

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING  
PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, February 18, 2021 via Microsoft Teams. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 29 supervisors were present when Chair Monica Kruse 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 Name</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
1 Richmond, Andrea	Present
2 Geary, Ralph	Present
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 Viner, Pamela	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**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**County Board Chair Report - Monica Kruse**

- WCA Virtual Legislative Exchange – March 2-3, 2021
  - Supervisors were reminded of the WCA Legislative Exchange that will be held virtually this year.
- Board Meeting Procedure reminders
  - Supervisors were reminded to not use the “chat” bar during Team meetings, make sure your camera is on unless you are staff who should keep their

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cameras off unless talking, and if you are in the Board Room, you should use the mic in the room to speak, not your computer.

- Chair Kruse noted that the County Board Website has been updated and if Supervisors are interested in having a new picture posted, they should contact Angie in Human Resources.
- Supervisor Conference Reports – none offered.

#### **Associate Administrator Report – Jane Klekamp**

- Census Status and Impact on Redistricting - Typically data is given to counties to start their work by April 1<sup>st</sup> but because of the pandemic, everything is late this year and the impact on redistricting is still unknown. Counties will wait for the census results to move forward.

#### **COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by M. Kruse/T. Tryggestad to appoint Larry Pohja to the Winding Rivers Library System for a term to expire December 31, 2023; reappoint Kevin Rindy, Bob Ritger, Adam Jacobson, Brian Hitchcock, Pat Smith, Mike Horstman, Sue Kunz, Marc Schultz and Aaron Newberry to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for a one year term to expire January 18, 2022; reappoint Mary Mooney, Ken Gilliam, Jim Krueger, Vicki Burke, Tom Wright and Joshua Olson to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for a two year term to expire January 17, 2023; appoint Susan Waukon to the Health and Human Services Board for the remainder of a term to expire April 30, 2022. Discussion ensued. The motion to appoint passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by M. Kruse/R. Erickson to reappoint Rick Kyte to the La Crosse County Ethics Board for a three year term to expire April 30, 2024; reappoint Judy Bower to the La Crosse County Ethics Board for a three year term to expire April 30, 2024 as an alternate; reappoint Lynn Valiquette to the La Crosse County Ethics Board for a one year term to expire April 30, 2022; reappoint Mark Solyst to the La Crosse County Ethics Board for a two year term to expire April 30, 2023; and reappoint Steve Mader to the La Crosse County Ethics Board for a two year term to expire April 30, 2023 as an alternate. Discussion ensued. Chair Kruse and Clerk Dankmeyer responded to questions from the Board. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by R. Plesha/D. Wacek to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning meeting held January 11, 2021 and the Monthly meeting held January 21, 2021 and the claims list for \$2,738,272.01 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 48-2/21 RE: AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING RELATED TO WATERSHED PLANNING & CONSERVATION PRACTICE ADOPTION PROVIDED THROUGH WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TARGETED RUN-OFF MANAGEMENT GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County Land Conservation Department has been awarded a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Targeted Runoff Management Program Grant in the amount of \$600,000 for the implementation of the Bostwick Creek 9 Key Elements Watershed Plan; and, **WHEREAS**, up to \$170,000 of the Targeted Runoff Management Program Grant can be used for staffing reimbursement; and, **WHEREAS**, the Targeted Runoff Management Grant is projected to last through 2024, which includes an anticipated 1–year extension; and, **WHEREAS**, the Targeted Runoff Management Grant is likely to be renewed for multiple 3-year grant cycles; and, **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department develops strategies, implements programs, and provides technical assistance to protect and enhance the soil and water resources of La Crosse County; and, **WHEREAS**, continued support for conservation and water quality improvements are a priority of La Crosse County. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts the funding

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of \$600,000 from Department of Natural Resources Targeted Runoff Management Grant; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board of Supervisors authorizes the hiring of one (1) FTE Watershed Planner position within the Department of Land Conservation, for work on this grant and other duties within the Department; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make any appropriate account transfers necessary to the funding of this position. **FISCAL NOTE:** The work for this grant will be shared by all staff within the Land Conservation Department. Total cost of this position starting 4/1/2021 is estimated to be \$64,000. No County match is required, but the Department is requesting that \$34,000 be funded with the grant, and the other \$30,000 be funded with \$18,000 in health insurance savings within the 2021 budget, and the remaining \$12,000 be funded with a carryforward from unused salary and fringe savings from the 2020 budget.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
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Motion by P. Isola/P. Scheller to approve. Discussion ensued. Land Conservation Director Matt Hanewall responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

DEFERRED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1152 FILED BY WILLIAM D. BOLTE, ATTORNEY FOR ANTHONY J. LOECKE & ALICIA M. GENDE ACTING O/B/O CARROLL E. FARNAM AND LYNN I. FARNAM JOINT REVOCABLE TRUSTS ON AN EXISTING 120.06 ACRE BASE FARM TRACT TO CONSTRUCT A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE AND DRIVEWAY ON LANDS USED AS CROPLANDS AND ZONED EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON - PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by P. Isola/G. Padesky to refer back to committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1155 FILED BY DANIEL L & JENNIFER B WATERS FOR A TRANSIENT RESIDENTIAL USE OF AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE ON LAND ZONED RESIDENTIAL "A" IN THE TOWN OF ONALASKA**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: DANIEL L. & JENNIFER B. WATERS, W8237 COUNTY ROAD ZB, ONALASKA, WI 54650 and having held a public hearing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2021 for a Conditional Use Permit for transient residential use of an existing single-family residence on land zoned Residential District "A" in the Town of Onalaska and described as follows: Part of Government Lot 2, Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 8 West. Tax parcel 10-1638-0. Property address W8237 County Road 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 seven (7) in favor, and zero (0) no, the committee recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1155 subject to the following six (6) conditions:

1. This permit is granted specifically to Daniel L. & Jennifer B. Waters, W8237 County Road ZB, Onalaska, WI 54650, for a Conditional Use Permit on Land Zoned Residential District "A" for transient residential use of an existing single-family residence located W8237 County Road ZB. Town of Onalaska;
2. The use of recreational vehicles for occupancy is not authorized on this parcel;
3. 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 file;

4. 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;
5. Contact the Zoning Department to inquire about permitting for any proposed projects related to this shoreland parcel; and
6. This permit shall automatically terminate upon transfer of ownership or discontinuance of this conditional use for a period of 12 months or more.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by P. Isola/V. Burke 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 unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 49-2/21 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>
Karen M. Jolivette	Lakeview Health Care	34+
Richard W. Jeske	Sheriff Department	31+
Kathleen M. Schreier	Lakeview Health Care	20+
Terri J. Pavlic	County Administrator	19+
Rebecca L. Spanjers	Human Services Department	18+
Diane K. Brown	Lakeview Health Care	14+
Nathan D. Sampson	Zoning Department	14+
Christine A. Gillespie	Health Department	11+
Thomas E. Johnson	Sheriff Department	10+

**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.

**MONICA KRUSE, COUNTY BOARD CHAIR**

**GINNY DANKMEYER, COUNTY CLERK**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/A. Richmond to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 50-2/21 RE: APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ECONOLODGE AND LA CROSSE COUNTY TO PROVIDE VOLUNTARY TEMPORARY SHELTER IN ORDER TO MITIGATE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE UNSHELTERED POPULATION**

**WHEREAS**, it is difficult for homeless/unsheltered individuals to take recommended steps to reduce the risk of infection and spread of COVID-19 when they do not have a residence in which to isolate or quarantine; and **WHEREAS**, in September of 2020, the La Crosse County Board approved an agreement between La Crosse County, the Coulee Collaborative to End Homelessness and the EconoLodge to provide temporary shelter to unsheltered individuals and families; and **WHEREAS**, that previous agreement ended on October 31, 2020; and **WHEREAS**, between October 31, 2020 and now, the Warming Center, Salvation Army and the County as part of the Coulee Collaborative to End Homelessness have been working with local hotels to provide shelter for individuals that are beyond the capacity for the shelters to

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accommodate on a case by case basis; and **WHEREAS**, these alternative efforts were successful until the end of January 2021 when the incidence of COVID positive individuals at shelter facilities started increasing at the same time that the weather conditions have not only increased the need for shelter but have created safety issues related to extremely low outdoor temperatures; and **WHEREAS**, only two shelters exist in La Crosse County – the Salvation Army and the Warming Center (operated by Catholic Charities) – however, when addressing outbreaks and potential outbreaks neither have the physical capacity to effectively isolate COVID positive individuals; and **WHEREAS**, given the increase in the incidence of COVID in the homeless/unsheltered population, it is more effective and efficient, both from an economical and epidemiological perspective, to attempt a collective response versus a case-by-case response; and **WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities with input from community stakeholders including the Coulee Collaborative to End Homelessness, the School District, the Human Services Department and the Health Department, has determined that the best response to the current situation is for Catholic Charities to move the services currently provided at the Warming Shelter to a larger facility so that they are able to serve both COVID positive and non-COVID positive individuals at the same location through April 15, 2021 the date on which the Warming Shelter annually closes; and **WHEREAS**, the owner-operator of EconoLodge of La Crosse has again agreed to provide the exclusive use of the hotel to provide temporary shelter to unsheltered individuals and families; and **WHEREAS**, EconoLodge has sufficient space to house individuals (55 rooms with total numbers served depending on length of stay and family group sizes) which includes space to safely quarantine individuals that are COVID positive; and **WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities has staff available to provide needed services and is willing to do so with support from La Crosse County staff as needed; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Board approves entering into an agreement with the EconoLodge of La Crosse to provide temporary shelter to unsheltered individuals at the rate of \$3300 per day in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this agreement will extend only until April 15, 2021 and that any necessary expenses will be submitted for reimbursement through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that, after approval by Corporation Counsel, the County Board Chair and County Administrator are hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents required to effectuate this agreement. **FISCAL NOTE:** The cost of leasing the facility and other expenses will be approximately \$300,000 and shall be submitted for reimbursement to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/A. Richmond 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 29 ayes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 51-2/21 RE: APPLICATION FOR 2020-21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – CORONAVIRUS (CDBG-CV) BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING AWARD**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County approved the submission of a grant application for CDBG Small Cities Housing by Resolution #37-10/12; and, **WHEREAS**, the State awarded La Crosse County an award of \$2,080,000 for the Community Development Block Grant Housing Award for 2012; and, 2,000,000 for 2016 and 2,000,000 for 2020; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has been, and will continue to be the lead county for the Southwest Housing Region. This lead role has prepared us for additional CDBG grant applications by having an approved Citizen Participation Plan and other necessary activities to respond quickly to demand for COVID-19 relief funds; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has received numerous requests for additional COVID-19 relief and data shows demand for COVID-19 relief funds for both housing and business assistance; and, **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to apply for these grants, to procure administrative assistance for the housing grant, and to sign all necessary contracts to implement this program. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby authorizes staff to complete an applications for the 2020-21 Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus Funding for both Business Assistance in La Crosse County and Housing Assistance in La Crosse, Crawford,

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Monroe, and Vernon Counties. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents with the State and with consortium members to implement these COVID-19 relief programs, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2020-21 Community Development Block Grant Business and Housing Awards are estimated at \$110,000 and \$1,130,000 respectively, to be distributed to applicants that meet project criteria. No county funds will be expended and all administrative expenses of said project are grant eligible.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/G. Mathu to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 52-2/21 RE: LA CROSSE COUNTY SUPPORT OF STATE FUNDING FOR MORE EQUITABLE RETURN OF UTILITY TAX COLLECTIONS TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES AS UTILITY AID**

**WHEREAS**, shared revenue utility aid payments help counties and municipalities pay for services provided to tax-exempt utility property, and **WHEREAS**, These payments-in-lieu of taxes are also viewed as partial compensation for the air pollution, noise, traffic congestion, property maintenance, emergency services and land use limitations caused by the presence of utility property, and **WHEREAS**, state has typically retained about eighty percent of utility tax collections for use as General Purpose Revenue (GPR), rather than return those dollars to counties and municipalities where the utilities are located. **WHEREAS**, In 2019-20, the state collected \$351.4 million in utility taxes, but only returned \$75.6 million to local governments as utility aid, and **WHEREAS**, Moreover, payments generated through the current utility aid formula aid formula have largely been stagnant, both as a percentage of tax collections and in the actual dollars distributed to counties and municipalities. Stagnant or declining aid results in a burdensome shift in taxes to owners of the remaining taxable property. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby encourages the Governor's budget to include a provision in your 2021-23 budget plan to provide for a fairer, more equitable return of utility tax collections to counties and municipalities as utility aid with an inflationary increase built into the utility aid formula. **FISCAL NOTE:** No fiscal impact to La Crosse County

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/T. Tryggstad to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 53-2/21 RE: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to 118,000 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**, County child support agencies collected \$935 Million in child support during 2019 and established 98,405 health insurance orders for Wisconsin children; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County's Child Support Agency provides services to children as well as custodial and non-custodial parents that reduce childhood poverty rates, establish parental rights and promote the involvement of both parents in the lives of their children; and **WHEREAS**, the economic security and social service programs provided by La Crosse Child Support Agency are needed by Wisconsin children and families now more than ever due to the economic downturn caused by COVID-19; and **WHEREAS**, State funding for county child support services has failed to keep up with county agency costs, which have steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation and new federal regulations; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program has fallen from 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation for collecting current support to 5<sup>th</sup>; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's decreased performance has led to the state losing out on an estimated \$70,000 in potential federal incentive payments between Calendar Year 2019 and 2020; and **WHEREAS**, an abrupt federal interpretation change in June 2019 eliminated \$4.2 million in federal birth cost recovery matching funds for Wisconsin; and **WHEREAS**,

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Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Further drops in performance would result in additional reductions to federal funding for Wisconsin; and **WHEREAS**, Decreased federal funding results in 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 roughly \$2 in federal matching funds; and **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is incredibly cost-effective, collecting an average of \$6.20 in support for every dollar invested in the program. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$4 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2021-23 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$7.7 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that Wisconsin counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children. **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk 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:**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/D. Wacek to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 54-2/21 RE: FORMATION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CPAC) FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin State Statute s. 66.1001 requires that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors (hereinafter "the Board") periodically enact a Comprehensive Plan as a guide for physical, social and economic development; and **WHEREAS**, the Board acknowledges the requirements of Wisconsin's Comprehensive Planning Legislation including the adoption of the plan under Wis. Stats. s. 66.1001, and the benefits of comprehensive planning; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County's current Comprehensive Plan, which includes a Farmland Preservation Plan, was adopted in 2008 and is in need of review and updating, including incorporating the current Sustainability Plan (adopted in 2009); and **WHEREAS**, this Board has already adopted resolutions related to sustainability (resolution #21-8/20) and has resolved that the County will "seek to collaborate across local governments, area institutions and community organizations in pursuit of [...] goals, including prioritizing equity, affordability and access, particularly for low-income and marginalized communities, while encouraging the engagement of local businesses, residents and environmental advocacy groups, to exchange ideas and implement action steps to address the challenges of reducing energy use, addressing climate change and pursuing sustainable development" and these principles, as well as the others adopted in that same and other sustainability resolutions and actions by the Board, should inform, guide and influence the Comprehensive Plan; and **WHEREAS**, although the Planning, Resources & Development (PRD) Committee and the full Board will ultimately review, approve and enact the Comprehensive Plan, a steering committee representing various interests – including businesses, residents/landowners, local governments and community organizations – should be convened to oversee the process and to ensure public input and participation; and **WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that the full plan will be ready for approval by March of 2022 with regular updates and periodic review and approval of components of the plan between now and that date; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board Chair shall appoint a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) of up to 15 members (hereinafter "the Committee") to oversee the development of the Comprehensive Plan. The Committee shall have a minimum of 6 County Board Supervisors and 5 citizen members, including 2 commercial representatives and 1 rural representative, representing various interest groups as identified above; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Committee shall provide regular progress reports and receive policy direction from the PRD Committee and full Board on the Comprehensive Plan and its initial task shall be to prepare a "Public Participation Plan" and "Core Principles Plan" to be reviewed and

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adopted by the Board. **FISCAL NOTE:** Future costs for development of the Comprehensive Plan will be brought to the Board for consideration at future meetings.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/K. Keil to approve. Discussion ensued. Chair Kruse and Planner Charlie Handy responded to questions from the Board. Motion by G. Padesky to refer for 30 days. This motion was withdrawn. Motion by J. Pogreba/G. Padesky to amend by adding to the Now Therefore Be It Resolved clause, 2 commercial agricultural representatives and 1 rural representative. Discussion ensued. The motion to amend passed on a voice vote with 18 ayes, 11 nays - K. Cable, R. Cornforth, S. Doyle, R. Erickson, R. Geary, P. Isola, K. Keil, M. Kruse, T. Tryggestad, P. Viner and D. Wacek. Motion by K. Hoyer/D. Hesse to amend by changing the Now Therefore It Be Resolved clause to, the committee have a maximum of 5 County Board Supervisors and a minimum of 6 citizen members failed on a voice vote with 24 nays, 5 ayes - D. Ferries, D. Hesse, K. Hoyer, D. Hundt and J. Pogreba. Motion by J. Pogreba to amend by changing climate change to climate fluctuations in the 4<sup>th</sup> Whereas clause. Corporation Counsel Megan DeVore spoke to this amendment. This motion was withdrawn. The motion to approve as amended passed on a voice vote with 28 ayes, 1 abstention - K. Hoyer.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by M. Kruse/D. Wacek to appoint Monica Kruse, Peg Isola, Kim Cable, Maureen Freedland, Randy Erickson, Grant Mathu, Pam Viner, Marilyn Pedretti, Larry Sleznikow, Mike Hesse, Kevin Hennessey, Kathy Allen and Will Kratt to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee for a two year term to expire March 31, 2023. Discussion ensued. Motion by J. Pogreba/G. Padesky to hold for 30 days. Discussion ensued. Corporation Counsel Megan DeVore responded to questions from the Board. The motion to hold for 30 days failed on a voice vote with 17 nays, 12 ayes - V. Burke, R. Cornforth, D. Ferries, R. Geary, D. Hesse, K. Hoyer, D. Hundt, T. Jacobs, M. Larson, J. Pogreba, P. Scheller and N. Weber Strauss. The motion to approve the appointments failed on a voice vote with 14 nays, 13 ayes - K. Cable, M. Freedland, P. Isola, T. Jacobs, K. Keil, M. Kruse, M. Nikolay, G. Padesky, R. Plesha, A. Richmond, T. Tryggestad, P. Viner and D. Wacek, 2 abstentions - G. Mathu and J. O'Neill.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 55-2/21 RE: ADOPTING THE LA CROSSE COUNTY MULTI-HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN 2020-2024**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property; and **WHEREAS**, undertaking hazard mitigation actions before disasters occur will reduce the potential for harm to people and property and save taxpayer dollars; and **WHEREAS**, an adopted all hazards mitigation plan is required as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects; and **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County participated jointly in the planning process with the other local units of government within the County to prepare a Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that La Crosse County, hereby adopts the La Crosse County Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan 2020-2024 as an official plan; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Emergency Management Department will submit on behalf of the participating municipalities the adopted La Crosse County Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan 2020-2024 to Wisconsin Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency officials. **FISCAL NOTE:** No cost to La Crosse County.

#### **JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE**

##### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by M. Larson/R. Cornforth to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 ayes.

#### **SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

1. Supervisor Hundt requested a tour of the different facilities.
2. Supervisor Pogreba requested that Mr. O'Malley's online comments be reviewed further.



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**ADJOURN**

Motion by G. Padesky/T. Jacobs to adjourn at 8:21 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 29 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 Monthly Meeting held Thursday, February 18, 2021 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 19 OF FEBRUARY 2021.**