



AGENDA
Eau Claire County
Committee on Administration
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

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1. Call to order and confirmation of meeting notice
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Review and approval of meeting minutes – **Discussion/Action**
 - a. April 13, 2021
5. Federal Funding Rescue Plan Update: Kathryn Schauf, Administrator – **Discussion**
6. File No. 21-22/005: Resolution requesting resolutions to be considered at the 2021 WCA Annual Business Meeting – **Discussion/Action**
7. Enrolled No. O164-030 ORDINANCE File No. 20-21/100 TO CREATE CHAPTER 8.35 OF THE CODE: COVID-19 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MASK REQUIREMENT. Mask mandate continuance - **Discussion/Action**
8. Appointments – **Discussion/Action**
 - a. Aging & Disability Resource Center Board
 - i. Bruce Schafer – Citizen Appointment (New)
 - ii. Sandy Romey – Citizen Appointment (New)
 - b. Airport Commission
 - i. Peter Hoeft - Reappointment
 - ii. Bill Hilgedick – Reappointment
 - c. Groundwater Advisory
 - i. Mary Kenosian – Reappointment
 - d. Nutrition Advisory Council
 - i. Kenneth King – Reappointment
 - e. Human Services
 - i. Lorraine Henning – Reappointment
 - ii. Paul Maulucci – Reappointment
 - iii. Jim Catlin – Reappointment
9. Adjourn

Prepared by: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Assistant to the County Administrator

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Present: Mark Beckfield, Gerald Wilkie, Nick Smiar, Ray Henning, Colleen Bates (2:41 p.m.)

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk, Kathryn Schauf, Tim Sullivan, Sonja Leenhouts, Matt Theisen, Norb Kirk

Public: Ryan Patterson – Leader Telegram

Chair Smiar called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

Verbal roll call was taken by the Clerk and is noted above under present.

No members of the public wished to make comment.

The committee reviewed the minutes from March 9, 2021 and April 7, 2021. Supervisor Henning motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wilkie. No discussion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Kathryn Schauf provided a presentation on a plan for the Federal Funding Rescue. The committee discussed the plan provided and further discussed recruiting a project manager/director to handle the logistics and the work that needs to be completed. Document provided to be shared as a draft working document to County Board members. Samantha Kraegenbrink will create a public facing webpage to allow the community to follow updates from the County regarding the ARP (American Rescue Plan.) The ARP will be an ongoing agenda item.

Chair Smiar recommends appointment to the ADRC Board the following, motion by Supervisor Bates, second by Supervisor Beckfield. All in favor:

- i. Sue Miller – Citizen Appointment
- ii. Supervisor Carl Anton
- iii. Supervisor Kimberly Cronk

Chair Smiar recommends appointment to the LEPC Committee the following, motion by Supervisor Henning, second by Supervisor Beckfield. All in favor:

- b. Local Emergency Planning Committee
 - i. Robert King
 - ii. Don Henning
 - iii. Ben Frederick
 - iv. Diane Hunter
 - v. Frank Neibauer
 - vi. Jamie Burkhardt
 - vii. Tom Lochner
 - viii. Darrell Christy

The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.



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Respectfully submitted by,

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Samantha Kraegenbrink

Assistant to the County Administrator

ARPA Taskforce

Authorized: Resolution ##, and date

Composition: Nine (9) members appointed by the County Board Chair.

1. County Board Supervisor
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4. Administrator
5. Corporation Counsel
6. Finance Director
7. Representative from the business community.
8. Representative from municipal partners.
9. Representative from Community Foundation.

Scope:

- Identify potential partnership opportunities with other municipal governments, businesses or not-for-profits. For any public / private partnerships not expressly articulated in scope the recommendation must be proposed to the Committee on Administration for approval by the Board.
- Develop a re-granting process-
 - Combine federal, and state guidance into criteria for funding of not-for-profit's and businesses.
 - Ensure that process includes cross-check on federal funding streams.
 - Ensure that processes provide equitable and inclusive access.
 - Develop the contract that will be utilized for distribution of funds by a third-party administrator.
 - Question for CoA: Will award recommendations from the 3PA come back to committee, CoA or board for final blessing?
- Develop the criteria for a regranting process
 - A contract will be utilized for distribution of funds by a third-party administrator;
 - Limit(s) on amounts awarded?;
- Follow prioritization as identified by Committee on Administration
 - Businesses
 - Not-for-profit's
 - Social Services
 - Cultural / Educational
 - Exclusions? (social clubs; political affiliations; religious associations)

Duration: Active until December of 2024 or until ARPA funds have been expended. Will only meet as needed to fulfill the scope of the work.

Committee on Administration

- Policy decisions—prepare all recommendations for board approval
- Priorities of funds and timing
- Decisions on projects of regional scope
- Provides the final stop—prior to board action. Recommendations by all other committees flows through the Committee on Administration.

ARPA Taskforce

- Combine federal, and state guidance into criteria for funding of NPO's and business
- Develop the criteria for a regranting process – a contract will be utilized for distribution of funds by a third party administrator.

Oversight Committees

- Work with departments on internal investments that are consistent with federal criteria
- Recommendations will be compiled and reviewed by Finance and Budget.

Broadband Committee

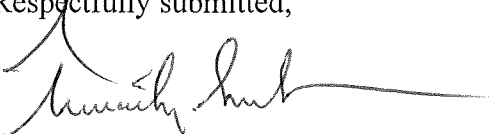
- Targeted focus on broadband in the county
- Understanding potential technologies, partnerships, and grant funds
- Consideration: Contract position

FACT SHEET

TO FILE NO. 21-22/005

This resolution refers to resolutions adopted by the county board beginning with the June 2020 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 2021 WCA Annual Business Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Timothy J. Sullivan
Corporation Counsel

TS/yk

4 - REQUESTING RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE 2021 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 2021 WCA
10 Annual Business Meeting is June 28, 2021; and

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12 WHEREAS, the following adopted resolutions, beginning with the July 2020 meeting are
13 appropriate to be forwarded for consideration at the 2021 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 2021 WCA Annual Business Meeting.

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20 1. Resolution File No. 20-21/030 – RACISM IS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS (July
21 21, 2020, Agenda pp. 36-40)

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23 2. Resolution File No. 20-21/038 – REQUESTING THAT THE WISCONSIN
24 STATE SENATE CONVENE INTO AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION TO ADDRESS THE
25 13 “WATER BILLS” PASSED BY THE ASSEMBLY EARLIER THIS YEAR
26 (July 21, 2020, Agenda pp. 67-69)

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28 3. Resolution File No. 20-21/048 – REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM THE
29 STATE OF WISCONSIN IN LIGHT OF THE VERSO PAPER MILL CLOSURES (July 21,
30 2020, Agenda pp. 65-66)

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32 4. Resolution File No. 20-21/079 – REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR AND
33 THE WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ALLOCATE \$15 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR
34 GRANTS TO PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS (PSAP’S) THROUGH THE POLICE
35 AND FIRE PROTECTION FUND FOR THE UPGRADE AND MAINTENANCE OF
36 EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT THE TRANSITION TO A DIGITAL NEXT GENERATION 911
37 (NG911); REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE TO
38 SUPPORT THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST TO
39 CONTINUE THE BUILD OF THE ESINET FOR AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE
40 ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM (December 1, 2020, Agenda pp. 29-31)

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42 5. Resolution File No. 20-21/085 - REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN STATE
43 LEGISLATURE TO CONVENE A SPECIAL SESSION TO PROVIDE COVID-19 DIRECTION
44 FOR THE STATE OF WISCONSIN (December 1, 2020, Agenda pp. 15-16)

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46 6. Resolution File No. 20-21/089 - REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR AT LEAST A
47 20% INCREASE IN FEDERAL SMITH-LEVER AND 1890 EXTENSION CAPACITY
48 FUNING IN THE USDA’S NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
49 (December 15, 2020, Agenda pp. 22-24)

1 7. Resolution File No. 20-21/097 - REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF
2 WISCONSIN PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT
3 PROGRAM (December 15, 2020, Agenda pp. 12-13)
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5 8. Resolution File No. 20-21/094 – RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INCREASED
6 FUNDING FOR AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTERS (January 19, 2021,
7 Agenda pp. 24-26)
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9 9. Resolution File No. 20-21/127 - REQUESTING THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
10 STRENGTHEN ITS HATE CRIME STATUTE, WIS. STAT. § 939.645, TO PROVIDE
11 ENHANCED SECURITY TO MEMBERS OF WISCONSIN’S MARGINALIZED
12 COMMUNITIES (April 7, 2021, Agenda pp. 21-22)
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the county clerk, before June 28, 2021, send certified
15 copies of this resolution and the above-named resolutions with a cover letter to Mark D. O’Connell,
16 WCA Executive Director, requesting that the above resolutions be considered at the 2021 WCA
17 Annual Business Meeting.
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20 I hereby certify that the foregoing
21 correctly represents the action taken
22 By the undersigned Committee on
23 May __, 2021 by a vote of __
24 for, and __ against.
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29 Nick Smiar, Chair
30 Committee on Administration
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RACISM IS A PUBLIC HEALTH
CRISIS

WHEREAS, race is a social construction with no biologic basis; and

WHEREAS, racism is a social system with multiple dimensions: individual racism is internalized or interpersonal; and systemic racism is institutional or structural, and is a system of structuring opportunity and assigning value based on the social interpretation of how one looks, that unfairly disadvantages some individuals and communities, unfairly advantages other individuals and communities, and saps the strength of the whole society through the waste of human resources; and

WHEREAS, racism causes persistent racial discrimination in housing, education, employment, and criminal justice; and an emerging body of research demonstrates that racism is a social determinant of health; and

WHEREAS, more than 100 studies have linked racism to worse health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, in Wisconsin, the highest excess death rates exist for African American and Native Americans, at every stage in the life course, and our infant mortality rate for infants of non-Hispanic Black Women is the highest in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the American Public Health Association (APHA) launched a National Campaign Against Racism; and

WHEREAS, Healthiest Wisconsin 2020 states that, “Wisconsin must address persistent disparities in health outcomes, and the social, economic, educational and environmental inequities that contribute to them”; and

WHEREAS, public health’s responsibilities to address racism include reshaping our discourse and agenda so that we all actively engage in racial justice work; and

WHEREAS, while there is no epidemiologic definition of “crisis”, the health impact of racism clearly rises to the definition proposed by Galea: “The problem must affect large numbers of people, it must threaten health over the long-term, and it must require the adoption of large-scale solutions”.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors:

1. Asserts that racism is a public health crisis affecting our entire society

2. Conducts an assessment of internal policy and procedures to ensure racial equity is a core element of Eau Claire County, led by people who are most impacted, the Board in collaboration with Eau Claire County Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee, and other relevant parties and community partners, communicates results of assessment, and determines appropriate intervals for ongoing reassessments
3. Works to create an equity and justice-oriented organization, with the Board and Committees, and persons who are most impacted, in identifying specific activities to increase diversity and to incorporate anti-racist policies and principles across Eau Claire County.
4. Incorporates into the organizational workplan and Eau Claire County's strategic plan, educational efforts to address and dismantle racism, expand members' understanding of racism, and how racism affects individual and population health and provide tools to assist members to dismantle their own racism, and tools to assist members to engage actively and authentically with persons from underrepresented groups and persons most impacted by racism. Eau Claire County is committed to having people who are most underrepresented and most impacted lead this work.
5. Advocates for relevant policies that improve health in persons from racial minority demographics, and supports local, state, and federal initiatives that advance social justice, while also encouraging individual member advocacy to dismantle systemic racism
6. Works to build alliances and partnerships with other organizations that are confronting racism and encourages other local, state and national entities to recognize racism as a public health crisis

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Tony Evers, all Wisconsin State Legislators, and the Wisconsin Counties Association. The Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors now directs the County Clerk to sign Eau Claire County on to the Wisconsin Public Health Association's declaration that Racism is a Public Health Crisis.

ADOPTED: July 21, 2020

Janet K. Loomis
County Clerk

REQUESTING THAT THE WISCONSIN STATE SENATE CONVENE INTO AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION TO ADDRESS THE 13 “WATER BILLS” PASSED BY THE ASSEMBLY EARLIER THIS YEAR

WHEREAS, a clean, plentiful supply of rural drinking water is necessary for the health and well-being of roughly 70% of Wisconsinites; and,

WHEREAS, keeping Wisconsin’s rural drinking water free of pollutants, especially nitrogen and phosphorus, benefits not only citizens but also Wisconsin’s tourism industry as well as rural economic development; and,

WHEREAS, the 2019 Speakers Task Force on Water Quality brought attention to state legislators and the state’s residents, as well as the immensity of the problem; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Assembly took a step in addressing the problem by passing (most unanimously) 13 “water bills” on February 18, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the State Senate never had the opportunity to consider these “water bills” when its last scheduled session on March 14, 2020 was postponed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors request the Wisconsin State Senate to convene into an extraordinary session to address the 13 “Water Bills” passed in the Assembly earlier this year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Eau Claire County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to all 72 Wisconsin Counties, members of the Assembly who represent Eau Claire County, all State Senators, the Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Association, and the Wisconsin County’s Association.

ADOPTED: July 23, 2020

Janet K. Loomis
County Clerk

REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE OF WISCONSIN IN LIGHT OF THE
VERSO PAPER MILL CLOSURES

WHEREAS, On June 9, Verso announced idling of their Duluth, MN and Wisconsin Rapids, WI pulp and paper mills by the end of July 2020 for an indefinite period; and

WHEREAS, the idling of these mills will directly impact 1,000 workers and indirectly affect thousands more across the entire state of Wisconsin that support the mills through related forestry work such as logging and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the prolonged closure of these mills will negatively affect national, state, county and private landowners financially and has the potential to affect the ability to continue proper growth and harvesting techniques on those lands to maintain a healthy forest structure; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Rapids, WI mill utilizes over 25% of all pulpwood produced in the state of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the forest products industry is responsible for over 600 jobs in Eau Claire County; and

WHEREAS, 38 % of total pulpwood on active sales in Eau Claire County is hardwood pulp, of which over 15% would be consumed at the Wisconsin Rapids mill; and

WHEREAS, timber revenue from the Eau Claire County Forest reduces the County levy by 5-8% and the loss of this income will financially affect the citizens of Eau Claire County and the public services available to them; and

WHEREAS, a similar impact will be felt by nearly every County operating a County Forest for timber production.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors is requesting that the Governor and Legislature work to provide direct assistance, in any way possible, to allow continuation of mill operations and/or financial assistance be considered to support the direct loss of jobs, as well as assistance for other industries impacted by the closure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State of Wisconsin work with Counties to identify new markets for forest products and provide flexibility and assistance to replace lost revenues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Eau Claire County Clerk is directed to forward this resolution to Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA), Wisconsin County Forests Association (WCFA) and all local, regional, state, and federal representatives.

ADOPTED: July 23, 2020

Janet K. Loomis
County Clerk

REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR AND THE WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ALLOCATE \$15 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR GRANTS TO PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS (PSAP'S) THROUGH THE POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION FUND FOR THE UPGRADE AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT THE TRANSITION TO A DIGITAL NEXT GENERATION 911 (NG911); REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST TO CONTINUE THE BUILD OF THE ESINET FOR AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, modernizing Wisconsin's 911 system has been a priority for local governments, Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), law enforcement, and the telecommunications industry since the early 2000s; and

WHEREAS, the 2017-19 and the 2019-21 state biennial budgets provided funding for creation of a statewide emergency services IP network (ESInet), which is the first step in the transition to a digital Next Generation 911 (NG911) system; and

WHEREAS, a NG911 system utilizes advancements in technology to improve communication with 911 operators and provides greater efficiency in assisting individuals in crisis; and

WHEREAS, local 911 centers (PSAPs) require NG911 capable equipment to connect to the digital system; and

WHEREAS, currently many PSAPs require an upgrade of their equipment to NG911 or will require maintenance and security upgrades to their current NG911 capable equipment; and

WHEREAS, the average cost for the necessary equipment upgrades will likely exceed \$250,000 per county in addition to ongoing maintenance costs based on the number of call stations in the PSAP; and

WHEREAS, while the state has provided grant funding for counties in the past to upgrade local PSAPs, state funding has not existed in over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the state currently has a fund—the Police and Fire Protection Fund—which its original intent was to fund county PSAP upgrades; and

WHEREAS, revenue from the Police and Fire Protection Fund has been diverted to the state general fund and had never been utilized for its intended purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Eau Claire County board of supervisors hereby request the Governor and Wisconsin State Legislature to allocate \$15 million annually for grants to PSAPS through the Police and Fire Protection Fund for the upgrade of their equipment and the ongoing maintenance and upgrades required; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of supervisors request that the Governor and Wisconsin State Legislature support the Department of Military Affairs budget request to continue the build of the ESInet for an annual appropriation for the ongoing maintenance of the system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Eau Claire County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor, Wisconsin State Legislature, members of the Assembly who represent Eau Claire County, and the Wisconsin County's Association.

ADOPTED: December 1, 2020

Janet K Loomis
County Clerk

REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE TO CONVENE A SPECIAL SESSION TO PROVIDE COVID-19 DIRECTION FOR THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, city by city and county by county guidance on COVID-19 prevention and mitigation across the State of Wisconsin represents an inconsistent patchwork of direction; and

WHEREAS, this patchwork direction allows for the unmitigated spread of the COVID-19 during a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, public health is not an issue that should be politicized; and

WHEREAS, convening a special session of the legislature to provide leadership and guidance would provide township, municipal and county governmental bodies the needed and consistent direction to handle the spread of COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors formally requests a special session of the Wisconsin State Legislature be convened to develop state-wide direction on the handling of COVID-19 at a time of great need and to avoid catastrophe and economic harm to Wisconsin families and communities; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send copies of this resolution to all counties in the state of Wisconsin, the Office of the Governor and to all members of the legislature for the state of Wisconsin.

ADOPTED: December 1, 2020

Janet Loomis
County Clerk

SUPPORT PENDING LEGISLATION TO AMEND HEARING TIME FRAMES FOR JUVENILES TAKEN INTO CUSTODY UNDER WISCONSIN STATUTES CHAPTER 938 TO COINCIDE WITH HEARING TIMELINES FOR CHILDREN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY UNDER WISCONSIN STATUTES CHAPTER 48

WHEREAS, in Children in Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS) proceedings pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 48, when a child is taken into custody and not immediately released to a parent, guardian or legal custodian, the judge or circuit court commissioner in the county where the child is being held must hold a detention hearing within 48 hours of the time in which the decision to hold the child was made (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays); and

WHEREAS, in similar actions involving Juvenile Justice proceedings pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 938, when a juvenile is taken into custody and held by a county, the circuit court must hold a detention hearing within 24 hours after the end of the day on which the decision to hold the juvenile was made (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays); and

WHEREAS, as a result of the discrepancy in the timelines between the Chapter 48 and Chapter 938 proceedings, in Chapter 938 cases county circuit court judges, commissioners, juvenile intake workers, and other courthouse staff need to be prepared to conduct hearings in circumstances in which the county courthouse may otherwise be closed, such as the Friday after Thanksgiving, extreme weather days, etc. Failing to meet the statutory deadlines places the county at risk of losing jurisdiction over the pending matter. Additionally, concerns may arise regarding transportation of juveniles and children on non-workdays in order to accommodate hearings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors that it hereby supports legislation that would align the statutes that compute the detention hearing timelines for children in need of protection or services proceedings under Chapter 48 and juvenile delinquency proceedings under Chapter 938 by specifying that a day in which the Clerk of Circuit Courts Office is closed does not count toward the computation of the detention hearing timeline under Chapter 938. This will ensure county governments are in a better position to save limited resources and protect the safety of their employees and the public.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Eau Claire County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to all Wisconsin Counties, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all state senators and assembly members representing Eau Claire County constituents.

ADOPTED: December 20, 2020

Janet K. Loomis
County Clerk

REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF WISCONSIN PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Eau Claire County administers the child support program on behalf of the State of Wisconsin, providing services to Eau Claire County residents including but not limited to the establishment of paternity, the establishment and enforcement of child support and health insurance orders, and the review and modification of those orders; and

WHEREAS, well-being, economic security, and chances of success in life are all enhanced by parents who provide emotional and financial support; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by the Eau Claire County Child Support Agency help to establish parental rights, reduce childhood poverty rates, and promote the involvement of both parents in the lives of their children; and

WHEREAS, the services of the Eau Claire County Child Support Agency are needed now more than ever during the economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, funding from the state has failed to keep up with county agency costs that have steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation, and increased federal regulations; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program has fallen from being ranked number 2 in the nation for collecting child support to number 5 in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's decreased performance has led to the state missing out on an estimated \$70,000 in potential federal incentive payments between the calendar year 2019 and 2020; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, a change at the federal level resulted in the loss of \$4.2 million to the state child support program due to the elimination of the federal birth cost recovery matching funds; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Further drops in performance would result in additional reductions to the federal funding allocated to the state of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, a decrease in federal funding will result in less funding for the Eau Claire County Child Support Agency, which could lead to reductions in the services provided to the citizens of Eau Claire County, and the further reduction of child support collections; and

WHEREAS, investments by the state in child support are amplified by a federal match. Every dollar of state GPR invested in the child support program generates roughly two dollars in matching federal funds; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's child support program is very cost-effective, collecting an average of \$6.20 in child support for every dollar invested into the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors requests that state funding for the county child support agencies be increased by a minimum of \$4.0 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2021-2023 Wisconsin state budget, which in turn will generate approximately an additional \$7.7 million in additional federal funding for each year. This investment will allow Wisconsin counties to continue to provide economic support for the children of Wisconsin effectively.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the county clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the governor of the State of Wisconsin, members of the Wisconsin Legislature representing Eau Claire County, and the Secretary for the Wisconsin Department of Administration.

ADOPTED: December 15, 2020

Janet K. Loomis
County Clerk

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INCREASED FUNDING FOR AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTERS

WHEREAS, Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) are the first place to go to get accurate unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging or living with a disability; and

WHEREAS, ADRC services include providing information and assistance, options and benefits counseling, coordinating short-term services, conducting functional screens, and enrollment processing and counseling; and

WHEREAS, in Wisconsin, there are currently 34 single-county ADRCs, 12 multi-county/tribal ADRCs, and seven tribal Aging and Disability Resource Specialists that work with an ADRC; and

WHEREAS, ADRCs serve the fastest growing demographic of our state's population; and

WHEREAS, the funding method for ADRCs has not been revised in more than a decade, and funding for ADRCs has not increased since 2006; and

WHEREAS, it has become evident that ADRC funding needs revision for a number of reasons, including:

- The current inequitable distribution of funding among ADRCs.
- The need to increase funding so that all ADRCs may effectively meet their mission, as outlined in the Scope of Services contract addendum; and

WHEREAS, the Office for Resource Center Development (ORCD) within the Department of Health Services (DHS) established a stakeholder advisory group in 2017 to discuss ADRC funding; and

WHEREAS, the stakeholder advisory group identified a number of issues with the current funding formula, such as:

- Dollars are distributed based on the date of ADRC establishment - older ADRCs (Generation One) receive more funding than ADRCs established at a later date (Generation Two and Three ADRCs);
- The current funding formula does not address or take into account elements associated with health and social inequity that require a greater need for ADRC services – racial and ethnic minority status, income level, number of residents age 75 or older, rate of disability;
- The current formula does not adjust with need – Wisconsin's aging and disability populations continue to grow and are expected to grow significantly over the next 20 years;
- The current formula does not account for needed cost of living adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a significant state GPR investment is needed to implement the recommendations of the stakeholder advisory group; and

WHEREAS, such a significant state investment would provide consistency in ADRC funding statewide, cover the services required and recommended in the Scope of Services contract addendum, and equalize services among ADRCs; and

WHEREAS, the work of the stakeholder advisory group complements the work of the Governor's Task Force on Caregiving.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the following increases in the 2021-23 state biennial budget to ensure access to critical services provided by ADRCs to Wisconsin's aging and disability populations:

- Provide an additional \$27,410,000 GPR in funding to our state's ADRCs. It is important to note that the proposed change in the ADRC allocation methodology cannot occur unless the full \$27.4 million is allocated.
- Provide additional funding to expand/equalize ADRC services across the state:
 - Expand Dementia Care Specialist Funding Statewide: \$3,320,000
 - Fully Fund Elder Benefit Specialists Statewide: \$2,300,000
 - Expand Caregiver Support and Programs: \$3,600,000
 - Expand Health Promotion Services: \$6,000,000
 - Expand Care Transition Services: \$6,000,000
 - Fund Aging and Disability Resources in Tribes: \$1,180,000
 - Fully Fund Aging and Disability Resource Support Systems: \$2,650,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Tony Evers, DOA Secretary Joel Brennan, The DHS Secretary-designee, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all area legislators.

Adopted January 19, 2021

Sue McDonald
County Clerk

REQUESTING THE STATE OF WISCONSIN STRENGTHEN ITS HATE CRIME STATUTE, WIS. STAT. § 939.645, TO PROVIDE ENHANCED SECURITY TO MEMBERS OF WISCONSIN'S MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES-

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Wisconsin are as diverse as anywhere in the United States, be they indigenous, Asian, Pacific Islander, Latin X, Black, LGBTQ, or any combination thereof, or other; and

WHEREAS, on a national, state, and local basis, the number of hate crimes committed against marginalized communities is increasing at exponential rates; and

WHEREAS, people from all walks of life deserve to be treated with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, people from all communities contribute to making Wisconsin a healthy and thriving environment for families and businesses; and

WHEREAS, hate crimes pose an immediate threat to the sanctity and security of every citizen and present a security risk to both the State of Wisconsin and the United States; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's current hate crime statute is by and large used by prosecutors as a bargaining or negotiation tool; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 939.645, the current "hate crimes" statute, needs an update to strengthen it and provide enhanced security to members of Wisconsin's marginalized communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors requests that the legislature and the governor of the state of Wisconsin enact legislation to modify Wis. Stat. § 939.645, as set forth below, by making the following changes:

939.645 (1) If a person does ~~all~~ any of the following, the penalties for the underlying crime are increased as provided in sub. (2):

939.645 (1) (b) Intentionally selects the person against whom the crime under par. (a) is committed or selects the property that is damaged or otherwise affected by the crime under par. (a) in whole or in part because of the actor's belief, values, or perception regarding the race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, or veteran's status of that person or the owner or occupant of that property, whether or not the actor's belief, values, or perception was correct.

939.645 (1) (c) The use of gay/transgender panic defenses is forbidden.

939.645 (4) This section does not apply to any crime if proof of race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, or veteran's status or proof of any person's perception or belief regarding another's race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry, gender,

gender identity, gender expression, age, or veteran's status is required for a conviction for that crime.

939.645 (5) This section mandates that hate crime data be collected, retained, and made publicly available based on demographic statistics by the Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Department of Justice.

939.645 (6) this section requires law enforcement officers and officials to receive specialized hate crime training and continuing education on a biennial basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors directs the county clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the Office of the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Office of the Attorney General for the State of Wisconsin, members of the Wisconsin Assembly and Senate, the county clerk for every county in the state of Wisconsin, as well as to the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Adopted: April 7, 2021

Sue McDonald
County Clerk

TO CREATE CHAPTER 8.35 OF THE CODE: COVID-19 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MASK REQUIREMENT

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 8.35 of the code be created to read:

Chapter 8.35

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MASK REQUIREMENT

Sections:

8.35.010 Purpose.

8.35.020 Definitions.

8.35.030 Jurisdiction.

8.35.040 Requirement to wear a face covering.

8.30.050 Exceptions to the requirement to wear a face covering.

8.35.060 Enforcement.

8.35.070 Effective date and sunset.

8.35.010 Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to promote and protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of Eau Claire County during the 2020-2021 world-wide COVID-19 pandemic and to be prepared in the event that the current order issued by the governor of the State of Wisconsin is vacated or not extended.

8.35.020 Definitions. The following definitions apply throughout this ordinance:

A. "Face Covering" shall mean a piece of cloth or other material that is worn to cover the nose and mouth completely. A "face covering" includes but is not limited to a bandana, a cloth face mask, a disposable paper mask, a neck gaiter, or a religious face covering. A "Face Covering" does not include face shields, mesh masks, masks with holes or openings, or mask with vents.

B. "Local health officer" shall mean the city-county health officer as defined by sec. 252.01(3), Wis Stats.

C. "Physical distancing" shall mean maintaining at least six feet of distance from other persons who are not members of your household or living unit.

8.35.030 Jurisdiction. Pursuant to sec. 251.08, Wis. Stats., jurisdiction of this ordinance by the Eau Claire City County Health Department shall extend to the entire area within Eau Claire County, except that jurisdiction does not extend to cities, villages, and towns that have local health departments.

8.35.040 Requirement to wear a face covering. Every person, age five or older, who is located within the jurisdiction of Eau Claire County shall wear a face covering if the following apply:

A. The person is indoors or in an enclosed space, other than a private residence; and,

B. Another person or persons who are not members of the individual's household or living unit are present in the same room or enclosed space.

C. Face coverings are strongly recommended in all other settings, including outdoors, when it is not possible to maintain physical distancing.

D. Buildings with public access are required to post a notice at their entrance that face coverings are required.

8.30.050 Exceptions to the requirement to wear a face covering.

A. Persons who are otherwise required to wear a face covering may remove the face covering in the following situations:

1. While eating or drinking.
2. When communicating with an individual who is deaf or hard of hearing and communication cannot be achieved through other means.
3. While obtaining a service that requires the temporary removal of the face covering, such as dental services.
4. While sleeping.
5. While swimming or on duty as a lifeguard.
6. While a single individual is giving a religious, political, media, educational, artistic, musical, or theatrical presentation for an audience, the single speaker may remove the face covering when actively speaking if the speaker remains at least 6 feet away from all other individuals at all times, when his or her face covering is removed.
7. When engaging in work where wearing a face covering would create a risk to the individual as determined by government safety guidelines.
8. When a federal or state law or regulation prohibits the wearing of a face covering.

B. According to Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines, the following are exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering:

1. Children between the age of 2 and 5 are encouraged to wear a face covering when physical distancing is not possible. The CDC does not recommend face coverings for children under the age of 2.
2. Persons who have trouble breathing.
3. Persons who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the face covering without assistance.
4. Persons with medical conditions, intellectual or developmental disabilities, mental health conditions, or other sensory sensitivities that prevent the person from wearing a face covering.
5. Incarcerated individuals. The Eau Claire County Jail will continue to comply with COVID-19 protocols to ensure the health and safety of staff and people who are incarcerated.

8.35.060 Enforcement. Failure of an individual to comply with this ordinance may result in the issuance of a citation by the local health officer, or his or her designee, or any law enforcement officer, resulting in a forfeiture of \$200.00 per incident, with each incident constituting a new and separate violation.

8.35.070 Effective date and sunset. This ordinance will go into effect only if the Emergency Order dated November 20, 2020 issued by the governor of the State of Wisconsin requiring the use of face coverings, or any successor face covering order of the governor is vacated by a decision of the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin, the legislature, or if the

governor does not extend the order. This ordinance will be published as a class 1 notice and will become effective the day after publication. This ordinance will sunset on June 30, 2021 and will be automatically repealed on that date unless otherwise repealed earlier by action of the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors.

Enacted February 2, 2021

Sue McDonald
County Clerk