

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

JEFFREY S. KUGLITSCH
INITIATED BY



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COUNTY BOARD STAFF
SUBMITTED BY

AUGUST 2, 2016
DATE DRAFTED

CREATING 1.0 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL POSITION, DELETING .5 DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL POSITION AND AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET

1 WHEREAS, the amount of Child Protection cases in the Department of Human Services has
2 dramatically increased this year to the point that over 100 children have been taken into protective
3 custody as of June 2016; and

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5 WHEREAS, hearings need to be held before the Court on these matters within 48 hours and
6 ultimately further legal proceedings such as Children in Need of Protection actions and termination of
7 parental rights need to occur; and

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9 WHEREAS, substantiation appeals are now required to have formal hearings before
10 Administrative Law Judges which require legal representation by Rock County; and

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12 WHEREAS, the number of appeals has also dramatically increased putting a strain on legal
13 resources; and

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15 WHEREAS, currently we have one full time Assistant Corporation Counsel assigned to handle
16 these matters for the Human Services Department which is inadequate given the case load; and

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18 WHEREAS, currently there is a vacant .5 Deputy Corporation Counsel position; and

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20 WHEREAS, to handle the Human Services Department caseload, it is proposed that we eliminate
21 the .5 Deputy Corporation Counsel position and create an additional 1.0 Assistant Corporation Counsel
22 position; and

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24 WHEREAS, some funding is available for 2016 in the Corporation Counsel salary account due to
25 the vacant .5 Deputy Corporation Counsel. In addition, partial reimbursement for the new position may
26 be provided by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Children and Families Federal IV-E funding.

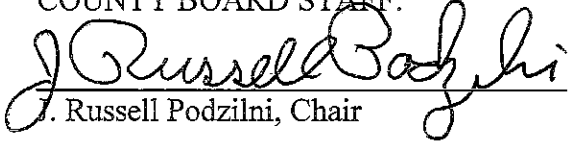
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28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
29 assembled this 11th day of August, 2016 that they move to delete the .5 Deputy Corporation Counsel
30 position and approve the creation of an additional 1.0 Assistant Corporation Counsel.

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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2016 Budget be amended as follows:

33	Budget	Increase	Amended
34	<u>8/01/16</u>	<u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Budget</u>
35 Account/Description			
36 <u>Source of Funds</u>			
37 19-1921-0000-47010			
38 General Fund Application	\$363,803	\$ 21,100	\$384,903
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40 <u>Use of Funds</u>			
41 36-3634-0000-62123	\$155,921	\$ 21,100	\$177,021
42 Corporation Counsel Services			

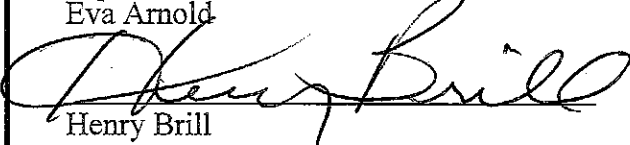
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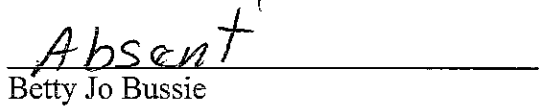
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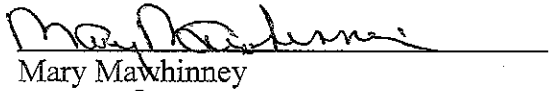

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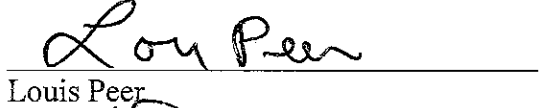

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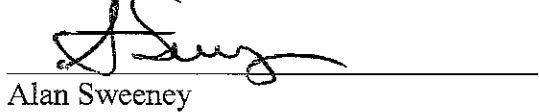

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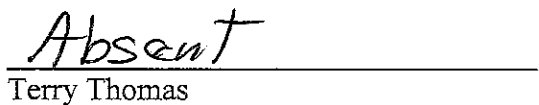

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Betty Jo Bussie


Mary Mawhinney

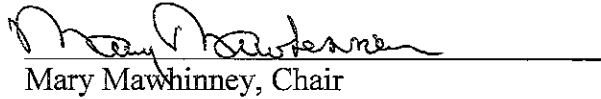

Louis Peer


Alan Sweeney


Terry Thomas

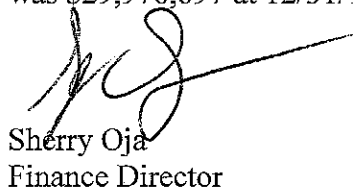
FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Review and approved on a vote of 5-0

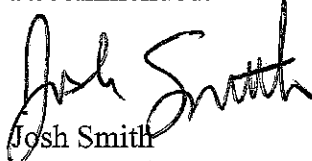

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution authorizes the use of \$21,100 from the General Fund fund balance to help fund the cost of creating an additional 1.0 Assistant Corporation Counsel. The General Fund unassigned fund balance was \$29,978,897 at 12/31/15.

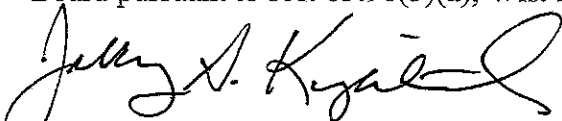

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.22(2), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2015 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.


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