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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Janesville, Wisconsin
May 24, 2012

The Rock County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment on May 24, 2012, at 6:00 P.M. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin.

Chair Podzilni called the meeting to order. Supervisor Kraft gave the invocation.

3. Roll Call. At roll call, Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Mawhinney, Fox, Brown, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Yoss, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Sanders, Nash, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Owens and Podzilni were present. Supervisors Heidenreich, Thomas and Collins were absent. District #20 is currently vacant. Present – 25. Absent – 3. Vacant – 1.

QUORUM PRESENT

4. Adoption of Agenda.

Supervisors Knudson and Yoss moved to the Agenda as presented. ADOPTED as presented. Agenda is as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 10, 2012
6. PUBLIC HEARING
7. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION
 - A. Appointments to Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
9. INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE
10. REPORTS
 - A. Drug Court and Veterans Court Recognition
11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
12. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Supplementary Appropriations and Budget Changes – Roll Call
 - B. Bills Over \$10,000 – No Roll Call
 - C. Encumbrances Over \$10,000 – Roll Call
 - D. Contracts – Roll Call
 1. Authorizing Easement to Charter Communications to Cross Pelishek Tiffany Nature Trail
 - E. Recognizing Ruth Nordeng for Service to Health Care Center/Rock Haven
 - F. Proclaiming May 2012 Drug Court Month
 - G. Upgrade One HSD Account Clerk Position to an Accountant Position
13. ADJOURNMENT

5. Approval of Minutes of May 10, 2012.

Supervisors Bostwick and Jensen moved the approval of the minutes of May 10, 2012 as presented. ADOPTED as presented by acclamation.

7. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements.

Neil Deupree, Janesville, spoke on behalf of the Rock County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council announcing an upcoming event. The council will host a Community Resource Fair on Thursday, June 7th from 1-4pm at the Rock County Job Center, Room K. This supports anyone involved in the Criminal Justice System, their families, friends and supporters. The resource fair hopes to offer services from service providers who can help deliver the stepping stones to a successful transition.

Margaret L. Pulera, Darien, spoke in opposition to the proposed new design on the curve on County M and Rock-Walworth County Line Road Intersections (Connectors) in Johnstown Township. She explained to the Board that this spring/summer, the Rock County Highway Department is redoing County M south of Milton to Highway 14. While she acknowledges the project to be necessary, she also indicates that serious concern should be raised for the flaws in the proposed design. The new design forces a 90-degree turn in the middle of the curve for heavy farm equipment and the public. Semi-trucks loaded with corn cannot make the turn on or off of County M to and from County M. The line of visibility is poor, making safety an issue as well as serious visibility impairments on County M looking west. She also noted a loss of valuable farmland in the proposed design, and she believes that each acre of farmland should be preserved and valued. Ms. Pulera provided maps and data to support her concerns and is looking forward to reexamining the issue at the June 14, 2012 Rock County Highway Committee meeting.

Supervisor Bussie asked to go on record commending Jail Commander Erik Chellevoid and Captain Craig Strouse for the professionalism and hospitality displayed by them at a recent jail renovation tour of the new facility.

Supervisor Mawhinney announced a 'save the date' event. The 2012 Patriotic Concert will be on June 26 & 27.

8.A. Appointments to Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

NEW APPOINTMENTS: Regina Dunkin

Merrill Community Center
1428 Wisconsin Avenue
Beloit, WI 53511

Marvin Wopat
35 W. Maple Lane
Milton, WI 53563

Ed Pearson
Juvenile Detention Center
210 E. Hwy 14
Janesville, WI 53545

ALTERNATE APPOINTMENTS:

6/01/12 – 5/31/15

CJCC Member
Regina Dunkin

Alternate
Robert Fizzell
622 Harrison
Beloit, WI 53511

Ed Pearson

Amanda Galaviz
Juvenile Justice Youth Dev. & Div.
Rock County Human Services Dept.

Marvin Wopat

Tim Dregne
35 W. Maple Lane
Milton, WI 53563

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 24, 2012

Supervisors Kraft and Sanders moved the above appointments. ADOPTED by acclamation.

10.A. Drug Court and Veterans Court Recognition.

Supervisor Kraft introduced Judge Werner and Judge Daley. Judge Werner began by introducing his Drug Court colleagues of the 6th branch - Kelly Mattingly and Shawna Knueppel from the Public Defender's office, Leslie Swanson, case manager at Addict Services for WI, Kate Buker, assistant District Attorney and Sgt. Jason Harding with the Sheriff's Office were all present as Judge Werner expressed the unique services each office provides the program. Judge Werner explained how pleased he is with the success of the Drug Court program. Clients are succeeding in many ways whether it's obtaining GED/HSED, first time employment and recently the 10th drug-free baby was born since the program began. One tangible statistic showing the success of the program is the calculation of 'jail days saved.' To date, there have been 38,000 jail days saved which is the equivalent of \$2,280,000 in savings to taxpayers. Beyond that, it is difficult to calculate tangible savings, but the intangible savings are piling up one client at a time.

Judge Werner introduced "Jim", a resident graduate from Drug Court and thanked him for his courage to attend tonight and share some of his story. Jim explained that he struggled with drugs and alcohol from an early age and associated with friends who made similar poor choices. On February 6, 2010, he was arrested for his 2nd DUI as well as a possession charge; this was his 'wake-up call' necessary to make positive changes in the way he was living his life. Since that date, he has graduated from BTC with a certificate in business management, has realized a need for anger management classes, learned much about the cognitive affects of abuse on the brain, attended counseling and AA meetings, and is beginning an electrical apprenticeship next week. Jim explained that without the services offered him through drug court, he could be sitting in jail serving a felony. He expressed gratitude for the program and said that he isn't taking this program for granted and feels that this is the 2nd chance he has been given in life to become somebody he can be proud of.

Judge Werner invited the Board to attend a Drug Court session and experience the difference any Thursday at 8am in Courtroom 4R.

Judge James Daley, Circuit Court Branch I, presides over the Veterans Court and to date has served 13 participants. About half of the participants are from Rock County, and the remainder are from Green, Dane and La Fayette Counties. Judge Daley explained that many of the vets returning from service suffer from one of two debilitating conditions: PTSD and depression as a result of their experiences. Veterans often find themselves self-medicating with substances that lead to addiction and consequently, conflicts with the law. The current numbers of returning veterans returning from service and in need of Veterans Administration treatment is quite high and triples when you include the 9,000 active men and women serving in the Guards.

Judge Daley explained that Veterans Court is not offered as a get out of jail free card; rather, it is an alternative opportunity to address issues unique to veterans and offers tools and resources necessary for them to get whole again and return to civilian life as a healthy, productive citizen.

12.B. Approval of Bills Over \$10,000.00. Resolution No. 12-5B-027

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on May 24, 2012, approves payment and authorizes and directs the County Clerk and County Treasurer to pay the same.

Board of Regents	UW Extension	Contracted Services	\$85,828.00
CESA 2	Sheriff's Office	Contracted Services	\$15,828.58
Highline Corporation	Information Technology	Contracted Services	\$34,520.00
Midland Health Testing Inc.		Contracted Services	\$50,897.25

Supervisors Peer and Mawhinney moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.C. Approval of Encumbrances and Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments Over \$10,000.00. Resolution No. 12-5B-028

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on May 24, 2012, approves payment and authorizes and directs the County Clerk and County Treasurer to pay the same, upon acceptance by the department head.

Partners in Prevention	Human Services	Contracted Services	\$39,961.86
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Pre-Approved Amendment

City of Janesville	Planning & Development	Contracted Services	\$19,747.00
CG Schmidt	General Services	Contracted Services	\$10,913.09
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Supervisors Mawhinney and Kraft moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote.

12.D.1. Authorizing Easement to Charter Communications to Cross Pelishek Tiffany Nature Trail.
Resolution No. 12-5B-029

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of May, 2012 that the County Board Chair and County Clerk are authorized to sign the Agreement for right-of-way and easement with Charter Communications.

Supervisors moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Mawhinney, Fox, Brown, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Yoss, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Sanders, Nash, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Wopat, Bostwick, Sweeney, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Heidenreich, Thomas and Collins were absent. District #20 is currently vacant. AYES – 25. NOES – 0. ABSENT – 3. VACANT – 1.

12.E. Recognizing Ruth Nordeng for Service to Rock County Health Care Center/Rock Haven.
Resolution No. 12-5B-030

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of May, 2012 does hereby recognize Ruth Nordeng for her 31 years, 5 months of service and extend their best wishes to her in her future endeavors; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of this resolution to Ruth Nordeng.

Supervisors Bussie and Owens moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.F. Proclaiming May 2012 Drug Court Month. Resolution No. 12-5B-031

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of May, 2012 does hereby declare that a "Drug Court Month" be established during the month of May, 2012, recognizing the significant contributions that Drug Courts have made toward reducing substance abuse, crime and recidivism while saving valuable resources.

Supervisors Brill and Knudson moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

12.G. Upgrade One HSD Account Clerk Position to an Accountant Position.
Resolution No. 12-5B-032

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of May, 2012 does hereby upgrade the 1.0 FTE vacant HSD Account Clerk position to an Accountant and authorize the Human Services Department to fill this position.

Supervisors Knudson and Yoss moved the above resolution. ADOPTED by acclamation.

13. Adjournment.

Supervisors Arnold and Peer moved to adjourn at 6:47pm to Thursday, June 14, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. ADOPTED by acclamation.



Prepared by Lorena R. Stottler, County Clerk

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