

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PLANNING MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting was held on Monday, November 6, 2023 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 26 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:

District	Name	Attendance
1	Richmond, Andrea	Present
2	Geary, Ralph	Present
3	Pierce, David	Present
4	Freedland, Maureen	Present
5	Poley, Justin	Excused
6	Plesha, Roger	Present
7	Padesky, Gary	Present
8	Isola, Peg	Present
9	Wacek, Dawn	Excused
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	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	Absent
27	Hesse, Dan	Present
28	Silva, Leonardo	Excused
29	Schlimgen, Ken	Present
30	Mader, Dillon	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Monica Kruse

- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Doyle acknowledged Judy Zabel for her years of service to La Crosse County and has retired.

County Clerk Report – Ginny Dankmeyer

- Campaign Papers – Clerk Dankmeyer reviewed the campaign papers and filing deadlines for the County Board Supervisor contests that will be on the Spring 2024 ballot.

Administrator Report - Jane Klekamp

PROCLAMATION NOVEMBER 2023 - 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 2023 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 D. Ferries/P. Scheller to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 26 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hundt, 3 excused - J. Poley, L. Silva and D. Wacek. Supervisor Viner and Hundt were acknowledged for their service in the military.

- General Update
 - Administrator Klekamp gave updates on the Highway Shop Safety Day; 450 people have subscribed to the external newsletter; the 3rd quarterly meeting with municipalities was held to discuss shared services; over 300 people have been interviewed by the diversity consultant and a survey will be going out soon; Hillview staff have been meeting consultants on RFP's; the Sustainability's Report was distributed to supervisors; outside requests from organizations will be made at the Executive Meeting on Wednesday.
- Broadband Consultant Update – Jack Maytum with Design Nine
 - Community Development Education Charlotte Peters and Community Development Specialist Sam Bachmeier have been leading the Broadband Initiative for the County. A Broadband Committee was formed back in June and has been meeting monthly reviewing different topics and funding of different projects and working directly with the consultant. The first step was to send out a survey to all citizens in La Crosse County that was 24 questions. Because of the pandemic, most people now realize the importance of broadband including the Federal Government. \$42.5 billion dollars will be expended over the next few years and available beginning in June. The goal of this plan is to put the county in the position to be able to attract additional investment to expand broadband coverage to unserved and underserved parts of the county. 88% of respondents said the county should be involved in some way to expand broadband. There is a role for the county to be involved other than be a broadband provider.

ORDINANCE NO. 211-11/23 TO AMEND S. 1.01 ENTITLED "ELECTED OFFICIALS" OF THE GENERAL CODE OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

The County Board of supervisors of the County of La Crosse does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1.

1.01 ELECTED OFFICIALS. Elected officials of the County shall be Clerk of Courts, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, District Attorney, Sheriff, and 30 Supervisors.

- (a) Nomination Papers. Pursuant to s. 8.10(3m), Wis. Stats., the number of required signatures on nomination papers for the office of Supervisor in La Crosse County shall be not less than 50 nor more than 200 electors.

Section 2. Pursuant to s. 8.10(3m), Wis Stats., this ordinance will take effect November 15, 2023.

**MONICA KRUSE, COUNTY BOARD CHAIR;
GINNY DANKMEYER, COUNTY CLERK**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by R. Erickson/R. Abraham to approve. Motion by R. Erickson/D. Ferries to waive the rules to act on an ordinance at its' first consideration passed on a unanimous voice vote with 26 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hundt, 3 excused - J. Poley, L. Silva and D. Wacek. The motion to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 26 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hundt, 3 excused - J. Poley, L. Silva and D. Wacek.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Supervisors were reminded of the date and time change for the Public Hearing and Annual Meeting next week which will be on Monday at 5pm.

ADJOURN

Motion by G. Padesky/P. Isola to adjourn at 6:36 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 26 ayes, 1 absent - D. Hundt, 3 excused - J. Poley, L. Silva, and D. Wacek.

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 Planning Meeting held Monday, November 6, 2023 and that it is the whole thereof. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL THIS DAY 7 OF NOVEMBER 2023.