

**LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING
PROCEEDINGS; THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023**

The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting was held on Thursday, September 21, 2023 in the Administrative Center, Room 1700. The County Clerk, Ginny Dankmeyer, took attendance. 25 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	Vacant	
6	Plesha, Roger	Present
7	Padesky, Gary	Present
8	Isola, Peg	Excused
9	Wacek, Dawn	Present
10	Cable, Kim	Present
11	Scheller, Patrick	Present
12	Erickson, Randy	Present
13	Tryggestad, Tina	Present
14	Larson, Margaret	Excused
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	Excused
23	Nikolay, Matt	Present
24	Hoyer, Kevin	Present
25	Jacobsen, Dennis	Present
26	Hundt, David	Present
27	Hesse, Dan	Excused
28	Silva, Leonardo	Present
29	Schlimgen, Ken	Present
30	Mader, Dillon	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

County Board Chair Report - Monica Kruse

- Interviews for District 5 will be on Wednesday, September 27 at 5:45 and 6:15pm in room 1107.
- County Board Picnic – Chair Kruse reminded Supervisors of the picnic tomorrow.

- WCA Conference Summary – Chair Kruse noted there were 11 Supervisors in attendance as well as the County Clerk, County Administrator and Associate County Administrator. It was a great opportunity to network with each other and Supervisors from other counties.
- Supervisor Conference Reports
 - Supervisor Pogreba thanked all the people at the conference that provided the workshops and he received a lot of information. Three key things that came from the road workshop is that our roads are not set up to handle the size of loads on our roads right now, there is a 90/10 program for roadwork, and we are responsible for all the roads.
 - Supervisor Jacobsen provided a detour to the picnic to see the condition of the roads in the County.
 - Supervisor Hundt thanked IT for installing the hearing loop.

Administrator Report - Jane Klekamp

- Hillview Recap
 - Administrator Klekamp gave a review of the Hillview project prior to the vote tonight. Hillview and the future of it has been discussed for more than a decade. ARPA funding is one of the ways we can bring Hillview into the 21st century. The model for Hillview will be successful as it follows the successful model at Lakeview. There will not be asking for more CBRF beds at this point because if we take 10 additional beds, we need more staff and the staff would cost more than we would get for those 10 beds. Using ARPA funds for this would be no different than using ARPA funds for Skilled Trades, Stormwater Infrastructure, Bridge Housing for Families, Grants for Community Events where we don't expect to get reimbursement. Hillview is an Enterprise Fund and we will not be recommending using fund balance from other departments. Safety for residents and staff has been discussed regularly from everyone who has worked on this project. Once the City-County has finished the plans for the unsheltered, there will be a process in place for screening to make sure the right people are going to the right place. There is nobody in the County that has the expertise or experience in operating a daycare, especially a generational daycare, and an RFP will be put out just for this.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by A. Richmond/G. Padesky to reappoint Peg Isola to the CDBG - Southwest Wisconsin Housing Region for a two year term to expire September 30, 2025; appoint Kari Houser to the Broadband Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by R. Plesha/M. Nikolay to approve the minutes of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors Planning Meeting held August 7, 2023 and the Monthly Meeting held August 17, 2023 and the claims list for \$4,919,003.98 passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

ORDINANCE NO. 207-9/23 TO AMEND S. 8.04 ENTITLED "DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS" 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.

8.1 DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS.

(1) **APPLICABILITY.** In accordance with s. 86.07(2), Wis. Stats., this section applies to all design, layout and construction of private driveways which will be adjacent to a County Trunk Highway, or on a roadway which is within 200 feet of an intersection of a County Trunk Highway.

(2) INTERPRETATION AND PURPOSE.

(a) The County Board has determined that improper design, layout and or construction of driveway access onto County Trunk Highways impairs the ability of said highway system to efficiently and safely serve as a part of an integrated intermodal transportation system. This section specifies the County's minimum standards for the design, layout and construction of private driveways abutting on a County Trunk Highway or on a roadway which is within 200 feet of an intersection to County Trunk Highway. These minimum design standards have been adopted in order to provide for

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the safety of entrance upon and departure from those highways, to preserve the public interest and investment in those highways, to help maintain speed limits, and to provide for the development and implementation of an intermodal transportation system to serve the mobility needs of people and freight and foster economic growth and development, while minimizing transportation related fuel-consumption, air pollution, and adverse effects on the environment and on landowners and users.

(b) It is not intended by this section to repeal, abrogate, annul, impair or interfere with any regulations or permits previously adopted or issued pursuant to laws; provided, however, that where this section imposes a greater restriction upon the design and construction of driveways the provisions of this section shall govern.

(3) DEFINITIONS.

(a) "County" means La Crosse County, including any agency, department or committee thereof.

(b) "County Planning Committee" means the Planning, Resources & Development Committee as authorized by s. 59.69, Wis. Stats., and s. 1.49 of this Code.

(c) "County Highway Committee" means the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee of La Crosse County as authorized by s. 83.015, Wis. Stats., and s. 1.46 of this Code.

(d) "Department" means the Department of Zoning, Planning and Land Information of La Crosse County.

(e) "Driveway" means a private road giving access from a public roadway to a building or other land use on abutting grounds.

(f) "Grade" means the slope of a road, street, alley, foot path, lot, or block, specified in percent.

(g) "Pavement" means a material installed to formulate a semi-permanent surface onto the roadway width.

(h) "Permit" means the written authority granted to the Department to conduct activities regulated by this section.

(i) "Reconstruct" means to remove a driveway, or any of the structural portions of a driveway and construct again or replace the driveway with new or additional structural portions.

(j) "Registered Professional" means an engineer, surveyor, or landscape architect registered and certified to practice within the State of Wisconsin.

(k) "Roadway" means any public road, street, highway, alley (in towns), or portion thereof.

(l) "Sight Distance" means the distance from the entry point onto the highway to the point at which safe visual contact with oncoming traffic ceases to exist.

(m) "Tracking" means the detachment and movement of soil, sediment, or rock fragments by vehicle tires.

(n) "Urban Section" means a roadway cross section which is typical to urban areas, including curb and gutter, sidewalk, underground storm sewer, etc.

(o) "Zoning Administrator" means the Director of the Zoning, Planning and Land Information Department, or a person designated by the County Board to administer Chapters 17 and 18 of this Code.

(4) PERMITS.

(a) No owner of real estate, owner of an easement of ingress and egress or tenant of real estate which abuts a County Trunk Highway or within 200 feet of an intersection to County Trunk Highways on another roadway, shall open, construct, reconstruct or change the principal use of a driveway or roadway onto that County Trunk Highway or roadway, without obtaining a permit under this section.

(b) All permits applied for under this section shall be filed with the Department and shall include an application fee that shall be determined from time to time by the County Board. Upon receipt of the application by the Department, the application shall be referred to the County Highway Commissioner for inspection and consideration of approval. Applicants shall be notified in writing of the County's decision on their application within 30 days of receipt of completed application. The Department shall issue a permit under this section for driveways which meet the following standards:

(5) LOCATION. All driveways shall:

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(a) Be located at a point deemed most appropriate using the following standards:

1. That point which maximizes sight distance at the driveway location from both directions.
2. That point which maximizes sight distance at an intersection, curve or other adjacent traffic use.
3. That point which maximizes distance between adjacent driveways.

(b) Ensure that access shall be obtained off of a local road whenever possible, and not off of a County Trunk Highway.

(c) Any subdivision of land, after the effective date of this section, that requests access onto a County Trunk Highway shall be designed to maintain a minimum of 400 feet between each such driveway or access point.

(d) A sight distance of at least 500 feet in both directions is recommended. Due to the topography and existing land uses in La Crosse County, this recommended sight distance is not always feasible. In those cases where it is not feasible, the next, most appropriate location should be utilized as the above standards indicate. In doubtful cases, the County Highway Commissioner may require the applicant to submit, at the applicant's expense, a sight/distance study performed by a registered professional.

(6) DESIGN. All driveways shall:

(a) Be constructed at a 90° angle (perpendicular) to the roadway that it abuts, for at least 20 feet from the edge of the pavement of the roadway.

(b) Be constructed at a maximum slope of 5% for at least 20 feet from the edge of the pavement of the roadway, and a slight depression shall be constructed across the drive to ensure that drainage and debris not be discharged to the County Trunk Highway or roadway.

(c) Be constructed to support typical vehicle traffic during all weather conditions.

(d) Be constructed to eliminate the tracking of material off of the driveway onto the roadway.

(e) Be constructed so that the width of a driveway complies with the following tables:

TABLE – RURAL DRIVEWAY WIDTH (at culvert or 12' from pavement edge, whichever is smaller)

Use of Property to be Served by	Minimum Width Of	Maximum Width Of
Residential	10 feet	22 feet
Shared	20 feet	24 feet
Agricultural	20 feet	32 feet
Commercial	20 feet	32 feet
Industrial	24 feet	40 feet

TABLE – URBAN DRIVEWAY WIDTH (at sidewalk)

Use of Property to be Served by	Minimum Width Of	Maximum Width Of
Residential	10 feet	22 feet
Shared	20 feet	24 feet
Agricultural	20 feet	32 feet
Commercial	20 feet	40 feet
Industrial	24 feet	40 feet

Widths at the highway shall conform to Standard Detail Drawings that will be provided by the Highway Department.

(f) The County Highway Commissioner is authorized to determine if a culvert is required. Any required culvert shall be installed entirely at the applicant's expense. Any culvert in the County Trunk Highway right-of-way must be designed to carry a minimum of a 25 year storm event, which is 2.9 inches of rainfall within a 24 hour period, unless otherwise directed by the County Highway Commissioner. The County Highway Commissioner may require that a culvert design be submitted by a registered professional at the applicant's expense.

(g) The culvert shall be made of corrugated metal pipe (CMP) or reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) and measure a minimum of 12 inches in diameter.

(h) All culverts shall be designed with adequate length and appropriate apron ends, unless otherwise directed by the County Highway Commissioner.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by M. Nikolay/K. Schlimgen to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

ORDINANCE NO. 115-9/23 NO. 208 TO AMEND S. 7.04 ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS" 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.

7.04 SPEED LIMITS.

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(1) 25 MILES PER HOUR. The speed limit on the following streets or portions of streets shall be 25 m.p.h.:

- (a) County Trunk "B" from a point .04 miles North of Bainbridge St to a point .03 miles East of Washburn St
- (b) County Trunk "B" from Village of Bangor Line to a point .28 miles West of Meadow View St
- (c) County Trunk "BW" from CTH "B" to a point .06 miles South of Breezy Point Rd
- (d) County Trunk "C" from a point .08 miles North of Industrial Rd to STH 16
- (e) County Trunk "D" from Main St to a point .17 miles East of 2nd Ave
- (f) County Trunk "D" from a point .28 miles West of CTH C to CTH C
- (g) County Trunk "DE" from CTH C to a point .16 miles East of Lions St
- (h) County Trunk "GI" from County Line to STH 35
- (i) County Trunk "J" from a point .04 miles South of Water St to a point .14 miles North of CTH "U"
- (j) County Trunk "MW" from County Property Line to CTH "M"
- (k) County Trunk "SN" from a point .03 miles Southeast of Pinecrest Avenue to Main St
- (l) County Trunk "V" from Main St to a point .21 miles North of Juniper Ln
- (m) County Trunk "XX" from a point .18 miles North of Holland Dr to a point .22 miles North of Old NA
- (m) County Trunk "Z" from a point .20 miles West of Forest Dr to a point .24 miles West of Elm St
- (o) Fanta Reed from CTH "BW" to a point .11 miles East of Western Ave
- (p) Cottage Lane from CTH "ZB" to CTH "ZN"

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(2) 30 MILES PER HOUR. The speed limit on the following streets or portions of streets shall be 30 m.p.h.:

- (a) County Trunk "ZM" from CTH "Z" to CTH "OT"
- (b) Country Trunk "C" from a point 250' north of Harvey Lane to 250' north of North Street

(3) 35 MILES PER HOUR. The speed limit on the following streets or portions of streets shall be 35 m.p.h.:

- (a) County Trunk "B" from Fanta Reed to a point .04 miles North of Bainbridge St
- (b) County Trunk "B" from a point .03 miles East of Washburn St to La Crosse City Limits
- (c) County Trunk "B" from STH 16 to a point .04 miles West of Wolf Ridge Ct
- (d) County Trunk "B" from CTH "M" to a point .04 miles East of Vera Ln
- (e) County Trunk "B" from a point .15 miles East of Mill St to a point .73 miles East of Mill St
- (f) County Trunk "BW" from a point .06 miles South of Breezy Point Rd to Nelson Park
- (g) County Trunk "C" from a point .18 miles West of Linden Ln to a point .08 miles North of Industrial Rd
- (h) County Trunk "DD" from a point .07 miles South of CTH "T" to CTH "T"
- (i) County Trunk "F" from Briarwood Ave to a point .07 miles East of Trailer Park
- (j) County Trunk "F" from a point .22 miles West of Nolop Rd to STH 33
- (k) County Trunk "K" from CTH 35 to a point .03 miles west of County Line
- (l) County Trunk "M" from a point .14 miles South of CTH "O" to CTH "O"
- (m) County Trunk "M" from a point .02 miles North of W. Elm St to STH 16
- (n) County Trunk "MH" from CTH "XX" to CTH "HD"
- (o) County Trunk "MM" from STH 14 to a point .59 miles East of Trailer Park
- (p) County Trunk "O" from a point .02 miles West of Fox Hollow Dr to CTH "M"
- (q) County Trunk "OT" from a point .10 miles South of Corporate Dr to CTH "XX"
- (r) County Trunk "S" from a point .08 miles North of Koss Rd CTH "SN"
- (s) County Trunk "SN" from CTH "S" to a point .03 miles Southeast of Pinecrest Avenue
- (t) County Trunk "T" from a point .55 miles East of CTH "DD" to a point .29 miles West of CTH "DD"
- (u) County Trunk "U" from a point .30 miles West of Manke Hesselberg Rd. to a point .09 miles East of Huhn Rd
- (v) County Trunk "Z" from CTH "ZB" to a point .18 miles East of Northshore Ln
- (w) County Trunk "ZB" from CTH "Z" to CTH "Z"
- (x) County Trunk "ZN" from CTH "ZB" to CTH "Z"
- (y) County Trunk "ZN" from a point .16 miles West of Lumber Pl to CTH "OT"
- (z) County Trunk "ZZ" from CTH "ZN" to CTH "Z"
- (aa) Fanta Reed Rd. from a point .11 miles East of Western Ave to CTH "'B"/Dawson Ave
- (bb) County Trunk "FA" from a County Trunk "F" to a point 1.69 miles north at the termini.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by M. Nikolay/J. Pogreba to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

ORDINANCE NO. 116-9/23 NO. 209 TO AMEND S. 7.08 ENTITLED "ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES" 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.

7.08 ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.

- (1) STATE ALL-TERRAIN/UTILITY-TERRAIN LAWS ADOPTED. For purposes of this ordinance, all references to all-terrain vehicles (ATV) shall include utility-terrain vehicles (UTV) as defined by statute. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Chapter, the statutory provisions in section 23.33, 340 to 348, and 350 Wis. Stats., describing and defining regulations with respect to all-terrain vehicles, exclusive of any provisions therein for which the statutory penalty is a fine or term of imprisonment, are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this section as if fully set forth herein. Acts required to be performed or prohibited by such statutes are required by this section.
- (2) APPLICABILITY OF RULES OF THE ROAD TO ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Chapter, the operator of an all-terrain vehicle on an approved route or upon a roadway shall, in addition to the provisions of section 23.33, Wis. Stats., also be subject to the rules of the road as provided in s. 346.02(11), Wis. Stats.
- (3) OPERATION ON COUNTY PROPERTY. No person shall operate any all-terrain vehicle on lands owned by the County except where the use is authorized by posted notice or County permit.
- (4) ATV ROUTES. As authorized by sec. 23.33(8)(b), Wis. Stats. and following due consideration of the recreational value to connect trail opportunities and weighted against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects, terrain involved, traffic density and history of automobile traffic, La Crosse County may establish ATV/UTV routes on County Highways under the following:
 - (a) All ATV Routes approved as of July 31, 2023 remain approved ATV Routes.
 - (b) Conditions and Requirements
 1. Since La Crosse County has no public trail opportunities, any new routes must connect to other routes or route opportunities.
 2. In approving new routes, the primary concern must be the safety of all members of the public and users of the Highway/route, including the density of the population along the proposed route, width of the Highway and shoulder, and current users of the road. Population density along any route should preferably not exceed 100 residents per square mile. The terrain of the proposed route, current speed limit, and road configuration should also be considered as well as liability of users and residents along the route. The ADT (Average Daily Traffic) count of the proposed route should preferably not exceed 1,500 vehicles per day.
 - (c) Creation of ATV/UTV Routes
 1. New routes may be requested by any La Crosse County Town or Municipality or by any organized and established ATV/UTV club located in La Crosse County by applying. Applications are available from the La Crosse County Highway Department. (No applications from organizations or clubs located outside La Crosse County will be considered)
 2. The application contains 3 sections:
 - a. This section is to be completed by the Municipality or Club requesting the application.
 - b. The second section is to be completed by the Highway Department
 - c. The third and final section is for use by the County Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.
 3. Application Review: Once the first and second parts of the application have been completed, the Highway Commissioner will request that the route application be placed on the next Public Works and Infrastructure Committee agenda. The application will be reviewed by the Committee, and if approved by the committee, the application then will go to the full Board for final approval. After full Board approval, the Highway Commissioner will add the route. All routes and maps, including current approved routes, are to be maintained by the County Highway Department .
- (5) CONDITIONS FOR THE PUBLIC USE OF ATV/UTV ROUTES
 - (a) All ATV/UTV operators must obey and not exceed the posted speed limit.
 - (b) All operators must ride single file.

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- (c) All operators shall operate only on the extreme right side of the paved portion of the roadway. Operation on the shoulder, ditch, or right-of-way is prohibited and illegal.
 - (d) No open containers of alcoholic beverages are allowed while the machine is in motion.
 - (e) Headlights and taillights must be on at all times. Brake lights are required.
 - (f) All machines must be registered with the DNR and display the proper decals.
 - (g) All operators must have a valid driver's license.
 - (h) All operators/owners must have and possess proof of liability insurance.
 - (i) All operators and passengers under the age of 18 must wear a DOT approved helmet.
 - (j) All operators must follow the DNR regulations for safety certificates.
 - (k) ATV/UTV's may only be operated on County routes between the hours of 5:00 a.m and 10:00 p.m.
- (6) EXCEPTIONS. The following exceptions to this ordinance will be allowed and must maintain compliance with DNR registration and operational regulations:
- (a) Private use – agricultural only
 - (b) Private use – on private lands owned by applicant or immediate family member only
 - (c) Municipal and government use
 - (d) Commercial ATV/UTV dealer use
- (7) ENFORCEMENT. This ordinance shall be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
- (8) PENALTIES. The Wisconsin ATV penalties as found in Wisconsin Statue 23.33(13) are adopted by reference.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by M. Nikolay/D. Mader to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5. Supervisor Abraham noted he meant to vote no on this ordinance, but it was after the vote was closed and announced.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-9/23 RE: APPROVE FINANCING PLAN, USE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO REMODEL HILLVIEW HEALTH CARE CENTER INTO A MULTIUSE FACILITY

WHEREAS, the mission of Hillview Health Care Center is to create and sustain services delivered in a compassionate manner that respects the unique needs and lifestyles of those in our community; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has provided long-term care services at the Hillview Campus for over 135 years and the current skilled nursing facility requires significant public investment to remain a viable resource in La Crosse County; and, **WHEREAS**, inadequate resources are available for long-term care, housing, day care and crisis stabilization, which could be partially addressed by remodeling the current facility to expand the continuum of care for individuals across the age spectrum; and, **WHEREAS**, the 2022 budget allocated \$1,230,192 from reserve funds for architectural design and engineering with guidance from Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction, Inc. as approved by the Veterans, Aging and Long-Term Care Committee; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County was allocated \$22,923,224 through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026; and, **WHEREAS**, the County Board has reserved funding for eight project priority areas as outlined in Resolution #55-1/22 including the Hillview Redesign and Rebuild project; and, **WHEREAS**, after reviewing architectural and engineering plans and considering the needs and priorities of the County, staff has developed a plan transforming the underutilized parts of the Hillview campus to create a 38-bed community based residential facility (CBRF), 10 housing units, a four-bed mental health crisis stabilization unit, an intergenerational day care center, and to renovate administrative offices and space that includes 24 skilled nursing beds. **WHEREAS**, prior analysis has determined that over 50% of current Hillview residents would be better served in a CBRF instead of a skilled nursing facility and these residents could therefore continue to reside at the remodeled facility; and, **WHEREAS**, staff analysis indicates that the projected operating revenues from the remodeled campus will be sufficient to cover operating costs

and support debt services payments without requiring tax levy support, if \$12 million is authorized from the ARPA funds; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the allocation of \$12 million of ARPA funding and the issuance of up to \$8 million in aggregate principal amount of General Obligation long-term debt with an amortization not to exceed 20 years from the date of issuance; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the County Administrator and Executive Director of Long-term Care are authorized to seek bids and proceed with the plan to redevelop Hillview Health Care Center; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon approval of the Construction Bids by the full County Board, that the County Administrator, County Board Chair, Finance Director, and County Clerk are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate the purpose of this resolution subject to approval as to form by La Crosse County Corporation Counsel; and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that during the 18–24-month construction period, the Veterans, Aging and Long-Term Care Committee shall serve as the building committee overseeing the construction and final design decisions as recommended by county staff in collaboration with Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction, Inc. **FISCAL NOTE:** This project is estimated to cost \$19.6 million (plus the cost of debt issuance) to be financed as follows: \$12 million from the American Rescue Plan Act allocation to La Crosse County; and up to \$8 million from General Obligation debt with payments to be made from revenues generated by Hillview Health Care Center. Project costs will be tracked in Fund 610 within the County financial system.

VETERANS, AGING AND LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE

Two-thirds full board vote needed. Motion by R. Plesha/G. Padesky to approve. Discussion ensued. Administrator Klekamp responded to questions from Board. Motion by R. Plesha/K. Hoyer to amend the 2nd Be It Further Resolved by adding at the beginning "Upon approval of the Construction Bids by the full County Board". Discussion ensued. Corporation Counsel DeVore responded to questions from the Board. The motion to amend passed on a roll call vote with 22 ayes, 3 nays - D. Hundt, M. Kruse and D. Pierce, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5. Motion by R. Geary/D. Hundt to refer to the November Budget Meeting. Discussion ensued. Executive Director of Long Term Care Wanda Plachecki and Long Term Care Financial Manager Jenny Briseno responded to questions from the Board. The motion to refer failed on a voice vote with 19 nays, 6 ayes - R. Abraham, R. Geary, D. Hundt, D. Jacobsen, J. Pogreba and K. Schlimgen, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5. The motion to approve as amended passed on a roll call vote with 21 ayes, 4 nays - D. Hundt, D. Jacobsen, J. Pogreba and K. Schlimgen, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-9/23 RE: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors (the "*County Board*") of La Crosse County, Wisconsin (the "*County*") hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interests of the County to raise funds for the public purpose of constructing improvements to the County's existing Hillview Care Center (the "*Project*"); and **WHEREAS**, the Project includes constructing the improvements necessary to expand the care provided by the Hillview Care Center by providing for a community-based residential treatment facility, a skilled nursing facility, a mental health crisis stabilization unit, and an intergenerational day center, as well as improvements to existing administrative offices and nursing facilities; and **WHEREAS**, the County Board finds and determines that the Project is within the County's power to undertake and constitutes a "public purpose" within the meaning of Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the County Board of Supervisors of the County of La Crosse, Wisconsin, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The preambles to this resolution are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Determination to Issue Bonds. There shall be issued general obligation bonds (the "*Bonds*") of the County in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for the purpose of financing the costs of the Project, which is a public purpose of the County. The Bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes. For the purpose of paying the various installments of principal of and interest on the Bonds as they severally mature, prior to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds there shall be levied on all taxable property in said County a direct annual irrevocable tax sufficient for that purpose.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. Ordinances, Resolutions Superseded. All ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict, and this Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. **FISCAL NOTE:** General Obligation bonds of not to exceed \$8,000,000 will support the remodel of the Hillview Health Care Center into a multiuse facility. General Obligation debt payments are expected to begin in 2025 which will be paid by revenues generated by the Hillview Health Care Center.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Three-quarters full board vote needed. Motion by K. Cable/P. Scheller to approve. Discussion ensued. Finance Director Lanae Nickelotti and Corporation Counsel DeVore responded to questions from Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 22 ayes, 3 nays - D. Jacobsen, J. Pogreba and K. Schlimgen, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-9/23 RE: DIRECTING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COUNTY'S HILLVIEW HEALTH CARE CENTER

WHEREAS, counties are authorized by Chapter 67 of the *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended, to borrow money and to issue general obligation bonds to finance any project undertaken for a public purpose of such county; and **WHEREAS**, the (the "*County Board*") of the County of La Crosse, Wisconsin (the "*County*") does hereby determine that it is necessary and desirable to borrow money for the public purpose of constructing improvements to the County's existing Hillview Health Care Center (the "*Project*"), and it is now necessary and desirable for the County to issue its General Obligation Bonds in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for such public purpose (the "*Bonds*"); and **WHEREAS**, the Project includes constructing the improvements necessary to expand the care provided by the Hillview Health Care Center by providing for a community-based residential treatment facility, a skilled nursing facility, a mental health crisis stabilization unit, and an intergenerational day center, as well as improvements to existing administrative offices and nursing facilities; and **WHEREAS**, all or a portion of the expenditures relating to the project and to be made from the proceeds of the Bonds (the "*Expenditures*") (i) have been paid within the sixty (60) days prior to the passage of this Resolution, or (ii) will be paid on or after the passage of this Resolution; and **WHEREAS**, the County reasonably expects to reimburse itself or pay for the Expenditures with the proceeds of the Bonds; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Board of Supervisors of the County of La Crosse, Wisconsin, as follows:

Section 1. There shall be issued the Bonds of the County in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,000,000, in one or more series for the purpose of paying the costs of the Project.

Section 2. Sales of Bonds and Terms of Offering. For the purpose of offering the Bonds for sale, pursuant to Section 67.08(2), *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended, the Finance Director of the County is hereby authorized and directed to determine the date of the sale of the Bonds and to cause to be circulated the Official Terms of Offering and to publish appropriate notices of the sale of the Bonds in a newspaper to be selected by the Finance Director of the County prior to the receipt of bids for the Bonds. The Finance Director of the County shall also cause to be prepared and distributed an Official Statement or Official Statements, including the Official Terms of Offering, with respect to the Bonds.

Section 3. Award of Bonds. After receipt of bids for the Bonds and consideration thereof by this County Board, the County Board will consider a resolution awarding the Bonds to the best respective bidders, prescribing the terms thereof and the forms of Bonds.

Section 4. Reimbursements. The County reasonably expects to reimburse or pay the Expenditures with proceeds of the Bonds. The maximum principal amount of the Bonds expected to be issued for the Expenditures is \$8,000,000.

Section 5. Other Documents. The Chairperson, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer, the Finance Director and all other officers of the County are hereby authorized to execute all documents and certificates necessary in connection with the sale of the Bonds including without limitation one or more official statements describing the Bonds and the County.

Section 6. Severability. If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 7. Ordinances, Resolutions Superseded. All ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict, and this Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

FISCAL NOTE: General Obligation bonds of not to exceed \$8,000,000 will support the remodel of the Hillview Health Care Center into a multiuse facility. General Obligation debt payments are expected to begin in 2025 which will be paid by revenues generated by the Hillview Health Care Center.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Three-quarters full board vote needed. Motion by K. Cable/D. Ferries to approve. Discussion ensued. Finance Director Nickelotti responded to questions from Board. The motion to approve passed on a voice vote with 24 ayes, 1 nay - J. Pogreba, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-9/23 RE: APPLICATION FOR 2024 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SMALL CITIES HOUSING AWARD

WHEREAS, La Crosse County approved the submission of a grant application on behalf of the Southwest Wisconsin Housing Consortium by Resolution #48-12/12; and, **WHEREAS**, the State awarded the Southwest Wisconsin Housing Region awards in 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020 and 2022 for the Community Development Block Grant Housing Award; and, **WHEREAS**, La Crosse County has been the lead county for the Southwest Wisconsin Housing Region; and, **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to apply for this grant again to sign all necessary contracts to implement this program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the application for the 2024 Community Development Block Grant Small Cities Housing Award for the Southwest Wisconsin Housing Consortium. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents with the State and with region members to implement this Community Development Block Grant Housing Program, after approval by Corporation Counsel. **FISCAL NOTE:** The 2024 Community Development Block Grant Housing Award is estimated at \$2,500,000. This program is tracked in Fund 281 within the County financial system.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by K. Cable/A. Richmond to approve passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z448-9/23 RE: PETITION NO. 2071 FILED BY DEBORAH A CADE TO REZONE FROM EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT TO RURAL DISTRICT A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF BARRE

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered Petition No. 2071 to amend the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance filed by: DEBORAH A CADE, W4311 W MILLER RD, LA CROSSE, WI 54601 and having held a public hearing on the 5th day of September 2023 for a petition to rezone from the EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT to the RURAL DISTRICT a parcel of land in the Town of BARRE and is described as follows: PRT W1/2-NW & NE-NW SEC 29 & SE-SW SEC 20, Sec.29, T.16N, R.6W. Tax parcel 2-358-2. Property address W4311 W Miller Rd. Town of Barre. And pursuant to s. 59.69 Wis. Stats.: 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 and official correspondence; 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. 17.10(8), has the authority to approve the petition as submitted; to disapprove of the petition; or, to modify and approve the petition. Having considered the entire record, the Committee's recommendation is to: By a vote of six (6) in favor (Hoyer, Hundt, Silva, Erickson, Scheller, Cornforth), one (1) no (Schlimgen), zero (0) abstentions, and no (0) excused, the committee voted to approve Zoning Petition No. 2071 subject to three conditions.

1. The owner(s) of the property to which this zoning petition 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 of the rezoning, taken as a whole, as approved by the Planning Resource and Development Committee and the County Board.

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2. This approval does not preempt permittees' obligation to comply with all other applicable federal, state, and local regulations.
3. Approval of the zoning petition is contingent upon approval of the shared access/driveway to Lot 2. (IF THIS PETITION IS APPROVED AS A CONDITIONAL ZONING, DEED RESTRICTIONS MUST BE RECORDED BEFORE ZONING TAKES EFFECT.) The County Board, under s.59.69(5)(e)5 Wis. Stats., has the authority to effectuate the petition by ordinance or to disapprove it. The County Board took the following action this 21st day of September 2023. Approved the petition with amendments/conditions, becomes an ordinance, after recording conditions.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by K. Hoyer/D. Hundt to approve. Discussion ensued. The motion to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

ZONING ORDINANCE NO. Z449-9/23 RE: PETITION NO. 2072 FILED BY JEFF & RENEE SCHWINFUS TO REZONE FROM THE GENERAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT TO RURAL DISTRICT A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF HAMILTON

The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee, having considered Petition No. 2072 to amend the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance filed by: JEFF & RENEE SCHWINFUS, 220 GARLAND STREET W WEST SALEM, WI, 54669 and having held a public hearing on the 5th day of September 2023 for a petition to rezone from the GENERAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT to the RURAL DISTRICT a parcel of land in the Town of HAMILTON and is described as follows: CSM NO. 162 VOL 19 LOT 2, Sec. 26, T. 17N, R.6W. Tax parcel(s) 7-931-2. Property address Old Highway 16. Town of Hamilton. And pursuant to s. 59.69 Wis. Stats.: 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 and official correspondence; 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. 17.10(8), has the authority to approve the petition as submitted; to disapprove of the petition; or, to modify and approve the petition. Having considered the entire record, the Committee's recommendation is to: By a vote of five (7) in favor (Hoyer, Hundt, Silva, Erickson, Scheller, Schlimgen, Cornforth), zero (0) no, zero (0) abstentions, and zero (0) excused, the committee voted to approve Zoning Petition No. 2072 subject to three conditions.

1. The owner(s) of the property to which this zoning petition 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 of the rezoning, 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. As requested by the Town of Hamilton, the future driveway for any future residence must be reviewed and approved by the Town before and after construction.

(IF THIS PETITION IS APPROVED AS A CONDITIONAL ZONING, DEED RESTRICTIONS MUST BE RECORDED BEFORE ZONING TAKES EFFECT.) The County Board, under s.59.69(5)(e)5 Wis. Stats., has the authority to effectuate the petition by ordinance or to disapprove it. The County Board took the following action this 21st day of September 2023. Approved the petition with amendments/conditions, becomes an ordinance, after recording conditions.

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Motion by K. Hoyer/R. Cornforth to approve as recommended by the Committee passed on a unanimous voice vote with 25 ayes, 4 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Supervisor Ferries asked for report on the Economic Development Fund

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ADJOURN

Motion by R. Abraham/J. Pogreba to adjourn at 7:45 PM passed on a unanimous voice vote with 24 ayes, 5 excused - D. Hesse, P. Isola, M. Larson, T. Tryggestad and P. Viner, 1 Vacant – District 5.

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, September 21, 2023 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 SEPTEMBER 2023.