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IOWA COUNTY BOARD MEETING

****AGENDA****

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Conference Call 1-312-626-6799

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87929786043>

Meeting ID 879 2978 6043

Health and Human Services Center - Community Room

303 West Chapel St., Dodgeville, WI 53533

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Healthy and Safe Place to Live, Work and Play – Iowa County

The Mission of Iowa County Government is to protect and promote the health and safety, economic well-being, and environmental quality of our county by providing essential services in a fiscally responsible manner.

1. Call to order by Chairman John M. Meyers.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. Approve the agenda for this February 18, 2025 meeting.
5. Approve the minutes of the January 16th and 21st, 2025 meetings.
6. Special matters and announcements.
 - Committee Chair reports
 - SWWRPC Winter Newsletter (Set out)
 - Thank you letter from Michael & Megan Havlik
7. Comments from the public.
8. Land use changes from the Towns:
 - 1-0225 Arena – Rezoning request by John Halverson, Roxanne Johnson, Vern Halverson and Evy Halverson
 - 2-0225 Highland – Rezoning request by Chris Carlson dba Grace Homestead Farms
 - 3-0225 Wyoming – Rezoning request by Nick Solomon and Sue Donaldson
9. Consideration to waive after-the-fact permit fee for Allen Ripp.

10. Consider approving the Emergency Fire Wardens list as submitted by the Wisconsin DNR.
11. Presentation from University Alliance on “Legislative Barriers to Shared Services”
- Airport Commission
12. Resolution 4-0225 Extending the Airport Zoning Ordinance Moratorium.
- Public Works Committee
13. Resolution 5-0225 In Support of submittal of an application for a Protect Program grant for CTH C – STH 23 to Golf Course Drive.
- General Government Committee
14. Resolution 6-0225 Request Military Equipment for Veterans Memorial Update.
15. Resolution 7-0225 Supporting Memoranda of Understanding Between Iowa County and Any Municipalities Requesting a Resource Sharing Relationship for Use of the Statewide WisVote Voter Registration System.
16. Resolution 8-0225 Authorizing Participation in the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Outdoor Motorized Recreation Trail Aids Program.
17. Resolution 9-0225 Iowa County Mission Statement Update.
- Executive Committee
18. Resolution 10-0225 Notify Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission of Iowa County’s Intent to Withdraw.
19. Consider reducing the office lease for Seniors United for Nutrition to \$500/month as of January 1, 2025.
20. County Administrator’s report.
21. Chair’s report.
22. Mileage and Per Diem Report for this February 18, 2025 meeting.
23. Motion to adjourn to March 18, 2025.

Megan Currie, County Clerk

Posted 2/12/2025 @ 12:30 pm

PROCEEDINGS OF THE JANUARY SPECIAL SESSION OF
THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS
OF IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

The meeting was held in person and via electronic videoconferencing / teleconferencing.

The Board of Supervisors met in the Health and Human Services Center Community Room in the City of Dodgeville on Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John M. Meyers, Chair of the Board.

The Board, in unison, led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Members attending in person: Ingmar Nelson, Dan Nankee, Curt Peterson, Darrell Kreul, Bruce Paull, Joan Davis, Dody Cockeram, Brad Stevens, Adam Stucki, Mike Peterson, Richard Rolfsmeyer, John Meyers, Tim Lease, Gerald Galle, Donald Gander, Donald Leix, Mel Masters, Kevin Butteris.

Excused: David Gollon, Justin O'Brien

Absent: Douglas Richter

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Sup. Nelson seconded by Sup. Nankee to approve the agenda of this January 16, 2025 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the public: None.

Introduction and Explanation of the BEAD Grant by Administrator Bierke.

Mileage and Per Diem Report for this January 16, 2025 Session of the County Board was presented.

18 members 287.70 miles and Per Diem \$1,212.70

Motion by Sup. Nelson seconded by Sup. Stucki to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sup. Lease seconded by Sup. Leix to convene to closed session pursuant to WI § 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. (Hearing presentations to determine which BEAD grant applications Iowa County Board of Supervisors will issue endorsement letters and funding support to).

Entered closed session at 6:50 p.m. with Larry Bierke and Dave Morzenti.

The following companies were invited to discuss their project idea and grant application one at a time for 10 minutes each:

- Bug Tussel
- Brightspeed
- Richland-Grant Telephone

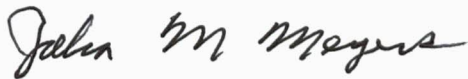
Motion by Sup. Nelson seconded by Sup. Nankee to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Entered open session at 8:42 p.m.

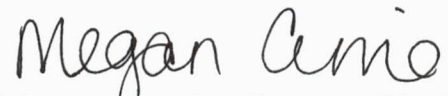
Motion by Sup. M Peterson seconded by Sup. Davis to write letters of support for Bug Tussel, Brightspeed, and Richland-Grand Telephone. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sup. Nelson seconded by Sup. Lease to adjourn to January 21, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



John M. Meyers, Chairman



Megan Currie, County Clerk

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OF IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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The Board of Supervisors met in the Health and Human Services Center Community Room in the City of Dodgeville on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John M. Meyers, Chair of the Board.

The Board, in unison, led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Members attending in person: Douglas Richter, Dan Nankee, Curt Peterson, David Gollon, Bruce Paull, Dody Cockeram, Brad Stevens, Adam Stucki, Richard Rolfsmeyer, John Meyers, Tim Lease, Gerald Galle, Donald Gander, Mel Masters, Kevin Butteris.

Members attending via ZOOM: Ingmar Nelson, Darrell Kreul, Joan Davis, Mike Peterson, Don Leix

Excused: Justin O'Brien

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Sup. Nankee seconded by Sup. Rolfsmeyer to approve the agenda of this January 21, 2025 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes: Motion by Sup. Masters seconded by Sup. Lease to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2024 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Special matters and announcements:

- 2025 County Board / Committee Calendar
- Committee Chair Reports:
 - HHS – Nankee stated that the next meeting will be the opioid grant awarded
 - Ag/Ext – Nankee stated that the chronicle stated 6 positions were cut, but was actually 1.5 positions
 - Airport – Masters stated the next meeting will be on 1/30 in the community room
 - Masters stated 19,000 meals made at the LEC in 2024

Comments from the public: None.

Larry Bierke presented a plaque in recognition of Kristy Spurley on her retirement from Iowa County after 46 years 11 months. Kristy was not present so the plaque and gift card will be mailed.

Motion by Sup. Lease seconded by Sup. C. Peterson to adopt Amendatory Ordinance 1-0125 thru 4-0125 as a group. Motion carried unanimously.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 1-1024 to zone 41.49 acres from A-1 Agricultural to RB-1 Recreational Business in the Town of Clyde.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 2-0125 to zone 3.144 acres from RB-1 Recreational Business to AR-1 Agricultural Residential in the Town of Dodgeville.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 3-0125 to zone two lots of 1.21 and 2.01 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential in the Town of Highland.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 4-0125 to zone 3.94 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential and 8.864 acres from A-1 Agricultural and B-2 Highway Business to AR-1 Agricultural Residential in the Town of Ridgeway.

Slideshow presentation by Facilities and Ground Director, Jacob Tarrel, on Courthouse Landscaping and Veterans Memorial Improvement Plan. VFW Leigon and Jewell have been contacted. Jewell has created the drawings at no cost. There was discussion and questions given to Jake. Board would like to see a preliminary budget brought to the general government committee as well as monthly updates brought to the full board.

Motion by Sup. Butteris seconded by Sup. Stevens to adopt Revisions to Policy 1120 Highway Transfer Program. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator – No Report

Chairman Meyers – No Report

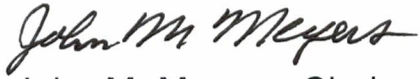
Mileage and Per Diem Report for this January 21, 2025 Session of the County Board was presented.

20 members	311 miles and Per Diem \$1,242.70
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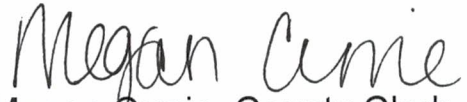
Motion by Sup. Nankee seconded by Sup. Lease to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sup. Gollon seconded by Sup. Stucki to adjourn to February 18, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John M. Meyers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M".

John M. Meyers, Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Megan Currie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "C".

Megan Currie, County Clerk

Amendatory Ordinance 1-0225

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by John Halverson, Roxanne Johnson, Vern Halverson and Evy Halverson;

For land being in the N ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 6, Town 8N, Range 5E in the Town of Arena affecting tax parcels 002-0713 and 002-0714.01;

And, this petition is zone 18.8 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential.

Whereas notice of such petition has been properly advertised and notice has been given to the **Clerk of the Town of Arena,**

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3468** was last held on **January 23, 2025** in accord with said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve.**

Now therefore be it resolved that the official county zoning map be amended as recommended by the Iowa County Planning and Zoning Committee.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee.

I, the undersigned Iowa County Clerk, hereby certify that the above Amendatory Ordinance was _____ approved as recommended _____ approved with amendment _____ denied as recommended _____ denied or _____ rereferred to the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors on **February 18, 2025.** The effective date of this ordinance shall be **February 18, 2025.**

Megan Currie
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



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Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing held on January 23, 2025

Zoning Hearing 3468

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Roxanne Johnson and John, Vern, & Evy Halverson

Town of Arena

Site Description: NW ½ -NW of S6-T8N-R5E also affecting tax parcels 002-0713; 0714.01

Petition Summary: This is a request to zone 18.8 acres from A-1 Ag to AR-1 Ag Res.

Comments/Recommendations

1. This is an existing legal nonconforming lot, meaning it existed when the minimum lot size for the A-1 district was increased to 40 acres. As such, only those uses that existed at that time are "grand-fathered". The intent is to build a residence on the lot, which is a new use.
2. If approved, the AR-1 district would allow one single-family residence, accessory structures and limited ag uses including up to 8 animal units as defined in the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance.
3. Although not required, the applicant has provided a certified survey map of the existing lot.
4. Per Section 11.0 of the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance, the following standards are to be considered when deciding on a zoning change:

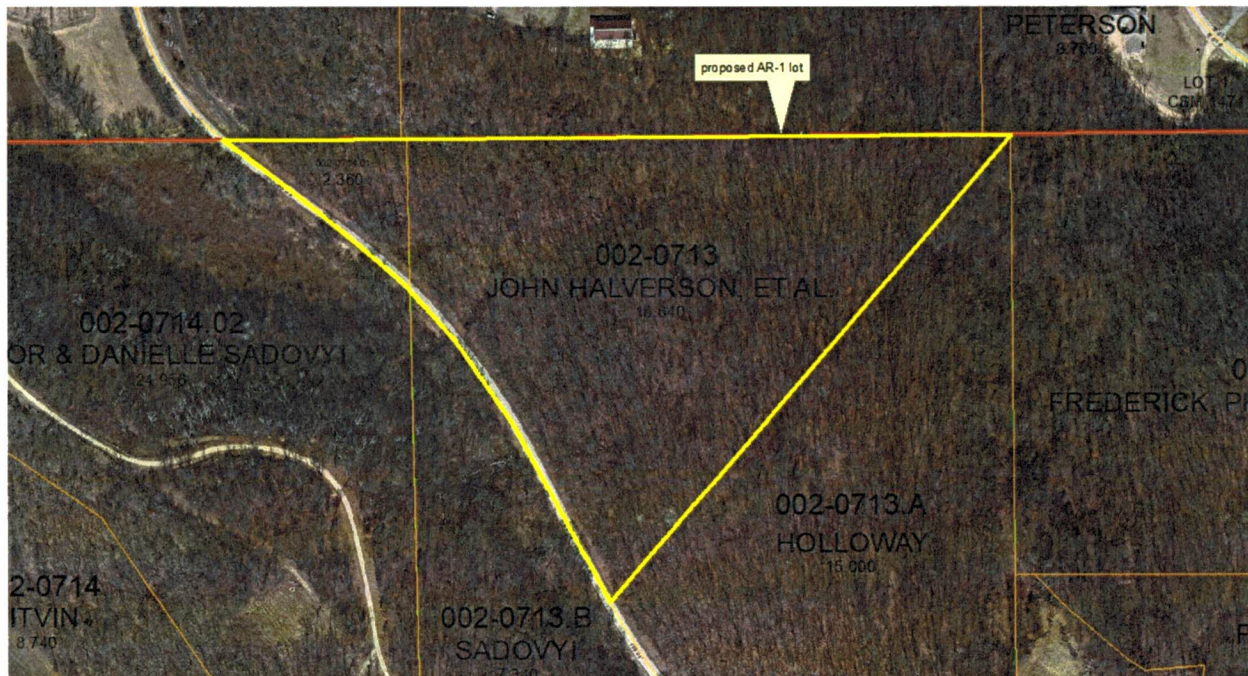
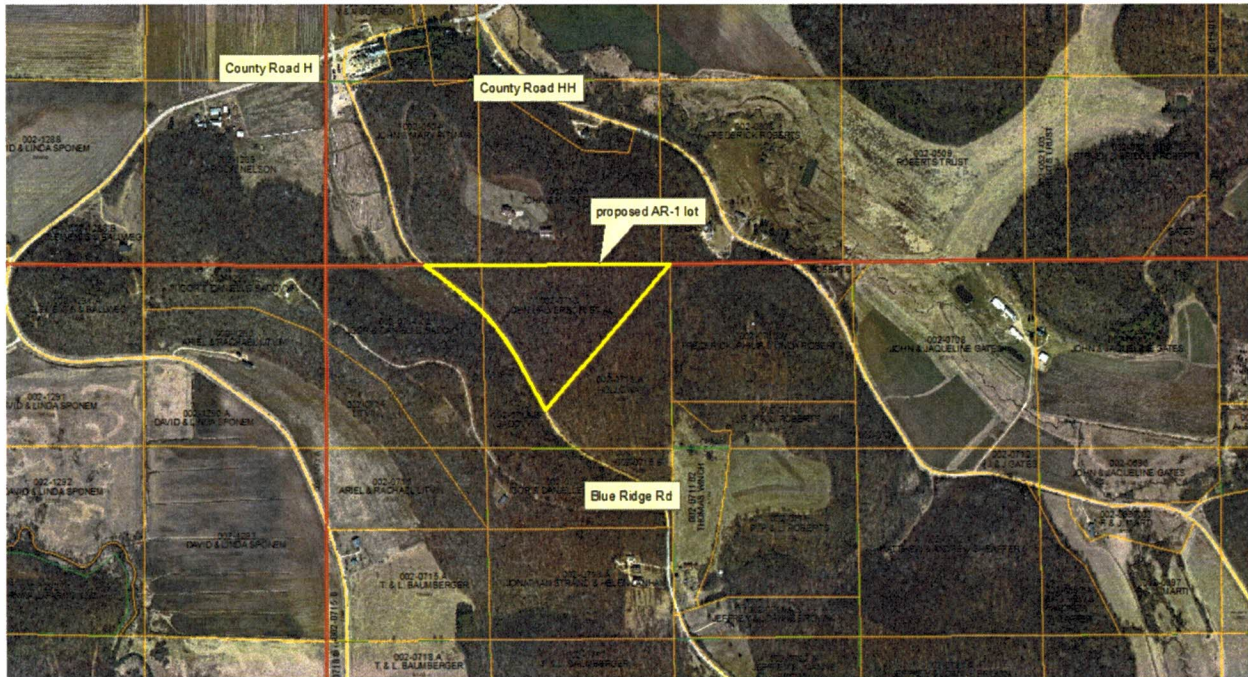
- 1) The petition is consistent with the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan and the comprehensive plan of any Town affected by said petition.
- 2) Adequate public facilities and services (including sewage and waste disposal, water, gas, electricity, schools, police and fire protection, and roads and transportation, as applicable) will be available as required by the petition while maintaining adequate levels of service to existing development.
- 3) Provisions of public facilities to accommodate the petition will not place an unreasonable burden on the ability of affected local units of government to provide those services.
- 4) The petition will not result in significant adverse impacts upon surrounding properties or the natural environment, including air, water, noise, stormwater management, soils, wildlife and vegetation.
- 5) The land associated with the petition is suitable for the proposed development and said development will not cause unreasonable soil erosion or have an unreasonable adverse effect on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- 6) The petition will not be used to legitimize a nonconforming use or structure.
- 7) The petition is the minimum action necessary to accomplish the intent of the petition, and

an administrative adjustment, variance, or Conditional Use Permit could not be used to achieve the same result.

- 8) The petition will not result in illegal "spot zoning" (i.e. use is inconsistent with surrounding properties and serves only a private, rather than public interest

Town Recommendation: The Town of Arena is recommending approval.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval..



Amendatory Ordinance 2-0225

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by Chris Carlson dba Grace Homestead Farms;

For land being in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6 and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, all in Town 7N, Range 2E in the Town of Highland affecting tax parcels 012-0042 and 012-0046;

And, this petition is zone 5.206 acres from A-1 Agricultural to B-2 Highway Business.

Whereas notice of such petition has been properly advertised and notice has been given to the **Clerk of the Town of Highland,**

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3470** was last held on **January 23, 2025** in accord with said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve** with the condition that the associated certified survey map is duly recorded within 6 months.

Now therefore be it resolved that the official county zoning map be amended as recommended by the Iowa County Planning and Zoning Committee.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee.

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Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing held on January 23, 2025

Zoning Hearing 3470

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Chris Carlson dba Grace Homestead Farms

Town of Highland

Site Description: SW/SE of S6 & NW/NE of S& T7N-R2E also affecting tax parcels 012-0042; 0046

Petition Summary: This is a request to zone 5.206 acres from A-1 Ag to B-2 Hwy Bus and for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Tourist Cottage (short term rental).

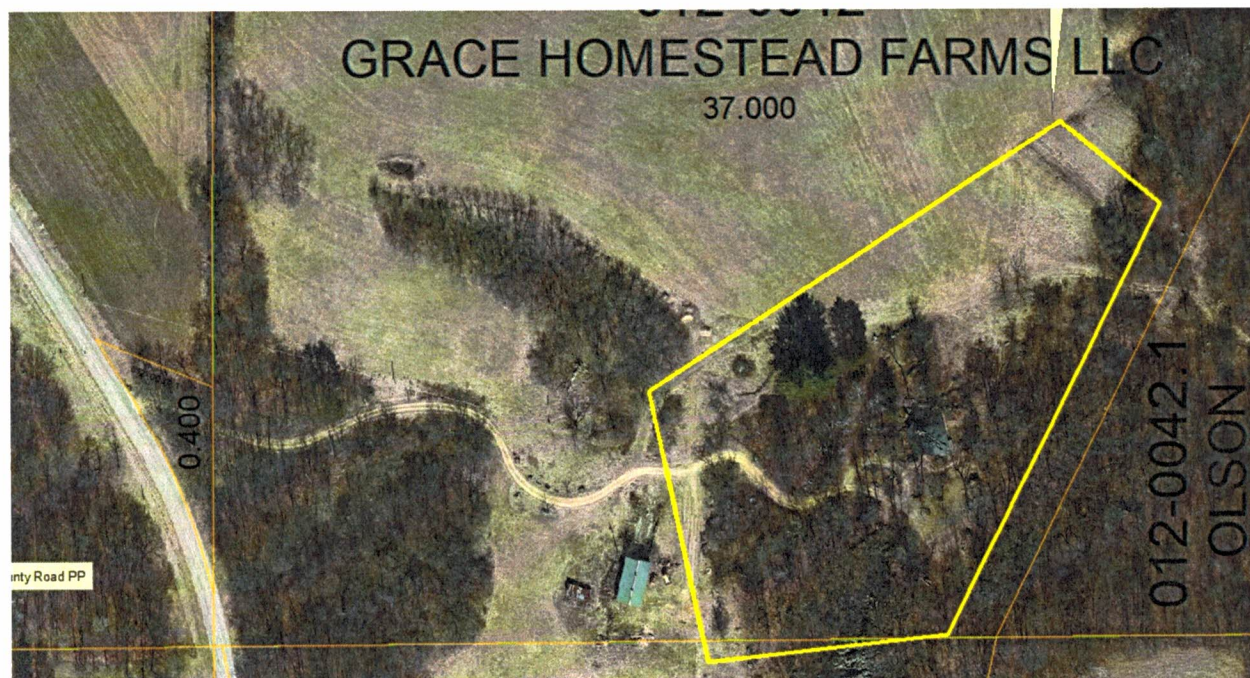
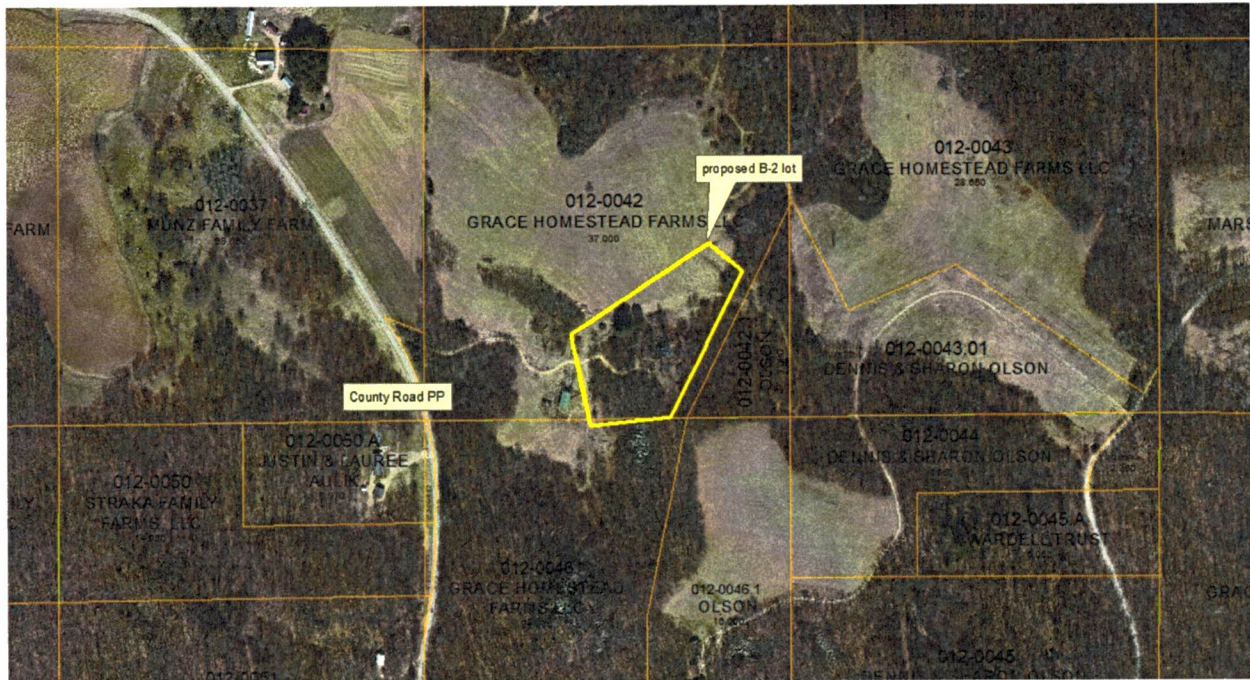
Comments/Recommendations

1. The proposal is to divide off an existing house on a 5.206-acre lot for short-term rental use.
2. If approved, the B-2 district would allow ag cropping and several uses may be requested by Conditional Use Permit. This petition includes a CUP request for a Tourist Cottage.
3. The associated certified survey map has been submitted for formal review.
4. Per Section 11.0 of the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance, the following standards are to be considered when deciding on a zoning change:
 - 1) The petition is consistent with the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan and the comprehensive plan of any Town affected by said petition.
 - 2) Adequate public facilities and services (including sewage and waste disposal, water, gas, electricity, schools, police and fire protection, and roads and transportation, as applicable) will be available as required by the petition while maintaining adequate levels of service to existing development.
 - 3) Provisions of public facilities to accommodate the petition will not place an unreasonable burden on the ability of affected local units of government to provide those services.
 - 4) The petition will not result in significant adverse impacts upon surrounding properties or the natural environment, including air, water, noise, stormwater management, soils, wildlife and vegetation.
 - 5) The land associated with the petition is suitable for the proposed development and said development will not cause unreasonable soil erosion or have an unreasonable adverse effect on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
 - 6) The petition will not be used to legitimize a nonconforming use or structure.
 - 7) The petition is the minimum action necessary to accomplish the intent of the petition, and an administrative adjustment, variance, or Conditional Use Permit could not be used to achieve the same result.
 - 8) The petition will not result in illegal "spot zoning" (i.e. use is inconsistent with surrounding

properties and serves only a private, rather than public interest).

Town Recommendation on the zoning: The Town of Highland is recommending approval.

Staff Recommendation on the zoning: Staff recommends approval with the condition that the associated CUP is approved and that the certified survey map is duly recorded within 6 months of County Board approval.



Amendatory Ordinance 3-0225

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by Nick Solomon and Sue Donaldson;

For land being in Sections 26 & 30 of Town 8N, Range 4E in the Town of Wyoming affecting tax parcels 028-0022 and 028-0023.A;

And, this petition is zone 4.79 acres and 4.38 acres from A-1 Agricultural & B-2 Highway Business to AR-1 Agricultural Residential.

Whereas notice of such petition has been properly advertised and notice has been given to the **Clerk of the Town of Wyoming,**

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3471** was last held on **January 23, 2025** in accord with said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve** with the condition that the associated certified survey map is duly recorded within six months.

Now therefore be it resolved that the official county zoning map be amended as recommended by the Iowa County Planning and Zoning Committee.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee.

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Megan Currie
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



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Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing held on January 23, 2025

Zoning Hearing 3466

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Nick Solomon and Sue Donaldson

Town of Wyoming

Site Description: S26 & 30-T8N-R4E also affecting tax parcels 028-0022; 0023.A

Petition Summary: This is a request to zone 4.79 acres and 4.38 acres from A-1 Ag and B-2 Hwy Bus to AR-1 Ag Res.

Comments/Recommendations

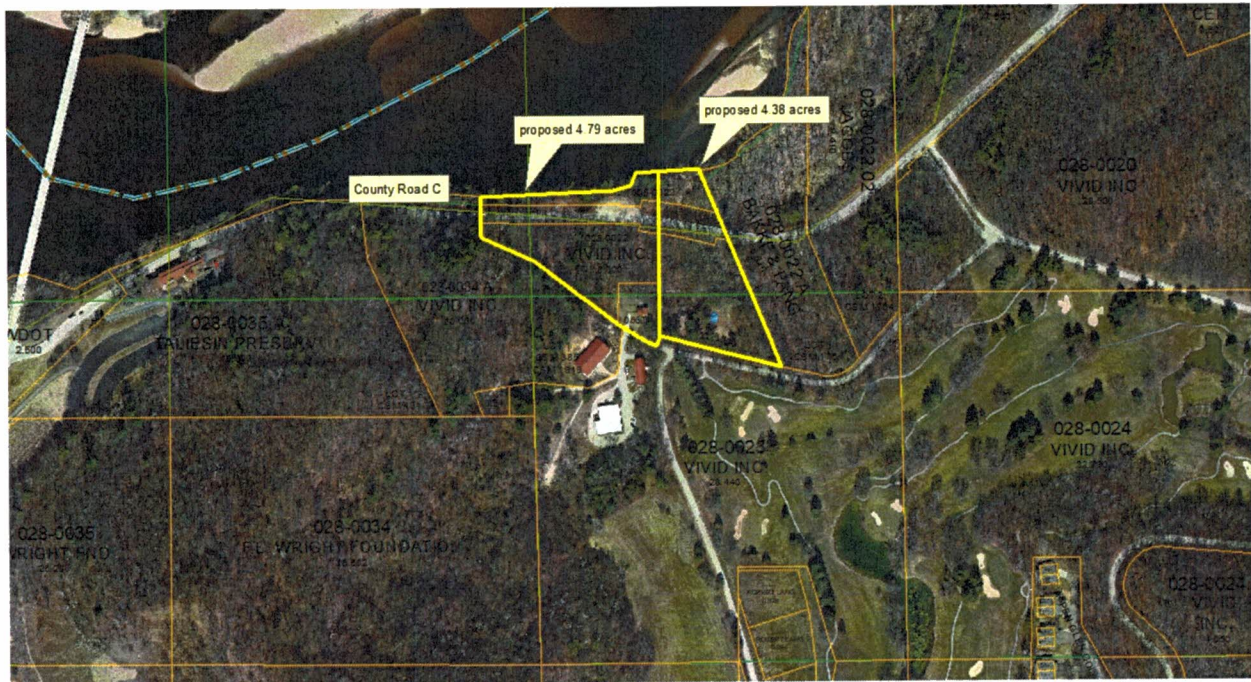
1. The current zoning dates back to the mid-1980's during one of the developments phases. The commercial activity was not established.
2. If approved, each AR-1 lot would be eligible for one single family residence, accessory structures and up to 3 animal units as defined in the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance.
3. The associated certified survey map has not been submitted for formal review.
4. Per Section 11.0 of the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance, the following standards are to be considered when deciding on a zoning change:
 - 1) The petition is consistent with the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan and the comprehensive plan of any Town affected by said petition.
 - 2) Adequate public facilities and services (including sewage and waste disposal, water, gas, electricity, schools, police and fire protection, and roads and transportation, as applicable) will be available as required by the petition while maintaining adequate levels of service to existing development.
 - 3) Provisions of public facilities to accommodate the petition will not place an unreasonable burden on the ability of affected local units of government to provide those services.
 - 4) The petition will not result in significant adverse impacts upon surrounding properties or the natural environment, including air, water, noise, stormwater management, soils, wildlife and vegetation.
 - 5) The land associated with the petition is suitable for the proposed development and said development will not cause unreasonable soil erosion or have an unreasonable adverse effect on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
 - 6) The petition will not be used to legitimize a nonconforming use or structure.
 - 7) The petition is the minimum action necessary to accomplish the intent of the petition, and

an administrative adjustment, variance, or Conditional Use Permit could not be used to achieve the same result.

- 8) The petition will not result in illegal "spot zoning" (i.e. use is inconsistent with surrounding properties and serves only a private, rather than public interest).

Town Recommendation: The Town of Wyoming is recommending approval.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval with the condition that the associated certified survey map is duly recorded within 6 months of the County Board approving the zoning change.



AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Consideration to waive after-the-fact permit fee for Allen Ripp

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Mr. Ripp is requesting the waiver for a shed rebuilt after storm damage without the required permit.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

approve

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Staff report to the Planning & Zoning Committee

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$1000 less revenue

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed?

COMPLETED BY: Scott Godfrey, Director

DEPT: Office of Planning & Development

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE: January 23, 2025

AGENDA ITEM # 12

COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee took action to recommend approving the request.



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Agenda Item 12: Request by Allen Ripp to waive the after-the-fact zoning permit penalty associated with Zpt 8656 for a pole shed built at 2786 County Road F in the Town of Brigham.

Background: It was found that a pole shed was under construction at 2786 County Road F and that the required zoning permit had not been applied for or issued. Upon notification of Mr. Ripp, he stated this is a replacement of a shed damaged by straight-line winds and didn't realize a permit was needed for reconstruction.

Mr. Ripp did apply for an receive an after-the-fact permit. The penalty portion of said permit was \$1,000 (total permit was \$1,500).



Emergency Fire Wardens
Iowa County
2025

Below is a list of businesses/individuals who we recommend to serve as Emergency Fire Wardens in Iowa County.

Business Name	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Heck's Market	7266 US Hwy 14	Arena	WI	53503
Highland State Bank	541 N. Main Street	Highland	WI	53543
Town of Dodgeville	108 E. Leffler Street	Dodgeville	WI	53533
Wright's Feed Service	101 Commerce Street	Barneveld	WI	53507

By: Aaron Young
Aaron Young, Area Forestry Leader

Date: 1/6/2025

By: _____
Chairperson, Iowa County Board

Date: _____

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Extension of Resolution 08-0224 Moratorium on Building for Property North

☐ Original

☒ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Consider extending the resolution which was adopted in February of 2024. The resolution precludes the Planning and Zoning Director from issuing building permits to any property identified within the area covered by the Resolution.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

The resolution is preventative in that it precludes someone from building in an area where the county may be considering acquiring property for airport expansion. Propose to limit the area covered by the Resolution to be the current area under consideration for acquisition at this time.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Copy of the existing Resolution and an Aerial of the area under consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Acquisition of property costs are budgeted in the Airport 5-year Capital Plan for years 2025 and 2026 through the airport capital fund. The acquisition services are to be performed by the state using a state grant and local funds for the service in years 2025-26. the costs for acquisition will be determined thru the acquisition process. The funding for the acquisition could be done in three different manners using some level of federal or state aid or using all local funds. That will be a budget item for either year 2026 or 2027, the county share of funding will depend on the funding option chosen.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☒ Yes

☐ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5-10 mins

COMPLETED BY: CRH

DEPT: HWY

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☐ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE: 01-30-2025

AGENDA ITEM # 5

COMMITTEE ACTION:

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION 4-0225**

IOWA COUNTY AIRPORT ZONING PERMIT MORATORIUM EXTENSION

WHEREAS, Iowa County has previously enacted Ordinance No. 400.16A, Iowa County Airport Overlay Zoning Ordinance, in order to regulate the use of property and to regulate and restrict the height of structures in the vicinity of the Iowa County Airport in order to promote public health, safety, and general welfare, to protect airport users, to increase safety in the use of the airport, and to protect persons and property within the airport affected area and zoning districts while concurrently respecting historic and traditional use of said areas; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Airport is a vitally important transportation terminal that is used for emergency medical transportation (“med-flight”) purposes, aerial transportation, recreational flying, and other purposes that provide a public benefit and benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Airport, as part of the state and federal airport system, is routinely reviewed for capability and capacity to ensure that it can adequately meet the aviation needs of the public currently and into the future. It has been determined through this review process that it would be advantageous to the public, community, and aviation community to expand the Iowa County Airport to provide adequate space and resources for the public now and into the future; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Iowa County Board of Supervisors, the Iowa County Staff, and the Iowa County Airport Commission to efficiently develop and assess the expansion of the Iowa County Airport, any structures or development in certain areas in airport district zones outside of the existing airport property would be counterproductive and would hinder the ability for a safe and accurate assessment to be performed; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors is authorized by Wis. Stat. Ch. 114 to enact an ordinance regulating the use of land and airspace in the vicinity of the airport, which Iowa County has done in Ordinance No. 400.16A. Iowa Ordinance 400.16A, Section 8.0 Administration, requires that an owner or their agent must first obtain a permit from the Iowa County Office of Planning & Development prior to any structure or development being constructed, erected, enlarged or installed in any district created by the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the potential airport expansion would effect a proposed area that is north of the existing airport boundary, more accurately described as follows: That part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, and the Southeast 1/4, of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 2 East, lying north of the current northerly boundary of the Iowa County Airport; and that part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Township 5 North, Range 2 East lying north of the current northerly boundary of the Iowa County Airport, all described land being located in the Town of Linden, Iowa County, Wisconsin. All of this property is currently located in existing “Airport Zone 2A” or “Airport Zone 3” district areas; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board adopted Resolution #08-0224 Iowa County Airport Zoning Permit Moratorium, which placed a limitation on the issuance of Permits under Iowa County Ordinance 400.16A from February 20, 2024 through February 20, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board adopted Resolution #17.0524 Petitioning the State of Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics for a Land Acquisition Loan to expand the Airport property to include additional lands located north of the Iowa County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation - Bureau of Aeronautics (WisDOT-BOA) received and approved of the application; and

WHEREAS the WisDOT – BOA, has programmed a north property land acquisition into the Iowa County Airport (MRJ) 5-Year Capital Plan for years 2025 through 2029 using a variety of State and/or Federal Funding along with a local cost share match;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the proposed and potential expansion of the Iowa County Airport and determined that a moratorium for issuing permits under Iowa County Ordinance No. 400.16A is necessary in order to maintain public health, safety, general welfare, and other aforementioned reasons, while the necessary actions by the WisDOT-BOA are taken to potentially expand the Iowa County Airport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the moratorium shall be in effect for the area of land defined in the following legal description: That part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, and the Southeast 1/4, of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 2 East, lying north of the current northerly boundary of the Iowa County Airport; and that part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Township 5 North, Range 2 East lying north of the current northerly boundary of the Iowa County Airport, all described land being located in the Town of Linden, Iowa County, Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such moratorium for issuing permits under Iowa County Ordinance No. 400.16A shall be in effect ~~for a period of twelve (12) months~~ from the date of this Resolution until December 31, 2027; to allow the Wisconsin Department of Transportation – Bureau of Aeronautics working on behalf of the Airport Commission and the County the time necessary to negotiate acquisition of the desired parcels north of the existing Airport northern boundary within the moratorium area. and the Iowa County Board of Supervisors directs the Iowa County Administrator and Staff to research the necessary requirements and develop a plan to potentially expand the Iowa County Airport during this time.

Recommended for approval unanimously by the Airport Commission on January 30, 2025.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

~~Megan Currie~~Kristy K. Spurley, County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Resolution in Support of Application for Federal Transportation Protect Dis

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

As a pre-requisite for application for federal funding for a roadway improvement program grant for CTH C from STH 23 to Golf Course Drive, the applying jurisdiction is required to pass a Resolution in support of the project. The process for consideration is a competitive grant process, the adoption of a Resolution illustrates the applicants commitment towards the project and conveys the authority to submit the application on behalf of the governmental entity.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

The grant is a request to cover more of the proposed costs for the overall project to rebuild CTH C between STH 23 and STH 14 due to recent inflationary increases. The Department has a grant to fund about \$2.3M of the project costs, but due to inflation, requirements for retaining walls along both sides of the road, a drainage structure replacement and other reasons the current grant falls far short of the original 80-20 estimated split.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Overview of the project limits and concepts along with a Draft of the Resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budgetary within the Capital Program for 2027, the anticipated year of construction.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5-10 Mins

COMPLETED BY: CRH

DEPT: HWY

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM#

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Resolution No. 5-0225

**AUTHORIZATION AND SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR the FEDERAL
PROMOTING RESILIENT OPERATIONS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE, EFFICIENT, AND COST-SAVING
TRANSPORTATION (PROTECT) GRANT PROGRAM FOR CTH C – STH 23 TO GOLF COURSE DRIVE**

Relating to the County of Iowa's participation in the United States Department of Transportation Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) discretionary grant program for 2025.

WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the PROTECT 2025 Discretionary Grant Program to be used for the construction, planning, and design of improvement program projects with local and regional impacts and resiliency; And,

WHEREAS, after due consideration, the Iowa County Board has recommended that an application be submitted to the Federal Government for the following project:

CTH C – STH 23 to Golf Course Drive; Wyoming Township, WI; And,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Iowa County Highway Department to prepare the application to provide federal funding for the cost of construction improvements to CTH C along the Wisconsin River in the Town of Wyoming; Iowa County, Wisconsin for providing cycling facilities and access between Tower Hill State Park and the House on the Rock Resort to the Village of Spring Green. The project will provide safer travelling facilities for motorists using the route; including oversize / overweight shipments between STH 14 and STH 23; And,

WHEREAS, the project will promote resiliency and repetitive repairs by eliminating issues with landslides of roadway shoulder materials resulting in Emergency placement of over 200 truckloads of rock fill into the Wisconsin River which has occurred on four different occasions in 2008, 2011, 2017-18, and 2022; And,

WHEREAS, the short stretch of CTH C provides an alternate route for STH 23 and STH 14 traffic when the roads are impassable due to construction improvements to those bridges alleviating a detour route in excess of 30 miles, which work has occurred in 2014 (STH 14 bridge) and 2023 (the STH 23 bridge); And,

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Highway Department and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation have a current State Municipal Agreement for the design and construction for the corridor from STH 23 to STH 14; And

WHEREAS, the proposed project costs have escalated due to the complexity of the various stakeholders along the project including a narrow corridor bounded by steep terrain and the river on either side, section 4f and 6f recreational properties being Tower Hill State Park, Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation lands, the Taliesin Architectural Campus and Visitor's Center, the Spring Green Inn, and the House on the Rock Resort; And,

WHEREAS, the project will require land acquisitions for highway easement the costs for said acquisitions will be 100% funded by the Iowa County Highway Department. The acquisition process will follow all federal requirements; And ,

WHEREAS, the steep adjacent terrain, location of the river, and the FLLW Taliesin property will require construction of two retaining walls to minimize impacts, both walls of which the construction is complicated due to subsoil conditions and the need to increase the corridor width to meet current highway standards; And,

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that design will take place in the years of 2023 thru 2026 and construction will commence between the years 2026-2027;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Iowa does APPROVE and SUPPORT the project and AUTHORIZE the Highway Commissioner to prepare and file an application for participation in the 2025 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO); And ,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the County; and shall submit a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for consideration of support and to the Federal Government with the PROTECT grant application.

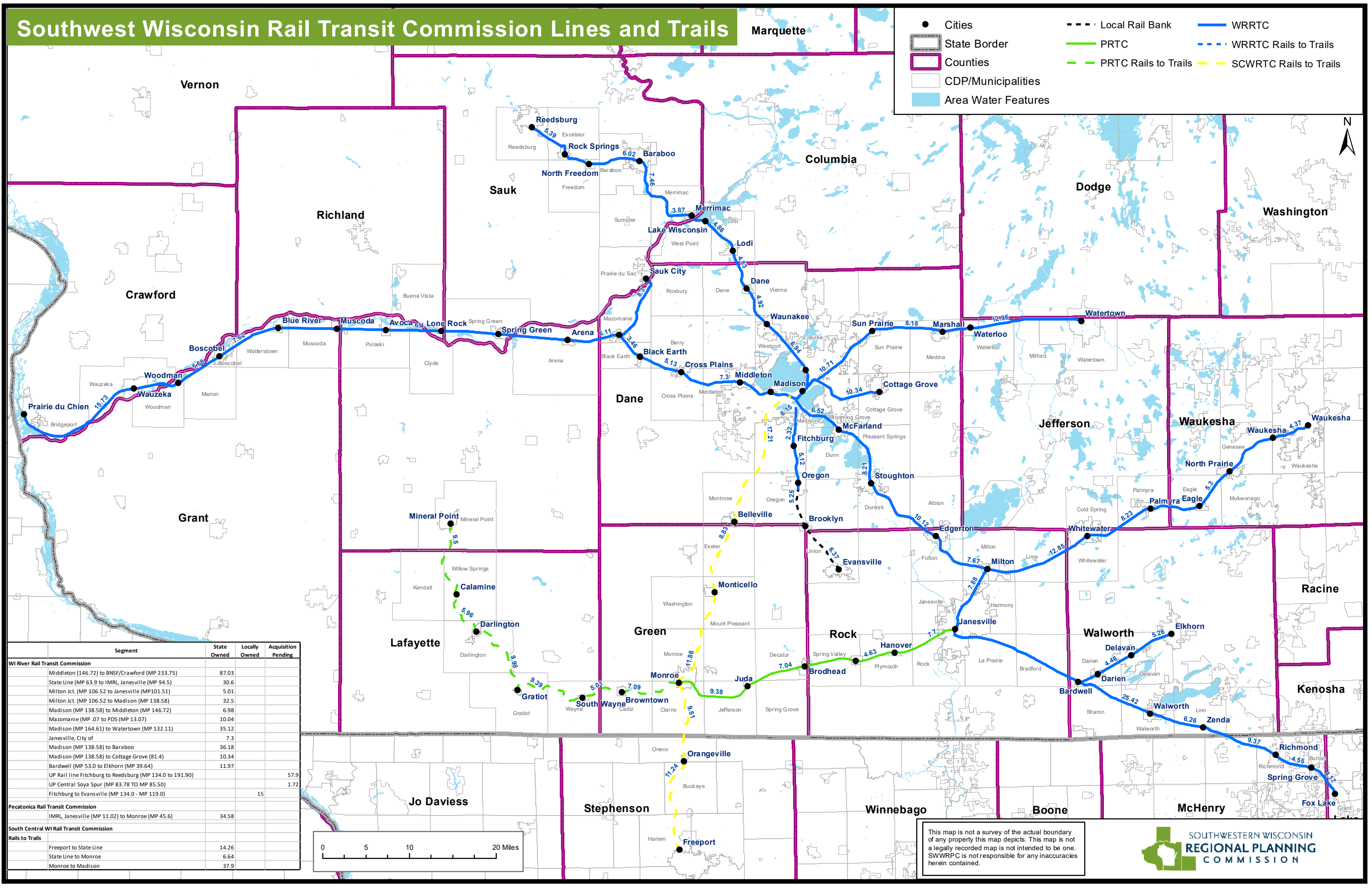
The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February, 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, Iowa County Clerk

Southwest Wisconsin Rail Transit Commission Lines and Trails



Segment	State Owned	Locally Owned	Acquisition Pending
WI River Rail Transit Commission			
Middleton (146.72) to BNSF/Crawford (MP 233.75)	87.03		
State Line (MP 63.9 to IMRL, Janesville (MP 94.5)	30.6		
Milton Jct. (MP 106.52 to Janesville (MP101.51)	5.01		
Milton Jct. (MP 106.52 to Madison (MP 138.58)	32.5		
Madison (MP 138.58) to Middleton (MP 146.72)	6.98		
Mazomanie (MP .07 to PDS (MP 13.07)	10.04		
Madison (MP 164.61) to Watertown (MP 132.11)	35.12		
Janesville, City of	7.3		
Madison (MP 138.58) to Baraboo	36.18		
Madison (MP 138.58) to Cottage Grove (81.4)	10.34		
Bardwell (MP 53.0 to Elkhorn (MP 39.64)	11.97		
UP Rail line Fitchburg to Reedsburg (MP 134.0 to 191.90)			57.9
UP Central Soya Spur (MP 83.78 TO MP 85.50)			1.72
Fitchburg to Evansville (MP 134.0 - MP 119.0)		15	
Pecatonica Rail Transit Commission			
IMRL, Janesville (MP 11.02) to Monroe (MP 45.6)	34.58		
South Central WI Rail Transit Commission			
Rails to Trails			
Freeport to State Line	14.26		
State Line to Monroe	6.64		
Monroe to Madison	37.9		

This map is not a survey of the actual boundary of any property this map depicts. This map is not a legally recorded map is not intended to be one. SWWRTC is not responsible for any inaccuracies herein contained.



AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Resolution approving the placement of a Military display piece on public land

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

As part of the United States Army Donations Program, the application process for getting on the donation list requires an approved resolution that will allow a military piece of equipment to be displayed on public land. Any donated piece of equipment from the military is not a gift and the military could take back the equipment at anytime. We are asking to display a military piece of equipment for public viewing. Iowa County will be responsible for care and upkeep of that piece while in our possession.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

I'm asking the committee and board to approve the resolution to allow the placement of a military piece of equipment be displayed on public land (Courthouse memorial location).

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Copy of proposed resolution and a copy of some examples of equipment that could be displayed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Maintaining the upkeep of the piece of equipment (painting or staining when needed). May need to install a cement pad for displaying.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5 to 10 minutes

COMPLETED BY: Jake Tarrell

DEPT: Facilities and Grounds

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☐ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Examples of a piece of equipment that could be displayed:



**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION 6-0225**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLACEMENT OF A MILITARY PIECE OF
EQUIPMENT ON PUBLIC LAND**

WHEREAS, Iowa County recognizes the importance of honoring our veterans and their service to our country, and

WHEREAS, displaying a piece of military equipment will not only enhance our Veterans Memorial and courthouse, but the display will also provide an educational element that will benefit visitors and the community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed military display piece will be placed on public land, ensuring that it is accessible to all residents and visitors of Iowa County; and

WHEREAS, the placement of the military piece on public land has been reviewed and deemed appropriate by the Iowa County board of supervisors and complies with all applicable regulations and guidelines; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the equipment for the display must never be placed on private property and must always remain on public land.

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

1. Approval of Placement: The Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the placement of the military display piece on public land located at 222 North Iowa Street, Dodgeville WI 53533.
2. Compliance with Regulations: The military display shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
3. Maintenance and Upkeep: Iowa County is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the military piece of equipment to ensure it remains in good condition and continues to serve its educational and historical purposes.
4. Public Accessibility: the military display shall always remain accessible to the public and shall not be moved to or placed on private property under any circumstances.
5. Effective Date: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: MOU Between Iowa County and Municipalities for WisVote

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Resolution between Iowa County and any municipality requesting resource sharing for the use of WisVote registration system.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Clerk recommends as it is a necessity to have in order for the County to support the municipalities in the WisVote system.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution between Iowa County and any municipality requesting resource sharing for the use of WisVote registration system.

FISCAL IMPACT:

County receives fees from each municipality.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? _____

COMPLETED BY: Megan Currie

DEPT: County Clerk

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM#

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Resolution No. 7-0225

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN IOWA COUNTY AND ANY MUNICIPALITIES REQUESTING A RESOURCE SHARING RELATIONSHIP FOR USE OF THE STATEWIDE WISVOTE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) to create a more uniform voter registration and voting system in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Election Commission is charged with maintaining a Statewide Voter Registration System known as WisVote that complies with HAVA; and

WHEREAS, local units of government understand their obligations and commitments as mandated by HAVA and state statutes to administer, implement and maintain local voter registration information within a centralized WisVote system; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has enacted legislation which allows local units of government to share technology and resources with the County or other municipalities to maintain the local voter registration information within the centralized WisVote system,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Iowa County directs the County Clerk, upon the request of a municipality, to enter into a three year Memorandum of Understanding with that municipality that will comply with the requirements of HAVA and provide a more efficient and cost effective implementation of WisVote through the sharing of technology and resources.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that Iowa County directs the County Clerk to increase the fee for each Township by \$25.00 and each Village by \$50.00 per election. The fee will be for the years 2025, 2026 and 2027.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that Iowa County directs the County Clerk to increase the fee for setting up the local municipal races by \$25.00 per election and the School District fee for setting up the school races by \$50.00 per election.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Participation in the Wisconsin DNR Motorized Trail Aid Program

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

In order to apply for snowmobile trail maintenance aids the county must yearly pass a resolution authorizing participation. This resolution is required to receive the snowmobile trail maintenance grant which is 100% paid by the DNR.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Authorizing Resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? _____

COMPLETED BY: Megan Currie

DEPT: County Clerk

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM#

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Resolution No. 8-0225

**AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES OUTDOOR MOTORIZED RECREATION TRAIL AIDS
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Iowa County is interested in maintaining, acquiring, insuring or developing lands for public outdoor motorized trail use:

WHEREAS, said public snowmobile trails are eligible for funds under Wisconsin State Statute 23.09(26):

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors, that Iowa County apply for funds under Wisconsin State Statute 23.09(26) for such eligible maintenance, acquisition, insurance, rehabilitation and development costs and hereby authorizes Iowa County Clerk Megan Currie or County Board Chair John Meyers to act on behalf of Iowa County to submit an application to the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for any financial aid that may be available; sign documents; and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Mission Statement Clarification

☐ Original

☒ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

It has been discovered that Iowa County has multiple mission statements. At the top of each county agenda is one version and one version is on all our staff performance reviews. Could you please review and discuss these two options?

1) The Mission of Iowa County Government is to protect and promote the health and safety, economic well-being, and environmental quality of our county by providing essential services in a fiscally responsible manner.

2) "Iowa County provides quality services in the most effective and efficient manner possible to the citizens, customers, and team members of Iowa County".

The Department Head team discussed this and is recommending the following:

A) The Mission of Iowa County is to protect and promote the health, safety and economic well-being of its residents and the environment in a fiscally responsible manner.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE IS RECOMMENDING ITEM A and that the County Administrator draft a resolution for the County Board to adopt.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes, please list below:

PLEASE FIND ATTACHED RESOLUTION...

FISCAL IMPACT:

No 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:

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION 9-0225**

**A RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING AN
IOWA COUNTY MISSION STATEMENT**

WHEREAS, The Iowa County Board of Supervisors desires to update the Mission Statement of Iowa County; and

WHEREAS, establishing a mission statement that is reflective of the values of the residents of Iowa County and the services provided by the County Government was a task given great thought and consideration; and

WHEREAS, the updated mission statement was designed with input from staff and ultimately discussed by the General Government Committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that the Mission Statement for Iowa County shall be:

“The mission of Iowa County is to protect and promote the health, safety, and economic well-being of its residents and the environment in a fiscally responsible manner.”

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any mission statements existing prior to the adoption of this mission statement shall be updated and replaced.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Authorization to Withdraw from River Rail Transit Commission

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

During the 2024 strategic planning meeting it was discussed that one idea for cost savings for Iowa County may be to withdraw from the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission. This was further suggested as an idea by the Executive Committee as part of the 2025 budget planning meetings. Attached is the resolution providing notice to the WRRTC that Iowa County desires to withdraw from the Commission.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Consider the attached to determine your position on the potential of withdrawing from the Commission. Should you adopt and submit this resolution to the Commission, the next step will be to consider another Resolution completing the actual withdrawal. This resolution simply puts the WRRTC on notice.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Attached is a Resolution for consideration that puts the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission on notice that Iowa County is considering a withdrawal from the organization. There is also information enclosed on what the railroad adds to our business community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If Iowa County withdraws from the Commission, it would save \$30,000 annually from our operating budget.

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:

**IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION 10-0225**

**A RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF INTENT TO WITHDRAW FROM
THE WISCONSIN RIVER RAIL TRANSIT COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, by a Charter contract made and entered into on March 18, 1980, Iowa County agreed to participate with the Counties of Dane, Sauk, Richland, Grant and Crawford in the establishment of the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission (the "Commission"); and

WHEREAS, Iowa County has continued to participate in the Commission with other Counties and Municipalities since the Commission's establishment in 1980 pursuant to the terms of the Charter contract; and

WHEREAS, it is now becoming a significant financial burden for Iowa County to continue to participate in the Commission as a member County according to the terms of the Charter contract; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII of the Charter contract provides the process for a participating member County to withdraw from the Commission. Specifically, paragraph 8.01 of the Charter contract provides that a member County may by action of its governing body withdraw from the Commission. Any withdrawal will have an effective date of April 30, and such action must be preceded by a written notification of the member County's intention to withdraw from the Commission which must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission not later than July 1 of the year prior to withdrawal.

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

1. In accordance with Paragraph 8.01 of the Charter contract of the Commission, Iowa County intends to withdraw from the Commission with an effective date of April 30, 2026.
2. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to provide and file written notice to the Secretary of the Commission by July 1, 2025, of Iowa County's said intent to withdraw from the Commission.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of February 2025.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Megan Currie, County Clerk

Prepared by DCM