers. Over the past 18 months,

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the collaborative has also been working on infrastructure by creating a website, adding a project manager, adding a governance structure with committees, and 2 fulltime outreach workers. A total of \$651,935 has been donated so far.

- Proposal for use of County funds. When a person is homeless, the annual cost is \$63,808 and \$16,913 when in supportive housing. In January, 243 individuals were served. There are an estimated 100 families with children at risk of homelessness. The least cost effective intervention is shelter, ER, jail, mental health facility, and hospital which are all downstream – crisis. The majority of funds are going to intervention and very little go into prevention – upstream. Infusion of upstream prevention funding will allow to expand prevention while working to deal with downstream crisis. As upstream prevention increases, downstream should decrease. The investment strategy that will shift over 5 years from crisis to prevention. In 2018, 57% of funding went towards intervention and only 17% would in 2023. In 2018, 9% went towards prevention and 30% would in 2023. A temporary infusion of funds to help close the front door to homelessness will help to change direction from downstream to upstream. County funding would be \$57,000 in year 1, \$278,400 in year 2, and \$164,600 in year 3. Success will be measured by performance tracking; system performance, prevention strategy, and cost effectiveness. Expected outcomes include overall decrease in number of actively homeless persons in La Crosse and reach functional zero for veterans, families with children, and chronic homelessness. The indirect outcomes will impact the quality of life in La Crosse.
- Presentation on the La Crosse Area Family Collaborative and Systems of Care – Director Jason Witt and Isaac Hoffman, and Administrator Bridget Todd-Robins
 - 2015 showed signs of a stressed community with rising frustration in schools, increasing contacts and pressure on city police, and increasing pressure on county CPS and Juvenile Justice. This was centered in the Powell-Poage Hamilton and Lower-Northside Dept neighborhoods. There are service gaps and shortcomings in funding, siloed services, and lack of responsive services. A new approach of early intervention includes being embedded in neighborhoods, holistic approach in addressing needs of both families and neighborhoods, and viewed as separate and neutral from traditionally historically mistrusted systems. There is a multiplier effect of resources available to stabilize the most vulnerable families.
 - La Crosse Area Family Collaborative (LAFC): The LAFC model includes family stabilization. Self referral and agency referral work with an informal assessment and flexible assistance. The “Burn” meeting is an example of coordinating area resources. Neighborhood resources are established at the Washburn Corner and Trinity Lutheran Church. Hamilton and Northside Elementary Schools have social workers embedded within the school. Emerson and North Woods Elementary may refer families of concern to LAFC. 196 families were served in 2016. Referrals to CPS dropped 14% and only 5% of families assisted went on to have an open CPS case within 3 months of the initial intake.
 - System of Care started when there was a high arrest of juveniles. Initial implementation was creating a new door through the La Crosse System of Care. Components include system agreements (city, county, schools), targeting non-criminal behavior, neutral party administration, student and family consent, needs/risk assessment, targeted intervention, and ongoing success monitoring. The system has had a 74% success rate to date.
- Update on proposed changes to Juvenile Justice Corrections in response to closing Lincoln Hills – Administrator O’Malley. The proposal includes closing Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Schools by January 1, 2021. The DOC will establish new Type 1 Facilities for serious juvenile offenders, juvenile under adult sentences, and community

supervision cases. The counties would create Secured Residential Care Centers for Children and Youth (SRCCCY) for all other juveniles not supervised by DOC. A Juvenile Corrections Grant Program would be established with applications due by March 31, 2019 and a Juvenile Corrections Study Committee established within DOC. Youth Aids would increase for grants funded for SRCCCY's. The proposal is now in question depending on the outcome of this legislative session.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by R. Plesha/R. Cornforth to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held February 12, 2018 and the Monthly meeting held February 15, 2018 and the claims list for \$2,143,307.77 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

RESOLUTION NO. 65-3/18 RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR OUTDOOR MOTORIZED RECREATION TRAIL AIDS GRANT

WHEREAS, La Crosse County is interested in maintaining, inquiring, insuring or developing lands for public outdoor motorized trail use; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County currently has 136.9 miles of snowmobile trails that need to be maintained; and **WHEREAS**, said motorized recreation trails are eligible for funds under s. 23.09(26) Wis. Stats. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that La Crosse County shall apply for funds under s. 23.09(26) Wis. Stats. for such eligible maintenance, acquisition, insurance, rehabilitation and/or development costs; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does authorize the County Board Chair or her designee in the La Crosse County Facilities Department to act on behalf of La Crosse County to submit an application to the State of Wisconsin, Department of Natural Resources for any financial aid that may be available; sign documents; and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project. **FISCAL NOTE:** Funds are budgeted annually for the snowmobile grant revenue and expenditures within Org 100.165.1850 titled "Snowmobiling Grant."

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by M. Freedland/D. Ferries to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

RESOLUTION NO. 66-3/18 RE: ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES FOR NEXT TERM 2019-2022, CLERK OF COURTS AND SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the County Board has reviewed and considered modifications of the salary for the elected positions of Sheriff and Clerk of Courts pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes and; **WHEREAS**, salaries for the County Clerk, County Treasurer and Register of Deeds were increased 2% for 2017 and 2018 and 3% for 2019 and 2020. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following elected officials shall be paid at the annual rates set forth on the following schedule for the 2019-2022 term commencing January 7, 2019, and for the subsequent years of the term, shall be effective January 1st for 2020, 2021 and 2022.

	2018 Current Rate	2019 Annual Rate 3% increase	2020 Annual Rate 3% increase	2021 Annual Rate 2% increase	2022 Annual Rate 2% increase
Clerk of Courts	\$78,519	\$80,875	\$83,301	\$84,967	\$86,666
Sheriff	\$108,988	\$112,258	\$115,626	\$117,939	\$120,298

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the elected officials shall be eligible for voluntary health, dental and life insurance subject to the same terms and conditions as full-time non-represented La Crosse County employees. **FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated cost of salary for 2019 is \$5,626 and rollups \$938. The Clerk of Courts and Sheriff are contributing 6.7% to WRS for 2018.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by S. Hampson/M. Nikolay to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1046 FILED BY JENNIFER M AND BRIAN L BARNEY, FOR A HOME BASED OCCUPATION AUTHORIZED UNDER S.17.05(1)(B)4 OF CHAPTER 17 ZONING CODE OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO OPERATE A BAKERY BUSINESS INCLUDING BAKING OF WHOLESALE GOODS AND; UP TO 5 EMPLOYEES AND OCCASIONAL RENTAL OF THE KITCHEN FOR COMMERCIAL FOOD PREPARATION ON LANDS ZONED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT "A" IN THE TOWN OF SHELBY

No. 1046 filed by Jennifer M and Brian L Barney, N252 Lisa Ln, Stoddard, WI, 54658 and having held a public hearing on the 26th day of February, 2018 for a Conditional Use Permit for a home based occupation authorized under s.17.05(1)(b)4 of Chapter 17 Zoning Code of the La Crosse County Code of Ordinances to operate a bakery business including baking of wholesale goods for delivery to retail outlets, on-line orders, weddings/large events, and; up to 5 employees other than the owners, delivery van, and occasional rental of the kitchen for commercial food preparation on lands zoned Residential District "A" in the Town of Shelby and described as follows: Property described as Lot 18 River Hills Subdivision. Tax parcel 11-2309-0. Property address N252 Lisa Ln. Town of Shelby. 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 six (6) in favor, and one (1) no (Holtze), the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1046 subject to the following thirteen (13) conditions:

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 1046 is issued specifically to Jennifer M and Brian L Barney, N252 Lisa Ln, Stoddard, WI, 54658, for a home based occupation authorized under s.17.05(1)(b)4 of Chapter 17 Zoning Code of the La Crosse County Code of Ordinances to operate a bakery business on land zoned Residential District "A" including baking of wholesale goods for delivery to retail outlets, on-line orders, weddings/large events, and; up to 5 employees other than the owners, delivery van, and occasional rental of the kitchen for commercial food preparation. Business address N252 Lisa Lane, Stoddard, WI;
2. Conditional Use Permit No. 1046 is not transferrable and will automatically terminate if the property is sold or if Meringue Bakery relocates to a brick and mortar location;
3. Single family residency shall remain the principal use of this building as it is located in the Residential District "A";
4. All parking by employees and clients and all deliveries shall be conducted off street in the applicant's driveway or off-street parking area designated by the applicant;
5. One existing delivery van or equivalent if replaced is authorized;
6. No on-site retail or sale of small items to the general public is authorized, only client consultation related sales by appointment only and during times indicated in the applicant's impact statement;
7. This permit authorizes two full time and three part time employees other than the owners, as indicated in the applicant's impact statement;
8. Kitchen rental use by other individuals or businesses shall be limited to a rate of no more than 1 day every two weeks (14 calendar days). One vehicle per renter is authorized while the kitchen is used;
9. Commercial trash shall be handled as indicated in the applicant's impact statement;
10. Assurance from the La Crosse Environmental Health Department that the Private On-site Wastewater Treatment System serving this residence is able to handle any increase in wastewater flow or strength generated by the business shall be sought by the applicant and provided to the zoning department to be made part of this file;

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11. Any outdoor advertising must meet the requirements of Chapter 33 of the La Crosse County Code of Ordinances except upon the granting of an appeal by the La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee;
12. The applicant shall agree that all conditions are, or will be satisfied; and
13. Conditional Use Permit No.1046 shall expire 24 months from the date of County Board approval.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 15th day of March, 2018. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by T. Wehrs/J. Gundersen to approve. Discussion ensued. Planner Charlie Handy responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a voice vote with 27 ayes, 1 nay - D. Holtze, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – none offered.

ADJOURN

Motion by L. Pfaff/J. Gundersen to adjourn at 7:59 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 excused - P. Scheller.

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, March 15, 2018 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 MARCH 2018.