



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

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1	Call to order.
2	Roll Call.
3	Approve the agenda for this July 9, 2024 meeting.
4	Approve the minutes of the June 11, 2024 meeting.
5	Opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee.
6	Seniors United for Nutrition Update.
7	Discuss Bloomfield Prairie Property.
8	Budget Amendment for Land Conservation Committee Recommendation to complete repairs to Birch Lake Dam.
9	Motion to convene in closed session pursuant to 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. (Investment of public funds and Budget Discussions).
10	Motion to return to open session.
11	Possible action on closed session items.
12	Budget Strategy for Iowa County.
13	County Administrator's Report.
14	Set date and time for next meeting. (August 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.)
15	Adjournment.
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	Draft Minutes Executive Committee Tuesday, June 11, 2024 – 5:30 pm Health & Human Services Center – Community Room 303 W Chapel St Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Iowa County Wisconsin
1	Call to order. The June 11, 2024, Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman John Meyers at 5:30 p.m.	
2	Roll Call. Present at roll call: Supervisors: Dave Gollon, Joan Davis, Brad Stevens, John Meyers, Curt Peterson, and Mel Masters Excused Absence: Supervisor Dan Nankee Others present: Supervisor Justin O'Brien, Larry Bierke, Jamie Gould, Dave Morzenti, Scott Godfrey, Mike Peterson, and Paul Ohlrogge.	
3	Approve the agenda for this June 11, 2024 meeting. Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Peterson to approve the agenda for the June 11, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.	
4	Approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 meeting. Motion by Sup. Stevens seconded by Sup. Davis to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.	
5	Opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee.	
6	Seniors United for Nutrition Update. Sup. Masters provided the committee with an update.	
7	Bloomfield Prairie. Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Davis for the County Administrator to create a resolution for County Board approval to enter into discussion with a potential buyer and ensure the Bloomfield Prairie property will continue to be prairie land and be open to the public move and establish a fair market value. Motion carried.	
8	2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion by Sup. Masters seconded by Sup. Gollon to move 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan to the County Board. Motion carried.	
9	Update on Housing Project (SWISH). County Administration Bierke provided the committee with an update.	
10	Resolution Supporting Grant Application for Creation of a Revolving Loan Fund. Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Peterson not to participate. Motion carried.	

11	Opioid Settlement Agreement with Kroger. Motion by Sup. Master seconded by Sup. Stevens to accept the opioid settlement agreement with Kroger. Motion carried.
12	Budget Strategy for Iowa County. Sup. Gollon suggested we need to look at efficiency and the board needs to provide direction for the mill rate. Sup. Masters would like this agenda item on the next agenda.
13	Resolution-Notice on Intent to Issue Financing (Highway). Motion by Sup. Davis seconded by Sup. Masters to approve Resolution Notice on Intent to Issue Financing. Motion carried.
14	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). Motion by Sup. Davis seconded by Sup. Masters to convene in closed session at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried.
15	Motion to return to open session. Motion by Sup. Davis seconded by Sup. Masters to return to open session at 7:08 p.m. Motion carried.
16	Possible action on closed session items. No action taken.
17	County Administrator's Report. County Administrator Bierke provided the committee with an update.
18	Set date and time for next meeting. The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on July 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
19	Adjournment. Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Peterson to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.
	Prepared by Jamie Gould

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION _____**

A RESOLUTION TO PRESERVE BLOOMFIELD PRAIRIE

WHEREAS, in 2016 Iowa County leased 434.27 acres of the Iowa County farm to the Driftless Area Land Conservancy and Iowa County Recreation and Prairie Restoration Ltd, two active nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit organizations restored the land and developed a contiguous prairie that is now home to a unique flora and fauna ecosystem that also provides public open space for recreation; and

WHEREAS, it is unlikely that the Bloomfield Prairie will continue under this land lease environment forever, or that federal funding will continue to support the prairie effort via the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, and Iowa County has been notified that the lease terms will not be renewed at the conclusion of the existing contract; and

WHEREAS, Iowa County staff recently completed a series of public information gathering and listening sessions to help plan for the future of Bloomfield Prairie; and

WHEREAS, residents who attended the listening sessions and have communicated with County Supervisors have expressed an interest in seeing the property remain a prairie that is open for public use and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors has relied on the lease payments as a revenue to the Iowa County budget and is not prepared to add the expense of maintaining the prairie to future budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors would like to seek out a partnership with a nonprofit entity in order to secure the prairie for future generations through the sale of the prairie lands.

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

1. Iowa County hereby directs the County Board Chair and the County Administrator to begin consulting with nonprofit entities to determine their willingness to purchase lands known as the Bloomfield Prairie or Farm.
2. Iowa County will further require that as part of any land sale, the property remains open to the public and continues to be used as a prairie with acceptable related improvements.
3. Should the nonprofit that purchases the property ever become defunct or discontinue operations as an organization or should the organization fail to file annual Internal Revenue Service tax forms for three consecutive years, that the property be deeded back to Iowa County for public use.
4. The County Board Chair and County Administrator shall report back to the Executive Committee once a tentative plan has been reached. The Executive Committee will provide guidance and recommend a final sale to the County Board once appropriate terms are established.

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

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Kristy, Spurley, County Clerk

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