

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Janesville, Wisconsin
October 24, 2013

The Rock County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment on October 24, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin.

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

3. Roll Call. At roll call, Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni were present. Supervisors Fox, Wopat, Yoss were absent. PRESENT – 26. ABSENT – 3.

QUORUM PRESENT

4. Adoption of Agenda.

Supervisors Thomas and Rundle 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 – October 10, 2013
6. PUBLIC HEARING
7. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION
9. INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE
10. REPORTS
 - A. Crisis Intervention Team Training
 - B. 2012 Annual Coroner's Report
11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
12. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Supplementary Appropriations and Budget Changes – Roll Call
 1. Amending the 2013 Council on Aging Budget to Accept Additional NSIP and Title III –D Funds
 - B. Bills Over \$10,000 – No Roll Call
 - C. Encumbrances Over \$10,000 – Roll Call
 - D. Contracts – Roll Call
 1. Awarding Contract for Dietitian Services for Rock County Council on Aging
 2. Authorizing Award of Rock Haven Handicap Door Modifications
 3. Authorizing contract for Janitorial Services for the Rock County Department of Public Works
 4. Authorizing Property Purchase Through Community Development Block Grant-Emergency Assistance Program
 - E. Recognizing Medicolegal Death Investigators Week

13. ADJOURNMENT

5. Approval of Minutes of October 10, 2013.

Supervisors Jensen and Peer moved the approval of the minutes of October 10, 2013, as presented. ADOPTED as presented by acclamation.

7. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements

Ty Bollerud, Janesville, addressed the County Board with a revenue generating idea. He proposed installing additional hydro energy generators along the Rock River like the one nearest the dam downtown.

Representative Andy Jorgensen was in attendance issuing Blue Books to County Board Supervisors in his District. He thanked everyone on the board for the dedication and public service.

Chair Podzilni announced October birthdays: Supervisor Hank Brill.

County Administrator Knutson reminded the Board of the upcoming Budget meetings on November 4 at 9am; November 6 at 6pm; November 12 at 9am; and November 22 at 6pm.

10.A. Crisis Intervention Team Training

Rock County Sheriff's Office, Commander Troy Knudson introduced his guests presenting with him this evening. Sergeant Northrup from Beloit Township Police Department, Officer Valley from the Janesville Police Department, and Captain Molland from the Beloit Police Department. Commander Knudson also recognized Linda Garrett who is currently the president of the local chapter for the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Linda is a great advocate for the mentally ill and is a great resource.

The problems of the mentally ill in Rock County are significant, and the interactions of law enforcement with the mentally ill can be a challenging and life-changing event for many officers. The situations are extreme and identifying the needs are critical to being effective in our field. The Crisis Intervention Training has been a key component to training officers to identify mental illness and offers tools and techniques to interact with individuals with mental illness, and helps get these people the appropriate treatments, thus, keeping them from future crisis and repeated encounters with the criminal justice system. Trained techniques for diffusing situations have already been used by officers who have completed the training.

This training is largely due to grant funds that became available to the County after Elizabeth Pohlman-McQuillan successfully applied and the County was awarded \$50,000 in one grant and a more recent one has allowed us to move forward with this CIT program.

One of the benefits to holding the training in Rock County is that we are able to put together teams of 30 officers at a time to go through training together and then they become a peer support group. They can share the techniques and successful outcomes. Local mental health experts assist in delivery of this training and by taking advantage of local resources; we are identifying new resources that we previously didn't know existed. This in turn, helps us place individuals into the right care facilities, away from the criminal justice system and into treatment where their needs can be addressed. To date, 61 officers have gone through the training.

Sergeant Northrup explained that he has been in law enforcement for over 29 years, retired from the City of Beloit Police Department and the Chief of Police at the Town of Beloit has since asked him to come on board. In these years of service, he's had numerous calls interacting with the mentally ill. The training has allowed him to understand the stigma that surrounds mental illness. He explained that Mental Illness is a sickness. It's really no different than being a Diabetic. They both need to be monitored and regulated, often with medications. When not regulated, one can have terrible results. Even a diabetic who displays signs of poor regulation or episodes of sickness can display symptoms that appear erratic or even display behavior similar to mental illness. Being able to "view" mental illness from this standpoint helped him to realize that people with regulated and treated mental illness can function well in society and that there are tools and resources for them to be successful citizens. Law enforcement officers don't always want to take the time necessary to identify and recognize what they are dealing with. We are trained to respond to calls for assistance and move on. This training helped Sgt. Northrup recognize that if

he took the time to identify, recognize and steer the individual to mental health resources, future contact may not be necessary, and if properly treated, may be a positive experience. Learning to ask the right questions allows law enforcement to de-escalate situations by recognizing the individual's illness and needs more directly. This is a building block training that provides practical scenarios with actual individuals and then provides local support and encouragement among officers to help and assist people. He half-joked that this training proved that an old dog can learn new tricks, but reiterated the positive impact it has already had on how he interacts with individuals in the field.

Officer Valley of the Janesville Police Department attended the second session of CIT as a first shift officer of 15 years. She shared an experience where her training changed how she responded to an individual during a call. In late September, she was dispatched on a call where people were calling in an individual who appeared to be looking in cars in a church parking lot. When officer Valley responded, she encountered a 12-year old hiding in the bushes. Upon initial contact, his behavior seemed "off and edgy". Her interaction with the youth initiated trying to get him in the car and when she went to touch his arm, he pulled away. She then utilized training tools to make him become cooperative. Upon returning the youth to his home, she learned that he had ODD, ADHD and was Bipolar. This was not a delinquent; it was a teen with a mental illness in crisis issue. Prior to training she may have wrestled him to the ground and made an arrest, but with training she found no reason to escalate the situation. Training gave her new tools and resources to help make her a better officer.

Captain Molland explained that the training offered him three valuable resources: training, partnership and commitment. He said that he is pleased to have such a strong partnership with community groups. Mental Illness is not going away and the better we train and equip our officers with tools to assist citizens and handle the different scenarios we encounter, the better officers we become. Training of officers in this area is critical and 100% of the police departments are committed to providing that training.

10.B. 2012 Annual Coroner's Report

Jenifer Keach, Rock County Coroner and Chief Deputy Louis C. Smit, presented her annual report to the Board of Supervisors. The Annual Report is designed to inform the citizens and leaders of Rock County of the mission and responsibilities undertaken by the Rock County Coroner's Office. The Coroner's Office endeavors to serve the citizens and visitors of Rock County with integrity and professionalism. It is our wish to provide the public with the most up-to-date and complete information in a format that is accurate and easy to read and understand.

The mission of the Coroner's Office is "To represent those who can no longer represent themselves. To perform independent investigations in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes to determine the cause and manner of death and ensure that the circumstances surrounding the death are explained. To ensure that investigations are carried out in a professional manner with compassion for the surviving loved ones during their time of grief. To provide quality services as required by law or mandated by the public in order to enhance the health, safety, and general well being of the citizens and guests of Rock County. To work in partnership with other organizations toward the reduction of preventable deaths. To provide educational presentations and serve as a resource to the public regarding the field of medicolegal death investigation."

Coroner Keach shared information with the Board about the staff members, the history of the office, the duties of the office, and possible manners of death that she would record on death certificates. In 2012, there were 1379 deaths of which, 43% were investigated. 56 of those death required autopsies and 668 were cremated. While suicides and homicides have declined in 2012 or prior years, a startling statistic remains that 53% of deaths involving vehicles involved drinking.

The Rock County Coroner's Office has only one unidentified person file. This is our only unidentified body. This decedent was located on November 26, 1995, near Clinton, WI. Our office checks this body through the federal NamUS Data System (FBI-System that our personnel are approved to access) approximately monthly for possible matches with reported missing persons in order to identify a link to identify our John "Clinton" Doe.

In 2010, Coroner Keach added Chief Deputy Louis C. Smit to the team of deputy coroners. The decision to add Chief Deputy Smit followed consideration of the obvious benefit of Chief Deputy Smit's extensive 40 years law enforcement and disaster management experience to

complement Coroner Keach's medical background. With a shared vision and renewed purpose, the Coroner and Chief Deputy went to work to further improve the abilities of both the Coroner's Office and the deputies within the Coroner's Office. Multiple plans were set in motion, such as achieving deputy certifications from the National Association of Medical Examiners (N.A.M.E.) & International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners (IAC&ME) and securing additional forensic resources. We pursued both federal and state grant opportunities and explored options for enhanced equipment for the team to use in the field.

In 2011, the Coroner's Office achieved accreditation through the IAC&ME. This process involved refining a few of our existing policies and creating some new policies in order to meet the very stringent standards of the IAC&ME. The peer review process evaluated our policies and procedures, our site of operations and physical resources, the type and quality of our forensic resources, as well as our personnel and their qualifications. The process took a full year to complete. The Coroner's Office became the first office within the State of Wisconsin to be accredited by the IAC&ME. The accreditation standards by the IAC&ME are much like the accreditation the Sheriff's Department and/or Police/Fire Departments obtain when they meet specific national professional standards.

The number of annual deaths continues to grow with the population. Accordingly, it is time the Coroner's Office grows again, too. The Coroner's Office has already submitted a proposal to repurpose currently vacant County facilities to create a morgue/holding facility. The proposal is under consideration at the time of this Annual Report. There is a larger proposal that has been prepared that is being held in abeyance, that outlines a long-term growth program of a morgue into a revenue producing stream of funds from multiple sources, that can be enacted in future timeframes upon approval of the County Board. Much of the proposal as discussed above is designed for the future of the office in 2015 and beyond.

Our team of Deputy Coroners meets people on the worst day of their lives and has to deal with some of the most tragic circumstances one can imagine. Regardless, our deputies respond to their calls, motivated to do their duties to the very best of their abilities. In addition, our deputies go out of their way to educate the public via our "Coroner Safety Series" and "Community Outreach Programs" to promote the mission of the Coroner's Office and the health and safety of our citizens.

12.A.1. Amending the 2013 Council on Aging Budget to Accept Additional NSIP and

Title III-D Funds Resolution No. 13-10B-431

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24 day of October, 2013 does hereby accept the additional NSIP and Title III-D funds and amends the Adopted 2013 Rock County Council on Aging budget as follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget at 10/01/2013</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Title III-C-1 Nutrition Program</u>			
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
30-3903-0000-42102 Federal Aid – NSIP	41,796	1,545	43,341
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
30-3903-0000-63408 Program Supplies	5,146	1,545	6,691
<u>Title III-D (Health Promotion)</u>			
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
30-3908-0000-42100 Federal Aid	11,262	8,000	19,262
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
30-3908-0000-64604 Program Expense	0	8,000	8,000

Supervisors Thomas and Arnold moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash,

Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat, Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.B. Approval of Bills Over \$10,000.00 Resolution No. 13-10B-432

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on October 24, 2013, approves payment and authorizes and directs the County Clerk and County Treasurer to pay the same.

Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Sheriff	Contracted Services	\$12,303.15
Patterson Kelley Company	General Services	Contracted Services	\$21,484.00

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

12.C. Approval of Encumbrances Over \$10,000.00 Resolution No. 13-10B-433

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on October 24, 2013, approves payment and authorizes and directs the County Clerk and County Treasurer to pay the same, upon acceptance by the department head.

Pierce, David W.	Human Services	Contracted Services	\$40,000.00
Wisconsin Automatic Door, Inc.	General Services	Contracted Services	\$13,341.00

Supervisors Mawhinney and Kraft moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat and Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.D.1. Awarding Contract for Dietitian Services for Rock County Council on Aging

Resolution No. 13-10B-434

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of October, 2013, that a contract be awarded to Nutrition and Health Associates Inc., of Janesville, Wisconsin not to exceed \$14,691 for dietitian services in 2014. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council on Aging Director be authorized to enter into a contract for 2015 not to exceed \$15,120 and for 2016 not to exceed \$15,570, as proposed.

Supervisors Thomas and Gustina moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat and Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.D.2. Authorizing Award of Rock Haven Handicap Door Modifications

Resolution No. 13-10B-435

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of October, 2013 that the County authorize the award of the Rock Haven Handicap Door Modifications to Wisconsin Automatic Door of New Berlin, WI in the amount of \$13,341.00.

Supervisors Owens and Collins moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat and Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.D.3. Authorizing Contract for Janitorial Services for the Rock County Department of Public Works Resolution No. 13-10B-436

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of October, 2013, that a contract for office building cleaning services be awarded to Diversified Building Maintenance, Janesville WI, based on the terms and conditions set forth in the contract; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that periodic payments be made to the vendor upon approval of the Public Works Committee.

Supervisors Yankee and Bussie moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold Grahn Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat and Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.D.4. Authorizing Property Purchase through Community Development Block Grant-Emergency Assistance Program Resolution No. 13-10B-437

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of October, 2013, hereby approves and authorizes the purchase by the County of Rock of the two (2) subject properties using Community Development Block Grant-Emergency Assistance Program funds from the State of Wisconsin; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Board Chair and County Clerk to sign the respective documents on behalf of the County of Rock; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the Rock County Planning & Development Committee and Rock County board Staff Committee to take the necessary steps to develop proposals and enter into agreements needed to purchase and dispose of the structures on the site and to determine the final disposition of the property.

Supervisors Sweeney and Mawhinney moved the above resolution. ADOPTED on the following roll call vote. Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Grahn, Beaver, Heidenreich, Mawhinney, Richard, Yankee, Gustina, Bussie, Rundle, Thomas, Knudson, Kraft, Fell, Howland, Nash, Pleasant, Brill, Wiedenfeld, Jensen, Bostwick, Sweeney, Collins, Owens and Podzilni voted in favor. Supervisors Fox, Wopat and Yoss were absent. AYES-26. NOES-0. ABSENT-3

12.E. Recognizing Medicolegal Death Investigators Week Resolution No. 13-10B-438

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 24th day of October, 2013, that the fourth week of October will be recognized as Medicolegal Death Investigators' Week, with the gratitude of the people of the county of Rock, for the services that they provide.

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

13. Adjournment.

Supervisors Arnold and Peer moved to adjourn at 7:18pm to Monday, November 4, 2013 at 9:00 A.M. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Prepared by Lorena R. Stottler, County Clerk

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