



**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
MONDAY – MAY 1, 2017 - 4:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM N-1 - FIFTH FLOOR
ROCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE-EAST**

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information
4. Consent Calendar
 - A. Transfers
 - B. Review of Payments
5. Resolutions
 - A. Proclaiming Emergency Medical Services Week
 - B. Proclaiming Police Officer Week
 - C. Proclaiming May 2017 Treatment Court Month
 - D. Authorizing Acceptance of 2017 Highway Safety Project Grants
 - E. Creating Two Medicolegal Investigator Positions in the Medical Examiner's Department
6. Committee Requests and Motions
7. Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Supervisor Mary Beaver
INITIATED BY



Randy Terronez
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY

April 25, 2017
DATE DRAFTED

PROCLAIMING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

- 1 **WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and,
- 2
- 3 **WHEREAS**, EMS teams are available to provide lifesaving care 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and,
- 4
- 5 **WHEREAS**, the EMS system includes emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters,
- 6 physicians, nurses, educators, administrators, and others; and,
- 7
- 8 **WHEREAS**, career and volunteer EMS team members are dedicated and selfless professionals who
- 9 engage in thousands of hours of training to enhance their skills; and,
- 10
- 11 **WHEREAS**, the citizens of Rock County benefit from the knowledge, skills, and dedication of these
- 12 EMS specialists as they work together to ensure prompt and appropriate treatment at the scene, on the
- 13 way to the hospital, and in the emergency room; and,
- 14
- 15 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor the dedication of those who
- 16 provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line."
- 17
- 18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 19 this _____ day of _____, 2017 does hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2017 as Emergency Medical
- 20 Services Week and expresses its appreciation for the life-saving work of these professionals in our
- 21 community.
- 22
- 23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to
- 24 each EMS agency within Rock County.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Terry Fell

Brian Knudson

Phillip Owens

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RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SHERIFF ROBERT SPODEN
INITIATED BY



COMMANDER TROY KNUDSON
DRAFTED BY

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE
SUBMITTED BY

MARCH 27, 2017
DATE DRAFTED

PROCLAIMING POLICE OFFICER WEEK

1 **WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin has proclaimed May 14-20, 2017, as Police Officer Week, to
2 recognize the significant work and unique contributions of Law Enforcement Officers; and,
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4 **WHEREAS**, Rock County Law Enforcement Officers demonstrate a selfless commitment to
5 safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Rock County; and,
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7 **WHEREAS**, the quality of life in Rock County is enhanced by the commitment of Law Enforcement
8 Officers to ensure the safety of the County's citizenry by safeguarding life and property, by protecting
9 them against violence, and disorder, by protecting the innocent against deception, and the weak against
10 oppression; and,
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12 **WHEREAS**, as public servants, Rock County Law Enforcement Officers dutifully perform their work
13 with courage, pride and true professionalism;
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15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors assembled
16 this ____ day of May 2017, proclaim May 14-20, 2017, to be Rock County Law Enforcement Officers
17 Week and call upon all our citizens to especially honor and show our appreciation for Law Enforcement
18 Officers serving Rock County.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Terry Fell

Brian Knudson

Phillip Owens

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RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen/National Association
of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP)
DRAFTED BY

April 20, 2017
DATE DRAFTED

PROCLAIMING MAY 2017 TREATMENT COURT MONTH

- 1 WHEREAS, drug courts and other treatment courts have served over 1.5 million individuals; and,
- 2
- 3 WHEREAS, they are now recognized as the most successful criminal justice intervention in our nation's
- 4 history; and,
- 5
- 6 WHEREAS, they save up to \$27 for every \$1 invested and up to \$13,000 for every individual they serve;
- 7 and,
- 8
- 9 WHEREAS, 75% of treatment court graduates are not rearrested; and,
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- 11 WHEREAS, treatment courts reduce crime and significantly improve substance-abuse treatment
- 12 outcomes at less expense than any other justice strategy; and,
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- 14 WHEREAS, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety
- 15 and public health professionals in the fight against addiction and crime; and,
- 16
- 17 WHEREAS, there are now 3,142 drug courts and other treatment courts nationwide; and,
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- 19 WHEREAS, treatment courts are the cornerstone of criminal justice reform sweeping the nation; and,
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- 21 WHEREAS, treatment courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of substance use and crime, we
- 22 all rise; and,
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- 24 WHEREAS, the time has come to put a treatment court within reach of every eligible person in need;
- 25 and,
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- 27 WHEREAS, Rock County started its Drug Court in April 2007, and has had 569 total participants and
- 28 263 successful graduates as of April 15, 2017; and,
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- 30 WHEREAS, Rock County started its Veterans Court in September 2009, and has had 76 total
- 31 participants and 44 successful graduates as of April 15, 2017; and,
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- 33 WHEREAS, Rock County started its OWI Court in October 2012, and has had 69 total participants and
- 34 35 successful graduates as of April 15, 2017.
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- 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 37 this _____ day of _____, 2017, does hereby declare that a "Treatment Court Month" be
- 38 established during the month of May 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Mary Beaver, Chair

Brian Knudson

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Terry Fell

Phillip Owens

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AGENDA NO. _____

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Sheriff Robert D. Spoden
INITIATED BY



Captain Gary L. Groelle
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety and Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY

April 13, 2017
DATE DRAFTED

**AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF
2017 HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT GRANTS**

1 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety, makes
2 Federal Highway Safety funds available to local law enforcement agencies for various traffic safety
3 programs; and,
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5 **WHEREAS**, these funds are earmarked to allow law enforcement agencies to provide additional traffic
6 enforcement patrols directed at improving traffic safety by OWI Enforcement, Speed Enforcement and
7 Seatbelt Enforcement, thus reducing hazardous motorist behavior on roadways with a high incidence of
8 injury or fatal accidents; and,
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10 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Sheriff's Office is eligible to receive grant money from three different
11 grants for a total of \$180,000 to participate in these programs; and,
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13 **WHEREAS**, grant funds in the amount of \$180,000 will be used for overtime wages and related
14 benefits; and,
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16 **WHEREAS**, these grants require a local match of 25%; and,
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18 **WHEREAS**, the match may be an in-kind match or a hard match.
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20 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
21 this ____ day of _____ 2017, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under
22 the Highway Safety Project Grants; and,
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24 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2017 budget be amended as follows:
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Account Description	Budget at	Amount	Amended
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>04/01/17</u>	<u>Incr (Decr)</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
Federal Aid			
21-2120-2017-42100	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
Overtime Wages			
21-2120-2017-61210	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000
Aid to Localities			
21-2120-2017-69501	\$0	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF 2017 HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT GRANTS

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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Mary Beaver, Chair

Reviewed and approved on a vote
of _____

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

Terry Fell

Brian Knudson

Phil Owens

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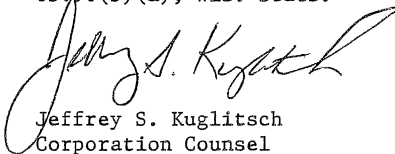
This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of \$180,000 in Federal Aid for the Sheriff's Highway Safety Program. Sufficient funding is included in the Sheriff's 2017 budget for the required 25% match.



Sherry Oja
Finance Director

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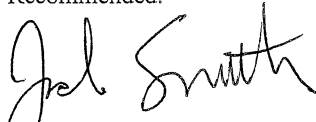
The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2017 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Josh Smith
County Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Authorizing Acceptance of 2017 Highway Safety Project Grants

Alcohol-Impaired Driving: In Wisconsin during 2015, alcohol was listed as a contributing factor in 3.9% of all crashes. Thirty-one percent of all vehicle crash fatalities in 2015 were alcohol-related, resulting in 165 deaths. Alcohol-impaired driving is associated with other high-risk behaviors that increase the likelihood of a crash and of significant injury or death occurring, these include driving while intoxicated; speeding and failure to wear safety belts.

The Wisconsin Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) continues to make motor vehicle crash reduction a priority in Wisconsin, especially where specific events with high participant levels are expected. There is an ongoing need for (HVE) high visibility law enforcement to increase the perception of law enforcement's presence, with everyone's safety being of primary concern. Traffic laws will be enforced in and around the cities, towns and general locations where traffic crashes are high.

The 2017 Highway Safety Grants are all Task Force Grants. All law enforcement agencies within Rock County are open to participate in them. The Rock County Sheriff's Office will administer the Seatbelt Grant. Beloit Police Department will administer the OWI Grant and the Janesville Police Department will administer the Speed Grant. There is no equipment component associated with these grants. .

Together, grant funds in the amount of approximately \$180,000 will be used for wages and related benefits. The local match will be \$45,000.

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RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Randy Terronez
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice
Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Randy Terronez
DRAFTED BY

April 26, 2017
DATE DRAFTED

Creating Two Medicolegal Investigator Positions in the Medical Examiner's Department

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors has increased funding for the Rock County Medical
- 2 Examiner's Department to account for an increased number of autopsies due to caseload increases; and,
- 3
- 4 **WHEREAS**, no adjustments have been made to staffing levels to account for increased and more
- 5 complex responses; and,
- 6
- 7 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Medical Examiner's Department has staffed the operation utilizing a 24
- 8 hour shift and the positions of Medicolegal Investigator and Lead Medicolegal Investigator being exempt
- 9 from the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and,
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- 11 **WHEREAS**, the County has determined that it should make changes to a 12 hour shift schedule and
- 12 place the staff positions as non-exempt from FLSA making them eligible for overtime; and,
- 13
- 14 **WHEREAS**, the impact of these changes results in the need for two additional FTE Medicolegal
- 15 Investigator positions at an annualized cost of \$120,236; and,
- 16
- 17 **WHEREAS**, current staff vacancies and additional revenue will reduce the need for additional funds
- 18 allowing a potential budget adjustment to be made prior to year-end, when more complete information is
- 19 available.
- 20
- 21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 22 this _____ day of _____, 2016 does hereby approve the creation of 2.0 FTE Medicolegal
- 23 Investigator positions and authorize the Medical Examiner's Department to fill those positions.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Terry Fell

Brian Knudson

Phillip Owens

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

J. Russell Podzilni, Chair

Sandra Kraft, Vice Chair

Eva Arnold

Henry Brill

Betty Jo Bussie

Mary Mawhinney

Louis Peer

Alan Sweeney

Terry Thomas

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

I am recommending this resolution at this time to address current staffing needs in the Medical Examiner's Department. We will evaluate staffing levels and operational needs further in preparation for the 2018 Budget.


Josh Smith
County Administrator

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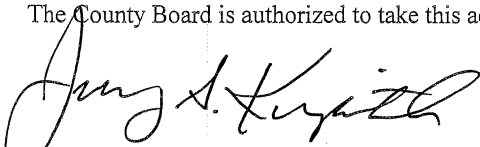
Staff vacancies will partially fund the additional positions. A budget adjustment may be needed later in the year to recognize additional revenue or transfer budget authority from another account to fully fund the additional positions.



Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §59.22(2), Wis. Stats.


Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

Executive Summary

The Rock County Medical Examiner's Department was established in January 2015 and utilized Dane County Medical Examiner's Office to assist in developing the Rock County structure. The County Board has increased funding since that time to account for an increased number of autopsies due to caseload increases but has not addressed staffing levels. Additionally, since the beginning of the department, county medicolegal investigators have operated on a 24 hour shift schedule and the positions were exempt from Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) regulations. Based upon updated information, it has been determined that staff should be converted to non-exempt FLSA status, thereby eligible for overtime and a 12 hour shift schedule.

The staffing change results in a need for two additional full-time medicolegal investigator positions. The full annualized costs of the two additional positions and the FLSA status change is estimated at \$120,236. Current staff vacancies, and other additional revenue can lessen the financial impact and staff propose to return by the end of the year to request a budget adjustment.