#### AGENDA

# Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors Tuesday, March 5, 2019 / 7 pm

Courthouse, County Boardroom (Room 1277) 721 Oxford Ave. Eau Claire, WI

### **Eau Claire County Mission Statement:**

"To provide quality, innovative and cost-effective services that safeguard and enhance the well-being of residents and resources"

- (1) Indicates 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- (2) Indicates 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- **1.** Call to Order
- 2. Honoring of the Flag and Moment of Reflection by: Supervisor Brandon Buchanan
- **3.** Call of the Roll
- **4.** Approval of the Journal of Proceedings (February 20, 2019) [Page 1-3]
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 6. REPORTS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER 2.04.320

### **Oral Reports**

Kathryn Shauf – Meet & Greet for Board Member

Chippewa Valley Housing Task Force: Presentation by Scott Allen and Josh Clements

Efforts on homelessness presented by Lieske Giese

### 7. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, CLAIMS AND COMMUNICATIONS

### **Communications Received**

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## **Proclamation**

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#### 8. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES BY COMMITTEES

#### **Human Services Board**

File No.

18-19/103 (1) Resolution requesting support for legislation aimed at decreasing the

level of child poverty and racial disparities in the state of Wisconsin

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**Committee on Planning & Development** 

File No.

18-19/110 (1) Rezone 20.03 acres +/- of land from A-P (Agriculture Preservation)

District to A-3 (Agricultural) to allow division of the wooded property from the agricultural land to allow construction of a single-family

residence [Page 11-12]

18-19/111 (1) Resolution Recommending Adoption of the Eau Claire County

Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan [Page 13-14]

# 9. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY MEMBERS

# 10. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS UNDER 2.04.160 AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

#### **Committee on Administration**

File No.

18-19/104 (2) To Amend Section 2.90.070 of the Code: Destruction after Request for

Inspection: To Amend Section 2.90.280 of the Code: Destruction Pending Litigation: To Amend Section 2.90.285 of the Code:

Microfilming or Electronic Format Storage of Department Records.

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### 11. APPOINTMENTS

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

# Wednesday, February 20, 2019

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire convened at the Courthouse in the City of Eau Claire on Wednesday, February 20, 2019, and was called to order by Vice Chair Colleen Bates at 7:00 p.m.

The Board honored the flag with the pledge of allegiance. Moment of reflection was presented by Supervisor Kimberly Cronk.

Roll Call: 22 present: Supervisors Gary G. Gibson, Sandra McKinney, Joe Knight, Stella Pagonis, Bert Moritz, Steve Chilson, Kevin Stelljes, Donald Mowry, Nancy Coffey, Ray L. Henning, Colleen A. Bates, Connie Russell, Judy Gatlin, Lydia Boerboom, Martha Nieman, Nathan Anderson, Sue Miller, Heather DeLuka, Melissa Janssen, Brandon Buchanan, Kimberly A. Cronk, Patrick L. LaVelle

7 absent: Supervisors Carl Anton, Nick Smiar, James A. Dunning, Gerald L. Wilkie, Mark Beckfield, Robin J. Leary, Tami Schraufnagel

#### **JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS (January 15, 2019)**

On a motion by Supervisor Miller, seconded by Supervisor LaVelle, the Journal of Proceedings was approved via voice vote.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

#### REPORTS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER 2.04.320

County Administrator Kathryn Schauf and the following individuals provided oral updates as follows:

- -Emergency Management Coordinator Tyler Esh on Emergency Management
- -Vice Chair Bates on WCA Legislative Exchange

Human Services Director Diane Cable and Deputy Director Tom Wirth provided an update regarding programming and a service overview of Human Services.

Corporation Counsel Keith Zehms provided information regarding a future ordinance that will affect the resolution on vouchers over \$10,000.

The following written reports were presented:

- -2018 Final Contingency Fund Status Report as of February 14, 2019
- -2019 Contingency Fund Report as of February 14, 2019

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, CLAIMS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A report regarding a rezoning request in the Town of Drammen was received from Charles and Betty Lund.

#### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES BY COMMITTEES

Ordinance 18-19/104 TO AMEND SECTION 2.90.070 OF THE CODE: DESTRUCTION AFTER REQUEST FOR INSPECTION; TO AMEND SECTION 2.90.280 OF THE CODE: DESTRUCTION PENDING LITIGATION; TO AMEND SECTION 2.90.285 OF THE CODE: MICROFILMING OR ELECTRONIC FORMAT STORAGE OF DEPARTMENT RECORDS

Action on said ordinance was referred to the next meeting of the county board.

# REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS UNDER 2.04.160 AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

#### **Committee on Administration**

**Resolution 18-19/102** REQUESTING CHANGES IN THE STATUTORY BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC WORK CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Motion by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Buchanan, for adoption.

On a roll call vote, the resolution was adopted as follows:

22 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Moritz, Chilson, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Boerboom, Nieman, Anderson, Miller, DeLuka, Janssen, Buchanan, Cronk, LaVelle 0 noes

7 absent: Supervisors Anton, Smiar, Dunning, Wilkie, Beckfield, Leary, Schraufnagel

#### Committee on Human Resources

**Resolution 18-19/106** AUTHORIZING REALLOCATION OF ONE (.50 FTE) ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE II TO ONE (.50 FTE) ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE III

Motion by Supervisor Miller, seconded by Supervisor Gatlin, for adoption.

On a roll call vote, the resolution was adopted as follows:

21 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Moritz, Chilson, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Nieman, Anderson, Miller, DeLuka, Janssen, Buchanan, Cronk, LaVelle 0 noes

8 absent: Supervisors Anton, Smiar, Boerboom, Dunning, Wilkie, Beckfield, Leary, Schraufnagel

**Resolution 18-19/108** ABOLISH ONE 1.0 FTE PAYROLL ASSISTANT AND CREATE ONE 1.0 FTE PAYROLL SPECIALIST POSITION

Motion by Supervisor Gatlin, seconded by Supervisor LaVelle, for adoption.

On a roll call vote, the resolution was adopted as follows:

21 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Moritz, Chilson, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Nieman, Anderson, Miller, DeLuka, Janssen, Buchanan, Cronk, LaVelle 0 noes

8 absent: Supervisors Anton, Smiar, Boerboom, Dunning, Wilkie, Beckfield, Leary, Schraufnagel

#### Committee on Planning and Development

Resolution 18-19/101 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

Motion by Supervisor Coffey, seconded by Supervisor Janssen, for adoption.

On a roll call vote, the resolution was adopted as follows:

21 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Moritz, Chilson, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Boerboom, Nieman, Anderson, Miller, DeLuka, Janssen, Cronk, LaVelle 0 noes

8 absent: Supervisors Anton, Smiar, Dunning, Wilkie, Beckfield, Leary, Schraufnagel, Buchanan

Ordinance 18-19/100 AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP FOR THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

Motion by Supervisor Henning, seconded by Supervisor Nieman, for enactment.

There were no objections in allowing Planning and Development Director Rod Eslinger to speak.

On a roll call vote, the ordinance was enacted as follows:

22 ayes: Supervisors Gibson, McKinney, Knight, Pagonis, Moritz, Chilson, Stelljes, Mowry, Coffey, Henning, Bates, Russell, Gatlin, Boerboom, Nieman, Anderson, Miller, DeLuka, Janssen, Buchanan, Cronk, LaVelle 0 noes

7 absent: Supervisors Anton, Smiar, Dunning, Wilkie, Beckfield, Leary, Schraufnagel

#### **Highway Committee**

Resolution 18-19/080 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY 42 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED IN THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE ALONG USH 53 FROM THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR \$385,363.00; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

Motion by Supervisor Coffey, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, for adoption. On a roll call vote, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### Committee on Finance & Budget

Ordinance 18-19/096 TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTION 4.90.020 OF THE CODE: FINDINGS AND SETTLEMENT; TO REPEAL SECTION 4.90.030 OF THE CODE: NOTICE OF CLAIM SETTLEMENT; TO REPEAL SECTION 4.90.040 OF THE CODE: DEPARTMENT TO COOPERATE; TO AMEND SECTION 4.90.060 OF THE CODE: BAR UPON FURTHER ACTION; TO AMEND SECTION 4.90.070 OF THE CODE: COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATION FOR CONTINGENCY FUND TRANSFER

Motion by Supervisor Gibson, seconded by Supervisor Nieman, for enactment. On a roll call vote, the ordinance was unanimously enacted.

Resolution 18-19/113 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS OVER \$10,000 DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2019

Motion by Supervisor LaVelle, seconded by Supervisor Cronk, for adoption. On a roll call vote, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF JAN DAUS TO THE INDIANHEAD FEDERATED LIBRARY SYSTEM

On a motion by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Henning, the appointment was unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF TIM SULLIVAN AS CORPORATION COUNSEL

On a motion by Supervisor Henning, seconded by Supervisor Miller, the appointment was unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

The board adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet K. Loomis
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County Clerk



# Eau Claire County DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Eau Claire County Courthouse - Room 3344 721 Oxford Avenue Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703-5212 (715) 839-4741 Building Inspection 839-2944

Emergency Management 839-4736

Geographical Information Systems

Land Conservation

Land Records 839-4742

Land Use Management

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Recycling 839-2756

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COUNTY CLERK

# Report to the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors

The Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development has received the following application for rezoning:

Owner: American Express Transportation

Applicant: Real Land Surveying

File Number: 18-19/116

February 28, 2019

Legal Description: Parcel #1: PRT OF GL 4 LYG E OF RR R/W & W OF THE FOL DESC PCL: COM AT THE SE COR OF GOV LOT 4 TN N ALG E LN OF GL 4 TO THE NE COR OF GL 4 TN W 21 RDS (346.5 FT) ALG N LN OF GL 4 TN SELY IN A STRAIGHT TO A PT ON THE S LN OF GL 4 WHICH IS 18 RDS W FROM POB TN E 18 RDS (297') TO POB EX HWY 85 R/W CONVEYED IN 461/692 HWY R/W located in Section 3, T26, R10W; Parcel #2: PRT NW-NE PRT LYG W OF LN COM 18 RDS W OF NE COR 40, SWLY THRU MIDDLE COOLEY LAKE, SLY IN C OF LAKE TO S LN 40, EX RR R/W EX PRT DESC IN 301/514 & EX STH 85 located in Section 10, T26, R10W; Parcel #3: PRT SW-NE THAT PRT LYG W OF C/L OF COOLEY LAKE EX THAT PRT OF PCL DESC IN DOC.1166976 LYG IN SD 40 located in Section 10, T26, R10W; Parcel #4: PRT NE-NW & SE-NW COM C HWY & W LN SEC E C HWY 1664.27' TO BG S22\*16'E TO N LN OF RR R/W TN NELY ALG RR R/W TO S LN OF NE-NW TN E TO SE COR OF NE-NW, N TO NE COR OF SD 40 TN W TO S LN OF RIVER SWLY ALG RIV TO A PT N22\*16'W OF BEG TN SELY TO POB EX RR R/W & EX STH 85 located in Section 10, T26, R10W; Parcel #5: PRT SE-NW THAT PART LYG S & E OF RR R/W EX THAT PRT OF PCL DESC IN DOC.1166976 LYG IN SD 40 located in Section 10, T26, R10W, Town of Brunswick, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. (004-1020-01-000, 004-1039-04-000, 004-1039-09-000, 004-1040-04-000, 004-1040-08-000)

Site Location: The parcels are located south and north of Highway 85, west of Highway 37 in the vicinity of Cooley Lake.

Date Received: February 26, 2019

Cheryl Cramin

Regards,

Cheryl Cramer

Administrative Specialist, Planning and Development

# **PROCLAMATION**

# -PROCLAIMING MARCH 17 THROUGH MARCH 23, 2019, "FAIR HOUSING WEEK" IN THE COUNTY OF EAU CLAIRE-

WHEREAS, the purpose of the federal Fair Housing Law is to make fair housing a reality for all, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, marital status, lawful source of income, handicap, or familial status; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to continue to reinforce the concepts of freedom of choice, equality, and an open housing market to prevent discriminatory practices from continuing; and

WHEREAS, promoting fair housing is the responsibility of everyone; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the County to prohibit discrimination in housing, thereby assuring equal opportunity to all persons to live in decent, safe and sanitary housing facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregg Moore, Chairperson of the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the week of March 17 through March 23, 2019, as:

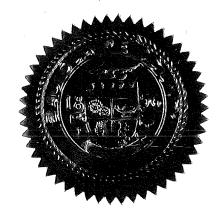
#### "FAIR HOUSING WEEK"

in Eau Claire County and urge all citizens to support the goals of Fair Housing Laws.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Eau Claire to be affixed. Done at the Courthouse in the City of Eau Claire this <a href="mailto:5th">5th</a> day of <a href="mailto:March">March</a>, 2019.

Nick Smiar, Chairperson

Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors



# FACT SHEET Resolution No. 18-19/103

- 1. The Human Services Board members acted on February 25, 2019 to approve (9-0) Resolution No. 18-19/103 recognizing and supporting the request for Legislation aimed at decreasing the level of child poverty and racial disparities in the State of WI.
- 2. We request the State of Wisconsin endorse and support bills introduced into the Senate or Assembly that would achieve the following goals:
  - a. Decrease the level of child poverty and racial disparities by 50% over the next ten years;
  - b. Implement policies and programs at the scale necessary to achieve the above goal;
  - c. Establish annual, evidence-based evaluation of progress for accountability.
- 3. We understand this resolution will be reviewed/discussed/approved at the County Board of Supervisors level. Following that meeting, Eau Claire County Clerk's office will provide a copy of this Resolution to Governor Tony Evers, local elected officials within Eau Claire County, and the Wisconsin Counties Association requesting their advocacy to support the above listed goals.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Krumenauer

Administrative Specialist II

Department of Human Services

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- REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION AIMED AT DECREASING THE LEVEL OF CHILD POVERTY AND RACIAL DISPARITIES IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN -

WHEREAS, policy experts and recent research has led to a consensus that poverty in Wisconsin is a moral crisis that demands action; and

WHEREAS, facts uncovered by a broad based team show that children are now the poorest Americans and that child poverty is expanding in every region of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, racial disparities also impact this issue in Eau Claire and across the state. In Wisconsin compared to white kids, African American children are almost 5 times more likely to be poor; Latino kids are 3 times more likely to be poor; and Native American kids 4 times more likely to be poor. The poverty rate for our African American kids is 8% above the national average for black child poverty; and

WHEREAS, the study concurred that high rates of poverty are not a result of individual moral failings, that kids are clearly not responsible for their own plight and that poverty is a result of human-made economic and social structures; and

WHEREAS, 42% households in Eau Claire County struggle to cover the costs of living and working at the most basic level and 42% of children in the Eau Claire School District qualify for free or reduced price lunch; and

WHEREAS, childhood poverty contributes to the development of mental illness, substance abuse, incarceration, and chronic disease later in life; which deprives our society of the potential contributions of our citizens and creates significant burdens for our community; and

WHEREAS, the significant social and financial costs of childhood poverty could be decreased by investing in early childhood support; and

WHEREAS, out of these ongoing conversations on poverty emerged bold, but attainable, goals that every person in Wisconsin is invited to endorse.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors requests and supports the efforts of the State of Wisconsin to endorse and support bills introduced into the Senate or Assembly that would achieve the following goals:

- Decrease the level of child poverty and racial disparities by 50% over the next 10 years
- Implement policies and programs at the scale necessary to achieve that goal
- Establish annual, evidence-based evaluation of progress for accountability.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board supports and encourages ongoing education and opportunity for dialogue about childhood poverty and hunger in Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board directs the county clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to state legislators representing Eau Claire County, Governor Tony Evers and local elected officials within Eau Claire County. In addition, the county clerk is directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association, requesting their advocacy to support these goals.

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#### **FACT SHEET**

#### TO FILE NO. 18-19/103

- 1. According to the National Center for Children in Poverty, in Wisconsin in 2018, 17% of children, numbering 214,641 are living at or below the federal poverty level. Children are now the poorest Americans; and this is expanding in every region of the state.
- 2. Racial disparities in Wisconsin are dramatic, with African American children 5 times, Latino children 3 times, and Native American children 4 times more likely to be poor. Poverty for African American children in Wisconsin is 8% above the national average. (U. S. Census Bureau, 2016).
- 3. Poverty is one of the adverse childhood experiences that research has shown increases the likelihood of mental illness, substance abuse, incarceration, and chronic illness. 41% of children aged 6 live in low income families. 84% of children living in low income families have parents who did not complete high school; as do 68% of children living at or below poverty level. (National Center for Children in Poverty). Four or more adverse childhood experiences increase a child's chances in later life: 35-50% for incarceration or mental illness; 6 times for behavioral problems; 5x for truancy; and 2.5 times for repeating a grade. More than 7 adverse childhood experiences increase the likelihood of clinical depression 7 times. (www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/acestudy).

"Child abuse is the gravest and most costly public health issue in the United States." The CDC calculates the cost of child abuse is greater than the cost of cancer and heart disease. Eliminating child abuse would reduce depression by 50%, alcoholism by 67%, IV drug use by 75%, domestic violence by 75%, and the rate of incarceration. (van de Kolk, B. The Body Keeps the Score: Brain, Mind, and Body in the Healing of Trauma. Viking, 2014, p. 148).

- 4. Childhood poverty in the U.S. was reduced temporarily from 30% to 11% when major public investments on behalf of children were made in the 1960's and 1970's. When the investments tapered off, the poverty rate began to rise, to approximately 25% in 2010. (Sachs, JD. <u>The Price of Civilization</u>, 2011, Random House, New York, Chapter 10, pp185-208).
- 5. According to studies of Perry Preschool and other programs by Nobel economist James Heckman, there is a 7-10% per year return over the lifetime of each child for each dollar invested in early interventions. Other studies conclude a return of \$6 to \$17 for every dollar invested in high quality programs as a result of better education, increased productivity, and decreased social costs.(Raising of America Study Guide, California Newsreel, www.newsreel.org/video/ARE-WE-CRAZY-ABOUT-OUR-KIDS).
- 6. The UW Institute for Research on Poverty, a premier and highly respected research center in the nation, uses the Wisconsin Poverty Measure, which includes assessment of earnings and cash income as well as noncash benefits and taxes. This is a better measure than the official poverty measure and the Market-Income-Only Measure. The UW Institute reported in July 2018 that the overall poverty rate increased 9% and the child poverty rate

increased 20% between 2015 and 2016, even in a time of media headlines of record low unemployment. The fact that poverty increased at the same time jobs were added shows that economic expansion is not helping those at the bottom of the economic ladder. The wages earned and the number hours worked keep families in poverty.

- 7. The 2018 ALICE (Asset limited, Income Constrained, Employed) statistics show that 42% of households in Eau Claire County live at or below the ALICE threshold. ALICE households are those that live above the Federal Poverty Level but less than the basic cost of living for the county. According to the ALICE 2016 report, in Eau Claire County, those who live at or below the ALICE threshold include: 31% of families with children; 75% of families with single female head; 69% of families with single male head; 13% of married; 82% of African American households; 59% Hispanic households; 57% multiracial households; 55% Asian households; and 41% Caucasian households. The survival budget, the bare minimum to work and live, for a family of 4 in Eau Claire County requires wages of \$31.37 per hour to cover annual costs of \$62,736. Cost of living has increased 18% between 2010 and 2016. Costs for a family of 4 in 2016 are well above the Federal Poverty level of \$24, 300. Family income between 2010 and 2016 have remained essentially flat. The increase in jobs has consisted of low-paying service jobs. In 2016 in Wisconsin, 62% of jobs paid less than \$20 per hour.
- 8. Most recent statistics show that in Eau Claire County, 42% of school children are eligible for free or reduced lunch; 250 are homeless; 3000 live at or below the poverty level. (Eau Claire Area School District, Director of Nutrition Services).
- 9. The Wisconsin Poverty Report and the information provided by these other sources reinforce the need to adopt the goals of the End Child Poverty Wisconsin Campaign, an initiative begun by Citizen Action of Wisconsin, Kids Forward, the Wisconsin Council of Churches, WISDOM, and locally supported by JONAH. The goals are:
  - Decrease the level of child poverty and racial disparities by 50% over the next 10 years;
  - Implement policies and programs at the scale necessary to achieve that goal;
  - Establish annual, evidence-based evaluation of progress for accountability.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha Nieman Supervisor District 17 Sandra McKinney Supervisor District 2

Ordinance/18-19:103 Fact

#### **FACT SHEET** File No. 18-19/110

Rezone 20.03 acres +/- of land from A-P (Agricultural Preservation) District to A-3 (Agricultural) to allow RE:

division of the wooded property from the agricultural land to allow construction of a single-family

residence

A portion of the SW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 18, T25N, R10W, Town of **Legal Description and Location:** 

Drammen, Eau Claire County (complete legal description attached)

20.03 acres +/-Size of area to be rezoned:

#### ADJACENT ZONING & LAND USES:

LOCATION	ZONING	LAND USE	
Subject	A-P	Woodlands and agricultural fields	
North	A-P	Woodlands and agricultural fields	
East	A-P	Woodlands and agricultural fields	
South	A-P	Woodlands and agricultural fields	
West Pepin Co. Agricultural		Agricultural fields	

LAND USE PLANS: The Eau Claire County Future Land Use Map includes the property in the Rural Lands (RL) planning area, and the Town of Drammen Future Land Use Map includes the property in the Rural Preservation (RP) planning area.

Eau Claire County Rural Lands (RL) Intent and Description: "The primary intent of these areas is to preserve productive agricultural lands, protect existing farm & forestry operations from encroachment by incompatible uses, promote further investments in farming, maintain farmer eligibility for incentive programs, and preserve wildlife habitat and open spaces. In other words, to preserve the rural character of these areas."

Staff Conclusions and Recommendation: Staff finds that the proposed rezoning request substantially conforms with the Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan. The Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan recognizes that the proposed A-3 zoning district is consistent and therefore allowed within the mapped future land use designation.

Town Board Action: The Drammen Town Board considered this rezoning petition on Monday, February 11, 2019 and recommended approval (3-0 vote).

Committee Action: The Eau Claire County Committee on Planning and Development conducted the required public hearing on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 regarding the proposed rezoning. On a vote of 4 in favor and 0 against, the Committee recommends approval of the rezoning petition to the County Board. The committee considered the applicant's testimony as well as the Town Board's and staff's recommendations in their deliberations. No members of the public were in attendance to speak for or against the rezoning petition.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee on Planning and Development,

Matt Michels, AICP Senior Planner

Watt Wiles

### FACT SHEET File No. 18-19/111

RE: Resolution Recommending Adoption of the Eau Claire County Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan

**Background:** In late 2016 Eau Claire County, in cooperation with Dunn and Chippewa Counties, received a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to develop a county-wide bicycle-pedestrian plan for the unincorporated areas of Eau Claire, Dunn and Chippewa Counties. Each plan is a standalone plan but includes interconnected routes to allow for the creation of a regional network of routes. The county plan will serve as a regional plan that will enable the county to leverage state and federal grant funds to assist in the construction of bicycle and pedestrian improvements and facilities, primarily in the formed of widened road shoulders to more safely accommodate bicycles as well as improve the lifespan and safety of county roads.

The plan emphasizes connectivity with existing routes and expanding opportunities for residents of all ages – from children to recreational cyclists to avid cyclists – to more safely and conveniently participate in cycling and walking along existing roadways and paths. The plan includes a range of recommendations for new and enhanced bicycle paths, trails, and routes throughout unincorporated areas of the county, as well as recommendations for developing a wayfinding system for designated routes to enhance user experience and to promote tourism.

**Planning Process:** The West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC) was contracted to develop the plan, including facilitation of public outreach and creation of the county-level and regional bicycle and pedestrian plan maps. Eau Claire County has served as the Local Sponsor, which entails administration of the TAP grant on behalf of all three participating counties.

The Eau Claire County Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan has been developed under the guidance of the WCWRPC utilizing a comprehensive public outreach process, including engagement of stakeholders, user groups, formation of an ad hoc Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, local units of government, residents, and County Planning & Development Department, City-County Health Department, and Highway Department staff.

**Committee Action:** The Eau Claire County Committee on Planning and Development considered the proposed resolution on Tuesday, February 26, 2019. On a vote of 4 in favor and 0 against, the Committee recommends adoption of the resolution to the County Board. The committee considered staff's recommendations in their deliberations. No members of the public were in attendance to speak for or against the resolution.

The plan document can be viewed and downloaded by following this link: https://tinyurl.com/y5ho7g9j

Note: Please select the 'download' option in the upper-left corner and then 'save' and 'open' the document. The document does not display correctly on the initial screen view.

Respectfully submitted,

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Matt Michels, AICP Senior Planner

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# Reviewed by Finance Depart

WHEREAS, Section 59.69 (1) of Wisconsin Statues authorizes counties to plan for adequate facilities for residents, including bicycle and pedestrian facilities for transportation and recreational purposes; and,

WHEREAS, Eau Claire County provides bicycle and pedestrian opportunities to its residents and visitors to promote safe and efficient transportation, public health, quality of life of the community, and contribute to the social and economic well-being of the county and its communities; and,

WHEREAS, the Eau Claire County Department of Planning & Development, utilizing a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant and matching funds from the county, contracted with the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to prepare a county-wide bicycle-pedestrian plan for unincorporated areas of the county to identify future needs and improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee, consultant and county staff have gathered input from residents, municipalities, user groups and organizations regarding the location, usage and type of bicycle and pedestrian facilities need in the county; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Eau Claire County Committee on Planning and Development has held a public hearing on the Eau Claire County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, attached, and recommends adoption of the plan; and,

WHEREAS, the County and its municipalities desire to apply to the Wisconsin Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources, and other grant funding sources to obtain matching grants and has determined that an adopted Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan is required to qualify for said funding assistance; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Eau Claire County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan addresses and incorporates local municipal bicycle and pedestrian plans and future needs, and as such is a regional plan for purposes of local municipal applications for state and federal grants; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Eau Claire County Board adopts the Eau Claire County Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan, attached, pursuant to Section 59.69 (1), Wisconsin Statutes, with the intent of implementing the plan recommendations as funding and resources allow.

ADOPTED:

APPEOVED BY CORPORATION COUNSEL AS TO FORM

Committee on Planning & Development

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for Fiscal Impact

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ORDINANCE/18-19.104

# **FACT SHEET**

# TO FILE NO. 18-19/104

This ordinance is housekeeping in nature. It simply updates three sections of the County records retention ordinance to comply with state statutes.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Respectfully Submitted,

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