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|  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>*Agenda*</b><br/> <b>Executive Committee</b><br/> <b>Tuesday, May 14, 2024 – 5:30 pm</b><br/> <b>Conference Call 1-312-626-6799</b><br/> <b>Zoom Meeting ID: 883 4888 7561</b><br/> <b>Passcode: 454700</b><br/> <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88348887561">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88348887561</a><br/> <b>Health &amp; Human Services Center – Community Room</b><br/> <b>303 W Chapel St</b><br/> <b>Dodgeville, Wisconsin</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Iowa<br/>County<br/>Wisconsin</b></p> |
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| <i>Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.</i>                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                         |
| 1                                                                                 | Call to order.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                         |
| 2                                                                                 | Roll Call.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                         |
| 3                                                                                 | Approve the agenda for this May 14, 2024 meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                         |
| 4                                                                                 | Approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024 meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                         |
| 5                                                                                 | Opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                         |
| 6                                                                                 | Initial Resolution Approving a Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel Expansion.<br>(will be handed out at meeting)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                         |
| 7                                                                                 | Senior United for Nutrition Updates.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                         |
| 8                                                                                 | Discussion of county contributions and in-kind services to the SUN program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                         |
| 9                                                                                 | Consider Resolution Creating Donations Accounts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                         |
| 10                                                                                | 2025 Budget Discussions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                         |
| 11                                                                                | Consider Amendment of Ordinance #800.06A - The Annual County Vehicle Registration Fee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                         |
| 12                                                                                | Bloomfield Prairie.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                         |
| 13                                                                                | Consider Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                         |
| 14                                                                                | Consider Resolution 2023 Transfer of Funds from the General Fund Balance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                         |
| 15                                                                                | Consider Resolution for Carryover of Certain Accounts from 2023 to 2024.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                         |
| 16                                                                                | Motion to convene in closed session pursuant to State Statute 19.85 (1) (g) Wisconsin Statutes, conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. (Receive update and advice regarding BARD litigation and court decision). AND Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Discuss write-off of a Bloomfield Accounts Receivable balance). |                                                                         |
| 17                                                                                | Motion to return to open session.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                         |
| 18                                                                                | Possible action on closed session items.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                         |

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| 19 | County Administrator's Report.                                                                     |
| 20 | Set date and time for next meeting. (May 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.)                                    |
| 21 | Adjournment.                                                                                       |
|    | Posting verified by the County Clerk's Office: Kris Spurley, County Clerk Date: 5-10-24 @ 12:00 pm |



**Draft Minutes  
Executive Committee  
Tuesday April 9, 2024 – 5:30 pm  
Health & Human Services Center – Community Room  
303 W Chapel St  
Dodgeville, Wisconsin**

**Iowa  
County  
Wisconsin**

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|   | Call to order.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 1 | The April 4, 2024, Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman John Meyers at 5:32 p.m.                                                                                                              |
|   | Roll Call.<br>Present at roll call: Supervisors: John Meyers, Mel Masters, Curt Peterson, Dan Nankee, Tim Lease, and Joan Davis (seated for Mike Peterson).                                                          |
| 2 | Excused Absence: Supervisors: Mike Peterson<br>Others present: Larry Bierke, Jamie Gould, Dave Morzenti, Tom Slaney, and Andrew Hodgson.<br>Other present via Zoom: Bruce Paull                                      |
| 3 | Approve the agenda for this April 9, 2024 meeting.<br>Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Nankee to approve the agenda for the April 4, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.                                             |
| 4 | Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 meeting.<br>Motion by Sup. C. Peterson seconded by Sup. Masters to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.                                |
| 5 | Opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee.                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6 | Senior United for Nutrition Updates.<br>Sup. Nankee, SUN Executive Director Andrew Hodgeson, and Social Services Director Tom Slaney provided the committee with an update.                                          |
| 7 | Follow up report on the Iowa County Board of Strategic Planning.<br>The committee discussed their ideas. No action was taken.                                                                                        |
| 8 | Dodgeville Child Care Workgroup Report.<br>County Administrator Larry Bierke provided the committee with information regarding the Dodgeville Childcare Workgroup.                                                   |
| 9 | County Highway Debt Issue – County T and Hollandale Shop.<br>Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Davis to approve a budget amendment for County Highway T construction and a new Hollandale shop. Motion carried. |

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| 14 | County Administrator's Report.<br>County Administrator Bierke provided the committee with a report.                   |
| 15 | Set date and time for next meeting.<br>The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on May 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. |
| 11 | Adjournment.<br>Motion by Sup. Masters seconded by Sup. Lease to adjourn at 6:44 p.m.                                 |
|    | Prepared by Jamie Gould                                                                                               |



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May 20, 2024

Seniors United for Nutrition  
303 W. Chappel Street  
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Re: 2025 Rental Increase

Dear Seniors United for Nutrition Board,

Iowa County, in preparation for the 2025 fiscal year, has discussed, considered, and voted to pursue an increase in the rental rates SUN pays to Iowa County for leasing an office suite and storage space in the Health and Human Services Center.

Iowa County currently charges other tenants on the property a rate of \$3.25 per square foot per month. (\$39 per square foot per year). The rent for SUN has been significantly below that for many years. In 2025, Iowa County will be increasing the rent for SUN to the same rent we charge other tenants.

This rental rate includes internet access, electrical costs, and heating and cooling costs.

Knowing that all governmental entities are faced with an annual budget process and financial challenges, we felt it appropriate to alert you to this increase as soon as possible to ensure your members are able to adjust to the new rental terms.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.  
Thank you,

Larry Bierke  
Iowa County Administrator  
608.935.0318

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Title:** Donations - Project Account Resolutions

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

As per adopted policy 325 (attached), Iowa County is transitioning donations to specific project accounts in the new Munis Software. Today you are being asked to consider the passage of three resolutions creating special project accounts where future donations will be deposited. The balance of all special donations accounts will be reported out annually in the annual budget document starting in January 2025. It is expected that this will be a new, more transparent way of collecting, using, and reporting what donations are received and how they are used.

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Please consider the attached 3 resolutions and recommend them to the Iowa County Board.

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Attached is a copy of policy 325. Also attached are the first three resolutions creating special accounts for donations.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Transparency and Reporting. There should be no actual fiscal impact.

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed?

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**COMPLETED BY:** Larry Bierke

**DEPT:** County Administrator

### **2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:**

☐ Yes

☐ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

**MEETING DATE:**

**AGENDA ITEM #**

COMMITTEE ACTION:



## DONATIONS TO IOWA COUNTY

Date Originated: 05.16.23

Date of Modifications: 03.19.24

Policy Number: 325

1. **PURPOSE:** Iowa County occasionally receives donations from the public that are both designated for specific purposes and undesignated. The purpose of this policy is to set how the County Board wants those donations handled, collected, recorded, tracked, and spent.
2. **ORGANIZATIONS AFFECTED:** This policy impacts all of Iowa County departments.
3. **POLICY:** It is the policy of Iowa County to accept donations from the public, businesses, non-profit entities, or any other donor so long as the purpose of the donated funds and the donor of said funds meet the terms of this policy and ethical guidelines.
4. **REFERENCES:** Iowa County Ordinance No. 701 (Ethics Code) and the Wisconsin Statutes cited therein; Iowa County Policy 406; Policy 209; Policy 704.
5. **PROCEDURES:** The following steps and restrictions hereby exist on funds proposed for and accepted as donated funds.
  - A. Iowa County will not accept donations, either cash or in-kind contributions, that were generated or are perceived by the Finance Director to have been generated by any illegal means.
  - B. Iowa County will not accept donations, either cash or in-kind contributions, that would violate any law, statute, regulation, ordinance, resolution, or policy. Iowa County will not accept donations, either cash or in-kind contributions, that violate any individual rights, that advance or inhibit religion, to advance political views or messages.
  - C. Any in-kind donations received will be recorded and tracked by the responsible party accepting the said donation. Record of each in-kind donation must be sent to the County Administrator via email message with the subject "Donation Report 99".
    - i. The County Administrator may accept personal property donations in value of \$1,000 or less.
    - ii. The Executive Committee may accept personal property donations in value of \$1,001 or more.
    - iii. Any full or partial donation of land or building must have a resolution from the Exec Committee and County Board to accept it.
  - D. Iowa County will not accept donations, either cash or in-kind contributions, from businesses, organizations, or individuals on a national watch list.
  - E. Iowa County will not accept donations, either cash or in-kind contributions, and no county official or employee may solicit or accept donations, if it could reasonably be expected to influence official actions or judgment; or could reasonably be considered as a reward for any official action or inaction on the part of the county official or employee.

- F. Cash funds may only be accepted by an Iowa County Department Head, or their designee, and must be receipted and submitted to the Iowa County Treasurer to be recorded and deposited into the proper account. When accepting a donation, employees must consider public perception of the donation and take proper steps to protect themselves from the appearance of any wrongdoing.
- G. Should a donation be restricted for any reason, the donor must provide a letter expressing the purposes allowed. Restricted donations will be deposited into general revenue of Donations Fund each day and the department head accepting the donation must contact the Finance Director to designate it to a specific project account within 60 days after deposit. The letter expressing purposes allowed and a county board resolution will be recorded in the financial software under each specific project account.
  - i. The Iowa County Executive Committee and Iowa County Board must approve a resolution establishing each project account. These accounts will all be located under the Donations Fund. (Sample Resolution attached)
  - ii. The County Administrator shall report the balances of each project account in the Donations Fund annually during the Iowa County budget process.
  - iii. Should funds of over \$1,000 be donated and deposited into a specific project account and those funds are not utilized after greater than five years, the County Board may consider refunding said donation or reappropriating funding to a different project account.
- H. An unrestricted donation will be deposited into the Donations Fund. Those funds unspent and undesignated after 60 days will be used under the direction of the County Administrator and other county policies. Any unrestricted donations remaining after 60 days may be assigned to a project account by the County Administrator.
  - i. If an employee of the department receives a benefit from said donations account, all department employees must have the opportunity to receive the same benefit. No singular employee shall get benefits not afforded to others.
- I. Should anyone desire a report on the balances of the Donations Fund or any of the subordinate project accounts, an open records request shall be submitted to the Iowa County Finance Director.
- J. If there are any questions about the legality or propriety of accepting a donation, the Corporation Counsel and/or Ethics Board will be consulted.
- K. Upon receiving a donation from an individual, business, or organization, for an amount exceeding \$100, the Department Head overseeing the cause for which the donation was received shall send a letter to said donor thanking them, provide donor with the Iowa County Federal Employee Identification Number (FEIN), and provide them with a copy of the resolution establishing the fundraising account (if applicable). Any donation given without an identified department, purpose, or program shall be processed and handled by the Finance Department.

At the time of policy adoption, all existing donations shall remain in existing accounts. This policy applied to all donations from policy adoption going forward.

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PROJECT ACCOUNT CALLED:**

**K9 SUPPORT**

**WHEREAS**, Iowa County has adopted policy 325 on March 19, 2024 to facilitate an orderly and responsible methodology of managing fundraised and donated funds and their intended uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby opens a new project account within the Donations Fund in order to track qualifying donations and expenses for this specific project; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting this resolution helps to provide the donor and county staff with guidance and permissions on what funds donated to this account can and should be used for, thereby providing confidence in Iowa County's fiscal management; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors would like to establish this project account in order to support the Iowa County Sheriff's Department purchase, use, care, and fundraising efforts for the K9 program.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. As of January 1, 2025, a new project account in the Donations Fund shall be created in support of the Iowa County K9 program; including the purchase of K9 Officers, food, medical care, support equipment, training, and handler training.
2. The K9 Project Account may also provide funding to purchase items to facilitate fundraisers that support the K9 project account. All funds raised and expenses for said fundraiser shall be credited or debited to this account.
3. The County Administrator, the Iowa County Sheriff, or the Iowa County Chief Deputy have authority to spend funds from this project account.
4. The K9 project account balance shall be included in the Donations Fund balance reported annually by the County Administrator to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as part of the annual budget process.
5. Pursuant to paragraph 5(G)(3) of policy 325, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors shall have the right to reappropriate funds remaining in this project account five years after the account was created, or as of January 1, 2031.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

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John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kristy, Spurley, County Clerk

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PROJECT ACCOUNT CALLED:  
  
COURTHOUSE GROUNDS & MEMORIAL IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Iowa County has adopted policy 325 on March 19, 2024 to facilitate an orderly and responsible methodology of managing fundraised and donated funds and their intended uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby opens a new project account within the Donations Fund in order to track qualifying donations and expenses for this specific project; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting this resolution helps to provide the donor and county staff with guidance and permissions on what funds donated to this account can and should be used for, thereby providing confidence in Iowa County's fiscal management; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors would like to establish this project account in order to refresh the building grounds, memorial, and landscaping around the Iowa County Courthouse prior to Iowa County's 200 birthday, celebrated in the year 2029.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. As of January 1, 2025, a new project account in the Donations Fund shall be created in support of Courthouse landscaping and grounds improvements. This account will be used to purchase statues or memorials, trees, shrubs, flowers and other landscaping, help with exterior building improvements, may be used for blacktop or concrete walkways, or other decorative exterior features located on the Courthouse property.
2. The County Administrator or the Facility and Grounds Director shall have authority to spend funds from this project account.
3. The Courthouse Grounds and Memorial Improvements project account balance shall be included in the Donations Fund balance reported annually by the County Administrator to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as part of the annual budget process.
4. Pursuant to paragraph 5(G)(3) of policy 325, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors shall have the right to reappropriate funds remaining in this project account five years after the account was created, or as of January 1, 2031.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

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John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Kristy, Spurley, County Clerk

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PROJECT ACCOUNT CALLED:  
HEALTH CARE EQUIPMENT LOAN (HELP) ACCOUNT**

**WHEREAS**, Iowa County has adopted policy 325 on March 19, 2024 to facilitate an orderly and responsible methodology of managing fundraised and donated funds and their intended uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby opens a new project account within the Donations Fund in order to track qualifying donations and expenses for this specific project; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting this resolution helps to provide the donor and county staff with guidance and permissions on what funds donated to this account can and should be used for, thereby providing confidence in Iowa County's fiscal management; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors would like to establish this project account in order to ensure funding is available to assist with the Healthcare Equipment Loan Program (H.E.L.P.), as denoted in policy 504.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. This project account in the Donations Fund shall be created in support of the Healthcare Equipment Loan Program. This account will be used from time to time to purchase new equipment in support of the program including wheelchairs, walking canes, medical beds, easy lift recliners, or other medical equipment needed by residents of Iowa County.
2. The County Administrator, Veterans Service Officer or the Facility and Grounds Director shall have authority to spend funds from this project account.
3. The HELP project account balance shall be included in the Donations Fund balance reported annually by the County Administrator to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors as part of the annual budget process.
4. Pursuant to paragraph 5(G)(3) of policy 325, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors shall have the right to reappropriate funds remaining in this project account five years after the account was created, or as of January 1, 2030.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

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John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Kristy, Spurley, County Clerk

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: 2025 Budget Discussion

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

At the Executive Committee meeting on April 9th, the Committee asked to review the memo of budget cut ideas that was discussed at the March 9th Special Meeting of the County Board. Enclosed is a copy of that memo.

I also attached page 10 of the 2024 budget document depicting where our operating tax levy is being appropriated. I thought it might help put things in perspective as to where the operating tax levy is going. I further highlighted the lines that make revenue, have no impact, or cost less than \$5,000 of tax levy. As a committee, we may want to focus on the lines not highlighted, as that is where our discussion would have the biggest impact.

Thank you for having this important planning discussion.

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

It is time to have a good conversation about County Finances and begin planning for how we will address future budget shortfalls. Together, I would like to develop a prioritized list of ideas of budget modifications that can be made

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

2 attachments: Memo on financial cuts and Tax Levy page from 2024 adopted budget.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLETED BY: Larry Bierke

DEPT: County Administrator

### 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

### COMMITTEE ACTION:



TO: Iowa County Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Larry Bierke, County Administrator  
CC: Finance Director, Jamie Gould  
DATE: March 9, 2024  
RE: 2025-2027 Budgets

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As a result of the constraints imposed by the Wisconsin Levy Limit Law, Iowa County is beginning to face greater and greater budget challenges. As we look to the 2025, 2026, and 2027 operating budget, certain facts are known:

- A. Iowa County has historically needed between \$400,000 and \$500,000 to cover wage and health insurance increases during recent years.
- B. Iowa County used "one time" budget gimmicks to help maneuver our way through fiscal years 2023 and 2024.
- C. The County's Net New Construction is likely to produce between \$90,000 and \$130,000 of new revenue to support Iowa County operations.

Given this information, certain changes will need to be executed in each of the next three calendar years to cover anticipated expenses.

Below is a series of modifications to County spending that department heads were able to come up with. The list is ranked by priority and special attention was given to ensuring that employees of Iowa County were not impacted fiscally until all other options had been exhausted.

1. Drop the County Fair support. Iowa County pays \$21,000 annually in support of the County Fair. The County Fair has other ways to make revenue and shouldn't need County Support.

Iowa County Fair is a growing entertainment and educational opportunity for the youth of Iowa County. Many families look forward to the fair every year. Reducing the county's support would hurt the organization. Finding another donor to take their place will be hard. The Board could create a dissolution agreement over time, allowing the Fair Board to establish a clear budget and plan for fundraising so they can be self sustaining.

2. Eliminate the Economic Development budget. This investment takes too long to pay off and it is costing \$202,000 to support Hidden Valley Magazine, the Economic Development staff, and the Regional Planning Commission.

The Economic Development budget in 2024 was \$225,000. Iowa County is statutorily obligated (§66.0309) to partially fund the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and in 2024 that amount was approximately \$31,000. Funds are also being used to fund Hidden Valley Tourism Promotions at \$1,500 and 1/3 of a position and benefits.

Eliminating the Economic Initiatives of \$110,000 and the \$25,000 of Tourism Promotions and Marketing funds from the budget and the Hidden Valleys funding would save \$135,000.

3. Increase the Wheel Tax and/or apply it toward operating costs of the Highway Department to reduce reliance on operating levy.

The Iowa County Wheel Tax brings in just over \$400,000 of revenue annually. It has historically been used in the Capital Improvement Fund to provide matching funds for bridge replacement grants. Iowa County has started to and includes in their Capital Plan the use of these funds for roadway improvements. It is permissible to adjust past practice and adopt an amendment to Ordinance 800.06 that applies these funds in support of the wages and benefits of the Highway Department staff, thereby helping the Operating Budget.

4. Discontinue printing packets for Committee's and County Board.

Pros: reduces copier, paper, postage and staff time

Cons: Some Board Members may find only using laptops to be unfamiliar or uncomfortable.

Fiscal impact: approximately \$5,000 annually plus staff time, which varies by department (The total 2023 copier/paper cost was \$20,781 which includes all copies/paper cost and not just for board/committee packets.)

Comments: The current practice includes duplicative costs of County Board packets often including same materials provided to the relevant committee that first heard the issue.

5. In 2024, Iowa County appropriated \$50,000 in levy toward the Iowa County Airport. The airport should be able to support itself.

Iowa County has been reducing the airports reliance on the County levy over the past two years. A slow reduction in the levy allows the Airport Commission to adapt and find other replacement revenues. Cutting the remainder will be a hardship on the operations of the airport.

Consider tapering off funds and eventually create a funding phase out agreement. We may be able to do this with other quasi-governmental entities as well.

6. Drop out of the Wisconsin River Rail Transit. This partnership between fifteen counties costs Iowa County \$30,000 per year. If Iowa County dropped out, the maintenance of our portion of the railroad may be picked up by other counties or private businesses.

The \$30,000 per year is used to help keep the rail lines and bridges repaired. The price is very low considering the maintenance needs and costs of improvements. If this were cut, the rail line may also be dropped and services discontinued.

Further exploration is needed to know what impact this would have on economic development in the area, and costs associated with Iowa County removing itself from the agreement.

7. Look at cost of reimbursing mileage vs. purchasing shared County vehicles.

Pros: paying mileage only would reduce levy impact of vehicle gas and maintenance, but unsure if a net benefit.

Cons: logistics of shared vehicles include scheduling, maintenance, type of vehicle(s).

Fiscal impact:

In 2023, \$47,818.73 was spent countywide for mileage reimbursement to employees; this equates to 73,005.7 miles. Land Conservation spent \$0.30/mile for their two trucks in 2023 (includes gas, minor repairs/oil changes, and insurance). So theoretically we could save \$0.37/mile in operating levy using company

vehicles (could be more with fuel-efficient vehicles). Using that number, if we can move half of our mileage to company vehicles we'd save around \$13,500. If we can move 2/3rds, we'd save around \$18,000. I am not counting the cost of the vehicles themselves since that would be a capital expense.

Comments: other options to consider may be

- a) Not reimbursing mileage at maximum rate allowed by IRS (example: going down to \$0.50/mile would save about \$12,400)
- b) Encourage use of county vehicles by reducing eligible mileage reimbursement from between zero to a percentage when an employee chooses their own vehicle over an available county vehicle

8. Consider a Hiring Freeze county-wide and then evaluate each department's staffing levels as vacancies arise.

Pros: As vacancies arise, evaluating the potential to not fill the vacancy allows for no employee to be let go. There is money saved in salary and fringe.

Cons: The activities and functions of the unfilled position would need to be picked up by another position. This would need to be feasible in several ways including statutory language requirements, workload feasibility, and the employee moral angle. Employee dissatisfaction could arise if employees don't feel valued by the sentiment that their position wasn't "needed". Employee dissatisfaction also negatively impacts culture which also contributes to recruitment and retention challenges, also both costly.

9. Make cuts across the board. Each Department reduces their tax levy by 3% or something similar.

Pros: can provide flexibility to DHs in decision-making; easy to calculate

Cons: departments vary on mandated services/expenses; some department expenses are dependent upon forces out of county's control, such as economic conditions, court orders, etc.

Fiscal impact: based on 2024 budget, 3% reduction would be about \$514,331 savings and 4% about \$685,774

Comments: an across the board increase in fees/charges that the county has control over could be considered in conjunction with cuts to meet the stated levy impact; short-term cuts may lead to long-term costs (Ex: cutting rehabilitative program could lead to more incarcerations; cutting farmer training may lead to increased enforcement actions; etc.)

10. Reduce the number of positions in the Social Services Department.

Social Services can reduce one Economic Support position by opting out of the WHEAP program. Notice can be given to the Wisconsin Department of Administration by April 1st that Iowa County will opt out of this program as of October 1st. It will result in savings of around \$47,000 since we get some reimbursement for this position. We were hoping to do this through attrition of staff and not lay someone off. The program runs during a federal fiscal year (Oct. – Sept.). We did reduce a support position in 2022.

## Iowa County 2024 Tax Levy Comparison

| DEPARTMENT                                 | 2023 Tax Levy        | 2024 Tax Levy        | Change            | %           |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| County Board                               | \$ 96,085            | \$ 115,580           | \$ 19,495         | 16.9%       |
| Contingency Wage & Fringe Increases        | \$ 377,320           | \$ -                 | \$ (377,320)      | 0.0%        |
| Contingency Health Insurance Increase      | \$ 69,987            | \$ 98,898            | \$ 28,911         | 29.2%       |
| Fire Suppression                           | \$ 2,000             | \$ 2,000             | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Restorative Justice-TAD                    | \$ 321               | \$ 1,567             | \$ 1,246          | 79.5%       |
| Clerk of Courts                            | \$ 239,424           | \$ 271,531           | \$ 32,107         | 11.8%       |
| Employee Relations                         | \$ 162,389           | \$ 175,873           | \$ 13,484         | 7.7%        |
| OWI Intensive Program                      | \$ 64,000            | \$ 67,418            | \$ 3,418          | 5.1%        |
| Coroner                                    | \$ 43,478            | \$ 46,136            | \$ 2,658          | 5.8%        |
| Finance Department                         | \$ 340,248           | \$ 376,942           | \$ 36,694         | 9.7%        |
| County Administration                      | \$ 177,488           | \$ 146,737           | \$ (30,751)       | -21.0%      |
| Economic Development                       | \$ 56,891            | \$ 202,750           | \$ 145,859        | 71.9%       |
| Information Technology                     | \$ 701,007           | \$ 772,223           | \$ 71,216         | 9.2%        |
| County Treasurer                           | \$ (221,185)         | \$ (199,684)         | \$ 21,501         | -10.8%      |
| State Shared Revenue and Aids              | \$ (405,307)         | \$ (791,585)         | \$ (386,278)      | 48.8%       |
| Personal Property Aid                      | \$ (134,596)         | \$ (134,596)         | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Exempt Computer Aids                       | \$ (141,175)         | \$ (141,175)         | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Transfer from Sales Tax Fund               | \$ (2,500,000)       | \$ (2,880,000)       | \$ (380,000)      | 13.2%       |
| County Clerk                               | \$ 244,712           | \$ 266,090           | \$ 21,378         | 8.0%        |
| District Attorney                          | \$ 252,326           | \$ 272,489           | \$ 20,163         | 7.4%        |
| Corporation Counsel                        | \$ 140,000           | \$ 120,000           | \$ (20,000)       | -16.7%      |
| Register of Deeds                          | \$ (13,677)          | \$ (8,314)           | \$ 5,363          | -64.5%      |
| Facilities and Grounds Dept.               | \$ 625,010           | \$ 685,062           | \$ 60,052         | 8.8%        |
| County Farm                                | \$ (104,094)         | \$ (104,704)         | \$ (610)          | 0.6%        |
| County Insurance - Liab & WC               | \$ 35,000            | \$ 15,934            | \$ (19,066)       | -119.7%     |
| Sheriff Department                         | \$ 4,592,332         | \$ 4,878,352         | \$ 286,020        | 5.9%        |
| Health Department                          | \$ 315,257           | \$ 377,509           | \$ 62,252         | 16.5%       |
| Veterans Service Department                | \$ 99,593            | \$ 108,763           | \$ 9,170          | 8.4%        |
| Iowa County Fair                           | \$ 21,546            | \$ 21,546            | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Historical Society                         | \$ 5,000             | \$ 5,000             | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Snowmobile/ATV                             | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Planning & Development & GIS/LR            | \$ 69,805            | \$ 107,872           | \$ 38,067         | 35.3%       |
| Emergency Management                       | \$ 188,473           | \$ 177,995           | \$ (10,478)       | -5.9%       |
| UW Extension Department                    | \$ 271,235           | \$ 273,942           | \$ 2,707          | 1.0%        |
| Land Conversation Department               | \$ 171,747           | \$ 212,028           | \$ 40,281         | 19.0%       |
| Transfers from General Fund to Other Funds | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Social Services                            | \$ 1,482,485         | \$ 1,536,822         | \$ 54,337         | 3.5%        |
| Child Support                              | \$ 25,502            | \$ 10,210            | \$ (15,292)       | -149.8%     |
| Aging & Disability Resource Center         | \$ 371,610           | \$ 454,630           | \$ 83,020         | 18.3%       |
| Unified Services Fund                      | \$ 267,500           | \$ 304,924           | \$ 37,424         | 12.3%       |
| Sales Tax Fund                             | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Solar Farm Utility Tax Fund                | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Iowa County Airport                        | \$ 60,000            | \$ 50,000            | \$ (10,000)       | -20.0%      |
| Wisconsin River Rail Transit               | \$ 30,000            | \$ 30,000            | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| American Rescue Plan Act                   | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Broadband Fund                             | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Capital Projects Fund                      | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Bloomfield Healthcare and Rehab            | \$ -                 | \$ -                 | \$ -              | 0.0%        |
| Highway Department                         | \$ 2,726,214         | \$ 3,000,586         | \$ 274,372        | 9.1%        |
| Debt Payments                              | \$ 5,634,656         | \$ 6,217,001         | \$ 582,345        | 9.4%        |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                         | <b>\$ 16,440,607</b> | <b>\$ 17,144,352</b> | <b>\$ 703,745</b> | <b>4.1%</b> |

## Ordinance No. 800.06A

### ANNUAL COUNTY VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE IOWA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES

Iowa County, through the duly elected Board of Supervisors, does ordain as follows:

#### I. General Provisions

- A. Title. This Ordinance shall be referred to as the "Annual County Vehicle Registration Fee."
- B. Purpose. To amend Iowa County Ordinance 800.06, of the same title, and republish the ordinance establishing the County's annual vehicle registration fee. This amendment contains substantial revisions of Ordinance 800.06 and should be read in its entirety.
- C. Authority. Wis. Stat. § 341.35, Wis. Admin. Code Ch. Trans. 126.
- D. Effective Date. This Ordinance Amendment shall be effective on the first day of the month, not less than ninety (90) days after adoption by the Iowa County Board, publication, and notification to the Department of Transportation of the ordinance amendment, as provided by law. Iowa County Ordinance 800.06 shall be repealed and replaced on the effective date of Ordinance 800.06A.
- E. Administration. This Ordinance shall be administered by the Iowa County Highway Department and Finance Department.

#### II. Definitions

- A. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:
  - 1. COUNTY: Iowa County, Wisconsin.
  - 2. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: Wisconsin Department of Transportation.
  - 3. IOWA COUNTY BOARD: The Iowa County Board of Supervisors.
  - 4. PERSON: Any individual, corporation, society, partnership, entity, or institution.
  - 5. MOTOR VEHICLE: An automobile or motor truck registered under Wis. Stat. § 341.25(1)(c) at a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds.
  - 6. STATE: The State of Wisconsin.
  - 7. TRANSPORTATION RELATED PURPOSES: Legally incurred expenses and financial obligations of the Iowa County Highway Department limited to include both operating expenses and capital expenses only.
- B. All other words not specifically defined in this Ordinance shall be defined as set forth in any applicable Wisconsin Statutes or regulations and if not defined otherwise, the standard dictionary definition of the word shall apply.

**III. Authority and Administration**

- A. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 341.35, an annual vehicle registration fee of \$25.00 is imposed on all motor vehicles registered in the State which are customarily kept in Iowa County, unless exempted by Wis. Stat. § 341.35(2).
- B. The fees established by this section shall be paid to the Department of Transportation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 341.35(5). Fees collected by the Department of Transportation on behalf of the County shall be remitted to the County in accordance with the statute and administrative code provisions.
- C. Monies collected under the authority of the statute shall only be used by the County for transportation related purposes as required by the statute.
- D. Upon adoption of this ordinance amendment by the Iowa County Board, the County Clerk shall immediately cause the appropriate notice of this ordinance amendment to be published, and also notify the Department of Transportation of the ordinance amendment.

Approved and adopted by the Board of Supervisors in the County of Iowa on this \_\_\_\_ day of May 2024.

IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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By: John M. Meyers, Chairman  
Iowa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Kristy K. Spurley, County Clerk

Published:

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Title:** Bloomfield Prairie

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

The Land Conservation Committee and the Iowa County Department of Land Conservation have been discussing and planning how to handle the Bloomfield Prairie in future years. The revenue stream that supports the prairie activities is the CRP Program from the Federal Government. The two organizations leasing the land do not plan to renew their lease and the CRP program may end in future years. It is best Iowa County have a plan before we become responsible for the maintenance expenses associated with such a large prairie area.

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Please consider this as notice that the topic is being discussed. It would also be great if you could provide staff with your most favored option of how to handle the future of the prairie. A project of this magnitude has many layers that will require staff work to complete. Getting your direction and support early on would make this easier to accomplish.

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Attached is a memo from the team of staff working on this issue. Please take a look at the options at the end of the memo. Also enclosed is a copy of the survey findings for you to consider.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Taking no action will require considerable expense on an annual basis if the County continues to offer the prairie to our residents. Should we rent out the property as farmland, we could generate revenue. Given the public comments heard so far, it may be a good idea to consider selling the land for a prairie preservation purpose and/or establishing an endowment or trust with the sale proceeds.

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPLETED BY:** Larry Bierke

**DEPT:** County Administrator

### **2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:**

☐ Yes

☒ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

**MEETING DATE:**

**AGENDA ITEM #**

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**



LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT  
303 W Chapel Street, Suite 2100  
Dodgeville, WI 53533

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TO: Executive Committee and Larry Bierke

FROM: Bloomfield Planning Team: Katie Abbott, Jake Tarrell, Scott Godfrey, Barry Hottmann, and Paul Ohlrogge (consultant)

Date: 5-3-24

RE: Bloomfield property considerations

**Background:** In three listening sessions and a survey, the public overwhelmingly supported keeping the Bloomfield property in prairie and open to the public. Staff presented results to the Land Conservation Committee on February 28, 2024 and the Committee directed staff to explore options for long-term management and/or protection of the property. Jake Tarrell and Katie Abbott met with several conservation organizations on April 11, 2024, including Driftless Area Land Conservancy (DALC), Pheasants Forever (PF), and The Nature Conservancy (TNC).

We know the two non-profits that currently rent Bloomfield Prairie will NOT be renewing their leases or CRP contracts when they expire in the fall of 2032. None of the other non-profits were interested in taking over the contracts and it's very unlikely we would find anyone else due to the high amount of volunteer time required to maintain the contracts.

Overall the conservation groups were supportive of seeing this property protected and maintained due to its value for the community, wildlife habitat, and water quality.

**Options to consider:**

1. Keep the property and continue with the master planning process
  - a. We would lose the CRP income in 8 years, but would maintain the cropland and pasture rental income
  - b. Expenses would be much higher than the rental income (non-profits estimate \$30-40,000 is needed each year to maintain the prairie and trails; this does not include costs for maintenance of the driveway, fence, buildings, etc).
  - c. The conservation partners are willing help us find volunteers and/or funding for land management, but there is no guarantee of duration or amount of assistance
2. Keep the property and sell a conservation easement (i.e. sell development rights)
  - a. An easement would ensure the long-term protection of the property but does not solve the management issue, although the income from the easement sale could be used for a land management fund
3. Sell the property to a conservation organization
  - a. Public access would be maintained



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- b. DALC is open to exploring a sale and would likely be the best fit (and they have dedicated land management staff)
  - i. Price and exact acreage would need to be negotiated (for example they are less interested in the dam/pond, could not own the cemetery, and we may want to retain some buildings)
  - ii. If Iowa County is interested, it would be best to start the process now rather than wait until 2032. DALC has a grant to pay for appraisals (the first step in the process) and is willing to use it for this property due to its high conservation value.
  - iii. We would want to be thoughtful about public perception and communication around a sale



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TO: Land Conservation Committee

FROM: Katie Abbott, County Conservationist, and Bloomfield Planning Team: Jake Tarrell, Larry Bierke, Scott Godfrey, Barry Hottmann, and Paul Ohlrogge (consultant)

Date: 2-28-24

RE: Bloomfield property public input results

**Process:** We held three public listening sessions and posted a survey online for about one month. Both items were advertised through an ad in the Dodgeville Chronicle, direct mail to neighbors, and email to all municipalities and as many stakeholder groups as we could think of.

**Participation:** The listening sessions had 19, 23, and 20 attendees respectively, for a total of 53 unique individuals (some came to more than one session). We had 175 survey responses.

**Major themes:** We had a large amount and wide variety of comments, but several topics and ideas were brought up repeatedly and by a majority of participants:

- Keep the land in prairie/keep as it is
- Wanting the land to stay open for public recreation and protected long-term
- Many people were unaware of the property or that it is open to the public
- Concerns over conflicting uses and safety
- Acknowledgement of county funding challenges
- Opposing wind or solar on the property

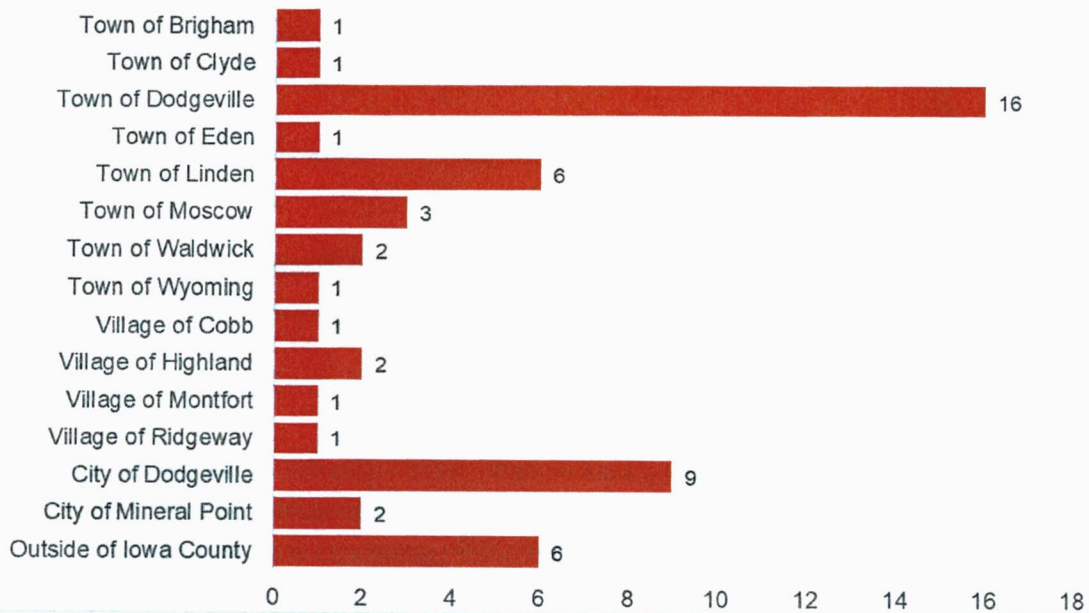
**See attached:**

- Charts of where participants came from
- List of listening session and survey questions with summaries and new ideas
- Full list of listening session responses. The full survey response (30 pages) is available on request. I will bring two copies to the meeting.

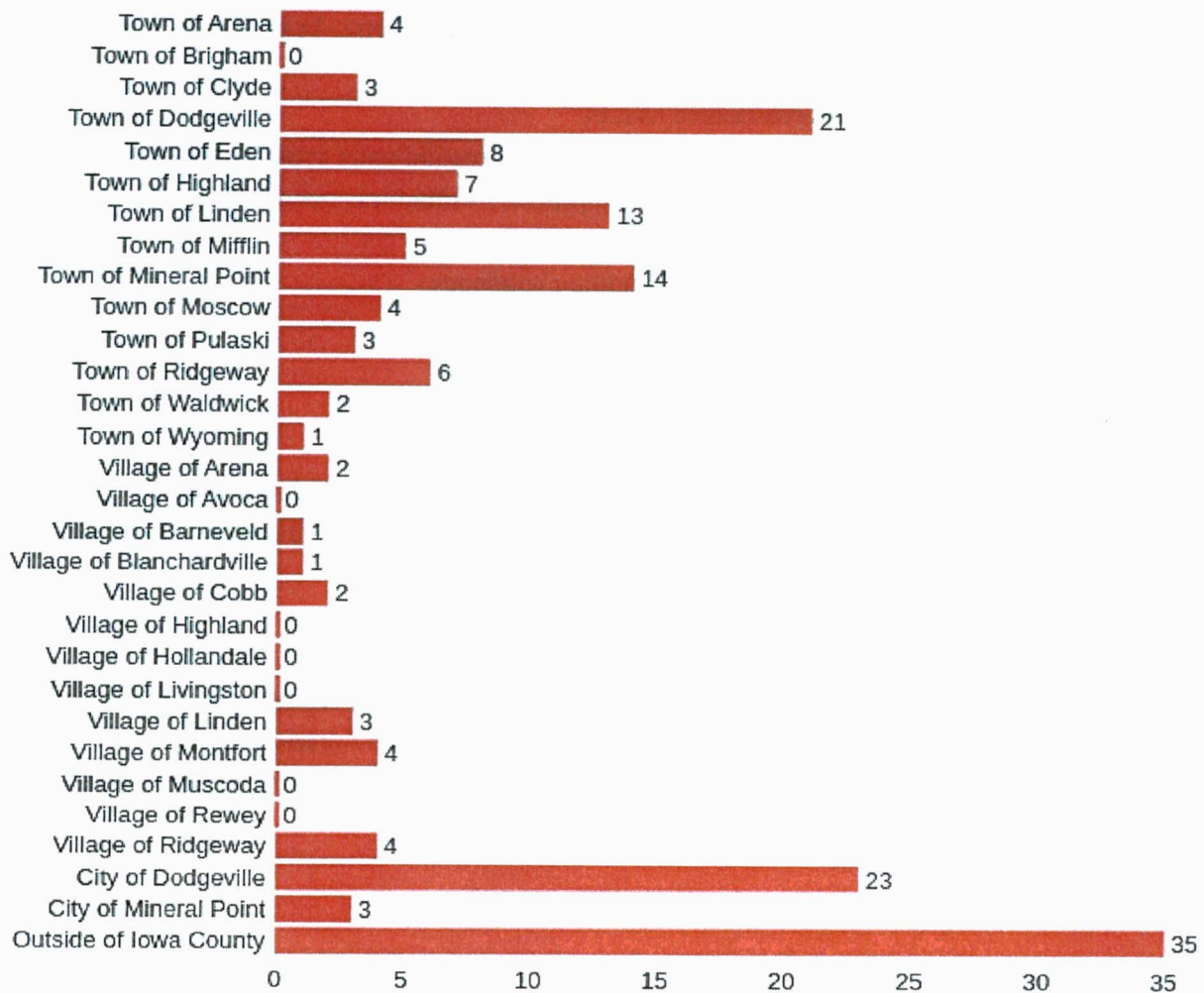
**Request for Committee input:**

- Would you authorize staff to discuss and research options for long-term protection of the property? (e.g. conservation easement or sale to conservation organization)
- Should staff begin the next step of drafting goals and implementation for the property for a Comprehensive Plan update?

### *Residences of Listening Session Participants*



### *Residences of Survey Participants*



### ***“Outside of Iowa County” participant locations***

- Muscoda but moving to Linden in 2024
- Madison, Wisconsin
- Spring Green Township Sauk County
- La Crosse County
- Madison (family in Mineral Point)
- Madison, WI
- Shullsburg, WI
- Madison
- Madison
- Mount Horeb
- Southern Sauk County near Spring Green
- Belmont
- Middleton
- Green County
- Mount Horeb
- I grew up in Edmund and Cobb, but I currently reside in the Twin Cities.
- Hazel Green, WI (Grant County)
- platteville, Wisconsin
- Willow Springs township, Lafayette county
- Town of Fayette, Lafayette County
- I live in Grant County WI; and am a member of DALC
- Dane/Perry Township
- Northeast Iowa near Southwest Wisconsin. I live in Dubuque County Iowa.
- Madison
- Lima township, north of Platteville
- Richland Township
- Lafayette county
- Grant County, Stitzer
- rural Belmont
- Cambridge WI but own property in Iowa County
- Green County
- Lafayette county- Willow Springs
- Lafayette County
- Hazel Green
- Mount Horeb
- Livingston
- Madison
- Mount Horeb
- Richland Center

## **Bloomfield Listening Session Questions and Summaries**

1. Why are you here this evening? Main types of responses:
  - Specific concern or idea
  - Unique/important property
  - Wind turbines
  - Learn/listen
2. Why is having this discussion about the Bloomfield Property important to you? Main types of responses:
  - Share a concern
  - Youth/future generations
  - Conservation value
  - Access for public
  - Public input
3. What are some of your favorite memories of the Bloomfield property?
  - History of the farm
  - Family/people
  - Nature
  - Events
4. Use sticky dots to rank current activities. Top five activities:
  - Walking/hiking
  - Biology education
  - Bird watching
  - Dog walking
  - Star gazing
5. Hopes. Main types of responses:
  - Protection/not sold
  - Education/youth
  - No wind turbines
  - New uses
  - Stays the same
  - More people use it
6. Concerns. Main types of responses:
  - Safety/vandalism
  - Future management and decision-making
  - Use conflicts
  - Off-leash dogs
7. Thinking of the future and 20 years from now, what would you like the Bloomfield Property to be? Main types of responses:
  - New use/feature

- Improve existing use/feature
- No wind/solar
- Permanent protection
- Youth/education
- Research
- Open to public/free
- Building/structure
- Keep/improve prairie/nature
- Stay the same
- Expand

### **Bloomfield Survey Questions and Summaries**

1. What City, Town, or Village do you live in? (fill in if “outside of Iowa County”)
2. On average, how frequently do you visit the Bloomfield Prairie and Farmland property in a given year?
  - a. 0= 18.8%, 1-5 times= 47.7%, 6-10 times= 16.5%, 11 or more times= 17.0%
  - b. Please explain why you have not visited the Bloomfield Prairie and Farmland Property. Main types of responses:
    - Didn’t know about it
    - Use of other property (own their own land)
    - Difficulty walking/don’t enjoy hiking
  - c. Please explain why you visit the Bloomfield Prairie and Farmland property multiple times throughout the year. Main responses:
    - Recreation/exercise
    - Beauty/nature
    - Nearby
3. The County should continue to keep the Bloomfield Prairie and Farmland property available for public use
  - a. Strongly agree= 93.7%, Agree= 5.1%, Disagree= 0.6%, Strongly disagree= 0.6%
  - b. Please comment or explain your answer. Main types of responses:
    - Public asset
    - Wildlife habitat/natural area
    - Future generations
    - Recreation, physical/mental health
    - Free and close to town
    - Honor history and past investments of time/money/volunteers/donations
    - Unique/rare
    - Tourism, rural livability/attracts new residents, not enough public land
4. Thinking of the future of the Bloomfield Prairie and Farmland Property, what would you like it to look like in the next 20 years? Main types of responses:

- Public use
  - Improve existing use/feature
  - Prairie/natural area
  - Keep it the same
  - New uses
  - Permanently protected
  - Expanded acres/prairie
5. Of the currently allowed activities listed below, how important is it to you to have each activity available at Bloomfield Prairie? (fill in if “other”) Top five activities:
- Walking/hiking
  - Bird watching
  - Picnicking
  - Snowshoeing
  - Cross-country skiing
6. What ideas do you have that would make the property more valuable to you and/or the community?
- a. Basic infrastructure.
    - Kiosk/signs with maps and information.
    - Benches (esp. in shady spots; add trees), larger or additional shelter
    - Enforce dog leash rules; add dog waste bags and receptacle
    - More/improved/multi-use trails, interpretive trails, gates to cross fences
    - ADA accessibility
    - More/improved parking, winter plowing
    - Better toilets and a place for drinking water.
  - b. Maintained as a prairie.
    - Permanent protection.
    - Plant more/expand prairie; improve existing prairie (e.g. more weed control)
  - c. Programs and events
    - Educational events and school programs
    - Agriculture demonstrations (rotational grazing, perennial crops, agrivoltaics)
    - Volunteer opportunities
  - d. Better promotion/advertising
  - e. Improve the pond area and fishing resources
  - f. A multipurpose building/education center/nature center; could rent it for events
  - g. Team up with educational institutions for research
  - h. A specific area for dogs.
  - i. Improve safety of the area
  - j. Minimize use conflict (e.g. trapping and dogs; off-leash dogs)/ keep for non-motorized uses

### **Other unique but infrequent ideas from public input**

- Capture oral history of neighbors/farm stories
- Sell just the 40 ac of cropland
- Consider selling prairie seed or a product/membership for income; donation box
- Study tourism impact/ use
- Little free library
- Shooting range, trap shooting
- An area for camping.
- Keep snowmobile trail
- Connect property via trails/corridors to other public lands
- Community garden/ more foraging opportunities
- Built activity areas (disk golf, playground, outdoor fitness equipment, skating rink)
- Stock pheasants
- Observation platform- a place for birding and stargazing

# Iowa County Bloomfield public listening sessions responses

Table 1

| <i>Why are you here this afternoon or evening?</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The future of the prairie</li> <li>• The rarity and uniqueness is important.</li> <li>• Free use to the public</li> <li>• Educational opportunities</li> <li>• Importance of the grassland for grassland birds</li> <li>• Keeping dogs on a leash</li> <li>• I visit often and I would like it to stay in a prairie.</li> <li>• Prairie as a buffer to the wind turbines</li> <li>• Would like more people to visit; please add to the website.</li> <li>• I live nearby, didn't know existed</li> <li>• Look at regenerative agriculture, demonstrations, training, new farmer training</li> <li>• Tree planting, foraging, plant identification, research the impact of wind turbines</li> <li>• Interested in farmland research and demonstrations of future crops</li> <li>• As a neighbor I'm concerned that they sold the nursing home and the lack of taxes to the Linden Township and schools</li> <li>• Concerned of invasive plants and weeds</li> <li>• I came to listen</li> <li>• I like the uniqueness of the property; accessibility for the public and educational use</li> <li>• Additional partner opportunities</li> <li>• Topic of wind turbines on the property</li> <li>• Turbines were discussed in 2020. I hope it stays in prairie.</li> <li>• I would like to see the land utilized by more people</li> <li>• Interested in other people's ideas</li> <li>• I'm an advocate for the ag areas to be added to the prairie and to stay publicly accessible</li> <li>• To learn about the property</li> <li>• Saw ad in the Chronicle, and had questions about the future of the property</li> <li>• I live in the area</li> <li>• I'm representing the Ladd family</li> <li>• Hoping that we maintain public access – not everyone can afford to own land</li> <li>• Maintain ecosystem</li> <li>• I'm concerned about the wind turbines</li> <li>• Appreciate transparency in decision-making</li> <li>• Dog tracking and search and rescue</li> <li>• Have concerns about trapping on the property</li> <li>• Off-leash dogs are a concern</li> <li>• Preserve the prairie ecosystem</li> <li>• Memories of my youth; concerned about the wind turbine impacts</li> </ul> |

**Table 2**

***Why is having this discussion important to you?***

- Why not consider selling it and putting it on the tax roll?
- Concerned if it is sold we will lose the prairie
- Impact of burning on neighboring land and cattle
- Native plant species and native plant community takes decades to develop
- Impact on future generations if resources lost
- Critical for the county board to hear what the public wants
- Historical value, the cemetery
- The trout and water resources, preserve and protect for future generations
- Soil and water conservation with perennial crops
- Better understanding of what the public and neighbors want
- Stream designation process is a concern- landowner notification and livestock implications
- This process is increasing the awareness as people can't preserve what they don't know
- Industrial prospects have made me realize why I live here, and this could be at risk
- Only place I have seen a sandpiper
- Natural prairie areas are rare
- Many people don't and can't own land, public access and public connection important
- Decisions can happen quickly; property is fragile to further development and division
- Community should be part of decision-making
- Uniqueness of the driftless area
- Areas like this are a few and far between
- Keep areas for youth to experience the prairie. It is a learning tool
- Very rare ecosystem
- It is in our backyard. Others have to travel hundreds of miles.
- Takes a lot to maintain
- Rural livability, access to nature and recreation for livability and quality of life is desirable for people to move and stay here.

Table 3

*What some favorite memories of the Bloomfield property?*

- The Bloomfield parades
- Working with the old county dairy barn
- Growing up in the area; memories of the family and residents working on the farm
- The old school nearby, and it was a part of a mail route
- First time seeing Upland sandpipers
- Walking in grass taller than me
- Grandkids from Chicago want to move here because of places like this.
- City kids seeing the starry sky
- Hearing the Bobolink birds. Not many other places have this.
- Bird sightings in the fall, spring and summer
- I'm a wildlife biologist for 30 years and only place I have found nesting short-eared owls
- I have seen birds, bees and the blooms and two snapping turtles in the pond
- Planting the original CRP and adding species and seeing it change over time
- The place was forward-looking when the dairy farm was built
- The resident children who worked on the farm would sneak away and visit me and the neighbors
- Kids showed cattle at the county fair
- There was a former Bloomfield community and a small school
- My first time to see and hear bobolinks
- The experience to hear birds
- Should be promoted better for all the uses
- The blazing star bloom of last year
- Watching a prairie burn and understanding the purpose and the history of the property
- First time to see and hear a bobolink
- Seeing meadowlarks
- Meeting someone who went there for solace to be alone

**Table 4**

***What would you like this property to be in 20 years?***

- Accessible trails
- No wind or solar fields
- Recognized as a unique and as a destination
- Permanent protection for habitat
- Strong protection of the trout stream
- Infrastructure built for events, like an education center
- Look at the red barn as a usable space with electricity and insulation
- Natural habitat remains for kids and grandkids
- The place remains free to the public
- The prairie area is buffered from neighboring wind turbines, possibly with trees
- The same acreage is here, or it is increased
- Youth are engaged with the property in the future
- Research projects have impacted the area
- More volunteers are involved
- A larger, financially independent property
- Grow in size and have interconnected trails and green space corridor
- The size should not be reduced and ongoing planning discussions every 20 years
- Infrastructure for biology education
- Education continues
- Having a trust fund established
- Bring back bison
- County Park
- Nesting upland sandpipers
- The property is not sold- once it's gone it's gone
- More flowers and more variety
- More promotion of the property, especially to urban kids and to the schools
- It is still a prairie
- Increased biodiversity
- Bigger
- Reference site for restorations
- Still in prairie
- More refinement, i.e. signs about uses and off-limit areas; gates to cross fences and better access
- More programming, including the importance of a prairie
- Educational facilities
- Increased biodiversity
- More and bigger signs and kiosks
- Continue to be free
- Have a fundraising campaign, possibly with membership, sell bumper stickers, and other ways to raise money

Table 5

| <i>Hopes</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permanent protection of the prairie</li> <li>• Keep CRP and prairie income for the county</li> <li>• Demonstration and education about carbon sequestration</li> <li>• Maintain soil and water quality</li> <li>• Preserve for the future</li> <li>• Help future boards maintain the vision</li> <li>• County Park or land management entity</li> <li>• Keep combo of agriculture and prairie</li> <li>• Teachers use as a classroom</li> <li>• Wide variety of activities, including the arts</li> <li>• Perhaps a partnership with Native Americans</li> <li>• A budget for the property</li> <li>• More ADA accessible</li> <li>• No turbines on the property</li> <li>• Preserve the prairie</li> <li>• Grow as a natural space</li> <li>• Promote</li> <li>• Do all the uses on our list</li> <li>• Signage for public use</li> <li>• A stable revenue stream</li> <li>• Dodgeville Chronicle story</li> <li>• Revenue from property, perhaps bailing of seeds and selling for chipper spreading</li> <li>• Seen with pride and respect and keep as is</li> <li>• Perhaps a county park</li> <li>• Preserve the prairie, whether it is kept by the county or sold</li> <li>• That it remains a stable place for bird species and important for water quality</li> <li>• Trails for foot traffic only</li> <li>• Community and scientists share observations and record phenology</li> <li>• Build places to sit in the prairie</li> <li>• More trails of different lengths that take us through the prairie</li> <li>• Permaculture area with food forest</li> <li>• Stream restoration with controlled grazing</li> <li>• Never to be sold for profit to people who have never been there</li> <li>• Never see a wind turbine or solar panel</li> <li>• Property is expanded</li> <li>• County owns buildings again someday</li> <li>• Remains prairie in perpetuity</li> <li>• Remains free and open to the public</li> <li>• More people enjoy it and treat it well</li> <li>• Stays the way it is</li> <li>• It is free to use</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used as more than an off-leash dog area; have a fenced area during nesting season</li> <li>• Formal master plan</li> <li>• Community values and uses more</li> <li>• Continues to grow more and people get out there</li> <li>• Have a visitation study and plan for future generations</li> <li>• Plan for compatible uses to reduce conflict between uses</li> <li>• Area for shooting range with limited hours</li> <li>• Maintained for non-motorized activities</li> <li>• Legally binding conservation protection</li> <li>• Better signage</li> <li>• Include restrictions for recreational aircraft and drones</li> <li>• Better security and safety</li> <li>• More involvement with high school and youth</li> <li>• Maintain the limited snowmobile access</li> <li>• A little free library</li> <li>• A four season structure for events in education; a basic nature center</li> <li>• Place for relaxation and mental health</li> </ul> |

**Table 6**

| <i>Concerns</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have no bridge plan for finances between CRP contracts, we have no savings</li> <li>• If labeled a “park,” motorized and incompatible uses might be permitted</li> <li>• Security and possible substance abuse on the property</li> <li>• How to cover revenue in the future</li> <li>• That the county will divest parts of it before having a plan</li> <li>• No buffer from industrialization</li> <li>• That the plan is firm and the county follows it</li> <li>• Stability of the prairie</li> <li>• Maintenance volunteer fatigue</li> <li>• Management and infrastructure</li> <li>• Industrial wind development</li> <li>• Current maintenance of the old Manor lot</li> <li>• Possibility of losing CREP which would be a total of \$1.5 million over 15 years</li> <li>• ATV and Powersports use</li> <li>• Drone use</li> <li>• Lack of monitoring of suspicious and bad behaviors</li> <li>• Vandalism</li> <li>• Wind turbines and big solar</li> <li>• Lack of permanent land protection</li> <li>• Wind and solar preferred not be here</li> <li>• Prairie is developed or becomes farmed again</li> <li>• Restrict off leash dogs during bird ground-nesting</li> <li>• Enforcement</li> <li>• Lack of signage</li> <li>• Trapping and dogs; lack of signs</li> <li>• Maximize uses with minimal conflict</li> <li>• Control off-leash dogs</li> </ul> |  |

**Table 7**

| <i>Favorite activity votes</i> |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Walking/hiking                 | 42 |
| Biology education              | 29 |
| Bird watching                  | 24 |
| Dog walking                    | 17 |
| Star gazing                    | 14 |
| Fishing                        | 8  |
| Hunting                        | 8  |
| Photography                    | 7  |
| Snowshoeing                    | 6  |
| Skiing                         | 5  |
| Picnicking                     | 5  |

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Title:** Resolution- Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Dept.

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

Budget amendment to increase the expenditure and revenue budgets for various departments

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Approve the 2023 budget amendments

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments

### FISCAL IMPACT:

None

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☒ Yes

☐ No

### PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5 minutes

COMPLETED BY: Jamie Gould

DEPT: Finance Department

### 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☒ Yes

☐ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

### COMMITTEE ACTION:

**Resolution No.**  
**Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments**

**TO THE HONORABLE IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

**WHEREAS**, the County Board approved the 2023 Iowa County Budget on November 15, 2022, and the budget adoption is considered authorization and Department Heads shall have the authority to expend or receive funds within their respective budgets without regard to specific line items.

**WHEREAS**, the County Board realizes that budget amendments are necessary and the following increases revenue budgets and expenditure budgets for the accounts listed below for the year ending December 31, 2023; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Iowa County Board of Supervisors adopts the recommendations and approves the budget amendments of the following accounts. The Board further directs the County Clerk to publish this Resolution pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute number 65.90 (5) (a) for the statutory requirement.

| <u>REVENUE</u>        | <u>Amount of<br/>Increase</u> | <u>EXPENSE</u>               | <u>Amount of<br/>Increase (Decrease)</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Coroner:</b>       |                               |                              |                                          |
| 10051270-46101        | \$ 2,300.00                   | 10051270-50118               | \$ 2,300.00                              |
| Coroner Fees          |                               | Autopsies                    |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051120-50117               | (\$ 12.85)                               |
|                       |                               | Contingency – Wage Increases |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051270-50110               | \$ 11.92                                 |
|                       |                               | Wages                        |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051270-50150               | \$ 0.91                                  |
|                       |                               | Social Security & Medicare   |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051270-50163               | \$ 0.02                                  |
|                       |                               | Workers Compensation         |                                          |
|                       | <b>Total Coroner</b>          | <b>\$2,312.85</b>            |                                          |
| <b>Finance:</b>       |                               |                              |                                          |
| 10051510-48600        | \$ 1,896.00                   | 10051510-50213               | \$ 1,896.00                              |
| Miscellaneous Revenue |                               | Indirect Cost Report & Audit |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051120-50117               | (\$11,941.64)                            |
|                       |                               | Contingency – Wage Increases |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051510-50110               | \$10,408.03                              |
|                       |                               | Wages                        |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051510-50115               | \$ 10.42                                 |
|                       |                               | Overtime                     |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051510-50150               | \$ 797.03                                |
|                       |                               | Social Security & Medicare   |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051510-50154               | \$ 708.45                                |
|                       |                               | Retirement                   |                                          |
|                       |                               | 10051510-50163               | \$ 17.71                                 |
|                       |                               | Workers Compensation         |                                          |
|                       | <b>Total Finance</b>          | <b>\$13,837.64</b>           |                                          |

**Resolution No.**

**Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments**

**Economic Development:**

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| 10056710-50111             | \$ 5,213.49   |
| County Administrator Wages |               |
| 10056710-50150             | \$ 394.50     |
| Social Security & Medicare |               |
| 10056710-50155             | \$ 350.55     |
| Retirement                 |               |
| 10056710-50164             | \$ 8.79       |
| Workers Compensation       |               |
| 10051410-50111             | (\$ 5,213.49) |
| County Administrator Wages |               |
| 10051410-50151             | (\$ 394.50)   |
| Social Security & Medicare |               |
| 10051410-50155             | (\$ 350.55)   |
| Retirement                 |               |
| 10051410-50164             | (\$ 8.79)     |
| Workers Compensation       |               |

**Total Economic Development      \$5,967.33**

**Information Technology:**

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| 10051120-50117              | (\$ 6,300.33) |
| Contingency-Wages Increases |               |
| 10051450-50110              | \$ 5,255.27   |
| Wages                       |               |
| 10051450-50150              | \$ 546.83     |
| Social Security & Medicare  |               |
| 10051450-50154              | \$ 486.08     |
| Retirement                  |               |
| 10051450-50163              | \$ 12.15      |

**Total Information Technology      \$6,300.33**

**Treasurer:**

|                       |           |                              |               |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051520-48600        | \$ 277.05 | 10051120-50117               | (\$ 2,839.33) |
| Miscellaneous Revenue |           | Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 10051520-48601        | \$ 963.01 | 10051520-50110               | \$ 3,659.03   |
|                       |           | Wages                        |               |
|                       |           | 10051520-50150               | \$ 189.50     |
|                       |           | Social Security & Medicare   |               |
|                       |           | 10051520-50154               | \$ 217.56     |
|                       |           | Retirement                   |               |
|                       |           | 10051520-50163               | \$ 6.44       |
|                       |           | Workers Compensation         |               |
|                       |           | 10051520-50310               | \$ 6.86       |
|                       |           | Office Supplies              |               |

**Total Treasurer      \$4,079.39**

**Resolution No.****Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments****District Attorney:**

|                              |              |                              |               |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051310-43528               | \$ 10,022.83 | 10051310-50273               | \$ 10,022.83  |
| Victim/Witness Grant Revenue |              | Court Costs                  |               |
|                              |              | 10051120-50117               | (\$ 5,475.44) |
|                              |              | Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
|                              |              | 1051310-50110                | \$ 4,209.40   |
|                              |              | Wages                        |               |
|                              |              | 10051310-50150               | \$ 322.03     |
|                              |              | Social Security & Medicare   |               |
|                              |              | 10051310-50154               | \$ 286.24     |
|                              |              | Retirement                   |               |
|                              |              | 10051310-50163               | \$ 7.16       |
|                              |              | Workers Compensation         |               |
|                              |              | 10051311-50110               | \$ 567.63     |
|                              |              | Wages                        |               |
|                              |              | 10051311-50150               | \$ 43.42      |
|                              |              | Social Security & Medicare   |               |
|                              |              | 10051311-50154               | \$ 38.60      |
|                              |              | Retirement                   |               |
|                              |              | 10051311-50163               | \$ 0.96       |
|                              |              | Workers Compensation         |               |

**Total District Attorney     \$15,498.27**

**Child Support:**

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 3,699.91) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 21554910-50110               | \$ 3,227.75   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 21554910-50150               | \$ 246.92     |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 21554910-50154               | \$ 219.48     |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 21554910-50163               | \$ 5.76       |
| Workers Compensation         |               |

**Total Child Support     \$3,699.91**

**Restorative Justice:**

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 320.51) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |             |
| 10051273-50110               | \$ 279.60   |
| Wages                        |             |
| 10051273-50115               | \$ 0.02     |
| Overtime                     |             |
| 10051273-50150               | \$ 21.39    |
| Social Security & Medicare   |             |
| 10051273-50154               | \$ 19.02    |
| Retirement                   |             |
| 10051273-50163               | \$ 0.48     |
| Workers Compensation         |             |

**Resolution No.**  
**Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments**

**Total Restorative Justice     \$320.51**

**Facilities and Grounds:**

|                       |          |                              |               |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051600-48300        | \$ 96.60 | 10051120-50117               | (\$14,654.99) |
| Sale of Small Items   |          | Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 100051600-48600       | \$ 40.36 | 10051600-50110               | \$12,432.62   |
| Miscellaneous Revenue |          | Wages                        |               |
|                       |          | 10051600-50115               | \$ 30.16      |
|                       |          | Overtime Wages               |               |
|                       |          | 10051600-50150               | \$ 953.42     |
|                       |          | Social Security & Wages      |               |
|                       |          | 10051600-50154               | \$ 847.46     |
|                       |          | Retirement                   |               |
|                       |          | 10051600-50163               | \$ 391.33     |
|                       |          | Workers Compensation         |               |
|                       |          | 10051606-50245               | \$ 136.96     |
|                       |          | LEC Grounds/Parking Lot      |               |

**Total Facilities and Grounds     \$14,791.95**

**Clerk of Courts:**

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 9,317.85) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 10051220-50110               | \$ 3,549.66   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 10051220-50115               | \$ 11.70      |
| Overtime                     |               |
| 10051220-50150               | \$ 272.43     |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 10051220-50154               | \$ 242.17     |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 10051220-50163               | \$ 6.05       |
| Workers Compensation         |               |
| 10051240-50110               | \$ 3,644.55   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 10051240-50150               | \$ 278.81     |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 10051220-50163               | \$ 6.20       |
| Workers Compensation         |               |
| 10051260-50110               | \$ 1,140.16   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 10051260-50150               | \$ 88.22      |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 10051260-50154               | \$ 76.96      |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 10051260-50163               | \$ 1.94       |
| Workers Compensation         |               |

**Total Clerk of Courts     \$9,317.85**

**Resolution No.****Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments****Employee Relations:**

|                       |          |                              |               |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051431-48600        | \$ 90.96 | 10051120-50117               | (\$ 9,417.18) |
| Miscellaneous Revenue |          | Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
|                       |          | 10051431-50110               | \$ 8,216.00   |
|                       |          | Wages                        |               |
|                       |          | 10051431-50150               | \$ 628.53     |
|                       |          | Social Security & Medicare   |               |
|                       |          | 10051260-50154               | \$ 558.69     |
|                       |          | Retirement                   |               |
|                       |          | 10051260-50163               | \$ 13.96      |
|                       |          | Workers Compensation         |               |
|                       |          | 10051431-50292               | \$ 90.96      |
|                       |          | Employment Advertisements    |               |

**Total Employee Relations \$9,326.22****Emergency Management:**

|                                   |             |                              |               |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10052500-43526                    | \$ 1,439.35 | 10051120-50117               | (\$ 1,476.96) |
| Emergency Government State Grants |             | Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
|                                   |             | 10052500-50110               | \$ 1,245.12   |
|                                   |             | Wages                        |               |
|                                   |             | 10052500-50150               | \$ 95.25      |
|                                   |             | Social Security & Medicare   |               |
|                                   |             | 10052500-50154               | \$ 84.67      |
|                                   |             | Retirement                   |               |
|                                   |             | 10052500-50163               | \$ 51.92      |
|                                   |             | Workers Compensation         |               |
|                                   |             | 10052500-50396               | \$ 1,439.35   |

**Total Emergency Management \$2,916.31****Land Conservation:**

|                                  |              |                              |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 10056130-43583                   | \$ 21,338.50 | 10056130-50398               | \$ 21,338.50 |
| Land & Water Resource Management |              | Bondable Cost Share Projects |              |

**Total Land Conservation \$21,338.50****Planning and Development:**

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 3,958.23) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 10056400-50110               | \$ 3,405.36   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 10056400-50150               | \$ 260.50     |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 10056400-50154               | \$ 231.56     |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 10056400-50163               | \$ 60.81      |
| Workers Compensation         |               |

**Total Planning and Development \$3,958.23**

**Resolution No.****Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments****Sheriff's Department:**

|                              |              |                                |                |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 10052110-43210               | \$ 799.98    | 10051120-50117                 | (\$ 61,719.67) |
| Bullet Proof Vest Grant      |              | Contingency – Wage Increases   |                |
| 10052110-43523               | \$10,724.28  | 10051120-50160                 | (\$ 9,586.01)  |
| State Grant                  |              | Health Insurance Contingency   |                |
| 10052110-45103               | \$ 1,148.93  | 10052120-50115                 | \$14,660.92    |
| Warrant Fees Collected       |              | Overtime                       |                |
| 10052110-48410               | \$ 4,469.92  | 10052120-50325                 | \$ 8,041.17    |
| Insurance Recoveries         |              | Conferences & Training         |                |
| 10052110-48604               | \$ 8,041.17  | 10052120-50512                 | \$ 457.96      |
| Conference/Training Fee      |              | Insurance-Liability & Vehicles |                |
| 10052120-46120               | \$ 4,930.01  | 10052120-50920                 | \$ 799.98      |
| Patrol Revenue               |              | Field Equipment                |                |
| 10052120-47321               | \$ 3,492.50  | 10052130-50115                 | \$ 28,282.31   |
| Rev From Villages or Schools |              | Overtime                       |                |
| 10052140-46128               | \$ 66,529.21 | 10052140-50115                 | \$110,074.31   |
| Holding Other Co Prisoners   |              | Overtime                       |                |
| 10052140-46119               | \$ 40,320.00 | 10052140-50156                 | \$ 4,675.77    |
| SUN Meal Revenue             |              | Retirement                     |                |
| 10052140-46121               | \$ 4,315.09  | 10052140-50159                 | \$ 9,586.01    |
| Jail Revenue                 |              | Health Insurance               |                |
| 10052140-46122               | \$ 6,112.24  | 10052140-50392                 | \$ 55,421.33   |
| Board of Prisoners           |              | Food & Kitchen Supplies        |                |
| 10052140-46123               | \$ 8,954.74  | 10052140-50466                 | \$ 8,954.74    |
| Bracelet Monitoring Charges  |              | Electronic Monitoring          |                |
| 10052140-46124               | \$ 50,927.35 | 10052150-50110                 | \$ 35,216.38   |
| DOC 90-Day Hold Revenue      |              | Wages                          |                |
| 10052140-46125               | \$ 950.16    | 10052150-50115                 | \$ 5,134.81    |
| Booking Fees Collected       |              | Overtime                       |                |
| 10052140-46126               | \$ 8,989.09  | 10052150-50150                 | \$ 2,996.30    |
| Inmate Meals Revenue         |              | Social Security & Medicare     |                |
|                              |              | 10052150-50154                 | \$ 2,591.64    |
|                              |              | Retirement                     |                |
|                              |              | 10052150-50157                 | \$ 7,971.73    |
|                              |              | Health Insurance               |                |
|                              |              | 10052150-50163                 | \$ 1,119.62    |
|                              |              | Workers Compensation           |                |

**Total Sheriff's Department \$307,272.77****Social Services:**

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 19,921.68) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |                |
| 21054001-50110               | \$ 1,014.18    |
| Wages                        |                |
| 21054001-50154               | \$ 72.28       |
| Retirement                   |                |
| 21054001-50163               | \$ 1.60        |
| Workers Compensation         |                |
| 21054002-50110               | \$ 4,535.60    |
| Wages                        |                |

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|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| 21054002-50150             | \$ 130.40   |
| Social Security & Medicare |             |
| 21054001-50163             | \$ 7.91     |
| Workers Compensation       |             |
| 21054005-50110             | \$ 3,141.79 |
| Wages                      |             |
| 21054005-50150             | \$ 25.46    |
| Social Security & Medicare |             |
| 21054005-50154             | \$ 223.46   |
| Retirement                 |             |
| 21054005-50163             | \$ 4.98     |
| Workers Compensation       |             |
| 21054010-50110             | \$ 360.21   |
| Wages                      |             |
| 21054010-50154             | \$ 76.90    |
| Retirement                 |             |
| 21054010-50163             | \$ 1.41     |
| Workers Compensation       |             |
| 21054500-50110             | \$ 8,016.40 |
| Wages                      |             |
| 21054500-50154             | \$ 877.79   |
| Retirement                 |             |
| 21054001-50163             | \$ 1,431.31 |
| Workers Compensation       |             |

**Total Social Services \$19,921.68**

**Aging & Disability Resource Center:**

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$ 4,874.29) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |               |
| 10051120-50160               | (\$ 6,403.00) |
| Health Insurance Contingency |               |
| 22055711-50110               | \$ 697.78     |
| Wages                        |               |
| 22055711-50150               | \$ 28.07      |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 22055711-50154               | \$ 55.24      |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 22055711-50163               | \$ 24.47      |
| Workers Compensation         |               |
| 22055712-50110               | \$ 227.68     |
| Wages                        |               |
| 22055712-50164               | \$ 23.79      |
| Retirement                   |               |
| 22055712-50163               | \$ 9.71       |
| Workers Compensation         |               |
| 22055720-50110               | \$ 1,659.45   |
| Wages                        |               |
| 22055720-50150               | \$ 177.63     |
| Social Security & Medicare   |               |
| 22055720-50154               | \$ 287.88     |

**Resolution No.**  
**Resolution Recommending 2023 Budget Amendments for Various Departments**

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Retirement           |           |
| 22055720-50163       | \$ 267.59 |
| Workers Compensation |           |
| 22055723-50110       | \$ 862.46 |
| Wages                |           |
| 22055723-50154       | \$ 60.68  |
| Retirement           |           |
| 22055723-50163       | \$ 1.66   |
| Workers Compensation |           |
| 22055725-50110       | \$ 455.42 |
| Wages                |           |
| 22055725-50154       | \$ 34.78  |
| Retirement           |           |

**Total Aging & Disability Resource Center \$11,277.29**

**Highway Department:**

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| 10051120-50117               | (\$194,146.40) |
| Contingency – Wage Increases |                |
| 71053311-50110               | \$133,849.20   |
| Wages                        |                |
| 71053322-50114               | \$ 59,873.57   |
| After Hours Wages            |                |
| 71053322-50115               | \$ 423.63      |
| Overtime                     |                |
| 10051120-50160               | (\$36,295.00)  |
| Health Insurance Contingency |                |
| 71053210-50157               | \$36,295.00    |
| Health Insurance             |                |

**Total Highway Department \$230,441.40**

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2024

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Title:** Resolution- 2023 Transfer of Funds from the General Fund Balance

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

Resolution of Recommending Transfer of Funds in 2023 from the Iowa County General Fund Balance to cover expenditures in excess of Budget.

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Review and Approve of the Transfer

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution of Recommending Transfer of Funds from the Iowa County General Fund to cover Expenditures in Excess of Budget.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Transfer of \$270,893.47 from the General Fund Balance to seven departments as listed in the resolution

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☒ Yes

☐ No

### PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5 minutes

**COMPLETED BY:** Jamie Gould

**DEPT:** Finance Department

### **2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:**

☒ Yes

☐ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

**MEETING DATE:**

**AGENDA ITEM #**

### COMMITTEE ACTION:

## RESOLUTION NO.

### Resolution Recommending Transfer of Funds from the Iowa County General Fund to cover Expenditures in Excess of Budget for 2023

#### TO THE HONORABLE IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**WHEREAS**, there were departments that exceeded the adopted budget for the year and funds will be transferred to that department to cover the excess expenditures, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** it is recommended to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors a transfer of funds from the Iowa County General Fund to cover the Expenditures in Excess of Budget by Department in the following 2023 accounts:

|                                     |                     |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Coroner</b>                      |                     |
| 10051270-50118                      | \$ 3,100.00         |
| Cremation Wages                     |                     |
| 10051270-50256                      | <u>\$ 10,976.88</u> |
| Autopsies                           |                     |
| <b>Total Coroner</b>                | <b>\$ 14,076.88</b> |
| <br><b>Finance</b>                  |                     |
| 10051510-50213                      | <u>\$ 14,011.00</u> |
| Indirect Cost Report & Audit        |                     |
| <b>Total Finance</b>                | <b>\$ 14,011.00</b> |
| <br><b>Economic Development</b>     |                     |
| 10056710-50111                      | <u>\$ 454.70</u>    |
| County Administrator Wages          |                     |
| <b>Total Economic Development</b>   | <b>\$ 454.70</b>    |
| <br><b>District Attorney</b>        |                     |
| 10051311-50273                      | <u>\$ 1,433.38</u>  |
| Court Costs                         |                     |
| <b>Total District Attorney</b>      | <b>\$ 1,433.38</b>  |
| <br><b>Restorative Justice</b>      |                     |
| 10051273-50203                      | <u>\$ 19,696.13</u> |
| Contracted Program Services         |                     |
| <b>Total Restorative Justice</b>    | <b>\$ 19,696.13</b> |
| <br><b>Facilities and Grounds</b>   |                     |
| 10051602-50248                      | \$ 21,236.71        |
| CTH Maint-Heating/Cooling           |                     |
| 10051606-50222                      | \$ 15,715.41        |
| LEC Fire Protection-Sprinkler       |                     |
| 10051606-50245                      | <u>\$ 6,869.07</u>  |
| LEC Grounds/Parking Lot             |                     |
| <b>Total Facilities and Grounds</b> | <b>\$ 48,821.19</b> |

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Clerk of Courts</b>            |                    |
| 10051220-50210                    | \$33,507.00        |
| Special Counsel                   |                    |
| 10051220-50210                    | \$21,500.70        |
| Family Court Counseling           |                    |
| 10051220-50317                    | <u>\$ 1,234.08</u> |
| Witness, Bailiff, Court Costs     |                    |
| <b>Total Clerk of Courts</b>      | <b>\$56,241.78</b> |
| <br><b>Employee Relations</b>     |                    |
| 10051431-50295                    | <u>\$ 349.80</u>   |
| Employee Advertisements           |                    |
| <b>Total Employee Relations</b>   | <b>\$ 349.80</b>   |
| <br><b>Emergency Management</b>   |                    |
| 10052500-50110                    | \$47,093.26        |
| Wages                             |                    |
| 10052500-50150                    | \$ 3,059.21        |
| Social Security & Medicare        |                    |
| 10052500-50163                    | <u>\$ 941.31</u>   |
| Workers Compensation              |                    |
| <b>Total Emergency Management</b> | <b>\$51,093.78</b> |
| <br><b>Sheriff's Department</b>   |                    |
| 10052120-50920                    | \$55,467.08        |
| Field Equipment                   |                    |
| 10052140-50392                    | <u>\$ 9,247.75</u> |
| <b>Total Sheriff's Department</b> | <b>\$64,714.83</b> |

|              |                     |
|--------------|---------------------|
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$270,893.47</b> |
|--------------|---------------------|

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** The Iowa County Board of Supervisors adopts the recommendations of the Executive Committee and approves the transfer of funds from the General Fund to cover the expenditures in excess of budget by department. The Board further directs the County Clerk to publish this Resolution pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute number 65.90 (5) (a) for the statutory requirement.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024

# AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Title:** Resolution-Carryover of Certain Accounts from 2023 to 2024

☒ Original

☐ Update

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

### DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (Please provide detailed information, including deadline):

Resolution: Carryover of Certain Accounts from 2023 to 2024

### RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Recommend to Approve

### ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution for Carryover of Certain Accounts from 2023 to 2024

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Carryover over of funds at the end of 2023 to be spent in 2024. All carryovers have restrictions.

### LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

### PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☒ Yes

☐ No

### STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5 minutes

**COMPLETED BY:** Jamie Gould

**DEPT:** Finance Department

### **2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:**

☒ Yes

☐ No

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

**MEETING DATE:**

**AGENDA ITEM #**

### COMMITTEE ACTION:

## RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_

**CARRYOVER OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS, at the November 15, 2022 the Iowa County Board approved resolution 16-1122 Carryover of Certain Accounts; and

WHEREAS, the use of certain revenues is limited by externally enforceable constraints; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the following is a list of each carryover with externally restrictions including the amounts to be carried forward to 2023:

| Department                                   | Carryover                                                                     | Restriction                                                                                                                                                                                        | Amount        |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| District Attorney                            | Crime Prevention Surcharge                                                    | Restricted funds collected from the crime prevention surcharge for grants for crime prevention purposes per resolution 4-0416                                                                      | \$ 9,814.25   |
| Register of Deeds                            | Remaining Redaction Fees collected but not yet spent                          | Redaction software that blocks out Social Security numbers on documents.                                                                                                                           | \$ 13,330.09  |
| Land Records / GIS                           | Retained Fees – County Land Record Fees                                       | Retained Fees qualified expenses per the County Land Records Modernization Plan and Wis. Ss. 59.72(5)(b)3                                                                                          | \$ 37,674.52  |
| Land Records / GIS                           | WLIP Grant                                                                    | WLIP grant agreement and Wis. Ss. 16.967                                                                                                                                                           | \$ 163,520.87 |
| Land Records / GIS                           | WLIP Training Grant                                                           | Qualified expenses per WLIP grant agreement and Wis. Ss. 16.967                                                                                                                                    | \$ 3,332.96   |
| Sheriff's Department - Capital Projects Fund | Jail Assessment Fees/Funds                                                    | Statutorily restricted (Wis. Ss. 302.46(2)) Jail maintenance and improvements                                                                                                                      | \$ 171,285.18 |
| Sheriff's Department                         | K-9 Donations not spent                                                       | Donations – utilized for the K-9 program only                                                                                                                                                      | \$ 6,435.94   |
| Sheriff's Department                         | Project Life Saver Funds                                                      | Designated Funds for Project Life Saver                                                                                                                                                            | \$ 1,657.00   |
| Sheriff's Department                         | Contributions from Others                                                     | Donations – Utilized at the discretion of the Sheriff's Department or directed by the donor for expenses related to the Sheriff's Department                                                       | \$ 28,856.52  |
| Sheriff's Department                         | Staff Fitness Room                                                            | Donations – utilized for the Staff Fitness Room at the Law Enforcement Center                                                                                                                      | \$ 5,100.00   |
| Sheriff's Department                         | Sheriff Office Staffing Reserve                                               | The intent is to ensure that for every additional staff member hired in support of added jail capacity, the County has \$80,000 or approximately one year's salary set aside per resolution 5-1022 | \$ 104,000.00 |
| Veterans Service Office                      | Donations received                                                            | Donations - Utilized at the discretion of the CVSO or as directed by the donor for expenses related to servicing the veterans                                                                      | \$ 3,872.52   |
| Veterans Service Office                      | Donations received for HELP Equipment                                         | Donations - Utilized at the discretion of the CVSO or as directed by the donor for expenses related to the HELP Equipment.                                                                         | \$ 1,010.00   |
| Library Aids                                 | Taxes Levied for Libraries                                                    | Library Aid Taxes levied for the promotion of County Libraries                                                                                                                                     | \$ 19,577.86  |
| U.W. Extension Office                        | Registration Fees for Pesticide Training and Extension Conferences            | Qualified expenses related to the pesticide training and extension conferences                                                                                                                     | \$ 10,362.48  |
| Land Conservation                            | Donations                                                                     | Conservation Youth Education programs                                                                                                                                                              | \$ 295.26     |
| Land Conservation                            | Multi Discharge Variance Payments from Municipalities for Phosphorus Projects | To fund on-farm practice –phosphorus reductions projects and have 2 years to use a given year's funding.                                                                                           | \$ 63,567.74  |

## Carryover of Certain Accounts Resolution

|                                      |                      |                                                        |              |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
|                                      |                      |                                                        |              |
| Social Services Department           | Donations            | Used for the purpose designated by the donor           | \$ 3,543.63  |
| Aging and Disability Resource Center | Vehicle Trust        | DOT funds for 85.21 transportation services            | \$ 9,252.29  |
| Aging and Disability Resource Center | Other Donation Trust | Donations used for the purpose designated by the donor | \$ 37,357.07 |

Recommended this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024 to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors