

LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2018

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, October 18, 2018 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 22 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	Excused
9 Gundersen, Jerome	Present
10 Cable, Kim	Excused
11 Scheller, Patrick	Present
12 Holtze, Dave	Present
13 Tryggestad, Tina	Present
14 Larson, Margaret	Present
15 Kruse, Monica	Excused
16 Ferries, Dan	Present
17 Giese, Mike	Present
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	Excused
27 Wehrs, Tina	Excused
28 Keil-Arellano, Karen	Excused
29 Johnson, Tara	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Tara Johnson

- Chair Johnson acknowledge the Boy Scouts from Troop 11 who attended the meeting for their Communication Merit Badge.
- Update on voter information regarding Transportation Funding Referendum Questions
 - A page has been added to the La Crosse County website that will provide information on the transportation referendum questions on the November ballot.
- Supervisor Conference Reports

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- Supervisor Gundersen attended the Consortium for the Riverside Bandshell. A group is raising funds to create a bandshell over the new bandstand.
- Supervisor Hoyer attended the La Crosse County Wildlife Abatement and Damage Committee and reviewed the 2017 participation. 31 deer were donated with only 1 processor donating to this program. The processor notified the committee they will be no longer processing for this program.

AGENDA ORDER

Chair Johnson asked for unanimous consent to take item #10-19, Resolution Re: Acknowledge "The Best Of Public Service" from the addendum out of order and to be introduced after item #10-11. There was no objection.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by T. Johnson/D. Holtze to appoint Cindy Yeager as a La Crosse County Humane Officer with no expiration date; appoint Ava Giminski as a La Crosse County Humane Officer with no expiration date; reappoint Rick Diermeier to the Sustainable La Crosse Commission for a two year term to expire October 31, 2020 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by R. Plesha/M. Nikolay to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held September 10, 2018 and the Monthly meeting held September 20, 2018 and the claims list for \$1,402,285.56 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 32-10/18 RE: SUPPORTING AN INCREASE IN CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF WISCONSIN TO COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT AGENCIES

WHEREAS, La Crosse County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to La Crosse County residents including paternity establishment, obtaining child support and health insurance orders for children, and enforcing and modifying those orders; and **WHEREAS**, our children's well-being, economic security, and success in life are enhanced by parents who provide financial and emotional support; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County's Child Support Agency ensures that parents take responsibility for the care and well-being of their children, supports the involvement of parents in their children's lives and provides services to both custodial and noncustodial parents; and **WHEREAS**, the Child Support Enforcement Program is an effective investment in Wisconsin's future as child support increases self-sufficiency, reduces child poverty, and has a positive effect on children's well-being; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is ranked 2nd in the nation for collecting current support; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is incredibly cost-effective, collecting an average of \$5.56 in support for every dollar invested in the program; and **WHEREAS**, County Child Support Agencies collected \$934 Million in child support during 2017, 95% of which went directly to families while 5% reimbursed public assistance programs; and **WHEREAS**, Child Support Agencies help save taxpayer dollars by establishing health insurance orders for 97% of cases, which reduces state Medicaid costs by moving children from public assistance to private insurance; and **WHEREAS**, state funding for county child support services has not increased above the 2007 funding level while county agency costs have steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation and new federal regulations; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Diminished performance would result in reduced federal funding to Wisconsin; and **WHEREAS**, decreased federal funding would lead to less funding for La Crosse County's Child Support Agency. This could lead to reductions in child support enforcement staff and services and reduced child support collections; and **WHEREAS**, new state investments in child support are amplified by a generous federal match. Every \$1 of state GPR invested in the Child Support Program generates \$2 in federal matching funds. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors urges that the state funding for county child support

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agencies be increased by \$1.5 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2019-21 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$3 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and State Representatives representing La Crosse County, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration. **FISCAL NOTE:** There is no cost to the County.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by D. Weidenbach/T. Tryggstad to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF REVISED HIGHWAY UNION (HY) PAY SCALE FOR 2018

WHEREAS, prior to the changes in benefits and collective bargaining required under Act 10 by the State of Wisconsin, the total compensation package for hourly County Highway Union employees (Local 227) had been roughly competitive with similar positions in the private sector; and, **WHEREAS**, the reduction in Wisconsin Retirement Benefits (WRS) combined with the workforce shortages due to demographic changes in the population, have accelerated the number of vacancies in the Highway Department to 40 over the past 8 years within a department of 59.31 FTE's; and, **WHEREAS**, historically the County could expect up to 100 applications for every Highway position, yet now receive about 30 applications with likely 5 applicants meeting minimum qualifications; and, **WHEREAS**, the current HY pay scale presents a major barrier to employee retention because the differential between the pay levels are not consistent, while the percentage increase between pay steps can vary between 2.96% and 5.77% and take 42 months to move from Step 3 to Step 4; and **WHEREAS**, the revised HY pay scale provides 3% between pay levels, 3% step increases at twelve month intervals within a 6 step pay system that includes incentives for plowing snow on the more difficult 2 and 4 lane Highways, while offering pay incentives for employees that achieve certain Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certifications for shop & mechanic positions; and, **WHEREAS**, while Act 10 prohibits negotiations with certified unions on anything except base wage settlements, however the HR Director met with the Highway Union (Local 227) to explain the new system and has prepared personalized letters for each affected employee to explain their own individualized step placement on the new scale, contingent upon County Board approval. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Board of Supervisors approve the Highway (HY) pay scale revisions and changes to the Highway Department Addendum effective November 5, 2018 (as attached) in addition to across the board pay adjustments approved for 2018 and 2019. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance and Human Resources Departments are authorized to make the necessary changes to implement the approved pay scales. **FISCAL NOTE:** Implementation costs are approximately \$3,779 in tax levy costs for the remainder of 2018 and \$32,924 tax levy cost for 2019, in addition to any across the board wage adjustment.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by D. Weidenbach/P. Barlow to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-10/18 RE: APPROVAL TO RELEASE \$100,000 FUNDING FOR A PORTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS FOR TRANE ALL ABILITIES PARK

WHEREAS, Resolution #80-3/14 established a policy for use of environmental impact fees received by the County due to the construction of the CapX 2020 transmission line, requiring that any expenditure be used for one-time or capital projects including park, conservancy, or similar environmental programs; and **WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse development

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agreement with Trane Company pledged up to \$5 million in cash grants from Tax Incremental District (TID) #15, to support their \$55 million equipment and training plans, plus \$8.8 million in real estate investment expansion, which reduced funding in the TID #15 project plan that had originally included \$875,000 for area park improvements; and, **WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of La Crosse requested that the County provide up to \$350,000 for neighborhood park improvements, because of the regional economic impact of Trane Co., including 1700 jobs with approximately 60% of employees living outside the City of La Crosse; and, **WHEREAS**, the County Board approved Resolution #18-7/14 provided a one-time allocation of \$250,000 from the CapX 2020 environmental impact fees to the City of La Crosse for Neighborhood Park Improvements in TID #15 and authorized an additional \$100,000 contingent upon matching funds being committed from other governmental units, though only the Town of Shelby has approved \$5,000; and **WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse plans to construct the \$5,980,000 Trane All-Abilities Park for the benefit of the surrounding region within the TID#15 boundaries and has raised \$2,132,000 including the County contribution and requests that the County Board remove the matching requirement from other governmental units because significant matching funds from other sources has been raised. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Board approves the release of \$100,000 of reserved CapX 2020 environmental impact fees to the City of La Crosse for the Trane All-Abilities Park. **FISCAL NOTE:** The County received \$723,506 from the State of Wisconsin in one time environmental impact fees and \$100,000 remains reserved for City of La Crosse park purposes consistent with Resolution #18-7/14.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by D. Weidenbach/A. Richmond to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 21 ayes, 1 abstention - K. Hoyer, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 35-10/18 RE: ADOPTION OF 2019-2021 DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION CONTRACT

WHEREAS, La Crosse County and the Deputy Sheriff's Association have bargained for a successor contract for the period of 2019-2021; and, **WHEREAS**, the parties have reached a tentative agreement on all issues raised through collective bargaining. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the tentative agreements of the parties be adopted as changes to the contract for the years 2019-2021, effective as specified in the tentative agreements attached, including across the board wage increases of 1.75% on January 1, 2019 with a one-time base wage market adjustment of 1.5% effective 1/1/19 and, 1.75% on January 1, 2020 and 1.75% on January 1, 2021 as ratified by the Association membership. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair, County Administrator and HR Director are authorized to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement as amended upon approval of the Corporation Counsel. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the HR and Finance departments are authorized and directed to take such action as is necessary to put said working agreement into effect and carry out the intent of this resolution. **FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated cost of the changes to wages, fringe benefits and rollups for 2019 is \$69,000, for 2020 \$39,000 and for 2021 \$40,000. There are 29 employees in the bargaining unit.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by D. Weidenbach/D. Holtze to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator O'Malley and Personnel Director Mary Marco responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 36-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF LA CROSSE COUNTY ASSUMING DUTIES FOR THE SCENIC MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL TRANSIT (SMRT) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Scenic Mississippi Regional Transit (SMRT) program has been administered by the City of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin since its inception in December of 2012; and, **WHEREAS**, SMRT has been a valuable resource for transportation services across the region

and has grown in ridership significantly since December of 2012; and, **WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin DOT requires a local unit of government to be the program administrator; and, **WHEREAS**, SMRT recently expanded to the north and now includes broader portions of La Crosse County and Monroe County; and, **WHEREAS**, the City of Prairie du Chien is geographically located at the very south end of only one of the numerous SMRT routes; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has a more central location in relation to the SMRT routes; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County already financially contributes to the operation of the SMRT Program and assuming the administration of the program would not increase the financial obligation but would require some additional staff time; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves transfer of the administrative duties of the SMRT program to La Crosse County; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to begin this administration, after approval of Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** The SMRT program is funded through federal and state grants, fares and contribution from local governments, business, industries and agencies. This transfer of administrative duties is not anticipated to effect La Crosse County's current budgetary commitment to the SMRT program.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by D. Weidenbach/S. Hampson to approve. Discussion ensued. Planner Charlie Handy and Administrator O'Malley responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 37-10/18 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>
Lisa A. Dicus	Lakeview	35+
Nancy J. Pohlman	Human Services	28+
William J. Olson	Sheriff	25+
Marilyn J. Bellacero	Human Services	24+
Lynda R. Mueggenborg	Library	23+
Rudolph "Lance" Fischer	Facilities	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

Motion by D. Weidenbach/V. Burke to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 38-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF TOWN OF CAMPBELL ZONING AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Campbell has adopted a zoning ordinance, which ordinance was approved by the La Crosse County Board by Resolution #52-1/13 on January 17, 2013; and, **WHEREAS**, The Town of Campbell intends to meet the statutory consistency requirements with a future Town Comprehensive Plan Amendment; and, **WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. s. 60.62(3) states that no zoning ordinance or amendment to a zoning ordinance may be adopted by the town unless approved by the county board; and, **WHEREAS**, after a public hearing on

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September 11, 2018, the Town of Campbell approved a petition by Dawson Park, LLC to rezone parcels #4-2309-0, 4-2310-0 and 4-2311-0 located at 75 Hinkley Road, 1900 and 1904 Dawson Court, Town of Campbell, from the Residential "A" District to the Residential "B" District; and, **WHEREAS**, the Planning, Resources and Development Committee, after receiving input from Zoning, Planning and Land Information Department staff, recommend approval of the proposed zoning amendment. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the amendment to the zoning district of the Town of Campbell zoning ordinance regarding parcels #4-2309-0, 4-2310-0 and 4-2311-0 approved by the Town of Campbell on September 11, 2018 in accordance with Wis. Stat. s. 60.62(3). **FISCAL NOTE:** No fiscal impact to La Crosse County.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by P. Scheller/M. Larson to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 39-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF COTTAGE LANE TO THE TOWN OF ONALASKA

WHEREAS, the County of La Crosse may make deletions from the County Trunk system pursuant to §83.025, Wis. Stats., with the approval of the municipality where the proposed deletion is located and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT); and, **WHEREAS**, Cottage Lane in the Town of Onalaska, also identified as ZB2, starting at the intersection with CTH ZB proceeding north 1320 feet to the intersection with CTH ZN; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County owned Cottage Lane because it previously lead to a County Park; **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County and the Town of Onalaska agree that Cottage Lane, shown on the attached map, should be transferred to the Town of Onalaska; and, **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the transfer of Cottage Lane to the Town of Onalaska; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board Chair and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents to effectuate this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** No direct cost to La Crosse County. The County will no longer have maintenance responsibilities for Cottage Lane.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by P. Barlow/D. Holtze to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 40-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF STATE ENERGY PROGRAM GRANT AND FOCUS ON ENERGY FUNDING FOR LED REPLACEMENT INITIATIVE IN THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING

WHEREAS, La Crosse County has partnered with E3 Coalition, Viroqua, Wisconsin, a firm with extensive experience in LED lighting retrofits, to apply for a grant to implement LED lighting retrofits in the La Crosse County Health and Human Services Building; and, **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Public Service Commission, Office of Energy Innovation, has approved an award of \$90,000 to La Crosse County for the LED replacement initiative; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County will also receive Focus on Energy and Utility Bonus Incentive funding for the LED initiative in the amount of \$29,364.00; and, **WHEREAS**, the LED initiative is projected to reduce electrical consumption by 140,000 kilowatt hours per year; and, **WHEREAS**, the total project cost is estimated to be \$157,018.00, requiring a County match of approximately \$37,654.00; and, **WHEREAS**, the total annual savings from the LED initiative is estimated to be energy savings of \$14,006.00 and maintenance savings of \$12,450 for a total of \$26,456.00 annually, which means the retrofit will pay back the County investment in about 1.4 years; and, **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of La Crosse County to approve the LED replacement initiative. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the State Energy Program Grant in the amount of \$90,000 and the Focus on Energy and Utility Bonus Initiative funding in the amount of \$29,364.00. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any documents to accept the grants and implement the LED replacement initiative, after approval of Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** Total Project Cost = \$157,018.00.

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The required County match of \$37,654.00 will be paid as followed: \$24,654 transferred from Org. 100.155.1480-60700.05 General Fund Contingency and \$10,000 transferred from LEC Major Capital Improvements Org. 100.170.1750-80140.00 to Health and Human Services Major Capital Improvements Org. 100.170.1720-80140.00.

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (PATRICK BARLOW)**

Motion by P. Barlow/P. Scheller to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 41-10/18 RE: AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT THROUGH COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS PROGRAM FOR 2018/2019

WHEREAS, La Crosse County desires to participate in county fish and game projects, pursuant to provision of §23.09(12), Wis. Stats., specifically the replacement of ash trees in county parks; and **WHEREAS** the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has grant funding available through the County Conservation Aids program specifically for the installation of fish and game projects under §23.09(12), Wis. Stats; and **WHEREAS**, financial aid is desirable to assist with the project and may be available through WDNR grants; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has budgeted \$30,000 in 2019 as the local share of the project costs; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** La Crosse County Facilities Director and staff are authorized to act on behalf of La Crosse County to: Sign and submit an application to the WDNR for any financial aid that may be available; to submit to the WDNR reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within one (1) year of project end date; and to take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that La Crosse County will comply with all state and federal laws related to the County Conservation Aids programs and will obtain approval in writing from the WDNR before any change is made in the use of the project site. **FISCAL NOTE:** La Crosse County has budgeted \$30,000 in 2019 for Ash Tree Removal and Replacement (100.170.2050.80140.00)

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by P. Barlow/D. Ferries to approve. Discussion ensued. Facilities Director James Speropulos responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

RESOLUTION NO. 42-10/18 RE: APPROVAL OF EASEMENT TO WE ENERGIES AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST SALEM TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN NATURAL GAS FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY

WHEREAS, WE Energies and the School District of West Salem have proposed a School Facility in the Village of West Salem, adjacent to the public park access owned by La Crosse County; and, **WHEREAS**, said developer has submitted a set of plans for said development which include streets, and natural gas facilities; and, **WHEREAS**, there is currently no public Right-of-way access for said facilities; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County will require within the recording of said easement appropriate conditions to minimize any impact that these public utilities will have upon our ability to fully utilize this property for a public street; and, **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to work with WE Energies and the School District of West Salem. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the conveyance of an easement to WE Energies and the School District of West Salem for the purpose of constructing natural gas facilities as indicated on the attached map. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute any documents to convey the easement to WE Energies and the School District of West Salem, after approval of Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** No expense to La Crosse County, WE Energies and the School District of West Salem will be responsible for construction and maintenance of the facilities.

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PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE (PATRICK BARLOW)

Motion by P. Barlow/R. Ebert to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 7 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse and T. Wehrs.

FIRST CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 171 TO AMEND S. 8.04 ENTITLED "DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS, OF THE GENERAL CODE OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN - PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by P. Barlow/S. Doyle to move the first reading. Discussion ensued. Zoning and Planning Administrator Nate Sampson and Corporation Counsel Megan DeVore responded to questions from the Board. 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.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- On October 25th at the Holmen Library, there will be the final session on the Transportation Referendum questions that will appear on the November ballot.
- Tristate ambulance will have an open house on Saturday to celebrate their 25 year anniversary.
- Coulee Council on Addiction is hosting a forum on the Marijuana Referendum questions on Tuesday, November 30th at 6pm.

ADJOURN

Motion by M. Giese/T. Tryggestad to adjourn at 7:01 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 22 ayes, 8 excused - L. Berg, K. Cable, D. Hesse, P. Isola, K. Keil-Arellano, M. Kruse 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, October 18, 2018 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 25 OF OCTOBER 2018.