

## AGENDA

Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors  
**Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 7 pm**  
Virtual Meeting via Webex Events  
721 Oxford Ave. Eau Claire, WI

For those wishing to make public comment, you must fill out your information on the following link and click "done" **at least 30 minutes prior** to the start of the meeting. You will be called on during the public session to make your comments. Comments are limited to 3 minutes. **Link:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CountyBoardMay5>. Written comments will also be accepted and should be submitted to [kathryn.schauf@co.eau-claire.wi.us](mailto:kathryn.schauf@co.eau-claire.wi.us).

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- (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 Tami Schraufnagel
3. Call of the Roll
4. Approval of the Journal of Proceedings from April 21, 2020 **Pages 1-3**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
6. **REPORTS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER 2.04.320**
7. **PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, CLAIMS AND COMMUNICATIONS**
  - Rezoning request from owner, Ian and Rachael Mattson; and applicant, Real Land Surveying/Peter Gartmann for the Town of Pleasant Valley **Page 4**
  - Rezoning request from owner, Wayne and Carla Kostka for the Town of Otter Creek **Page 5**
  - Rezoning request from owner, Daniel and Regina Mauer; and applicant, Sean Bohan for the Town of Washington **Page 6**
  - Proclamation proclaiming July 26 as Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day in Eau Claire County **Page 7**

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

9. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY MEMBERS**

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

**Committee on Administration**

**File No.**

20-21/016 (1) Resolution – Requesting resolutions to be considered at the 2020 WCA Annual Business meeting (Committee on Administration will meet to discuss/act on this resolution on May 1, 2020) *Pages 8-19*

**Committee on Administration and Committee on Human Resources**

**File No.**

20-21/017 (1) Resolution – Authorizing the Bridge Plan related to the Covid-19 pandemic; and to create a task force to address issues related to the Covid-19 crisis (Committee on Administration and Committee on Human Resources will meet to discuss/act on this resolution on May 1, 2020) *Pages 20-25*

**Committee on Planning & Development**

**File No.**

19-20/111 (1) Resolution – Supporting a proposed Eau Claire – Black River Falls-Tomah Amtrak shuttle connection *Pages 26-30*

19-20/114 (2) Ordinance – Amending the 1982 official zoning district boundary map for the Town of Washington *Pages 31-40*

**Committee on Parks & Forest**

**File No.**

20-21/012 (2) Ordinance – To amend section 16.30.040 C. of the Code: Fees and Charges; to amend section 16.33.030 A. of the Code: Payment of Rent and Deposits *Pages 41-42*

11. **APPOINTMENTS**

Memo Re: Appointment of Members to Various Boards, Commissions and Councils *Page 43*

**Aging & Disability Resource Center Board**

Audrey Nelson

**Airport Commission**

Barry Wells

**Groundwater Advisory Committee**

Dr. Sarah Vitale

Glory Adams

**Indianhead Federated Library System Board of Trustees**

Josh Sterling

**Human Services Board**

Kathleen Clark

**West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission**

John Frank

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS**

**Tuesday April 21, 2020**

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire convened remotely via Webex Events on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, and was called to order by Chair Nick Smiar at 7:00 p.m.

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

County Clerk Janet K. Loomis read the Certificate of Election.

**STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF EAU CLAIRE**

**CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION**

TO THE HONORABLE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

I, Janet K. Loomis, County Clerk for the County of Eau Claire, State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that, at a Spring Election held on the Seventh Day of April, A.D., 2020, the following persons were, by the greatest number of votes, duly elected to the office of the County Board of Supervisors for the districts herein stated, for the term of two years commencing on the 21st Day of April, A.D., 2020, as appears from the Certificate of the County Board of Canvassers, on file in my office.

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR</u>
District 1	Gary G. Gibson
District 2	Sandra McKinney
District 3	Joe Knight
District 4	Stella Pagonis
District 5	Carl Anton
District 6	Dane Zook
District 7	Steve Chilson
District 8	Kevin Stelljes
District 9	Donald Mowry
District 10	Nancy Coffey
District 11	Ray L. Henning
District 12	Colleen Bates
District 13	Connie Russell
District 14	Judy Gatlin
District 15	Nick Smiar
District 16	Emily Huerta
District 17	Martha Nieman
District 18	James A. Dunning
District 19	Gerald "Jerry" Wilkie
District 20	Nathan Anderson
District 21	Mark Beckfield
District 22	Katherine Schneider
District 23	Robin Leary
District 24	Heather DeLuka
District 25	Melissa Janssen
District 26	Tami Schraufnagel
District 27	Zoe Roberts
District 28	Kimberly A. Cronk
District 29	Missy Christopherson

Given under my hand and official seal at the County Courthouse in the City of Eau Claire, in said County, this 15th day of April, A.D., 2020.

Emily Huerta was elected to District 16 but will not be taking her seat due to the fact she will not be residing in District 16.

Janet K. Loomis administered the Oath of Office to the elected supervisors prior to the meeting.

Roll Call: 27 present: Supervisors Gary G. Gibson, Sandra McKinney, Joe Knight, Stella Pagonis, Dane Zook, Steve Chilson, Kevin Stelljes, Donald Mowry, Nancy Coffey, Ray L. Henning, Colleen Bates, Connie Russell, Judy Gatlin, Nick Smiar, Martha Nieman, James A. Dunning, Gerald Wilkie, Nathan Anderson, Mark Beckfield, Katherine Schneider, Robin Leary, Heather DeLuka, Melissa Janssen, Tami Schraufnagel, Zoe Roberts, Kimberly A. Cronk, Missy Christopherson  
1 absent: Supervisor Carl Anton  
1 vacancy: District 16

### ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Supervisor Smiar declared the nominations open for Chair.

On a motion by Supervisor Bates, Supervisor Nick Smiar's name was placed in nomination.

Supervisor Smiar asked for additional nominations three times. Thereafter, a motion by Supervisor Bates, seconded by Supervisor Schraufnagel, to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Supervisor Smiar was adopted on a voice vote.

Chair Smiar declared the nominations open for First Vice Chair.

On a motion by Supervisor Coffey, Supervisor Colleen Bates' name was placed in nomination.

Chair Smiar asked for additional nominations three times. Thereafter, a motion by Supervisor Schneider, seconded by Supervisor Gibson to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Supervisor Bates was adopted on a voice vote.

Chair Smiar declared the nominations open for Second Vice Chair.

On a motion by Supervisor Gatlin, Supervisor Gerald Wilkie's name was placed in nomination.

On a motion by Supervisor Cronk, Supervisor James Dunning's name was placed in nomination.

Chair Smiar asked for additional nominations three times. Chair Smiar then closed nominations and secret ballots were cast via Survey Monkey poll. After review of the ballots cast, Supervisor Gerald Wilkie was elected Second Vice Chair with 16 votes; Supervisor Dunning received 11 votes.

### ADOPTING RULES OF ORDER

On a motion by Supervisor Beckfield, seconded by Supervisor Bates, leaving Chapter 2.04 remain, as set forth in the county code, was approved via voice vote.

### JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS (April 8, 2020)

On a motion by Supervisor Leary, seconded by Supervisor Gatlin, 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

Finance Director Norb Kirk introduced Senior Municipal Advisor Sean Lentz of Ehlers & Associates who presented 2020 bond information.

County Administrator Kathryn Schauf presented an annual message.

Finance Director Norb Kirk presented a preliminary 2019 Financial Report.

The following written reports were presented:

-2020 Contingency Fund

-March 2020 Payments over \$10,000

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES BY COMMITTEES**

**Committee on Parks and Forest**

**Ordinance 20-21/012** TO AMEND SECTION 16.30.040 C. OF THE CODE: FEES AND CHARGES; TO AMEND SECTION 16.33.030 A. OF THE CODE: PAYMENT OF RENT AND DEPOSITS

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

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

**Committee on Finance and Budget**

**Resolution 20-21/001** FINANCIAL POLICY: BUDGET DEVIATION

Motion by Supervisor Pagonis, seconded by Supervisor Gatlin, for adoption. Supervisor Leary requested a roll call vote.

On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

**Resolution 20-21/010** INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING OF NOT TO EXCEED \$18,945,000; AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES, SERIES 2020A THEREFOR

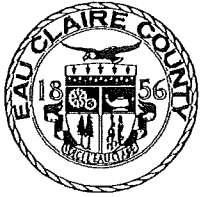
On a motion by Supervisor Bates, seconded by Supervisor Leary, the resolution was unanimously adopted via a roll call vote.

The Board adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk



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AND DEVELOPMENT  
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## 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:** Ian and Rachael Mattson

**Applicant:** Real Land Surveying/Pete Gartmann

**File Number:** 20-21/014

**Legal Description:** Being part of Southwest ¼ of the Northeast ¼ Section 5, Township 25 North, Range 9 West, Town of Pleasant Valley, Eau Claire County.

**Site Address:** S10540 County Road F, Eleva, Wisconsin 54738

**Existing Zoning District:** A-P Agricultural Preservation

**Purposed Zoning District:** A-2 Agriculture-Residential

**Acres to be Rezoned:** 2 acres +/-

**Date Received:** 4/16/2020

Regards,

Cheryl Cramer

Administrative Specialist, Planning and Development



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## 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:** Wayne and Carla Kostka

**Applicant:** Owner

**File Number:** 20-21/013

**Legal Description:** Being part of the Southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 17, Township 25 North, Range 7 West, Town of Otter Creek, Eau Claire County.

**Site Address:** S12360 Young Road, Osseo, Wisconsin 54758

**Existing Zoning District:** A-P Agricultural Preservation

**Purposed Zoning District:** A-3 Agricultural District

**Acres to be Rezoned:** 24.5 acres +/-

**Date Received:** 4/15/2020

Regards,

Cheryl Cramer

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## 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:** Daniel and Regina Mauer

**Applicant:** Sean Bohan

**File Number:** 20-21/015

**Legal Description:** Being part of the Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 15, Township 26 North, Range 9 West, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County Wisconsin.

**Site Address:** 6420 Hart Road Eau Claire, Wisconsin

**Existing Zoning District:** RH - Rural Homes

**Purposed Zoning District:** C-1 Neighborhood Business

**Acres to be Rezoned:** 1.48 acres +/-

**Date Received:** 4/1/2020

Regards,

*Cheryl Cramer*

Cheryl Cramer

Administrative Specialist, Planning and Development

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> AS AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT  
AWARENESS DAY IN EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities, and this legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the county of Eau Claire affirms the principles of equality and inclusion for persons with disabilities as set forth of the State of Wisconsin and as embodied in the ADA, the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and the ordinances of the county of Eau Claire

WHEREAS, numerous organizations in the county of Eau Claire and the State of Wisconsin work with constituents and communities to bring forth the promise of hope and freedom that is envisioned by the passage of the ADA

WHEREAS, July 26, 2020 celebrates the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act

NOW THEREFORE, the County Board of Supervisors does hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing July 26, 2020 as Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day. We renew our commitment to empowering Americans with disabilities through equal access so they can achieve their full potential, and we celebrate their contributions to this great nation. As we commemorate the anniversary of the ADA, we recommit to working together to ensure Americans with disabilities have every opportunity to actualize their own American dreams.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nick Smiar, chair of the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2020:

American with Disabilities Act Awareness Day

PRESENTED: This 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020

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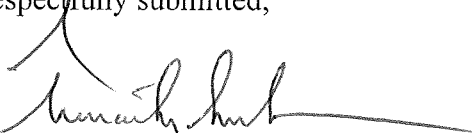
Nick Smiar, County Board Chair

**FACT SHEET**

**TO FILE NO. 20-21/016**

This resolution refers to resolutions adopted by the county board beginning with the June 2019 meeting, which took positions on proposed state legislation or issues under consideration by the state legislature or which the board recommended for consideration by the state legislature. If the recommendations in county board resolutions were acted on by the state legislature they have not been included. If adopted a copy of this resolution and the resolutions referred to will be forwarded to the Wisconsin Counties Association for review by the appropriate steering committee and consideration at the 2020 WCA Annual Business Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy J. Sullivan  
Corporation Counsel

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4 - REQUESTING RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE 2020 WCA ANNUAL  
5 BUSINESS MEETING -

6 WHEREAS, each year counties can submit resolutions to be considered at the annual WCA  
7 Convention; and

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9 WHEREAS, the deadline for submitting resolutions to be considered at the 2020 WCA  
10 Annual Business Meeting is June 22, 2020; and

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12 WHEREAS, the following adopted resolutions, beginning with the July 2019 meeting are  
13 appropriate to be forwarded for consideration at the 2020 WCA Annual Business Meeting.

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15 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors  
16 recommends that the following resolutions and any resolutions adopted at the June meeting, be  
17 sent to WCA for consideration at the 2020 WCA Annual Business Meeting.

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20 1. Resolution File No. 19-20/057 – RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF WISCONSIN  
21 DRAFT LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU (LRB) BILL 1522/P1 THAT SEEKS TO  
22 RESTORE VOTING RIGHTS TO PEOPLE ON PROBATION AND PAROLE AND  
23 DECREASE FELONY DISENFRANCHISEMENT IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN  
24 (September 17, 2019, Amended Agenda pp. 76-79)

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26 2. Resolution File No. 19-20/078 – REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN  
27 LEGISLATURE REVISE CHAPTER 814 TO MAKE FILING FEES CONSISTENT BETWEEN  
28 THE CLERK OF COURT AND REGISTER IN PROBATE (December 3, 2019, Agenda pp. 19-  
29 20)

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31 3. Resolution File No. 19-20/089 – RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PROPOSED  
32 LEGISLATION AB612 ESTABLISHING AUTHORITY FOR A COUNTY TO ENACT AN  
33 ORDINANCE REQUIRING REGISTRATION OF ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES (January 21,  
34 2020, Agenda pp. 29-30)

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36 4. Resolution File No. 19-20/095 – IN SUPPORT OF 2019-2020 SENATE BILL 576,  
37 CREATION OF THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION  
38 AUTHORITY (February 19, 2020, Agenda pp. 28-29)

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40 5. Resolution File No. 19-20/102 - RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CHANGE IN  
41 STATE REGULATIONS OR LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE LOCAL INPUT IN THE SITING  
42 OF WINDFARMS (February 19, 2020, Agenda pp.)

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44 6. Resolution File No. 19-20/107 - REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR AT LEAST A  
45 20% INCREASE IN FEDERAL SMITH-LEVER AND 1890 EXTENSION CAPACITY  
46 FUNING IN THE USDA’S NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE  
47 (March 17, 2020, Agenda pp. 34-26)

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49 7. Resolution File No. 19-20/116 – RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE  
50 WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE ACT TO PROTECT REFUGEES LIVING IN THE STATE OF  
51 WISCONSIN (March 17, 2020, Agenda pp. 49-51)

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the county clerk, before June 22, 2020 send certified  
2 copies of this resolution and the above-named resolutions with a cover letter to Mark D. O'Connell,  
3 WCA Executive Director, requesting that the above resolutions be considered at the 2020 WCA  
4 Annual Business Meeting.  
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7 ADOPTED:

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9 I hereby certify that the foregoing represents the  
10 action taken by the unsigned committee by vote of  
11 \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_\_ against.  
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15 Nick Smiar, Chair  
16 Committee on Administration  
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19 TS/yk  
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22 Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.  
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**APPROVED BY  
CORPORATION COUNSEL  
AS TO FORM**

*Reviewed by Finance Dept.  
for Fiscal Impact*  
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IN SUPPORT OF WISCONSIN DRAFT LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU (LRB) BILL 1522/P1 THAT SEEKS TO RESTORE VOTING RIGHTS TO PEOPLE ON PROBATION AND PAROLE AND DECREASE FELONY DISENFRANCHISEMENT IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, felony disenfranchisement is defined as the loss of a person's voting rights due to a felony conviction; and

WHEREAS, in the state of Wisconsin a person is not eligible to vote if they have been convicted of a felony and currently serving any portion of their sentence including extended supervision, probation and/or parole; and

WHEREAS, rates of disenfranchisement vary drastically by state due to broad variations in voting prohibitions; and

WHEREAS, as reported by The Sentencing Project, 30 states deny voting rights to felony probationers, 34 states disenfranchise parolees, and 12 states deny voting rights to some or all individuals who have successfully fulfilled their prison, parole or probation sentence; and

WHEREAS, Maine and Vermont are the only two states that do not disenfranchise felons; and

WHEREAS, as of December 2016, the Bureau of Justice Statistics reported there were an estimated 4.5 million adults in the U.S. under community supervision, probation or parole and, of that amount, 64,900 were residents of the state of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Ex-Incarcerated People Organizing (EXPO) group reports in 2016 that the average length of stay for parole in Wisconsin was estimated to be 38 months or a little over three years; that makes Wisconsin third nationally for probation and parole sentences as reported by the EXPO group; and

WHEREAS, the EXPO group further reports that the average duration for parole across all states is estimated to be 22 months; and

WHEREAS, a report by the Advancement Project titled *Democracy Disappeared: How Florida Silences the Black Vote through Felony Disenfranchisement* published October 2018, suggests that the consequences of felony disenfranchisement disproportionately impact poor communities and communities of color, which are likely to have high concentrations of returning citizens who are disenfranchised; and

WHEREAS, the report further indicates that losing the right to vote is linked to socio-economic conditions; felony disenfranchisement converges with low income, poverty, limited education and employment opportunities to disempower entire communities; and

WHEREAS, the inability for disenfranchised people convicted of a felony to participate in the political process limits their power to overcome inequality and systemic injustice and isolates them from society; and

WHEREAS, the Advancement Project reports that when large numbers of citizens are not allowed to vote, entire constituencies may go unrepresented in the democratic institutions that govern them; and

WHEREAS, under Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) draft legislation 1522/P1, a person would lose his or her right to vote based on a disqualifying offense only while he or she is incarcerated for that offense, and a person that is released to extended supervision or parole may resume voting; and

WHEREAS, additionally, LRB 1522/P1 would allow a person convicted of a disqualifying offense and on probation retain his or her right to vote unless he or she is confined as a condition of probation; and

WHEREAS, EXPO, Wisconsin Affiliate of the Gamaliel Foundation (WISDOM), the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), Project Return, Wisconsin Voices, League of Women Voters and Just Leadership USA plans to launch the “Unlock the Vote” Campaign seeking to reengage 64,900 disenfranchised voters; and

WHEREAS, felony disenfranchisement is a major social issue across the United States that adversely affects more than 4 million people, including 64,900 people in the state of Wisconsin, as it is a constitutional right that every citizen should be allowed the right to vote;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors supports Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) draft legislation 1522/P1 that seeks to restore voting rights to disenfranchised felons and efforts to reduce felony disenfranchisement and reform practices that disproportionately impact communities of color in Wisconsin and the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors supports a comprehensive review and revision of Wisconsin’s sentencing guidelines, parole processes, and revocation processes to ensure that best practices are being followed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors supports LRB 1522/P1, which is anticipated to be introduced soon, and requests Government Affairs staff to communicate this position to the Wisconsin State Legislature and the Governor in support of its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors is requesting the support of all Wisconsin State Legislators, the Governor, and the Wisconsin Counties association. The County Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Legislature for the State of Wisconsin, the office of the Governor, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

ADOPTED: September 17, 2019

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk



REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE REVISE CHAPTER 814 TO MAKE FILING FEES CONSISTENT BETWEEN THE CLERK OF COURT AND REGISTER IN PROBATE

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 814 relates to court costs, fees and surcharges. Wisconsin Statutes section 814.66 applies to the fees charged by the Register in Probate. The Probate Court and Juvenile Court are responsible for case types that are not listed in Section 814.66 or other statutes, with the result being that there are cases filed with Register in Probate for which there is no filing fee; and,

WHEREAS, under the statutes there are fees and costs that are collected by the Register in Probate that are different from the fees collected by the Clerk of Court for the same type of service. This often causes confusion to the public; and,

WHEREAS, the office of the Register in Probate and the Clerk of Court serve similar functions for the court, both offices are staffed with county employees, both offices utilize CCAP-provided computers and printers as well as county-provided copiers. There is no discernable difference in these two offices when it comes to copying and providing certificates; and,

WHEREAS, it would benefit the public and the county for the State Legislature to revise the statutes so that fees charged for similar services in the Clerk of Court and the Register in Probate are consistent in both offices; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Register in Probate Association has commenced efforts to encourage the State Legislature to amend and revise the statutes to create consistency with the fees charged by the Clerk of Court and the Register in Probate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors supports the efforts of the Wisconsin Register in Probate Association in their efforts to encourage the Wisconsin Legislature Statutes to amend the related statutes to further consistency between the fee structures for these offices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, all members of the State Legislature and all Wisconsin Counties.

ADOPTED: December 3, 2019

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

SUPPORTING PROPOSED LEGISLATION AB 612 ESTABLISHING AUTHORITY FOR A COUNTY TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING REGISTRATION OF ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES

WHEREAS, under current law, an animal-drawn vehicle is not required to be registered for use of public roadways.

WHEREAS, recent fatalities and accidents on highways in Wisconsin by animal-drawn vehicles continue to increase in frequency; and

WHEREAS, registering animal-drawn vehicles will allow for enforcement of lighting requirements as well as any other local ordinances; and

WHEREAS, registration fees will be used for transportation-related purposes and administrative costs related to the registration program itself;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors hereby supports Assembly Bill 612 and will send this resolution of support to the Wisconsin Counties Association as well as the legislators that are authors of this bill.

ADOPTED: January 21, 2020

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

IN SUPPORT OF 2019-2020 SENATE BILL 576, CREATION OF THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, 2019-2020 Senate Bill 576 is currently pending before the Wisconsin Legislature. This bill proposes the creation of a Regional Transit Authority known as the Chippewa Valley Regional Transit Authority (CVRTA) for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and operating a comprehensive local transportation system, primarily for the transportation of persons, and includes the use of railroads, motor vehicles, motor buses and any combination thereof; and,

WHEREAS, the CVRTA would be public body corporate and a separate governmental entity. If SB 576 is adopted by the state and becomes law, the CVRTA would be created if the governing body of Eau Claire County adopts a resolution authorizing the county to become a member of the CVRTA and the resolution is then ratified by the electors at a referendum held in Eau Claire County; and,

WHEREAS, if the CVRTA is created, any municipality located in whole or in part within Eau Claire County shall be a member of the authority; and,

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 576 allows Chippewa County to join the CVRTA, after the creation of the authority, if the governing body of Chippewa County adopts resolution to join the authority and the resolution is then ratified by the electors at a referendum held in Chippewa County; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the CVRTA would be a board of directors appointed according to the statutes and would be a combination of directors appointed by the county board, municipalities and an appointment by the governor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors supports the adoption of Senate Bill 576 by the Wisconsin Legislature and Governor Evers for the purpose of creating the Chippewa Valley Regional Transportation Authority; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of the resolution shall be forwarded by the county clerk to members of the Wisconsin Legislature, Governor Tony Evers, and Chippewa County.

ADOPTED: February 19, 2020

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

SUPPORTING A CHANGE IN STATE REGULATIONS OR LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE LOCAL INPUT IN THE SITING OF WINDFARMS

WHEREAS, Eau Claire County is in support of clean energy and in 2019 adopted resolution 19-20/003 calling for 100 percent renewable energy and carbon neutrality by the year 2050; and

WHEREAS, a private energy company is proposing the siting and development of a windfarm in the Towns of Clear Creek and Pleasant Valley in Eau Claire County, and has gone so far as to have entered into agreements with some landowners for placement of wind turbines; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed windfarm is a “large electrical generating facility” and as a result and according to Wisconsin Statutes and the administrative regulations, permits for the windfarm will be determined by the Public Service Commission (PSC) and not by the town(s) or county and without local review or control; and,

WHEREAS, a windfarm will have a potential impact on the landowners who agree to have a wind turbine placed on their property and for their neighbors. The siting of a windfarm can and has been shown to create changes in property values and create issues for residents living near the wind turbines such as noise, shadow flicker and electrical interference; and,

WHEREAS, Eau Claire County supports the ability of local residents and municipalities being able to participate and provide input concerning the permitting, siting and development of potential windfarms, that exceed 100 megawatts in size.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; Eau Claire County supports the efforts and ability of the local residents and municipalities to participate and provide input into the siting, permitting and development of windfarms that are classified as a large electrical generating facility, and urges the state to make the necessary changes in the laws and regulations to allow the maximum amount of input by local residents and municipalities who are impacted by siting and development of large windfarms; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, members of the Wisconsin legislature, and the Wisconsin Public Service Commission.

ADOPTED: February 19, 2020

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

## REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE ACT TO PROTECT REFUGEES LIVING IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin were in some cases brought here because they aided United States interests and fought besides American soldiers; and,

WHEREAS, some refugees living in the State of Wisconsin are seeking safety from political regimes and drug cartels that seek to potentially destroy their personal safety through violence including but not limited to physical harm, rape, incest, and murder; and,

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin should be protected from deportation and return to living conditions that may result in murder or genocide; and,

WHEREAS, some refugees choose to not become citizens because they hold out hope for a time when they can safely return with their families to their homeland; and,

WHEREAS, some refugees living in the State of Wisconsin could be fleeing environmental catastrophe; and,

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin have faced long and burdensome journeys often resulting in the loss of all they own; and,

WHEREAS, some refugees living in the State of Wisconsin exist in conditions whereby they are often seen as second class or less than; and,

WHEREAS, most refugees living in the State of Wisconsin do not have the language skills, or the cultural background knowledge required to deal with issues of deportation; and,

WHEREAS, many refugee groups have long established roots in the State of Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin make important economic contributions by both performing hard physical labor and by paying taxes; and,

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin enrich our society by contributing to the rich multi-cultural heritage of our state; and,

WHEREAS, refugees living in the State of Wisconsin have friends, families, lives and livelihoods worthy of a protected status.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors is requesting the Wisconsin Legislature to take action to protect refugees living and working in the State of Wisconsin; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, all members of the State Legislature, and all Wisconsin Counties.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2020

REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR AT LEAST A 20% INCREASE IN FEDERAL SMITH-LEVER AND 1890 EXTENSION CAPACITY FUNDING IN THE USDA'S NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Extension system is the core mechanism through which land grant colleges and universities bring vital, practical information to agricultural producers, small business owners, consumers, families, and young people in rural and urban settings;

WHEREAS, Cooperative Extension has a presence in virtually every county, parish and borough in the country;

WHEREAS, these programs include 4-H, the country's largest youth development organization, which serves nearly 6 million youth and focuses on social and economic mobility for all kids, workforce development, and positively impacting the health of all Americans.

WHEREAS, capacity funding through Smith-Lever and 1890's Extension is the backbone of the Extension system, which is leveraged many times over to implement science-based education programs and support local educators;

WHEREAS, capacity funds give Extension the ability to respond quickly to extreme and emerging issues that fall outside of standard programs including responding to natural disasters and emerging health crises;

WHEREAS, Smith-Lever capacity funding has not increased for the past several years, severely limiting the ability of the Extension system to meet counties' most pressing problems.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors requests and supports at least a 20% increase in federal Smith-Lever and 1890 Extension capacity funding in the USDA's National Institute for Food and Agriculture in the FY21 budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board directs the county clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the 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 and the National Association of Counties, requesting their advocacy to support these goals.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2020

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

## FACT SHEET

### TO FILE NO. 20-21/017

The following offers a pathway for Eau Claire County to navigate together the changing landscape that COVID-19 has wrought. We continue to operate in vast uncertainty; and face a horizon of many challenges. Working together is more important than ever as we move forward.

The proposal has two parts – a “bridge” which will buy our organization time from a fiscal perspective. The second being a Taskforce to provide a central navigational channel responding to the effects of the pandemic upon our organization. It will likely be many years before we are able to establish new operational norms. The objective is to create a responsive, flexible, and adaptive participatory process.

BRIDGE – a financial fiscal strategy (initial steps only)

#### Goals

- To create a financial buffer to protect the county’s financial assets.
- To provide time for the task force to identify additional opportunities and continue to adjust to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- To create a pathway for continued communication, dialog and shared problem solving.
- Re-open government operations with a safety and public health perspective; limiting building access; moving operations to electronic and alternative formats.

The proposed “bridge plan” was created in consultation with our department managers to ensure that we are able to continue to provide mandated, statutory and public health services to our community.

The plan includes identifying targeted areas of reduction to meet current challenges, with the understanding that additional action is likely to be required.

The recommendation includes:

- We will use vacant positions and attrition consistent with prioritized activities.
- The framework for continued operations of the Emergency Operations Center is in place and the County will deploy staff to address emerging issues.
- Positions eligible for recruitment during the COVID-19 crisis response are:
  - Positions funded by grants / aids (state, federal, or other)
  - Critical service areas (emergency management and response)
  - Managers will continue to review processes and function to realign work loads to complete necessary tasks with reduced staffing.
- For all positions that are currently vacated, or are anticipated to be vacated:
  - The positions will not be eliminated from the organizational chart; and funding will be withheld.
  - We will attempt to “redeploy” affected employees into positions that are open and are either critical to recovery or funded by grant or intergovernmental revenues. These would be employees subject to layoff.

TASK FORCE – continued response and evaluation. The bridge is the minimum – it buys us time to look at bigger picture restructures, reductions, or automation. The task force will work on items that require potential policy changes, reduction of service, or additional changes as required. Lagging sales tax revenues are likely for years.

Administration along with the Board, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and the National Association of Counties will continue to lobby the federal and state government for general funding to fill revenue shortfalls. It is unlikely that funding will be able to fill the entire gap of lost revenue.

Fiscal Impact: Following page

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn Schauf', written in a cursive style.

Kathryn Schauf  
County Administrator



## Fiscal Impact

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the County is anticipating a combination of a shortage in revenue as well as potential increases in some expenditures. The County is anticipating lost revenue from sales tax, fines/fees, and charges for public services as a result of the pandemic. Sales tax projections from Forward Analytics (a division of Wisconsin Counties Association) based on the original Safer at Home order projected Eau Claire County sales tax revenue to be down \$1.0M-\$1.4M.

In anticipation of the negative fiscal impact, all departments were asked to provide their best/worst case fiscal estimates based on their current knowledge and situation. Those estimates are captured in the following table.

### Department Financial Projection Summary Net Revenue/Expenditure Projections April 12, 2020

Departments	Budget	Net Projection - Best Case	Net Projection - Worst Case
Revenue Estimates	\$ 74,793,320	\$ 73,127,440	\$ 70,676,449
Expenditure Estimates	\$ (74,793,320)	\$ (73,082,005)	\$ (74,185,750)
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	-	<b>45,434</b>	<b>(3,509,300)</b>
<b>Median</b>			<b>\$ (1,731,933)</b>

The initial bridge plan developed to address this projected fiscal impact focused on assessing positions within the departments, particularly those positions currently vacant or known to be vacant in the future. In addition, positions were also assessed for vacancy if applicable. The focus on addressing vacant positions was to determine which positions could remain vacant, possibly until the end of 2021, subject to changes in fiscal/volume conditions. The fiscal impact of this assessment is included in table 1.

While addressing positions provides some fiscal relief, it does not cover the potential fiscal impact when considering the median net impact of the department projections. Continued assessment of fiscal management will be required as more fiscal elements are known and as conditions change. The high-level fiscal impact and potential shortage is noted below.

	Median Case	Worst Case
<b>Net Deficit Projection</b>	<b>\$ (1,731,933)</b>	<b>\$ (3,509,300)</b>
<b>Impact of Vacant Positions, Eliminations</b>	<b>879,554</b>	<b>879,554</b>
<b>Potential Estimated Deficit</b>	<b>\$ (852,379)</b>	<b>\$ (2,629,746)</b>

**TABLE 1**  
**FISCAL IMPACT - POSITIONS**

DEPARTMENT	FTE	POSITION	ACTION	ANNUAL WAGE	ESTIMATED 2020 WAGE IMPACT
ADMINISTRATION	1.00	ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS MANAGER	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions after vacancy occurs	\$ 91,894	\$ 45,947
ADRC	0.36	MEAL DELIVERY WORKER	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 10,753	\$ 7,169
ADRC	1.00	COOK	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 36,275	\$ 24,183
ADRC	0.73	COOK	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 26,481	\$ 17,654
ADRC	0.50	OUTREACH COORDINATOR	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 22,058	\$ 14,706
ADRC	1.00	ADRC MANAGER	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 69,098	\$ 46,065
CLERK OF COURTS	1.00	LEGAL SPECIALIST II	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 42,411	\$ 28,274
COUNTY CLERK	0.50	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE III	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 16,474	\$ 10,982
FACILITIES	1.00	CUSTODIAN	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 36,648	\$ 24,432
FINANCE	1.00	FISCAL ASSOCIATE II	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 36,275	\$ 24,183
HIGHWAY	1.00	HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 65,770	\$ 43,846
HIGHWAY	1.00	FISCAL ASSOCIATE III	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 39,998	\$ 28,274
HUMAN RESOURCES	1.00	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE IV	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 36,275	\$ 18,013
HUMAN RESOURCES	1.00	ASSISTANT HR DIRECTOR	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 75,982	\$ 37,731
HUMAN SERVICES	0.50	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 19,053	\$ 12,702
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HUMAN SERVICES	1.00	ECONOMIC SUPPORT SPECIALIST	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 44,117	\$ 29,411
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HUMAN SERVICES	0.50	JUVENILE DETENTION WORKER (CALL IN)	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 25,522	\$ 17,014
HUMAN SERVICES	1.00	ORGANIZATIONS ADMINISTRATOR	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 75,982	\$ 50,655
HUMAN SERVICES	1.00	OUTPATIENT CLINICAL THERAPIST	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 59,654	\$ 39,770
HUMAN SERVICES	1.00	SOCIAL WORK SUPERVISOR	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions	\$ 62,650	\$ 41,767
SHERIFF	1.00	BAILIFF	Remaining vacant until supported by changes in fiscal/volume conditions after vacancy occurs	\$ 56,992	\$ 14,248
HUMAN SERVICES	1.00	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	Position elimination	\$ 40,065	\$ 26,844
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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	1.00	SURVEYOR I	Position elimination	\$ 70,185	\$ 47,024
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	0.73	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	Remaining vacant after internal movement until conditions change	\$ 30,242	\$ 4,660
PARKS & FOREST	0.19	FORESTOR	Position elimination	\$ 11,920	\$ 7,986
	28.51		Total	\$ 1,426,593	\$ 879,554

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3 **AUTHORIZING THE BRIDGE PLAN RELATED TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC;**  
4 **AND TO CREATE A TASK FORCE TO ADDRESS ISSUES RELATED TO THE**  
5 **COVID-19 CRISIS.**  
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7 WHEREAS, On March 24, 2020 Governor Tony Evers through the State Department of  
8 Health Services issued the “Safer at Home Order,” also known as Executive Order #12 in response  
9 to the worldwide Coronavirus Covid-19. The Safer at Home order requires all non-essential  
10 businesses to close and restricts travel in the state of Wisconsin; and,  
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12 WHEREAS, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic thousands of workers in the State of  
13 Wisconsin are now unemployed, businesses are closed, and many services provided by  
14 governmental agencies such as Eau Claire County have been greatly reduced or restricted, and;  
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16 WHEREAS, the negative impact on the county’s revenue stream will require the county to  
17 review its operating costs including but not limited to a reduction in staff levels and services so that  
18 it can bridge the projected loss of revenue; and  
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20 WHEREAS, the bridge plan is an initial financial fiscal strategy to provide time for a task  
21 force to be created to work through the changes needed to cover the impending loss of revenue; and,  
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23 WHEREAS, a Task Force will provide a mechanism to identify issues and create solutions  
24 to the financial needs of the county during this current crisis and into the future; and,  
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26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors ratifies  
27 the bridge plan created by the County Administrator; County Board Chair in consultation with  
28 department heads; and,  
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30 NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a task force consisting of the  
31 County Administrator, the County Finance Director, The Director of Human Resources, The  
32 Corporation Counsel, the Chair of the County Board, The Chair of the Finance and Budget  
33 Committee, and the Chair of the Human Resources Committee is hereby created to identify  
34 issues and create solutions created by the reduction in revenue as a result of the COVID-19  
35 crisis. The task force shall not exist past December 31, 2021, unless otherwise extended by a  
36 resolution of the Board. The task force shall provide an update to the Eau Claire County Board  
37 on no less than a monthly basis, concerning the issues identified, the actions taken to resolve  
38 those issues, and any proposals that will need to be acted on by the County Board of Supervisors.  
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43 I hereby certify that the foregoing represents the  
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,Chair  
Committee on Human Resources

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

**Reviewed by Finance Dept.  
for Fiscal Impact**  
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**APPROVED BY  
CORPORATION COUNSEL  
AS TO FORM**

## **Fact Sheet**

### **Potential shuttle connection to Amtrak service at Tomah**

April 29, 2020

**What's being considered:** As part of the implementation of a second train on the current Twin Cities-Milwaukee-Chicago (TCMC) Amtrak route, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is considering the establishment of a dedicated shuttle connection from Eau Claire to the train's station at Tomah.

**Background:** WisDOT, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and Amtrak have been working on starting a second train to complement the existing long-distance Empire Builder service that operates on the Canadian Pacific Railroad between St. Paul and Chicago via Winona, La Crosse, Tomah, Milwaukee and Chicago. The Empire Builder originates in Seattle and Portland, and can often run late eastbound. There is strong ridership on the Twin Cities-Chicago portion of the route, so the states have been working on establishing an additional train on a complementary schedule to add schedule options for travelers, which also would have the benefit of a more reliable schedule. Canadian Pacific has been recognized by Amtrak as being the host railroad that provides the highest level of on-time performance on its route of any railroad, well above 90%.

**Dedicated shuttles:** Providing connecting shuttle services to extend the reach of trains to major off-route destinations is a proven way to improve the utility and ridership on train services. In addition to the Eau Claire shuttle, WisDOT and MnDOT are also considering similar services to Madison and Rochester. Last summer, WisDOT also added twice daily bus shuttles to link its popular Chicago-Milwaukee Hiawatha trains to Fond du Lac, Oshkosh, Appleton and Green Bay. States like California and North Carolina have had success in linking state-supported Amtrak services to off-line cities.

**Benefits of an Eau Claire-Tomah shuttle:** A number of area citizens already utilize I-94 to drive to Tomah to take the train to Milwaukee, Chicago and other points. A shuttle would open up more travel opportunities for area residents and visitors to connect to/from Milwaukee and Chicago via Tomah, and would especially provide improved mobility for students, seniors and others who cannot or do not want to drive 80 miles to access the service. The service could utilize the planned new Transit Center in Eau Claire, providing intermodal intercity connections.

**A step towards future direct passenger train service:** Both the Wisconsin State Rail Plan and the Minnesota State Rail plan include the Eau Claire in long-range plans for passenger rail service. Implementation of the shuttle connection to Tomah would be a step towards, and be complementary to, the future implementation of direct passenger rail service to West Central Wisconsin.

**Status of project:** WisDOT, MnDOT and Amtrak have made significant progress towards developing the planned TCMC train service. Initial ridership and capital estimates have been developed. They are assembling the state funding needed for to qualify for available federal capital grant programs, and have applied to the Federal Railroad Administration for funding from its Restoration and Enhancement Grant program for startup operating costs. During 2020, they anticipate completing a Service Plan, railroad coordination and environmental clearances, then submit a federal grant application for final design and construction. Also see: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/passengerrail/tc-mil-chi/index.html>

**Other support:** Locally, the Eau Claire City Council, the Eau Claire Area Chamber of Commerce, and the West Central Wisconsin Rail Coalition have provided letters or resolutions of support for the Eau Claire shuttle and TCMC train service. WisDOT has also received expressions of support for TCMC from the cities of Columbus, Portage, Wisconsin Dells and Tomah; La Crosse County, Wisconsin Dells Visitor & Convention Bureau; Tomah Chamber of Commerce, La Crosse County Development Corporation, SE Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority, Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission, and the Great River Rail Commission.

Completed by Scott Rogers, West Central Wisconsin Rail Coalition  
rogers@eauclairechamber.org



# Twin Cities - Milwaukee - Chicago (TCMC) Regional Rail

*Second daily round trip*

**59% (3.3 million) of Wisconsin's population (5.7 million) is within 30 miles of a TCMC station or 15 miles of a TCMC Connecting Shuttle.**

Minneapolis/St. Paul



Red Wing



Rochester



Winona



La Crosse

Tomah



Wisconsin Dells



Portage



Columbus



Milwaukee



Milwaukee Airport Rail Station



Sturtevant



Glenview



Chicago

Superior

Chippewa Falls

Eau Claire

Wausau

Green Bay

Appleton

Oshkosh

Sheboygan

Fond du Lac

Madison

Janesville

Beloit



TCMC Train Station



Potential TCMC Shuttle Stop



Amtrak Empire Builder Route



Potential TCMC Connecting Shuttle Service



Intercity Bus (Amtrak Thruway) Service



Census Block within 30 Miles of Station



Census Block within 15 Miles of Shuttle

4 **SUPPORTING A PROPOSED EAU CLAIRE – BLACK RIVER FALLS-TOMAH**  
5 **AMTRACK SHUTTLE CONNECTION**  
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7 WHEREAS, Passenger rail service, as part of an integrated multimodal transportation  
8 system, is increasingly being recognized as a critical choice for small, medium and large  
9 communities to provide reasonably priced, safe, accessible transportation to compliment other modes  
10 of transportation and for communities to be economically competitive and to be attractive to skilled  
11 talent; and,  
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13 WHEREAS, the West Central Wisconsin business community sees the value of passenger  
14 rail service as critical to efficient travel for employees, and allows for productive use of time during  
15 travel, and increases the attractiveness of West Central Wisconsin as a business location and tourism  
16 destination; and,  
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18 WHEREAS, since 1999 the West Central Wisconsin Rail Coalition has worked to obtain  
19 passenger rail service for area communities including Hudson/River Falls, Baldwin, Menomonie and  
20 Eau Claire/Chippewa Falls and is currently developing a public-private partnership to establish an  
21 initial corridor between St. Paul and Eau Claire with future extension eastward to Milwaukee and  
22 Chicago; and,  
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24 WHEREAS, both the Wisconsin and Minnesota state rail plans include the West Central  
25 Wisconsin corridor in long-range plans for passenger rail service; and,  
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27 WHEREAS, Tomah currently has passenger rail service with the Amtrak Empire Builder  
28 train once daily in each direction on a route linking Tomah to the Wisconsin communities of La  
29 Crosse, Wisconsin Dells, Portage, Columbus and Milwaukee, as well as Chicago, Winona, Red  
30 Wing and Minneapolis-St. Paul in neighboring states. The Amtrak Empire Builder provides direct  
31 rail service from Tomah to 45 cities and towns all the way to the Pacific Northwest, and connections  
32 to more than 400 domestic and Canadian destinations; and,  
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34 WHEREAS, residents and visitors of West Central Wisconsin drive to Tomah to access the  
35 Empire Builder and the Amtrak national network because there is no direct dedicated shuttle  
36 connection from West Central Wisconsin and no intercity public bus service from Black River Falls  
37 to Tomah; and,  
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39 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, like 17 other U.S. states, has an  
40 operating contract with Amtrak to supplement service along the existing Chicago to Milwaukee  
41 route with 14 additional train departures, six days per week, 12 on Sunday, because travel utility and  
42 demand is best served with multiple frequencies (departures and arrivals) each day providing  
43 competitive travel service that prompts motorists to opt not to drive and expanding the existing  
44 transportation network between Milwaukee and Chicago; and,  
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3 WHEREAS, the departments of transportation for the states of Wisconsin and Minnesota are  
4 working with Amtrak on the Twin Cities Milwaukee Chicago (TCMC) project to consider adding a  
5 second daily route between St, Paul, Milwaukee and Chicago to serve the additional demand for  
6 passenger rail transportation in the corridor. With the implementation of this service there exists the  
7 opportunity to expand its usefulness by connecting communities via dedicated shuttle service; and,  
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9 WHEREAS, the inclusion of a direct shuttle service between the Chippewa Valley (including  
10 downtown Eau Claire), Black River Falls and the Tomah Amtrak Station in the TCMC project  
11 would significantly enhance the utility of these rail improvements for West Central Wisconsin, and  
12 would open up travel opportunities for residents and visitors and provide improved mobility for  
13 students and seniors to connect with Milwaukee/Chicago through Tomah, and who don't want to  
14 drive the 80 miles to access the service; and,  
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16 WHEREAS, the City of Eau Claire is constructing a new Transit Center in downtown Eau  
17 Claire. Connecting the shuttle service to the new Transit Center would be beneficial to travelers as it  
18 provides access to the national intercity rail network; and,  
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20 WHEREAS, the United States Federal government has appropriated approximately \$1.4  
21 billion for rail-specific, competitive grants, that are available to states to implement passenger rail  
22 improvement projects; and,  
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24 WHEREAS, Eau Claire County and the communities in West Central Wisconsin are looking  
25 towards the benefits made possible by a better connected, more functional transportation network  
26 that includes more frequent passenger train departures, such as are being experienced by  
27 communities in 28 different Amtrak-state partnered passenger rail corridors that exist across the  
28 U.S.; and,  
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30 WHEREAS, implementation of a shuttle service to Tomah would be a step towards and be  
31 complementary to the future implementation of direct passenger rail service to West Central  
32 Wisconsin.  
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34 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; THAT Eau Claire County Board of  
35 Supervisors requests the State of Wisconsin work with the West Central Wisconsin Rail  
36 Coalition, Amtrak, the Canadian Pacific Railroad, Minnesota Department of Transportation and  
37 other communities along the route to implement one additional passenger train service each day  
38 between Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, via Tomah, and to include dedicated shuttle service  
39 between Tomah, Black River Falls and Eau Claire to meet the arrivals and departures of both the  
40 new train and the Empire Builder.  
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42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this  
43 resolution to the state legislators and the county clerks who represent the West Central  
44 Wisconsin including Eau Claire, Chippewa, Dunn, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Jackson, and Monroe  
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Chair, Committee on Planning and Development

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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**APPROVED BY  
CORPORATION COUNSEL  
AS TO FORM**

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for Fiscal Impact*  
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**FACT SHEET**  
**File No. 19-20/114**

**RE:** Rezone 20 acres +/- of land from A-P (Agricultural Preservation) District to A-3 (Agricultural to allow the applicant to develop a residence for a family member on the 20-acre lot.

**Legal Description and Location:** Portion of the NE¼ NE¼, Section 31, Township 26 North, Range 8 West AND the E½ of all that part of SE¼ SE¼ Lying South of Mueller Rd, Section 30, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin (complete legal description attached).

**Size of area to be rezoned:** 20 acres +/-

**ADJACENT ZONING & LAND USES:**

LOCATION	ZONING	LAND USE
Subject	A-P	Vacant; Woodlands
North	A-P	Farmstead; Single-Family Residence; Woodland
East	A-P	Farmstead; Single-Family Residence; Agricultural Fields
South	A-P	Vacant; Woodlands
West	A-P	Single-Family Residences, Woodland, Agricultural Fields; Farmstead

**LAND USE PLANS:** The Eau Claire County and the Town of Washington Future Land Use Maps include the property in the Rural Lands (RL) planning area. Following are descriptions of the intent of the applicable County and Town comprehensive plan future land use categories and applicable policies.

**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 Washington Town Board considered this rezoning petition on Thursday, April 23, 2020 and recommended approval (5-0 vote).

**Committee Action:** The Eau Claire County Committee on Planning and Development conducted the required public hearing on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 regarding the proposed rezoning. On a vote of **5 in favor and 0 against**, the Committee recommends approval of the rezoning petition to the County Board, with a recommendation that vegetative screening be provided on the western and northern boundaries of the property. 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

1 **Enrolled No.**

**ORDINANCE**

**File No. 19-20/114**

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3 -AMENDING THE 1982 OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP FOR THE  
4 TOWN OF WASHINGTON-

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6 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire does ordain as follows:

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8 **SECTION 1.** That the 1982 Official Zoning District Boundary Map for the Town of  
9 Washington, described as follows:

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11 A parcel of land located in the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast  
12 1/4 of Section 31, Township 26 North, Range 8 West and the East 1/2 of all  
13 that part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 lying South of Mueller  
14 Road, Section 30, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, Town of  
15 Washington, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin.

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17 Said described parcel of land containing 20 acres +/-, of land and is  
18 subject to the easements and restrictions of record to be reclassified from  
19 the A-P Agricultural Preservation District to the A-3 Agricultural District.

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21 **SECTION 2.** Where a certified survey map is required and may alter the above  
22 described property description, the official zoning district map for the  
23 town shall be automatically amended to reflect the property description of  
24 the certified survey map.

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27 **ENACTED:** I hereby certify that the foregoing correctly represents the  
28 action taken by the undersigned Committee on April 28,  
29 2020 by a vote of for, against.

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34 Committee on Planning & Development, Chairperson

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38 Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020

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40 ORDINANCE 19-20/114  
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SUP. dist. #6 Bert Moritz

Eau Claire County  
Department of Planning and Development  
Eau Claire County Courthouse  
721 Oxford Avenue, Room 3344  
Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703  
(715) 839-4741

RECEIVED

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COUNTY CLERK

Application Accepted:	3/3/2020
Accepted By:	Matt Michels
Receipt Number:	63164
Town Hearing Date:	03/19/2020
Scheduled Hearing Date:	4/14/2020
Application No:	RZN-0003-20
Appl Status:	Pending

**Rezoning - County**

Pursuant to the procedure described in Wisconsin Statutes Section 59.69(5), I hereby petition the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors to amend the Zoning District from:

Existing Zoning District: AP      Proposed Zoning District(s): A3      Acres to be Rezoned: 20

E1/2 Ne1/4 Ne1/4 Section 31, T26N, R8W And E1/2 Of All That Part Of Se1/4 Se1/4 Lying S Of Mueller Rd, Sec 30, T26N, R8W, Town Of Washington, Eau Claire County, Wi

<b>Owner/Applicant Name(s):</b> Max Henning Roger & Joanne A Henning	<b>Address:</b> (appl) 54736 COUNTY ROAD B EAU CLAIRE (ow) 7152 CHICKADEE RD FALL CREEK	<b>Telephone:</b> 715-864-6389(H) 715-878-4070(H)
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<b>Site Address(es):</b>		
<b>Property Description:</b>	Sec 30 Twn 26 Rge 08 <b>Town of Washington</b> Sec 31 Twn 26 Rge 08	<b>Lot Area:</b> 3.500 ACRES 40.000 ACRES
<b>Zoning District(s):</b> AP		

**Overlay District:**     Shoreland     Flood Plain     Airport     Wellhead Protection     Non-Metallic Mining  
 Check Applicable

PIN	Alternate No	Parcel No	Legal (partial)
1802422608304400002	024106001010	26.8.30.4-4-B	ALL THAT PART OF SE-SE LYG S OF MUELLER RD
1802422608311100001	024106102000	26.8.31.1-1	NE-NE

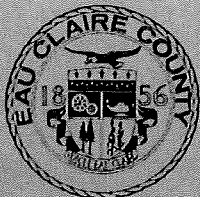
I certify by my signature that all the information presented herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission for the staff of the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development to enter my property for the purpose of collecting information to be used as part of the public hearing process. I further agree to withdraw this application if substantive false or incorrect information has been included.

Owner/Agent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Check if DATCAP must be notified \_\_\_\_\_

Check if DNR to Receive Copy \_\_\_\_\_

At the public hearing, the applicant may appear in person or through an agent or an attorney of his/her choice. The applicant/agent/attorney may present testimony, evidence and arguments in support of the application. All site plans, pictures, etc. become the property of the Department, and will remain in the file.



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Application Accepted: 3/3/20  
 Accepted By: mmh  
 Application Number: RZN-0003-20  
 Town Hearing Date: 3/19/20  
 Scheduled Hearing Date: 4/14/20

### REZONING APPLICATION

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Existing Zoning District: A-P Proposed Zoning District(s): A-3  
 Acres to be rezoned: 20 acres

Property Owner Name: Roger + Joanne Henning Phone# 715-878-4070  
 Mailing Address: 7152 Chickadee Rd. Fall Creek WI. 54742  
 Email Address:

Agent Name: Max Henning Phone# 715-864-6389  
 Mailing Address: 54736 Cty Rd B Eau Claire, WI 54701  
 Email Address: maxhenning4@gmail.com

SITE INFORMATION

Site Address: 7152 Chickadee Rd. Fall Creek, WI 54742  
 Property Description: 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 31, T 26 N, R 8 W, Town of Washington  
 Zoning District: Code Section(s):  
 Overlay District:  Shoreland  Floodplain  Airport  Wellhead Protection  Non-Metallic Mining  
 Check Applicable  
 Computer #(s): 024 - 106 - 001 - 010  
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*and E 1/2 of all that part of SE 1/4 Sec 4 lying S of Mueller Rd, Sec. 30, T 26 N, R 8 W*

GENERAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications will not be accepted until the applicant has met with department staff to review the application and determine if all necessary information has been provided. All information from the checklist must be included.

- Complete attached information sheet
- Contact the Town to coordinate a recommendation on the application
- Provide legal description of property to be rezoned
- Provide \$595.00 application fee (non-refundable), payable to the Eau Claire County Treasurer (\$525.00 application processing fee and \$70.00 mapping surcharge fee)

I certify by my signature that all information presented herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission for the staff of the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development to enter my property for the purpose of collecting information to be used as part of the public hearing process. I further agree to withdraw this application if substantive false or incorrect information has been included.

Owner/Agent Signature Roger Henning Date 3-1-2020

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## REZONING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applications are due by Tuesday at 12:00 PM three weeks prior to the Committee on Planning and Development meeting. The application must include the items listed below. After a preliminary review, additional information may be needed. A hearing will not be scheduled until the application is deemed complete. Applications are considered complete when all materials and associated fees are received and approved by staff.

### Required Application Items:

- Application must be signed by the property owner(s)
- A legal description of land and address of land to be rezoned
- Complete the attached supplemental rezoning information sheet
  - Describe the reason for the request
  - Describe how the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in that district are appropriate for the selected location, and how the proposed change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance
  - Explain and justify why this particular property is under consideration for rezoning
    - For rezoning requests from A-P to any zoning district other than the AR district must consider the factors in Section 18.32.055 A. – D.
    - For rezoning requests from the A-P to the AR zoning district must consider the factors in Section 18.06.050 A. – D.
    - For rezoning requests out of the Shoreland-wetland district must consider Section 18.19.100 B

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR A REZONING PETITION

In order to process your application as quickly as possible, please fill in all of the sections below that are applicable to your request, and attach all appropriate maps or plans described below that are relevant to your request.

Describe the reason(s) for your rezoning request:

Want to build a house on fewer acres than what the land is currently zoned at.

When evaluating a rezoning petition, staff from the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development consider whether the purpose of the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in the district are appropriate for the selected location. Staff also considers whether the change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance, which is to separate incompatible land uses from one another, to maintain public health and safety, to protect and conserve natural resources, to prevent overcrowding, to preserve property values, and to maintain the general welfare of the citizens. Please describe how the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in that district are appropriate for the selected location, and how the proposed change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance.

We want to zone fewer acres to preserve the other part of those 40 acres as CRP & agricultural preserved land. Eventually we plan to have a small hobby farm and to continue to let the UWEC students study the soils that has been found on that plot of 40 acres. We will not be selling this land to subdivision contractors or any other dwellings.

Rezoning petitions to change the zoning of a parcel from the A-P Agricultural Preservation District to any other District must be based upon findings that consider the following factors:

- 1) The land is better suited for a use not allowed in the A-P Agricultural Preservation zoning district based on a review of soil types, historical productivity, location, and adjacent land uses;
- 2) The rezoning is consistent with any applicable comprehensive plans; *Rural Lands - ag.*
- 3) The rezoning is substantially consistent with the certified Eau Claire County Farmland Preservation Plan; and
- 4) The rezoning will not substantially impair or limit current or future agricultural use of surrounding parcels of land that are zoned for or legally restricted to agricultural use.

If you are petitioning to rezone land from an A-P District to another district, please describe how the proposed change in zoning will be consistent with the four findings listed here.

- 1) After looking at the soil maps provided by Eau Claire County the soil is not ideal crop soil.
- 2) We will be leaving land open for preservation with the addition of one small house & garage.
- 3) The land will still be preserved as open grassland
- 4) The house & garage will not affect the agricultural use of surrounding parcels.





ComputerNu	FirstName	LastName	Address	City	State	Zip
24105909000	GREGG	BUTZ	3401 MARIPOSA ST	DENVER	CO	80211-3536
24106103000	RICHARD	HENNING	7063 MUELLER RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742-4046
24106001010	ROGER & JOANNE A	HENNING	7152 CHICKADEE RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742-5059
24105910010	DANIEL O & CAROLYN J	KINDERMAN	7122 MUELLER RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742-4047
24106001000	MARK	MILBEE	7364 MUELLER RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742-4048
24106408000	JANE	MUELLER	7525 MUELLER RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742-4049
24105910000	JASON	WATHKE	9785 HILLVIEW RD	FALL CREEK	WI	54742

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
721 OXFORD AVE  
EAU CLAIRE WI. 54701  
DATE 03/03/2020 TUE TIME 16:59

RZN	\$530.00
MAPPING FEE	\$65.00
TOTAL	\$595.00
CHECK	\$595.00
MATT M	063164 00000

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
721 OXFORD AVE  
EAU CLAIRE WI. 54701  
DATE 03/03/2020 TUE TIME 17:00

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**FACT SHEET**

**TO FILE NO. # 20-21/012**

Considering the Covid-19 pandemic, it has become necessary to close some park facilities for social events and gatherings. Moving forward, this ordinance would create policy that would allow customers with pending reservations to be issued a full refund if a Public Health Emergency Declaration were in order. This would apply to Parks and Forest shelter and clubhouse rentals and events held at the Eau Claire County Exposition Center.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The total fiscal impact will be dependent on how long the declaration lasts and how many cancellation requests our department receives. The table below indicates the amount of revenue that potentially may be lost, considering all reservations made up until 4/8/2020.

Revenue Loss by Month	Parks	Expo Center	Combined
April/May	\$1,560.00	\$3,900.00	\$5,460.00
June	\$2,880.00	\$4,850.00	\$7,730.00
July	\$2,020.00	\$5,600.00	\$7,620.00
August	\$1,675.00	\$7,750.00	\$9,425.00
September	\$820.00	\$4,440.00	\$5,260.00
Total All	\$8,955.00	\$26,540.00	\$ 35,495.00

Respectfully submitted,



Josh Pedersen  
Parks and Forest Director

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3 TO AMEND SECTION 16.30.040 C. OF THE CODE: FEES AND CHARGES; TO AMEND  
4 SECTION 16.33.030 A. OF THE CODE: PAYMENT OF RENT AND DEPOSITS

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6 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire does ordain as follows:

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8 SECTION 1. That Subsection C. of Section 16.30.040 of the code be amended to read:

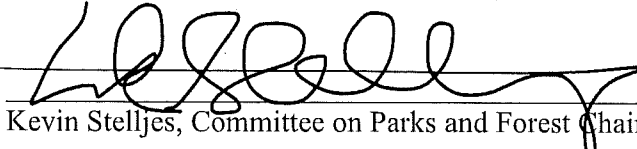
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10 C. Reservation fee policy. The clubhouse and shelter reservation fees shall be  
11 required in advance. An 80% refund will be granted if a reservation is canceled 60 days or more  
12 in advance of the reservation, a 50% refund for 30-59 days in advance, and no refund for  
13 cancellation of less than 30 days unless the reservation period is rebooked by another party  
14 resulting in a 50% refund. Groups of 250 or more are required to reserve the clubhouse in  
15 addition to reserving picnic shelters. Picnic shelters have a maximum capacity of 100 people. A  
16 camping reservation refund will be granted if cancelled at least 14 days prior to the first night of  
17 the camping period; however, the reservation fee will be retained. If the State or Federal  
18 government has issued a Public Health Emergency Declaration that includes Eau Claire County a  
19 full refund will be issued for any reservation that was canceled at the time the Declaration is in  
20 place.

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22 SECTION 2. That Subsection A. of Section 16.33.030 of the code be amended to read:

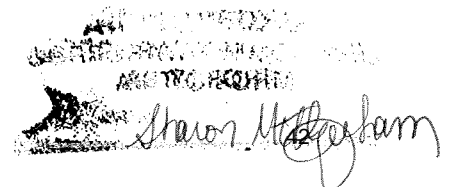
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24 A security deposit of 20% of total contract cost, \$100.00 minimum is due within 30 days of the  
25 writing of the contract. Within 90 days of the event, one-half of the total rental fee is due, with  
26 the remaining balance due 30 days prior to the event. Any cancellation will result in forfeiture of  
27 the security deposit. Cancellations between 90 days and 30 days will result in forfeiture of the  
28 50% rental fee paid, unless fully re-rented. Cancellations of 30 days or less will result in loss of  
29 all rental fees, unless fully re-rented. Rental of the facility less than 30 days from the event  
30 requires full rent and security deposit at the time the contract is written. The required certificate  
31 of insurance must be provided at least one week prior to the event. If the State or Federal  
32 government has issued a Public Health Emergency Declaration that includes Eau Claire County a  
33 full refund will be issued for any reservation that was canceled at the time the Declaration is in  
34 place.

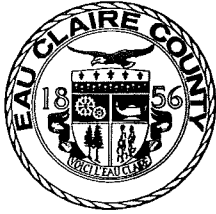
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36 ENACTED:

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38 Approved by a vote of 5 (yes) to 0 (no) on April 13, 2020

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42 Kevin Stelljes, Committee on Parks and Forest Chair

Reviewed by Finance Dept.  
for Fiscal Impact

  
Sharon H. Johnson



*Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors*

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Eau Claire, WI 54703

Phone: 715-839-5106

Fax: 715-839-6243



TO: Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Nick Smiar, Chair  
RE: Appointment of Members to Various Boards, Commissions and Councils  
DATE: May 5, 2020

I certify that the named citizen representatives below have been selected for appointment as follows:

<b><u>ADRC Board</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Audrey Nelson (reappointment)	April 2023
<b><u>Airport Commission</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Barry Wells (reappointment)	April 2022
<b><u>Human Services Board</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Kathleen Clark (replacing Gabriel Schlieve)	April 2023
<b><u>Indianhead Federated Library System Board of Trustees</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Josh Sterling (replacing Mildred Larson)	December 2022
<b><u>West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
John Frank (reappointment)	April 2022

***Our Mission***

*To provide quality, innovative, and cost effective services that safeguard and enhance the well-being of residents<sup>43</sup> and resources.*