

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING AND ANNUAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Budget Public Hearing and Annual Meeting was held on Monday, November 14, 2022 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 27 supervisors were present when Chair Monica Kruse called the meeting to order at 5:00 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	Konradt, Joe	Present
2	Geary, Ralph	Present
3	Pierce, David	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	Excused
12	Erickson, Randy	Present
13	Tryggestad, Tina	Excused
14	Larson, Margaret	Present
15	Kruse, Monica	Present
16	Ferries, Dan	Present
17	Pogreba, Jack	Present
18	Baroni, Mike	Present
19	Cornforth, Rick	Present
20	Doyle, Steve	Present
21	Abraham, Rob	Present
22	Viner, Pamela	Present
23	Nikolay, Matt	Present
24	Hoyer, Kevin	Present
25	Jacobsen, Dennis	Present
26	Hundt, David	Excused
27	Hesse, Dan	Present
28	Keil, Karen	Present
29	Schlimgen, Ken	Present
30	Mader, Dillon	Present

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC HEARING COMMENCED:**

- Outline of Interim County Administrator’s Recommended Budget – Interim Administrator Klekamp presented an overview of the 2023 recommended budget including gross expenditures, 2023 tax levy, mill rate, and budget priorities.
- Public Comment
  - Lee Donahue 921 Plainview Rd La Crosse, Joshua Johnson 2617 Baumgartner Drive La Crosse, and Mark Gaikowski USGS Upper Midwest Environmental Science 2630 Fanta Reed Rd La Crosse spoke in favor of funding for the Town of Campbell.

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- o Diane Wulf 910 Orchid Place Onalaska spoke in favor of funding for the Omni Center.
- o Kael Clemmerson 2510 Shelby Rd La Crosse, Jen Sobkowiak 625 Amy Drive Holmen, and Alicia Martin-Vega 1615 30<sup>th</sup> Street S La Crosse spoke in favor of funding for inmate phone calls.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:** With no one else requesting to be heard, the Public Hearing was closed. Motion by K. Cable/D. Ferries to close the Public Hearing at 5:25 p.m. passed on unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused – D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**County Board Chair Report - Monica Kruse**

- Recognition of Veterans – Chair Kruse recognized the Veterans who work for the County and the County Board Supervisors who are Veterans that included Supervisor Hundt – Navy and Supervisor Viner – Naval Reserve.
- January County Board Advance – The Board will hold an Advance in January to review the ARPA funding and set new priorities for the Board.
- Committee Meetings are moving to Room 1107 starting in January 2023.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
  - o Supervisor Ferries announced the Onalaska Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the Armory from 11am – 2pm. Pick up and deliveries are available.

**Interim Administrator Report – Jane Klekamp**

**PROCLAMATION NOVEMBER 2022 - VETERANS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the Veterans Service Office assists and supports La Crosse County veterans and their family members in recognition of the sacrifices and service of veterans to La Crosse County, the State of Wisconsin, and the United States; and, **WHEREAS**, respect for veterans’ achievements and sacrifices on behalf of the nation and the world is ensured; and, **WHEREAS**, leadership and advocacy for La Crosse County veterans is demonstrated; and, **WHEREAS**, commitment to service excellence while assisting veterans with their applications for state and federal veterans’ programs is of the highest level.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby proclaim the month of November 2022 as La Crosse County Veterans Month and urges all residents to join in recognizing the valuable contribution military veterans have made to La Crosse County.

Motion by J. Pogreba/G. Mathu to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

- Overview of Fund Balance
  - o The 2021 Fund Balance was \$24.8 million. The 2023 projected Fund Balance after housekeeping items are approved, will be \$20.1 million or 48.7%. After requests from other committees and outside organizations the balance will be \$19.4 million or 46.1%. Recommended balance is between 20-50%. Potential capital projects were also reviewed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by R. Plesha/K. Keil to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting held October 10, 2022 and the Monthly Meeting held October 20, 2022 and the claims list for \$747,399.05 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z443-11/22 RE: PETITION NO. 2066 FILED BY MARK K SCHOMBERG TO REZONE FROM EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT AND RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO RESIDENTIAL "A" DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF BARRE**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: Mark K Schomberg, N3030 County Road OA, La Crosse, WI 54601 and having held a public hearing on Monday, October 31, 2022 for a ZONING PETITION to Rezone from the Exclusive Agriculture District and Residential District to Residential "A" District in the Town of Barre and described as follows: Prt SW-NW & SE-NW, NW-SW, NW-SW, Sec. 28, T.16N, R.6W. Tax parcel 2-329-0, 2-329-1, 2-333-0, 2-335-0, 2-336-0. Property address: County Road OA, Town of Barre. 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 (Hoyer, Hundt, Erickson, Schlimgen, Cornforth), Zero (0) no, and Two (2) excused (Scheller, Konradt), the committee recommended Approval of Zoning Petition No. 2066 subject to no conditions. THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 14<sup>th</sup> day of 2022. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Hoyer/K. Schlimgen to approve. Discussion ensued. Zoning Administrator Kathleen Stewart responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1200 FILED BY LEE H TABBERT TO OPERATE A SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTAL IN THE TOWN OF ONALASKA**

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: Lee H Tabbert, W7273 Northshore Ln, Onalaska, WI 54650 and having held a public hearing on Monday, October 31, 2022 for a CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT for 17.05(4)(b)1. via 17.05(1)(b)14. Transient residential uses to operate a short-term vacation rental in the Town of Onalaska and described as follows: Duck Land Subdivision Lot 13 Block 1, Sec. 30, T.17N, R.7W. Tax parcel 10-1083-0. Property address: W7269 Northshore Ln, 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 (Hoyer, Hundt, Erickson, Schlimgen, Cornforth), Zero (0) no, and Two (2) excused (Scheller, Konradt), the committee recommended Approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1200 subject to the following SEVEN (7) conditions:

1. The owner(s) of the property to which this Conditional Use Permit is issued will abide by all representations and commitments made during the permitting process as well as before the Committee, in accordance with all conditions to the conditional use permit, taken as a whole, as approved by the Planning Resource and Development Committee and the County Board.
2. This approval does not preempt the Permittee's obligation to comply with all other applicable federal, state, and local regulations.
3. The Permittee shall contact environmental health and implement any requirements per their ordinances.
4. The Permittee shall contact the Town Building Inspector and implement any requirements per their ordinances.
5. The unit may accommodate a maximum of six persons per night.
6. Refuse shall not accumulate on this site.
7. This permit is nontransferable except to entities in which Lee Tabbert has principal ownership.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 14<sup>th</sup> day of 2022. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Hoyer/R. Cornforth to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1202 FILED BY DREW KNUTSON O/B/O BROTHERS KNUTSON LLC AND JOHN & ANN STASIAK TO UTILIZE AN EXISTING DETACHED ACCESSORY BUILDING FOR A LAWCARE AND SNOW REMOVAL BUSINESS IN THE TOWN OF ONALASKA**

(80-22/23)

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered an application filed by: Drew Knutson o/b/o Brothers Knutson LCC and John & Ann Stasiak, 3302 Horton St, Holmen, WI 54636 and having held a public hearing on Monday, October 31, 2022 for a CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT for 7.05(4)(b)6. Contractor's storage, to utilize an existing detached accessory building for a lawncare and snow removal business in the Town of Onalaska and described as follows: Pt SE-NE, Sec. 8, T.17N, R.7W. Tax parcel 10-127-1. Property address: W6590 County Road D, 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 (Hoyer, Hundt, Erickson, Schlimgen, Cornforth), Zero (0) no, and Two (2) excused (Scheller, Konradt), the committee recommended Approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1202 subject to the following SIX (6) conditions:

1. The owner(s) of the property to which this Conditional Use Permit is issued will abide by all representations and commitments made during the permitting process as well as before the Committee, in accordance with all conditions to the conditional use permit, taken as a whole, as approved by the Planning Resource and Development Committee and the County Board.
2. This approval does not preempt permittees' obligation to comply with all other applicable federal, state, and local regulations.
3. This permit is not transferable, except that it may be transferred to entities in which Drew Knutson or Jordan Knutson is a principal owner.
4. Commercial dumpster services shall be utilized for all waste generated by permit activities.
5. Commercial use of the site shall be limited to storage of material, equipment, and vehicles, and does not include the storage of junk and salvage
6. Industry standard spill prevention measures shall be implemented in conjunction with the storage of fuel.

THE COUNTY BOARD took the following action this 14<sup>th</sup> day of 2022. Approved subject to conditions as outlined.

**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (KEVIN HOYER)**

Motion by K. Hoyer/G. Padesky to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-11/22 RE: APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM THE TOWN OF CAMPBELL FOR RELEASE OF \$100,000 TO DRILL A TEST WELL TO AID IN FINDING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO REMEDIATE PFAS CONTAMINATION**

**WHEREAS**, Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS), a "forever chemical" was located in Town of Campbell wells in 2020; and, **WHEREAS**, as part of the 2022 budget, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors pledged \$100,000 as a placeholder to provide assistance to the Town of Campbell in determining optional water solutions; and **WHEREAS**, the Town of Campbell has conducted a feasibility study and has worked with and continues to work with local, state and federal organizations to determine the best long-term viable solution for a safe permanent water source; and, **WHEREAS**, in its continued study of best options to provide clean water for their residents, the Town of Campbell is exploring the creation its own water system; and **WHEREAS**, the first step in determining the feasibility of the water system is to drill a test well and the Town has requested the release of the \$100,000 to assist in/cover the cost; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the request by the Town of Campbell to release \$100,000 to drill a test well to aid in finding long-term solutions to remediate PFAS contamination; **FISCAL NOTE**: \$100,000 of funding for the Town of Campbell to study optional solutions for PFAS contamination was provided in the 2022 budget line item 100.155.1450 (64200.10).

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/J. Pogreba to approve. Discussion ensued. Supervisor Larson responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 25 ayes, 2 abstentions - S. Doyle and D. Pierce, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-11/22 RE: CHANGES IN POSITIONS AT LAKEVIEW AND HILLVIEW CAMPUSES FOR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, previous budgets have included changes in positions as a result of integration of the Lakeview and Hillview campuses under a single Long Term Care Services Department, **WHEREAS**, census changes will affect the staffing pattern of each facility. For 2023 the anticipated changes from the 2022 budget are as follows:

	<u>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</u>	<u>Approximate Salary &amp; Fringe</u>	<u>Net Levy Impact</u>
- 8.73 FTE Hillview Campus	- 8.73	(\$639,345)	\$0
- 9.99 FTE Lakeview Campus	- 9.99	(\$684,887)	\$0
<b>Net Change/Totals</b>	<b>-18.72</b>	<b>(\$1,324,232)</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**WHEREAS**, the Hillview and Lakeview campuses continue to implement shared opportunities affecting a variety of position classifications to improve staffing efficiencies. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator and Executive Director of Long Term Care are authorized to make modifications to the total number of allocated positions for the Lakeview and Hillview campuses implementing a total decrease in full time equivalent positions of 18.72 from 278.02 FTE in 2022 to 259.30 FTE in 2023. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget as needed and the Human Resources Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan. **FISCAL NOTE:** Decrease of salary and fringe costs in the amount of \$1,324,232 are included in the Administrator's Proposed 2023 Budget. These positions are fully funded by grant revenue or other outside sources and will not impact the tax levy.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/K. Hoyer to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-11/22 RE: CHANGES IN POSITIONS FUNDED BY OUTSIDE SOURCES (NON-TAX LEVY) FOR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the County Administrator's 2023 budget includes changes in positions that are fully funded by outside sources; and, **WHEREAS**, new positions of 7.00 FTE are the result of increased grant revenues and other outside sources and a reduction of 1.00 FTE as a result of decreased grant revenues and other outside sources, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following position modifications be approved for inclusion in the 2023 La Crosse County budget, reflecting a net increase of 6.00 FTE with \$0 levy impact. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget as needed and the Human Resources Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan.

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	Net Increase/ Decrease FTE	Annual Cost Salary & Fringe	Net Levy Impact
<b><u>Human Services</u></b>			
+ 2.00 ADRC Professionals	2.00	\$160,032	\$0
+ 1.00 Social Service Specialist	1.00	\$64,709	\$0
+ 4.00 Social Workers	4.00	\$320,065	\$0
<b><u>Solid Waste</u></b>			
- 1.00 Household Hazardous Waste Tech	(1.00)	(\$74,457)	\$0
<b>Net Change/Totals</b>	<b>6.00</b>	<b>\$470,349</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FTE Changes approved by resolution or other adjustment in 2022  
(included for complete reconciliation between 2022 & 2023 FTE Count)**

<b><u>Health</u></b>			
+ 2.00 Sanitarians (Resolution 28-10/21)	2.00	\$178,270	\$0
+ 1.00 Social Worker (Resolution 28-10/21)	1.00	\$79,908	\$0
<b><u>Human Services</u></b>			
+ 2.00 Social Workers (Resolution 13-7/22)	2.00	\$159,816	\$0
<b>Net Change/Totals</b>	<b>11.00</b>	<b>\$888,343</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any position addition reliant on non-tax-levy funding will be deleted if outside funding ends. **FISCAL NOTE:** These positions will be fully funded by grant revenue or other outside sources and will not impact the tax levy.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/P. Isola to approve. Discussion ensued. Interim Administrator Klekamp and Finance Director Nickelotti responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggstad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 27-11/22 RE: CHANGES IN GENERAL OPERATING LEVY POSITIONS AND HOURS FOR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, based on input from the departments, the County Administrator's 2023 budget includes a total decrease of 5.50 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) and an increase of 5.74 FTE for positions supported by local property tax levy. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following position modifications be approved for inclusion in the 2023 La Crosse County budget, reflecting a net increase of 0.24 FTE with a potential decrease of \$150,132 in the 2023 Tax Levy.

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	<b>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</b>	<b>Est Annual Cost Salary &amp; Fringe</b>	<b>Net Levy Impact</b>
<b><u>Health</u></b>			
+ 0.04 Dental Assistant	0.04	\$1,600	Actual levy varies on funding - Est impact \$9,440
+ 0.50 Nutrition Educator	0.50	\$39,850	
+ 0.20 Health Educator	0.20	\$16,000	
<b><u>Human Services</u></b>			
+ 1.00 Contract Specialist	1.00	\$67,900	Actual levy varies based on funding streams - Est impact (\$159,572)
+ 1.00 Nutrition Program Professional	1.00	\$78,000	
+ 3.00 Social Service Specialists	3.00	\$194,100	
- 2.50 Social Workers	(2.50)	(\$198,426)	
- 1.00 Safe Babies Court Team Coordinator	(1.00)	(\$94,392)	
- 1.00 Clinical Therapist	(1.00)	(\$96,993)	
- 1.00 Trainer	(1.00)	(\$95,402)	
<b>Net Change/Totals</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>(87,763)</b>	<b>(\$150,132)</b>

**FTE Changes approved by resolution or other adjustment in 2022  
(included for complete reconciliation between 2022 & 2023 FTE Count)**

	<b>Net Increase/ Decrease FTE</b>	<b>Annual Cost Salary &amp; Fringe</b>	<b>Net Levy Impact</b>
<b><u>Courts</u></b>			
- 1.00 Administrative Associate	(1.00)	(\$61,100)	(\$61,100)
<b><u>District Attorney</u></b>			
+ 0.25 Administrative Clerk	0.25	\$3,580	\$3,580
<b><u>Information Technology</u></b>			
- 0.50 Administrative Associate	(0.50)	(\$19,850)	(\$19,850)
- 1.00 Administrative Associate	(1.00)	(\$61,135)	(\$61,135)
+ 1.00 PC/LAN Tech	1.00	\$84,210	\$84,210

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FTE Changes approved by resolution or other adjustment in 2022  
(included for complete reconciliation between 2022 & 2023 FTE Count)

	Net Increase/ Decrease FTE	Annual Cost Salary & Fringe	Net Levy Impact
<b>Finance</b>			
+ 1.00 Staff Accountant (Resolution 1-4/22)	1.00	\$87,550	\$87,550
- 0.25 Resource Accountant (Resolution 1-4/22)	(0.25)	(\$21,500)	(\$21,500)
<b>Health</b>			
- 2.00 Nutrition Educators	(2.00)	(\$140,000)	
- 1.80 Community Health Workers	(1.80)	(\$117,500)	
- 1.00 Sanitarian	(1.00)	(\$90,000)	
- 1.00 Administrative Clerk	(1.00)	(\$61,000)	
- 0.90 Health Educator	(0.90)	(\$70,000)	
- 0.27 Work Assistant LTE	(0.27)	(\$7,250)	
- 0.13 Dental Hygienist	(0.13)	(\$8,500)	
+ 0.60 Lab Technologist	0.60	\$55,725	
+ 1.00 Health Educator (Resolution 31-11/21)	1.00	\$75,000	
+ 1.00 Administrative Associate (Resolution 31-11/21)	1.00	\$60,500	
+ 2.00 Administrative Specialists	2.00	\$110,000	
<b>Highway</b>			
- 1.00 Utility Worker	(1.00)	(\$73,000)	(\$73,000)
- 1.00 Heavy Equipment Operator	(1.00)	(\$73,000)	(\$73,000)
			Actual levy varies based on funding streams - Est impact (\$37,370)
<b>Net Change/Totals</b>	<b>(4.76)</b>	<b>(415,033)</b>	<b>(321,747)</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary changes to the budget as needed and the Human Resources Department is authorized to make necessary changes to the County pay plan. **FISCAL NOTE:** The levy impacts listed above are built into the 2023 Budget.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/D. Ferries to approve. Discussion ensued. Highway Commissioner Joe Langeberg and Finance Director Nickelotti responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggstad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 28-11/22 RE: MODIFICATION OF COMPENSATION PLAN FOR NON-UNION EMPLOYEES FOR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the Interim County Administrator and Human Resources Director recommend modifications to the present County Compensation Plans for non-bargaining employees. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that those employees covered by the non-bargaining pay schedules have pay set for 2023 reflecting an across-the-board increase of 3% effective January 1, 2022. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department and the Human Resources Department are authorized to take the necessary action to implement these changes. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2023 budget contains funding to cover the increase. The estimated increase of salary, WRS, FICA and Medicare for non-bargaining employees for 2023 is \$2,014,650. There are approximately 1,150 employees covered by this resolution.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/R. Erickson to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggstad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 29-11/22 RE: AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION TO CERTAIN PERMITS, FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2023**



**WHEREAS**, the 2023 budget includes certain fee increases for various revenue accounts commencing January 1, 2023 for various departments; and, **WHEREAS**, the fees in each of the departments have been identified in the 2023 Budget document entitled "Proposed User Fees, Charges for Services, and Permit Revenues for 2023" and "La Crosse County Human Services Department 2023 Fees"; and, **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Financial Management Policies indicate that the County will establish service fees and charges wherever appropriate for the purpose of keeping property taxes to a minimum; and **WHEREAS**, these fees and charges will attempt to fairly allocate the full cost of services to the users of those services whenever possible and as deemed appropriate by the County Board, including consideration of waiving or offering reduced fees to youth, seniors, or other special population groups identified as requiring preferential consideration based on policy goals. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby approve budget document entitled "Proposed User Fees, Charges for Services, and Permit Revenues for 2023" and "La Crosse County Human Services Department 2023 Fees" to be effective commencing January 1, 2023. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if any new rates or rate changes are determined to be needed during the 2023 fiscal year, the standing committee responsible for the department will have the authority to approve the change. **FISCAL NOTE:** the proposed fees, charges, and permit fees for 2023 have been included in the proposed 2023 Budget.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/G. Padesky to approve. Discussion ensued. Finance Director Nickelotti responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 30-11/22 RE: ADOPTION OF RATES FOR THE 2023 HEALTH AND DENTAL PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to establish the premium for county health and dental insurance for those eligible non-union and union employees and continued compliance with the Affordable Health Care Act; and, **WHEREAS**, it is necessary to confirm third party administrators (TPA) for the county health and dental plans and to establish the county's portion of contribution to the health and dental rates for those eligible non-union and union employees, and to fund the health and dental benefit plan at appropriate levels considering the recommendations of insurance advisors; and, **WHEREAS**, health insurance costs were lower than anticipated in 2022 and a one-month premium waiver of payroll deductions for the employer share of the health insurance premium deducted in the month of June 2023 is recommended by the Interim County Administrator; and, **WHEREAS**, health insurance costs were lower than anticipated in 2022 and a three-month premium waiver of payroll deductions for the employee share of the health insurance premium deducted in the months of June, July, and August 2023 is recommended by the Interim County Administrator; and, **WHEREAS**, the county is authorized under law, past practice and precedent and the requirements of good fiscal management to establish plan design for cost efficient health programs for county employees, and the health benefit is a major cost item in the county budget. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective January 1, 2023 the active contributory employee health plan continues with in-network coverage at a deductible of \$1,350 for single and \$2,700 for family; with a maximum out of pocket expense of \$3,350 single and \$6,700 family; and with structure for 2023 funding levels as recommended by TPA insurance actuaries and the county's insurance advisors. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that since January 1, 2014 and continuing in 2023 the health and dental insurance will be offered only to those employees working 30 or more hours per week. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby approve the contract with Benefit Plan Administrators (BPA) for third party administration of the county's health plan and with Delta Dental for the dental plan for the calendar year 2023. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby adopt the following monthly rates as the county's share of the above funding levels, for all eligible employees effective with the December premium for January 1, 2023 coverage.

Health Plan		Dental Plan	
Single	Family	Single	Family
\$682.00	\$1,672.00	\$33.54	\$88.14

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the employees share shall be 12%, of the total health premium and 22% of the total dental rate effective with the December premium for January 1, 2023 coverage as provided.

**Health Plan**

Single	Family
\$93.00	\$228.00

**Dental Plan**

Single	Family
\$9.46	\$24.86

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that effective January 1, 2023 the retiree health plan, which is fully funded by retirees shall have a premium of \$775.00 for single and \$1,900.00 for family. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a one-month health insurance premium waiver for the employer share of the health insurance premium deducted in the month of June of 2023 is approved. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a three-month health insurance premium waiver for the employee share of the health insurance premium deducted in the months of June, July and August of 2023 is approved. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator, the County Clerk and the County Human Resources Director are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents for effectuating the above plans for 2023 on behalf of La Crosse County. **FISCAL NOTE:** There are sufficient funds budgeted in the 2023 budget to cover all the changes listed above.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/K. Keil to approve. Discussion ensued. Chair Kruse asked for unanimous consent to waive the reading of all but the last voice vote to waive reading all but last 4 Be It Resolved clauses. There were no objections. Interim Administrator Klekamp responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**APPROVAL OF 2023 INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

Motion by K. Cable/M. Baroni to put the recommended budget on the floor. Motion by K. Cable/G. Padesky to amend by approving the Housekeeping changes/corrections passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. Motion by K. Cable/P. Viner to approve requests from Outside Organizations. Discussion ensued. Interim Administrator Klekamp and Finance Director Nickelotti responded to questions from the Board. Motion by J. Konradt/K. Schlimgen to amend by removing \$500,000 for the Town of Campbell. Discussion ensued. Motion by P. Viner/R. Geary to call the question / close debate passed on a voice vote with 24 ayes, 3 nays - M. Freedland, P. Isola and M. Larson, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. The motion to amend by removing \$500,000 for the Town of Campbell failed on a voice vote with 23 nays, 2 ayes - R. Erickson and J. Konradt, 2 abstentions - S. Doyle and D. Pierce, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. Motion by K. Schlimgen/R. Erickson to amend by having the Town of Campbell funds come back to the Board for approval via a resolution. Discussion ensued. The motion to have the Town of Campbell funds be approve by the Board via a resolution passed on a voice vote with 22 ayes, 3 nays - M. Freedland, G. Padesky and P. Viner, 2 abstentions - S. Doyle and D. Pierce, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. Motion by K. Schlimgen/J. Konradt to amend by removing the Holmen Community Center, Onalaska Omni Center and Big Brother Big Sisters from the Outside Organization requests. Discussion ensued. The motion to amend by removing the Holmen Community Center, Onalaska Omni Center and Big Brother Big Sisters failed on a voice vote with 26 nays, 1 aye - K. Schlimgen, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. Motion by R. Plesha/R. Geary to call the question / close debate passed on a voice vote with 26 ayes, 1 nay - M. Freedland, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. The motion to approve the Outside Organization requests approved by the Executive Committee as amended passed on a roll call vote with 24 ayes, 1 nay - K. Schlimgen, 2 abstentions - S. Doyle and D. Pierce, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad. Motion by K. Cable/G. Mathu to amend by approving requests made by other committees (inmate phone calls). Discussion ensued. The motion to amend by approving inmate phone calls passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**RESOLUTION NO. 31-11/22 RE: ADOPTION OF THE 2023 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY**

**WHEREAS**, the County Administrator has worked with all County departments and has prepared the La Crosse County 2023 Recommended Budget; and, **WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors has held a public hearing, pursuant to Section 65.90m, Wisconsin Statutes. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors does adopt a budget for calendar year 2023 with total expenditures of \$208,978,932 total revenues of \$153,911,842 and other funding sources of

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\$17,624,875 and a total La Crosse County tax levy of \$37,442,487 to be divided and levied as follows: County Tax of \$28,582,525 to be levied upon all the taxable property of the County; and, State Special Charges and Property Tax Chargeback of \$272 to be levied upon all the taxable property of the County; and, debt Levy Tax of \$6,465,487 to be levied upon all the taxable property of the County; and, County Library Tax of \$2,394,203 to be levied upon all taxable property of the County except for that property within the City of La Crosse; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2023 budget is adopted and approved at the department level of detail as contained in the budget document. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk and County Finance Director shall determine and apportion within 10 days of this date, the tax levy set forth for the respective municipalities, according and in proportion to the valuations for the towns, villages, and cities as submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator and the County Clerk are hereby authorized to correct any clerical errors that may be found in the budget document prior to the publishing of this resolution. **FISCAL NOTE:** See reverse side for budget comparison data.

<b>Budget Comparison</b>			
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Total Expenditures	193,736,744	208,978,932	7.87%
Total Revenues	145,427,270	153,911,842	5.83%
Total Other Funding Sources	<u>11,515,182</u>	<u>17,624,875</u>	<u>53.06%</u>
<b>Total County Levy</b>	<b>\$36,794,292</b>	<b>\$37,442,215</b>	<b>1.76%</b>
<b>State Special Charges &amp; Property Tax Chargeback</b>	-	<b>272</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
Operating Levy	28,148,539	28,582,525	1.54%
Library & WRLS	2,193,581	2,394,203	9.15%
Debt Service	<u>6,452,172</u>	<u>6,465,487</u>	0.21%
<b>Total County Levy</b>	<b>\$36,794,292</b>	<b>\$37,442,215</b>	<b>1.76%</b>
<b>Total State and County Levy</b>	<b>\$36,794,292</b>	<b>\$37,442,487</b>	<b>1.76%</b>
Equalized Value	11,462,702,700	12,905,150,500	12.58%
<b>Mill Rate - County Tax</b>	<b>3.210</b>	<b>2.901</b>	<b>-9.61%</b>

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Motion by K. Cable/R. Cornforth to approve. Discussion ensued. Interim Administrator Klekamp responded to questions from the Board. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS** – none offered.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by D. Mader/K. Schlimgen to adjourn at 7:41 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 27 ayes, 3 excused - D. Hundt, P. Scheller and T. Tryggestad.

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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 Annual Meeting held Monday, November 14, 2022 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 15 OF NOVEMBER 2022.