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LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS; TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2020

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Organizational Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 via Skype. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 28 supervisors were present when Clerk Dankmeyer 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	Will be sworn into office on April 27, 2020
3 Janssen, Barb	Present
4 Freedland, Maureen	Present
5 Mathu, Grant	Present
6 Plesha, Roger	Present
7 Padesky, Gary	Present
8 Isola, Peg	Present
9 Wacek, Dawn	Present
10 Cable, Kim	Present
11 Scheller, Patrick	Present
12 Erickson, Randy	Present
13 Tryggestad, Tina	Present
14 Larson, Margaret	Present
15 Kruse, Monica	Present
16 Ferries, Dan	Present
17 Pogreba, Jack	Present
18 Weber Strauss, Noelle	Present
19 Cornforth, Rick	Present
20 Doyle, Steve	Present
21 Burke, Vicki	Present
22 Kovacevich, Joe	Present
23 Nikolay, Matt	Present
24 Hoyer, Kevin	Present
25 Hundt, David	Present
26 Hesse, Dan	Present
27 Jacobs, Thomas	Present
28 Keil, Karen	Present
29 O'Neill, Jamie	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OATH OF OFFICE: All Supervisors present, being duly elected to office at the April 7, 2020 Spring Election, were sworn in by the Honorable Judge Scott Horne.

ELECTIONS/ORGANIZATION: CHAIR:

- Clerk Dankmeyer opened the floor for nomination for Chair of the County Board of Supervisors for the 2020-2022 term. S. Doyle/T. Tryggestad nominated Supervisor Kruse for Chair. There were no other nominations for Chair. Motion by S. Doyle/T. Tryggestad to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Supervisor Kruse for

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County Board Chair. Supervisor Kruse was elected Chair by a voice vote with 26 ayes, 2 abstentions – G. Padesky and B. Janssen, 1 vacant – District 2.

- Clerk Dankmeyer opened the floor for nominations for First Vice Chair of the County Board of Supervisors for the 2020-2022 term. T. Tryggestad/N. Weber Strauss nominated Supervisor Cable for First Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion by S. Doyle/T. Tryggestad to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Supervisor Cable for First Vice Chair. Supervisor Cable was elected First Vice Chair by a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 vacant – District 2.
- Clerk Dankmeyer opened the floor for nominations for Second Vice Chair of the County Board of Supervisors for the 2020-2022 term. M. Larson/G. Mathu nominated Supervisor Erickson for Second Vice Chair. V. Burke/G. Padesky nominated Supervisor Richmond for Second Vice Chair. M. Freedland/K. Keil nominated Supervisor Isola for Second Vice Chair. On a roll call vote, Supervisor Erickson - 10 votes, Richmond – 12 votes, and Isola 6 votes, 1 vacant- District 2. With no Supervisor receiving a majority vote, voting was held a second time with the two highest votes, Erickson and Richmond. On a second roll call vote, Supervisor Erickson – 14 votes and Richmond 14 votes, 1 vacant – District 2. With no Supervisor receiving a majority vote, a third roll call vote was held. Supervisor Erickson received 13 votes and Richmond 15 votes, 1 vacant – District 2. With receiving a majority of the vote, Supervisor Richmond was elected Second Vice Chair.

CHAIR KRUSE TOOK THE CHAIR.

County Board Chair Report Monthly Meeting Time.

- Motion by T. Tryggestad/V. Burke to start the board meetings at 6pm on the third Thursday passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes, and 1 vacant – District 2.

CHAIR CHANGE

1st Vice Chair Cable took the chair.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by M. Kruse/A. Richmond to reappoint Dr. Suthakaran Veersamy to the Criminal Justice Management Council for a three year term to expire April 30, 2023; reappoint Ebony Hyter to the Health & Human Services Board for a three year term to expire April 30, 2023; reappoint Teresa Walter to the Solid Waste Policy Board for a three year term to expire April 30, 2023; appoint Emma Peterson, Tracy Puent, Philip Stegemann, Shelly Tollefson, Curt Teff, Pam Radtke, and Jackie Gundersen to the Integrated Support and Recovery Services Advisory Board for a one year term to expire April 30, 2021; appoint Brenda White, Julie Dietz, Ryan Ross, Angela Welch, Amy Zabrowski, Jill Mason, and Marilyn Huckenpoehler to the Integrated Support and Recovery Services Advisory Board for a two year term expiring April 30, 2022 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes and 1 vacant – District 2.

CHAIR CHANGE

Chair Kruse resumed the chair.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by R. Plesha/G. Padesky to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held March 9, 2020 and the Monthly meeting held March 19, 2020 and the claims list \$936,019.87 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes and 1 vacant – District 2.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-4/20 RE: AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO WISCONSIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (WEDC) FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT FOR HOLMEN COMMUNITY CENTER

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WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) has grant funds available for projects to support local initiatives for downtown community development through the Community Development Investment Grant Program; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has been approached by the Holmen Area Community Center Building Fund and Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater La Crosse with regards to their plan to redevelop the former Festival Foods site on North Holmen Drive to serve as a community center that brings together the Boys and Girls Club, School District, and Community Center to provide intergenerational programming that will strengthen the community as a whole; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has previously budgeted and approved a financial contribution of \$150,000 to this project; and **WHEREAS**, this will be an approximate \$3.5 million project that fits the eligibility requirements of the grant program in that it will rehabilitate and reuse a landmark building; and, **WHEREAS**, application for an acceptance of the above grant would not require the hiring of any new County staff nor the expenditure of any non-budgeted funds; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves submission of a Community Development Investment grant application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to obtain funds for said purpose; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair or County Administrator is designated as the official representative of La Crosse County to act in connection with such grant and that either the County Board Chair or County Administrator are authorized to sign any documents required by the State relating to the application, acceptance, and proper use of such grant funds, including the assurances that the County and Boys and Girls Club will comply with the grant requirements. **FISCAL NOTE:** No direct additional fiscal impact. Staff will handle any additional responsibilities related to grant application and distribution.

Motion by G. Padesky/D. Ferries to suspend the rules and take up the resolution without going through committee. Discussion ensued. Corporation Counsel Megan DeVore responded to questions from the Board and explained the reasoning behind the motion to suspend the rules. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes and 1 vacant – District 2. Motion by K. Cable/P. Isola to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes and 1 vacant – District 2.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Supervisor Ferries asked for an update on the excess sales tax.

ADJOURN

Motion by T. Jacobs/A. Richmond to adjourn at 6:55 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 28 ayes.

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 Organizational Meeting held Tuesday, April 21, 2020 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 4 OF MAY 2020.