

Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given to the public that the
Iowa County Board of Supervisors will meet in

Regular Session
of the
IOWA COUNTY BOARD
Tuesday March 19, 2019
6:00 p.m.

Health and Human Services Center - Community Room
303 West Chapel St., Dodgeville, WI 53533
For information regarding access for the disabled, please call 935-0399.

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.

Agenda

1. Call to order by Chairman John M. Meyers.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. Approve the agenda for this March 19, 2019 meeting.
5. Approve the minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting.
6. Special matters and announcements.
 - a) Committee Chair reports.
 - b) Register in Probate 2018 Annual Report.
7. Comments from the public.
8. Land use changes from the Towns:
 - Arena – 1-0319 Rezoning request by Richard Peck.
 - Arena – 2-0319 Rezoning request by Dennis Halverson.
 - Brigham – 3-0319 Rezoning request by Lorenz LLP.
 - Mineral Point – 4-0319 Rezoning request by Kurt S. Rule.
9. County Administrator's report.

Public Works Committee:

10. Resolution No. 5-0319 Designating April 8th – 12th, 2019 as Workzone Safety Week in Iowa County.
11. Resolution No. 6-0319 Directing Funding for Future County Highway Improvements.

12. Consider amending the ATV/UTV Route Ordinance No. 600.18B.

Public Safety Committee:

13. Resolution 7-0319 Supporting Increased County Child Support Funding.

General Government Committee:

14. Resolution No. 8-0319 Ordering the County Clerk to Issue Tax Deeds on Unredeemed Certificates.
15. Consider amending the Iowa County Board Rule XVI: Public Participation.
16. Consider reinstating the Economic Support Specialist Lead position.

Executive Committee:

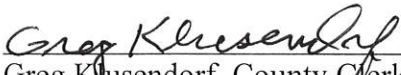
17. Resolution No. 9-0319 Amending the Iowa County Committees, Commissions and Boards Structure.
18. Update on the status of the intervention in the Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line proceedings before the Public Service Commission.
19. Consider the starting time for County Board meetings.

Senior Living Committee 2020:

20. Approve the appointments of Judy Lindholm, Larry Bierke and John Meyers to the tax-exempt entity Newco, which will operate the Combined Nursing Home, with Ricky Rolfsmeyer being the Alternate member.

Other:

21. Chair's report.
22. Mileage and Per Diem Report for this March 19, 2019 meeting.
23. Motion to convene in closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (Bloomfield Administrator contract.)
24. Motion to return to open session.
25. Possible action on closed session item.
26. Motion to adjourn to April 16, 2019.


Greg Klusendorf, County Clerk

Posted 3/14/2019

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FEBRUARY SESSION OF
THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS
OF IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

The Board of Supervisors met in the Health and Human Services Center Community Room in the City of Dodgeville on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John M. Meyers, Chairman of the Board.

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

Roll call was taken. All members were present except Sups. James Griffiths and Ronald Benish who were excused.

Members present: Doug Richter, Stephen Deal, Mark Storti, Dan Nankee, David Gollon, Curt Peterson, Joan Davis, Alex Ray, Bruce Haag, Tom Forbes, Richard Rolfsmeyer, John Meyers, Joseph Bruce Paull, Jeremy Meek, Judy Lindholm, Justin O'Brien, Donald Leix, Mel Masters and Kevin Butteris.

Sup. Nankee moved to approve the agenda for this February 19, 2019 meeting. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Sup. Davis moved to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Administrator Bierke recognized Terry Bomkamp on his retirement after working for over 27 years at the Highway Department. Terry was not at the meeting so Larry will mail a plaque and gift card to him.

Special matters and announcements.

a) Committee Chair reports.

Comments from the public:

- Sup. Leix invited the supervisors to go to the PSC website to look at the comments and letters that are posted concerning the proposed Badger Hollow Solar Farm.
- Corporation Counsel Matthew Allen updated the Board on the intervener status of the Cardinal Hickory Creek line as proposed by the American Transmission Company.

Sup. Leix moved to adopt Amendatory Ordinances 1-0219 and 2-0219 as a group. Sup. Haag seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Amendatory Ordinance No. 1-0219 for a land use change to rezone 16.327 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential in the Town of Clyde was adopted.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 2-0219 for a land use change to rezone 2.187 acres and 36.283 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential in the Town of Linden was adopted.

Administrator Larry Bierke gave a report to the Board.

Sup. Lindholm moved to approve the Administrator's appointments of:

- Mark Storti to the Iowa County Library Board for a one-year term ending April 30, 2020.
- Barbara Polizzi to the Iowa County Library Board. (Mineral Point)
- Linda Gard to the Iowa County Library Board. (Cobb)
- Vickie Stangel to the Iowa County Library Board. (Dodgeville)
- Alex LeClair to the Iowa County Library Board. (Barneveld)
- Arnette Small as an Iowa County Humane Officer for a three-year term ending on May 1, 2022.
- Sharon Shea as an Iowa County Humane Officer for the remainder of a three-year term ending on May 1, 2021.
- Michael Van Sicklen as an Iowa County Humane Officer for the remainder of a three-year term ending on May 1, 2020.

Sup. Masters seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Planning & Zoning Committee:

Sup. Lindholm moved to adopt Amendatory Ordinance No. 3-0219 Amending the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan per Attachment A and Attachment B. Sup. Paull seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Our ordinance was amended to accommodate the changes made by the Towns of Dodgeville and Ridgway.

Jail Building Committee:

Sup. Meek moved to approve Kramer Brothers Construction as the Iowa County Law Enforcement Center Construction Manager. Sup. Davis seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-18 Nay-1

Sup. Haag voted against the motion.

Introduction of representatives from Kramer Brothers Construction and Potter Lawson Architects.

- Vice President of Kramer Brothers Construction Greg Callin introduced Project Manager Dave Vandewater and Planning and Productivity Manager Ryan Fuhrmann.
- President of Potter Lawson Architects introduced associate Jan Horsfall.

There was no action taken on adding a second courtroom to the new Law Enforcement Center.

General Government Committee:

Sup. Masters moved to approve the Quit Claim Deed Transfer of parcel 216-0603 to Vestibule Investments of Iowa County, LLC. Sup. Ray seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Senior Living Committee 2020:

Sup. Lindholm moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Iowa County and Upland Hills Health concerning a possible nursing home merger. Sup. Paull seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-18 Nay-1

Sup. Rolfsmeyer voted against the motion.

Other:

Sup. Nankee moved to support the proposal to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names to name an island, located in the Wisconsin River, Pyramid Point. Sup. Masters seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Sup. Rolfsmeyer moved to approve the Emergency Fire Wardens list as submitted by the Wisconsin DNR. Sup. Ray seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Chair Meyers gave a report to the Board.

Mileage and Per Diem Report for this February 19, 2019 Session of the Board was presented.

19 Members	470 Miles	\$1,026.15 Mileage and Per Diem
------------	-----------	---------------------------------

Sup. Meek moved to approve the report.

Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Sup. Gollon moved to adjourn to March 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Sup. Haag seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-19 Nay-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.


John M. Meyers, Chairman


Greg Klusendorf, County Clerk

REGISTER IN PROBATE/JUVENILE COURT

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Probate Fees Collected		
County Share	\$ 9,066.03	\$ 9,568.86
Total Received	\$25,378.95	\$27,473.44
Juvenile GAL Fees	paid \$ 8,450.00	\$10,496.00
	Collected\$1,433.00	\$ 4,253.18
Guardianship GAL Fees paid \$ 9,893.00		\$12,407.00
	Collected\$10,250.00	\$14,643.94

PROBATE CASES:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Formal	3	6
Informal	47	34
Ancillary	1	1
Special Administration	9	9
Summary Assignment	1	1
Summary Settlement	1	0
Termination of Joint Tenancy	0	0
Termination of Life Estate	0	0
Determination of Descent	2	0
Unclassified	1	0
Totals	66	51
Wills for Safekeeping	11	17
Wills Filed, No Probate	52	46

GUARDIANSHIP CASES:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Guardianship Only	10	10
Guardianship with Protective Placement	5	3
Temporary Guardianship	1	2
Minor Guardianships	10	6
Conservatorships	0	1
Protective Placement on Existing cases	3	1
Total NEW guardianships filed for year	16	19
Protective Placement Reviews Completed	43	47

CIVIL COMMITMENT CASES:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
New Cases	22	12
New Juvenile Commitment Cases	6	8
Extensions on Existing Cases	7	7

TRUSTS:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
New Trusts	2	0
Total Trusts requiring action	1*	1

*Trust portion of the Act 10 went into effect in July 2015, where the Court would have no authority to act in a trust, including reviewing trust accounts, unless interested parties requested the accountings continue. After notification of all interested parties, 2 requested continued court oversight.

JUVENILE CASES:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Formal Delinquency Cases	31 (12 JIPS)	27 (7 JIPS)
C.H.I.P.S. Case	31	17
Termination of Parental Rights	10	6
Adoptions	13	4
Totals	85	54
Post Disposition Cases (Extensions)	4	14
Post Disposition Cases (Perm Plan Reviews)	4	5

CHIPS- Child in Need of Protection or Services (victim of neglect, abuse, sexual abuse, etc.)
JIPS – Juvenile in Need of Protection or Services (i.e. truant; uncontrollable, etc.)

Submitted to the Iowa County Justice Committee on February 28, 2019.



Tari M. Engels
Judicial Assistant/Register in Probate

Date Range Register Probate Fees Report - Total

01-01-2018 to 12-31-2018

01-02-2019
09:11 am

Acct.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
PFP2	510.85	1114.76	4998.77	852.07	6753.24	1091.00	4876.56	1736.07	938.88	2008.08	592.42	1382.74	26855.44
PFP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PCERF	24.00	3.00	9.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	9.00	27.00	129.00
PCF	69.00	25.00	4.00	8.00	63.00	18.00	26.00	20.00	24.00	39.00	15.00	11.00	322.00
PCLAF	9.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	6.00	12.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	135.00
PSF	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	12.00
OPF	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Total:	\$612.85	\$1154.76	\$5030.77	\$904.07	\$6837.24	\$1115.00	\$4905.56	\$1778.07	\$989.88	\$2084.08	\$628.42	\$1432.74	\$27473.44

Date Range Register in Probate Fees Report - State

01-01-2018 to 12-31-2018

01-02-2019
09:11 am

Acct.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
PFP2	340.59	743.22	3332.68	568.08	4502.39	727.37	3251.21	1157.44	625.96	1338.79	394.97	921.88	17904.58
PFP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total:	\$340.59	\$743.22	\$3332.68	\$568.08	\$4502.39	\$727.37	\$3251.21	\$1157.44	\$625.96	\$1338.79	\$394.97	\$921.88	\$17904.58

Date Range Register in Probate Fees Report - County

01-01-2018 to 12-31-2018

01-02-2019
09:12 am

Acct.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
PFP2	170.26	371.54	1666.09	283.99	2250.85	363.63	1625.35	578.63	312.92	669.29	197.45	460.86	8950.86
PFP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PCERF	24.00	3.00	9.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	9.00	27.00	129.00
PCF	69.00	25.00	4.00	8.00	63.00	18.00	26.00	20.00	24.00	39.00	15.00	11.00	322.00
PCLAF	9.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	6.00	12.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	135.00
PSF	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	12.00
OPF	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Total:	\$272.26	\$411.54	\$1698.09	\$335.99	\$2334.85	\$387.63	\$1654.35	\$620.63	\$363.92	\$745.29	\$233.45	\$510.86	\$9568.86

Creditor Name	Account	Unc. date	Amount	Case Number	Payable no.	Disb. Transaction No.	Payable No. Rolled To	Rolled Amt	Debtor / Trust P
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-1454.70	Dec 2018	102804	470861		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-519.50	Nov	102256	469732		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-357.90	Oct	101908	468211		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-137.00	Sept	101742	466560		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-571.82	Aug	100999	465048		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-1011.50	July	100690	463471		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-687.22	June	100165	461193		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-1041.17	May	99674	459904		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-2613.21	April	99334	457879		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-1981.24	March	98886	455944		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-2282.13	Feb.	98651	454072		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALMG		-1986.55	Jan	98167	452356		0.00	

Total Rows: 12

\$14,643.94 Recouped in 2018
for Guardian & ME
GAL fees.

Creditor Name	Account	Unc. date	Amount	Case Number	Payable no.	Disb. Transaction No.	Payable No. Rolled To	Rolled Amt	Debtor / Trust f
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-330.00	Dec. 2018	102650	470861		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-62.78	Nov.	102288	469732		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-516.00	Oct	101926	468211		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-10.00	Sept	101728	466560		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-90.00	July	100848	463471		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-447.96	June	100243	461193		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-830.82	May	99854	459904		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-69.33	April	99631	457879		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-787.13	Mar	98922	455944		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-1059.16	Feb	98549	454072		0.00	
Co. Treasurer - Probate	GALCJ		-50.00	Jan	98458	452356		0.00	

Total Rows: 11

\$4,253.18

Recouped in 2018
for Juvenile GAL fees.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 1-0319

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by the Richard Peck;

For land in the NE1/4 of the NW ¼ and NW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 22-T8N-R4E in the Town of Arena; affecting tax parcels 002-1100, 002-1103, and 002-1103.A.

And, this petition is made to create enlarge an AR-1 lot to 3.29 acres by rezoning from A-1 Agricultural and AR-1 Agricultural to all AR-1 Agricultural; create a 10-acre AB-1 Agricultural Business lot by rezoning from A-1 Agricultural; and create a 36.71-acre C-1 Conservancy lot by rezoning from A-1 Agricultural;

Whereas notice of such petition has been properly advertised and notice has been given to the **Clerk of the Town of Arena** and the Town is recommending approval as it has been deemed to be consistent with the goals and intent of its adopted comprehensive plan,

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3007** was last held on **February 28, 2019** in accord with said notice, and said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve** said petition with the condition that the associated certified survey map be duly recorded within 6 months.

Now therefore be it resolved that 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 No. 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 **March 19, 2019**. The effective date of this ordinance shall be **March 19, 2019**.

Greg Klusendorf
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



IOWA COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Courthouse - 222 N. Iowa St. - Dodgeville, WI 53533

Telephone: (608) 935-0398 Fax: (608) 930-1205 Mobile: (608) 553-7575

e-mail: scott.godfrey@iowacounty.org

Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing Held on Feb. 28, 2019

Zoning Hearing 3007

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Richard Peck

Town of Arena

Site Description: part of the NE/NW & NW/NE of S22-T8N-R4E also affecting tax parcels 002-1100; 1103; 1103.A

Petition Summary: This is a request to enlarge an existing B-2 Hwy Bus lot, create a C-1 Conservancy lot and create an AB-1 Ag Bus lot.

Comments/Recommendations

1. The uses of the existing B-2 lot have exceeded the lot boundaries, thus the proposal to enlarge it.
2. The proposed C-1 lot is planned to be sold for continued agricultural use. It cannot remain A-1 as it does not meet the minimum 40-acre lot size for the A-1 district.
3. If approved, the B-2 lot would be eligible only for the uses approved by conditional use permit. The C-1 lot would be eligible for open space uses but no development. The AB-1 lot would be eligible only for the uses approved by conditional use permit, plus ag cropping.
4. The preliminary certified survey map has not been submitted for review.

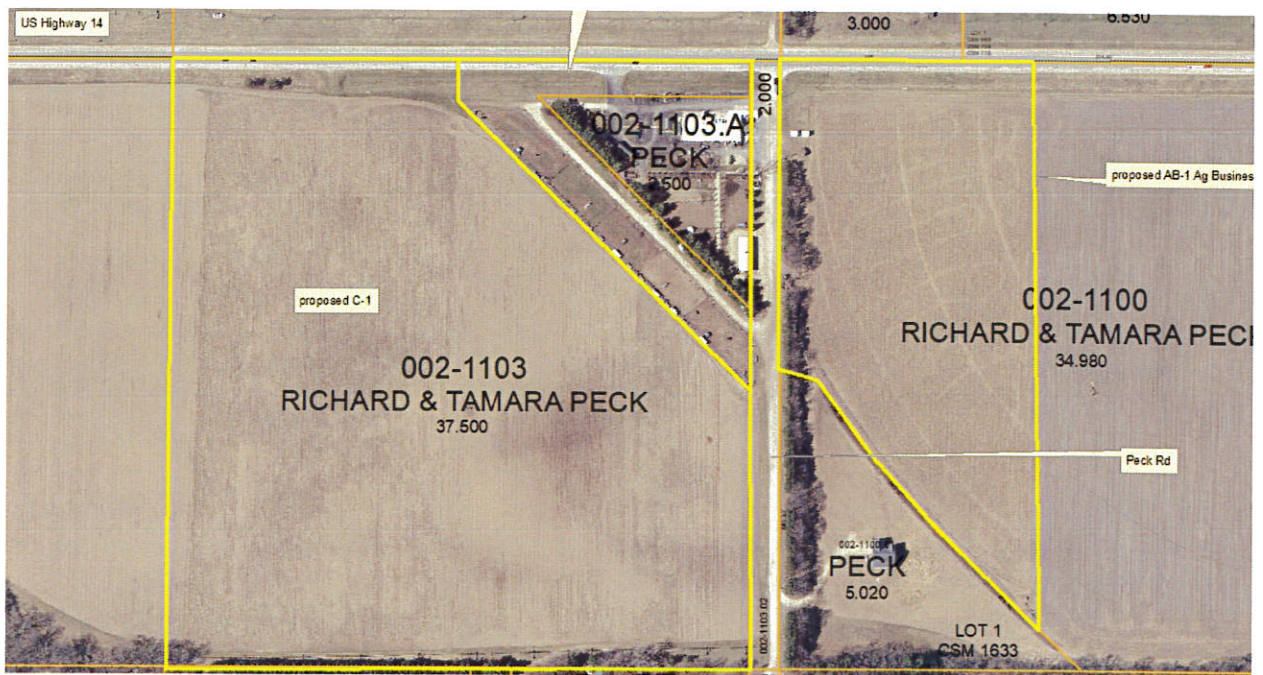
Town Recommendation: The Town of Arena feels the proposal is consistent with its comprehensive plan and recommends approval as follows:

1. The enlarged B-2 lot to be permitted by conditional use permit a deer farm, petting zoo, hay rides, brat stand, farm market, equipment storage, and craft fair.

2. The AB-1 lot to be permitted by conditional use permit Agritainment including corn mazes, hay rides, sleigh rides, on-farm tours, and haunted.
3. Approval of the C-1 lot.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:

1. The deer farm use on the B-2 lot must comply with all state licensing requirements.
2. No parking is allowed within a public right of way.
3. The County shall have the authority to require portable toilets if a planned event may exceed the capacity of the onsite septic system.
The associated certified survey map be duly recorded within 6 months of the County Board approving the zoning change.



Amendatory Ordinance No. 2-0319

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by Dennis Halverson;

For land in the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 25-T8N-R4E in the Town of Arena;
affecting tax parcels 002-1158 and 002-1158.04.

**And, this petition is made to rezone 16.219 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** and the Town is recommending approval as it has been
deemed to be consistent with the goals and intent of its adopted comprehensive plan,

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3008** was last held on
February 28, 2019 in accord with said notice, and said notice, and as a result of said
hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to
approve said petition with the condition that the associated certified survey map be duly
recorded and the parent property be combined by deed with the adjacent property to the
west within 6 months.

Now therefore be it resolved that 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 No. 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
March 19, 2019. The effective date of this ordinance shall be **March 19, 2019**.

Greg Klusendorf
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



IOWA COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Courthouse - 222 N. Iowa St. - Dodgeville, WI 53533

Telephone: (608) 935-0398 Fax: (608) 930-1205 Mobile: (608) 553-7575

e-mail: scott.godfrey@iowacounty.org

Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing Held on Feb. 28, 2019

Zoning Hearing 3008

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Dennis Halverson

Town of Arena

Site Description: part of the SE/NE of S25-T8N-R4E also affecting tax parcels 002-1158; 1158.04

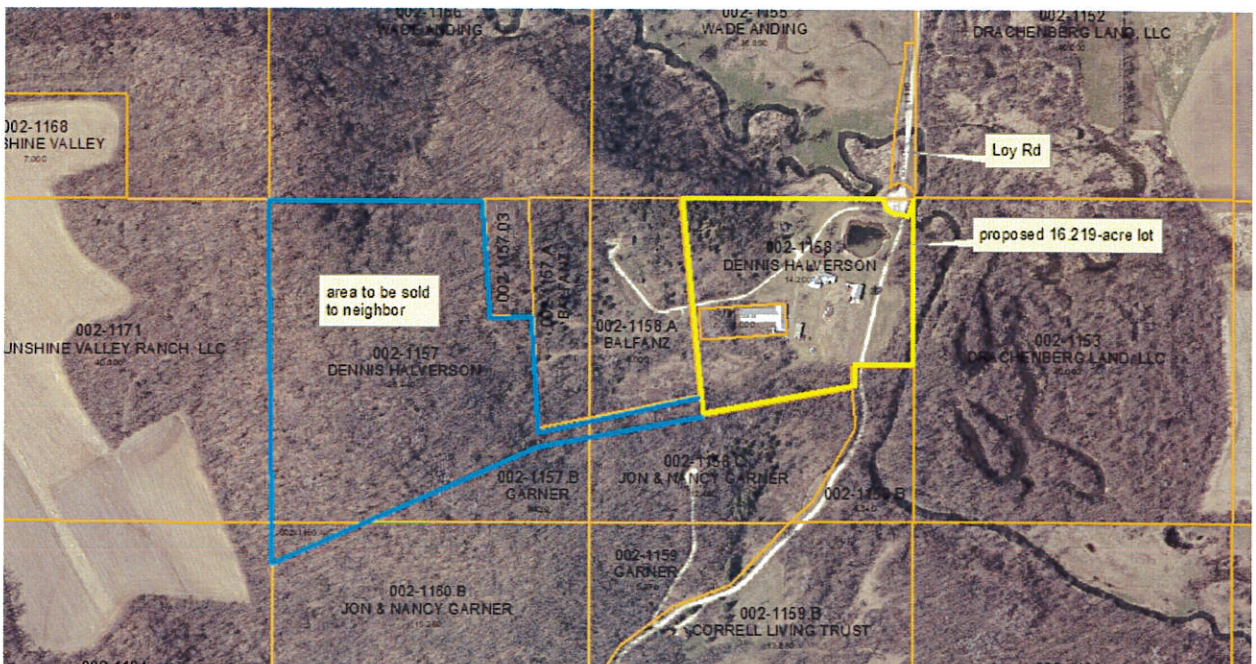
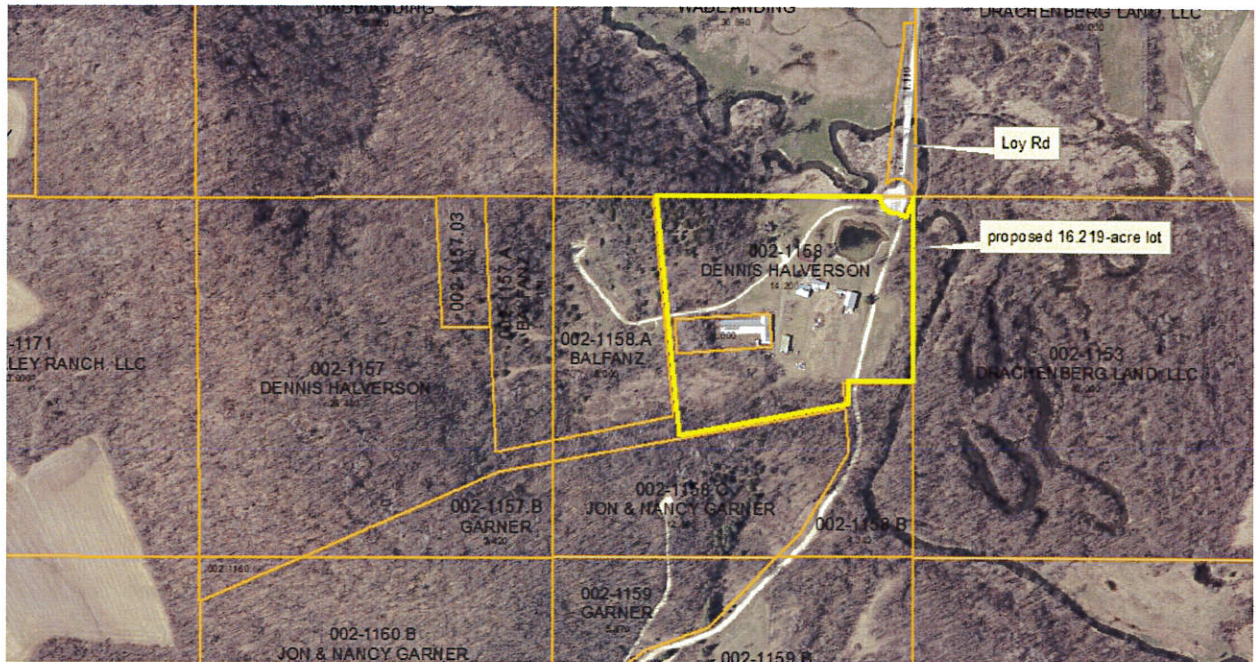
Petition Summary: This is a request to create a 16.219-acre lot by rezoning from A-1 Ag to AR-1 Ag Res.

Comments/Recommendations

1. The applicant proposes to divide his property, selling approximately 30-31 acres to an adjacent landowner to the west, leaving the 16.219 acres. The A-1 district requires a minimum 40-acre lot size so it is being petitioned to be zoned AR-1 Ag Res.
2. The land to be sold to the adjacent neighbor will need to be consolidated by deed with the neighbor's existing land. It is all zoned A-1 Ag.
3. If approved, the AR-1 lot would be eligible for one single family residence, accessory structures and limited ag uses, including up to 8 livestock type animal units.
4. The preliminary certified survey map has not been submitted for review. It will eliminate the existing 1-acre Lot 1 of CSM 320 by encompassing it within.

Town Recommendation: The Town of Arena feels the proposal is consistent with its comprehensive plan and recommends approval.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval with the conditions that the associated certified survey map is duly recorded and the land sold to the adjoining neighbor is consolidated by deed within 6 months of the County Board approving the zoning change.



Amendatory Ordinance No. 3-0319

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by Lorenz LLP;

For land in the E1/2 of the NW1/4 of Section 12-T6N-R5E in the Town of Brigham;
affecting tax parcels 004-0606 and 004-0609.

And, this petition is made to create three lots of 5.533 acres, 5.168 acres and 5.059 acres by rezoning 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 Brigham** and the Town is recommending approval as it has been deemed to be consistent with the goals and intent of its adopted comprehensive plan,

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3010** was last held on **February 28, 2019** in accord with said notice, and said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve** said petition with the condition that the associated certified survey map be duly recorded within 6 months.

Now therefore be it resolved that 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 No. 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 **March 19, 2019**. The effective date of this ordinance shall be **March 19, 2019**.

Greg Klusendorf
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



IOWA COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Courthouse - 222 N. Iowa St. - Dodgeville, WI 53533

Telephone: (608) 935-0398 Fax: (608) 930-1205 Mobile: (608) 553-7575

e-mail: scott.godfrey@iowacounty.org

Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing Held on Feb. 28, 2019

Zoning Hearing 3010

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Lorenz LLP

Town of Brigham

Site Description: part of the E1/2 – NW1/4 of S12-T6N-R5E also affecting tax parcels 004-0606; 0609

Petition Summary: This is a request to create a three lots for new development of 5.533, 5.168, & 5.059 acres by rezoning from A-1 Ag to AR-1 Ag Res.

Comments/Recommendations

1. The applicant proposes to create 3 lots each less than the minimum 40-acre lot size required in the A-1 district. The AR-1 district is being requested.
2. If approved, each lot would be eligible for one single family residence, accessory structures and limited ag uses, including up to 3 livestock type animal units.
3. The lots will share access to County Road ID by easement.
4. The preliminary certified survey map has not been submitted for review.

Town Recommendation: The Town of Brigham feels the proposal is consistent with its comprehensive plan and recommends 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.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 4-0319

To the Honorable Iowa County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas a petition for a land use change has been made by Kurt S. Rule;

For land in the SW ¼ of Section 24-T5N-R2E in the Town of Mineral Point; affecting tax parcels 018-0958, 018-0959 and 018-0961.

And, this petition is made to rezone 3.22 acres from A-1 Agricultural to AR-1 Agricultural Residential with about 38 acres zoned with the AC-1 Agricultural Conservancy overlay to comply with residential density standards;

Whereas notice of such petition has been properly advertised and notice has been given to the **Clerk of the Town of Mineral Point** and the Town is recommending approval as it has been deemed to be consistent with the goals and intent of its adopted comprehensive plan,

Whereas a public hearing, designated as zoning hearing number **3009** was last held on **February 28, 2019** in accord with said notice, and said notice, and as a result of said hearing action has been taken by the Iowa County Planning & Zoning Committee to **approve** said petition with the condition that the associated certified survey map be duly recorded within 6 months.

Now therefore be it resolved that 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 No. 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 **March 19, 2019**. The effective date of this ordinance shall be **March 19, 2019**.

Greg Klusendorf
Iowa County Clerk

Date: _____



IOWA COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Courthouse - 222 N. Iowa St. - Dodgeville, WI 53533

Telephone: (608) 935-0398 Fax: (608) 930-1205 Mobile: (608) 553-7575

e-mail: scott.godfrey@iowacounty.org

Planning & Zoning Committee Recommendation Summary

Public Hearing Held on Feb. 28, 2019

Zoning Hearing 3009

Recommendation: **Approval**

Applicant(s): Kurt S. Rule

Town of Mineral Point

Site Description: part of the SW1/4 of S24-T5N-R2E also affecting tax parcels 018-0957; 0959; 0961

Petition Summary: This is a request to create a 3.22-acre lot by rezoning from A-1 Ag to AR-1 Ag Res with acreage zoned AC-1 to comply with density standards.

Comments/Recommendations

1. The applicant proposes to divide the existing buildings off the farm by creating a lot less than the minimum 40-acre lot size required in the A-1 district. The AR-1 district is being requested.
2. At a minimum, the difference from 40 acres requires the AC-1 Ag Conservancy overlay to comply with the Town's 1:40 residential density standard. Approximately 38 acres is being proposed for the AC-1 overlay.
3. If approved, the AR-1 lot would be eligible for one single family residence, accessory structures and limited ag uses, but no livestock type animal units.
4. The preliminary certified survey map has been submitted for review..

Town Recommendation: The Town of Mineral Point feels the proposal is consistent with its comprehensive plan and recommends 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.

5-0319

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Resolution Designating April 8-12th Workzone Safety Week

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Resolution in support of National Work Zone Safety Week which will be recognized the week of April 8th - 12th 2019.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Recommendation to move tot the County Board for consideration and adoption.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Draft Resolution and Talking points for NZS week.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None - budgeted operations.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 5 minutes

COMPLETED BY: CRH

DEPT: Highway

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE: 03-04-2019

AGENDA ITEM # 11

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Motion by Masters, seconded by Butteris; motion approved unanimously.

Resolution No. 5-0319

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 8th THROUGH APRIL 12TH
“WORKZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK IN IOWA COUNTY IN 2019”**

WHEREAS in 1999 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) partnered with the American Association of State and Highway officials (AASHTO) and more recently with the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) to create the National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week campaign, held annually in April prior to the construction season for much of the nation; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin County Highway Association is asking all seventy-two (72) counties in the state to unite and kick-off “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” with a resolution and campaign to raise awareness for its’ workers and those of various highway contractors performing work for the counties; and,

WHEREAS, between 2012 and 2018, there were 64 fatalities recorded as a result of crashes in Wisconsin work zones including three Wisconsin County Highway workers which were killed in work zones in 2015 in the counties of Calumet, Lincoln, and Shawano; and,

WHEREAS, construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways periodically require that work zones be established; and,

WHEREAS, there has been an average of 2,677 work zone crashes in Wisconsin in each of the last five years; and,

WHEREAS, in 2018, Wisconsin suffered from 3,100 crashes in road construction and maintenance zones, resulting in over 1,274 injuries and NINE fatalities; and,

WHEREAS, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Iowa County Sheriff’s Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Iowa County Highway Department will work to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week a success; and,

WHEREAS, the County Sheriff’s Office is committed in 2019 to conduct enforcement activities and work jointly with the County Highway Department to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” a success in Iowa County; and,

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Highway Department and Sheriff’s Office have employees whose daily duties are to work within work zones and traffic; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 8 through April 12, 2019 as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week with this year’s theme “Drive Like You Work Here!” which focuses on awareness to all drivers in work zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that the week of April 8th through April 12th, 2019 be designated as “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” in Iowa County.

Offered by the Public Works Committee on March 4, 2019

Adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of _____, 2019.

John M. Meyers, Iowa County Board Chair

Attested to by the County Clerk

Greg Klusendorf

6-0319

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Consider Resolution for Borrowing of Funds for Highway Improvements

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Resolution and supporting information for investment of additional borrowing for capital road improvements.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Recommend to review resolution for funding capital investment through borrowing, and consider borrowing to improve projects.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Copy of Draft Resolution, impacts of borrowing amounts, listing of potential projects for funds and estimated costs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs estimates per the attachments.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? 15-20 minutes

COMPLETED BY: CRH

DEPT: Highway

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE: 03-04-2019

AGENDA ITEM # 10

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Motion by Storti, second by Butteris; motion approved unanimously.

Resolution No. 6-0319

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING FUNDING FOR
FUTURE COUNTY HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board is charged with public infrastructure management, investment of public funds, and maintenance of Iowa County Highways; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board has a history of investing public dollars prudently and wisely; ensuring that their decision making is in the best interest of Iowa County taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board would like to invest a greater amount of funding toward the improvement of Iowa County highways in a way that addresses resident safety and comfort by reducing the number of years each highway is expected to last prior to replacement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that Iowa County staff is hereby directed to:

1. Utilize borrowing beginning in 2020 to fund highway improvements in the amount up to \$5,000,000 over the next five year period.
2. Appropriate 90% of solar farm and high voltage power line revenues to highway reconstruction through fiscal year 2024.
3. Include the burying of fiber conduit in road improvement specifications for highways improved during this period.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that staff be directed to make the changes noted above and include said changes as part of the Capital Improvement Plan.

Respectfully submitted by the Public Works Committee.

Adopted this _____ day of March, 2019.

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Consider amendments to Ordinance 600.18B All-terrain and Utility-terrain ' 

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

ATV clubs must sponsor atv/utv routes for adoption and request those from the Traffic Safety Commission at their November meeting. The traffic safety commission tabled the routes at their November for further review by the sheriff's department. The Commission reviewed proposed routes at the February 2019 meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Recommendation from the Traffic Safety Commission to approve the revised route recommendations from the sheriff's office's review.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Copy of routes as requested by the clubs, copy of the recommendations, maps for both, estimate for costs of signs, and the amended ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs for installation of and purchase of signs by the clubs per ordinance. Estimates for costs of signs in the packet by club.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☒ Yes

☐ No

How much time is needed? 10 - 15 minutes

COMPLETED BY: CRH

DEPT: Highway

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE: 03-04-2019

AGENDA ITEM # 6

COMMITTEE ACTION:

IOWA COUNTY
ALL-TERRAIN and UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE ROUTE ORDINANCE

SECTION 1.0: INTRODUCTION

1.1 NAME

This Ordinance shall be called the Iowa County All-Terrain and Utility-Terrain Vehicle Route Ordinance.

1.2 INTENT

Following due consideration of the recreational and economic value to connect trail opportunities and weighted against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects, terrain involved, traffic density and history of automobile traffic, this ordinance has been created pursuant to County Board authority under Wis. Stat. §§ 59.02, 23.33(4)(d)3.b., 23.33(11)(a) and (am), and 23.33(8)(b) as amended.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

- A. All-Terrain Vehicle ("ATV") has the meaning specified within Wis. Stat. § 340.01 (2g).
- B. ATV/UTV Route shall mean a highway or sidewalk designated for use by all-terrain and utility-terrain vehicle operators by the governmental entity having jurisdiction.
- C. Utility-Terrain Vehicle ("UTV") has the meaning specified within Wis. Stat. § 23.33 (1), (ng).

1.4 SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that Iowa County would have passed the other provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons and circumstances shall not be deemed affected.

1.5 SAVING CLAUSE

This Ordinance shall in no way be deemed to supplant or otherwise invalidate any provision of state statutes relating to the subject matter hereof. Any person entrusted with the enforcement of this Ordinance may, in the exercise of his or her discretion, proceed under applicable state statutes.

SECTION 2.0: ATV/UTV ROUTES AND OPERATION

2.1 DESIGNATION

All requests for new or revised ATV/UTV route designations shall first be submitted to the Iowa County Traffic Safety Commission for review at its November quarterly meeting. The Iowa County Traffic Safety Commission shall review such requests for county trunk highway route designations and make a recommendation to the Iowa County Public Works Committee. The Public Works Committee shall review designation of ATV/UTV routes, including appropriate criteria for making a designation, and make a recommendation to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors. County highways designated as ATV/UTV routes shall be approved by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors by amendment of Sec. 2.4 of this Ordinance.

A copy of ATV/UTV routes, along with a map showing their location, shall be kept on file at the Highway Department. The Iowa County Highway Department shall file ATV/UTV routes adopted by this Ordinance with the Department of Natural Resources Conservation Warden for Iowa County and with the Madison, Wisconsin, Office of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The Iowa County Highway Commissioner shall have the authority to temporarily close or terminate any ATV/UTV route enacted by this Ordinance for a period of ninety (90) days due to emergency situation or condition. Closures for duration of greater than ninety (90) days shall be reviewed by the Public Works Committee.

2.2 RULES OF OPERATION

- A. All ATV/UTVs shall operate only on the paved portion of the roadway. Operation on the gravel shoulders, grassy in-slope, ditches, or other highway right-of-way area is prohibited and illegal.
- B. No ATV/UTV shall be operated at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour (MPH), or the posted speed limit, whichever is lower.
- C. No ATV/UTV may be operated on any designated route between the hours of 1:00 AM and 5:00 AM daily.
- D. All ATV/UTV operators shall ride in single file on the extreme right hand side of the paved portion of the highway except that left turns may be made from any part of the roadway which is safe given prevailing conditions.
- E. All ATV/UTV operators shall have their headlight and taillight illuminated, while operating on a county highway.

F. Except as otherwise authorized by State law, all operators

- a. of ATV's who are at least 12 years of age and who are born on or after January 1, 1988 shall possess a valid state-issued ATV Safety Certification.
- b. of ATV's between the age of 12 and 15 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or a person at least 18 years of age who is designated by the parent or guardian at all times when operating on a roadway designated as an ATV route or when operating on roadways of highways that are ATV trails.
- c. of UTV's must be 16 years of age or older.
- d. of UTV's who are at least 16 years of age and who are born on or after January 1, 1988 must possess a valid state-issued Safety Certificate.
- e. of ATV/UTV's and their passengers under 18 years old shall wear protective headgear while operating on route-designated county highways.

G. Mandatory Use of Seatbelts during Operation of a UTV. ALL occupants riding in, or operating a UTV, shall be required to wear a seatbelt when travelling on any trail or route within Iowa County.

H. Possession of Open Intoxicants in an ATV or UTV while in Operation. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess any bottle or receptacle containing alcohol beverages if the bottle or receptacle has been opened, the seal has been broken, or the contents of the receptacle have been partially removed, while operating or as a passenger on an ATV or UTV on any road or road route in Iowa County.

I. ATV/UTV operation shall be subject to all provisions of WI Stats. § 23.33, which is adopted as a part of this ordinance by reference.

2.3 SIGNAGE OF ATV ROUTES

A. Routes shall be marked with uniform all-terrain vehicle route signs in accordance with s. NR 64.12(7), Wisconsin Administrative Code. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking ATV/UTV routes:

- 1) Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign.
- 2) Possess any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

- B. All required designated route signs shall be paid for by an ATV/UTV club, with approval, installation, and maintenance of the signs by the Iowa County Highway Department.
- C. The quantity and location of signage shall be reviewed and approved by the Iowa County Highway Commissioner, where appropriate, placed at the beginning of an all-terrain vehicle route within the county and at such locations and intervals deemed necessary to enable the ATV/UTV operators to follow the route.
- D. No sign may be mounted on any existing County sign post or telephone post/pole. Posts shall be suitably sized for mounting the necessary amount of signs at the location
- E. No person shall operate an ATV/UTV contrary to any authorized and official posted sign.

2.4 DESIGNATION OF ROUTES

The following routes shall be considered as legal routes to be signed for usage through the adoption of this Ordinance:

- i. *CTH A, from the intersection of Ogden Road to the intersection of Cook-McFall Road, in the Town of Mifflin, Secs. 3 and 10; T4N; R1E; a total distance of 0.25 miles ~~more or less~~.*
- ii. *CTH B , from the intersection with Sunny Slope Road and the intersection with Sunny Slope Road, in the town of Linden ,Sec 3 and 4; T5N; R2E; a total distance of 0.25 miles.*
- iii. *CTH B, from the intersection with CTH J to the intersection with CTH G in the town of Eden, Sec. 36; T6N; R1E; a total distance of 1.0 miles.*
- iv. *CTH C, from the driveway to Fire #6279 at the Spring Valley Inn west of the intersection with STH 14 to the intersection with High Point Road all in the Town of Arena, Sec. 21; T8N; R4E; a total distance of 1.04 miles.*
- v. *CTH CC, from the intersection with STH 14 to the intersection with CTH C all in the Town of Arena, Sec. 21; T8N; R4E; a total of 0.43 miles.*
- vi. *CTH DD , from the intersection with Walnut Hill Road and the intersection with CTH K, in the towns of Waldwick and Moscow, Secs 12, 13, 7, 17 and 18; T4N; R 4&5 E; a total distance of 2.30 miles ~~more or less~~.*
- vii. *CTH E , from intersection with Shepherd Road to intersection with Keough Springs Road, in the town of Linden ,Sec 29 and 32; T5N; R2E; a total distance of 0.40 miles.*
- ~~viii.~~ *CTH E, from the intersection of Lower Mifflin Road westerly to the Iowa County Highway Shop, in the Town of Mifflin, Sec.34; T5N; R1E; a total distance of 0.4 miles ~~more or less~~.*
- ~~viii.~~ix. *CTH E, from the intersection with STH 80 in the village of Livingston easterly to Enloe Road, in the Town of Mifflin, Secs. 18 and 19; T5N; R1E; a total distance of 1.25 miles.*

- ~~ix-x.~~ CTH F, from the Lafayette County line to the intersection of Horseshoe Bend Road and the Lafayette County line in the town of Moscow, Secs. 16 and 17; T4N; R5E; a total distance of 1.0 miles ~~more or less~~.
- ~~xi.~~ CTH F, from the intersection with Mounds View Road south to the intersection with Clay Hill Road in the Town of Brigham, Secs. 3 and 10; T5N; R5E; a distance of 1.25 miles.
- ~~x-xii.~~ CTH G, from the intersection with Elm Street in the Village of Cobb southerly to the intersection with Roaster Road in the Town of Eden Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36; T6N; R1E; a distance of +/- 1.5 miles and in the Towns of Linden and Mifflin; Sec 1 and 2; T5N; R1E; a distance of +/- 1.0 miles.
- ~~xiii.~~ CTH G, from the intersection of Lower Mifflin Road to the intersection of CTH A in the village of Rewey, within the Town of Mifflin, Sec. 5; T4N; R1E; a total distance of 1.0 miles ~~more or less~~.
- ~~xi-xiv.~~ CTH G, from the intersection with Enloe Road south to the intersection of CTH E, within the Town of Mifflin, Secs. 22 and 27; T5N; R1E; a distance of 1.80 miles.
- ~~xii-xv.~~ CTH H, from the intersection of Roberts Road to Fire #5304 near the Hyde Store in the unincorporated area of Hyde in the Township of Arena Sections 12, 13, and 14; T7N; R4E; and the Township of Ridgeway Section 23; T7N; R4E; a total distance of 1.92 miles.
- ~~xiii-xvi.~~ CTH H, from Fire #7195 at Pappas's Trading Post located just south of the intersection of STH 14 to the northerly intersection with Mellum Road all in the Township of Arena; Sections 19, 30, and 31; T8N; R5E; a total distance of 2.44 miles.
- ~~xiv-xvii.~~ CTH H, from the intersection of Prairie Road in the Town of Ridgeway to the intersection with Kirby Street in the Village of Ridgeway, Secs. 14, 24, and 25; T6N; R4E; and Sec. 30; T6N; R5E; a total distance of 3.5 miles ~~more or less~~.
- ~~xviii.~~ CTH H, from the intersection of Prairie Road south to McSherry-Nihles Road in the Town of Ridgeway, Secs. 30 and 31, T6N; R5E, a distance of 1.0 miles.
- ~~xix.~~ CTH H, from the intersection with CTH K south to the intersection with CTH F in the Town of Ridgeway, Secs. 3 and 4; T5N; R5E; a distance of 1.75 miles.
- ~~xx.~~ CTH HH, from the intersection of Blue Ridge Road in the Town of Arena south to the intersection with Ridgevue Road in the Town of Brigham, Secs. 21, 27, and 28; T7N; R5E; a distance of 2.5 miles.
- ~~xv-xxi.~~ CTH HH from the intersection at Blue Ridge Road to the intersection at Knight Hollow Road all in the Town of Arena, Sec. 5, 8, 9, and 16; T7N; R5E; a total of 3.21 miles.
- ~~xxii.~~ CTH HH, from the intersection with AACC Road east to the intersection with CTH K in the Town of Brigham, Secs. 27 and 34; T7N; R5E; a distance of 0.25 miles.
- ~~xvi-xxiii.~~ CTH HHH (Main Street), from the intersection of Ternes Court in the Village of Ridgeway to the intersection with Strutt Road (Old STH 18) in the Town of Ridgeway, Secs. 11, 14, and 15; T6N; R4E; a total distance of 1.70 miles ~~more or less~~.
- ~~xxiv.~~ CTH I, from the intersection with STH 80 in the Village of Highland south to Steil Road within the Town of Highland, Secs. 4, 5, and 33; T6-7N; R1E; a distance of 2.1 miles.
- ~~xxv.~~ CTH I, from the intersection with Smoky Hollow Road easterly to the intersection with CTH PP in the Town of Highland, Secs. 13 and 24; T7N; R1E; Secs. 17 and 18; T7N; R2E; a distance of 2.5 miles.

- ~~xxvi.~~ CTH ID, from the Village of Barneveld east to the Dane County line in the Town of Brigham, Secs. 10, 11, and 12; T6N; R5E; a distance of 2.5 miles.
- ~~xxvii.~~ CTH J, from the intersection with Avenell Road southerly to the intersection with Norms Road within the Towns of Linden and Mifflin, Sec. 19 and 24; T5N; R1E and R2E; a distance of 1.5 miles.
- ~~xxviii.~~ CTH J, from the intersection with Norms Road south to the intersection with CTH A within the Town of Mifflin, Sec. 25 and 36 of T5N; R1E; and Secs. 1 and 12; T4N; R1E; a distance of 3.25 miles.
- ~~xxix.~~ CTH K, from the intersection with CTH ID in the Village of Barneveld north to the intersection with CTH HH in the Town of Brigham; Secs. 3 and 34; T6N; R5E; a distance of 1.0 miles.
- ~~xxx.~~ CTH K, from the intersection of Ridgeview Road south to the intersection with Mounds Park Road in the Town of Brigham, T7N; R5E; a distance of 0.25 miles.
- ~~xxxi.~~ CTH K, from the intersection with Jones Street in the Village of Barneveld south to the intersection with Prairie Grove Road in the Town of Brigham, Secs. 10, 15, and 24; T6N; R5E; a distance of 1.6 miles.
- ~~xxxii.~~ CTH K, from the intersection of CTH H (Middlebury) south to the intersection with Mill Dam Road in the Town of Brigham; Secs. 4 and 5; T5N; R5E; a distance of 0.3 miles.
- ~~xvii-xxxiii.~~ CTH K, from the intersection with CTH F to the intersection with STH 39 in the village of Hollandale, within the town of Moscow, Secs. 16, 17, 5, 31, and 32; T4&5 N; R5E; a total distance of 5.4 miles ~~more or less.~~
- ~~xviii-xxxiv.~~ CTH K from the intersection with STH 191 to the intersection with Urness Road in the Town of Brigham Secs. 7 and 8; T5N; R5E; a total distance of 0.75 miles more or less, and in the Town of Moscow Secs. 17, 20, 29, and 30; T6N; R5E; a total distance of 2.5 miles ~~more or less.~~
- ~~xxxv.~~ CTH N, from the intersection with Wisconsin Avenue south to the intersection with Meadow Brook Road within the Town of Pulaski, Secs. 7, 18, 19, 20, and 30; T8N; R2E; a distance of 3.10 miles.
- ~~xxxvi.~~ CTH P, from the intersection with Dry Dog Road south to the intersection with Hickory Flat Road within the Town of Pulaski, Sec. 32; T8N; R1E; a distance of 0.5 miles.
- ~~xxxvii.~~ CTH Q, from the intersection with STH 80 in the Village of Highland west to the Grant county line in the Town of Highland; Secs. 19, 28, 29, and 30; T7N; R1E; a distance of 3.2 miles.
- ~~xxxviii.~~ CTH Q, from the intersection with Hazy Lane east to the intersection with Plank Road in the Town of Highland, Secs. 35 and 36; T7N; R1E and Secs. 31 and 32; T7N; R2E; a distance of 5.25 miles.
- ~~xix-xxxix.~~ CTH T, from the intersection with Erdman Road to the intersection with Coon Rock Road in the Town of Arena, Sec. 9 and 16; T7N; R4E; a total of 0.51 miles.
- ~~xl.~~ CTH T, from the intersection with Lakeview and Knutson Roads south to the Village of Barneveld city limits at Birch Lake Park in the Town of Brigham; Secs. 4, 5, 19, 30, 31, and 32; T7N; R5E; a distance of 4.3 miles.
- ~~xli.~~ CTH T, from the intersection of Schurch Road south to the intersection with CTH K in the Town of Brigham; Secs. 17, 20, 28, 29, 32, and 33; T6N; R5E; a distance of 4.25 miles.
- ~~xx-xlii.~~ CTH X, from the intersection with Keough Springs Road to the intersection with STH 39 in the village and township of Linden, Sec. 8 and 17; T5N; R2E; a total distance of 0.91 miles.

~~xxi~~.~~xliv~~. STH 39 in the village of Linden and Town of Linden, from the intersection with Galena Street to the intersection with Dodgeville Street (also known as Wearne Road) including the bridge over Peddler creek, in the town of Linden ,Sec 8 and 9; T5N; R2E;, a total distance of 0.25 miles ~~more or less~~.

~~xxii~~.~~xliv~~. STH 191, in the Village of Hollandale, from the intersection with 5th Avenue to the intersection with CTH K including the bridge over the Dodge Branch of the Pecatonica River, Sec.30; T5N; R5E; a distance of 787 feet more or less.

SECTION 3.0: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

This ordinance shall be enforced by any officer employed by the Iowa County Sheriff Department or any other law enforcement official as set forth in Wisconsin Statute § 23.33(12).

3.1 PENALTIES

The penalty for violating any provision of § 2.2 of this ordinance or §§ 2.3(A) (1) or (2), (D), or (E) shall result in a forfeiture of not more than \$250.00, plus court costs.

SECTION 4.0: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance and subsequent amendments to it shall be effective on the date after publication. Ordinance No. 600.18B was adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors on July 16, 2013, and amended at the following sessions of the County Board: April 21, 2015; April 19, 2016; December 20, 2016; December 19, 2017; March 20, 2018; March 19, 2019.

15

Arena Wildlife Forever										By Post	By Sign
Number Needed	\$/Each	Sign Total \$	MUTCD Sign Code	Size	Sign Description/Symbol	Posts 4 x 4 x 14	\$ / Post	Post Total \$	Materials Total	Total Install	
51	10.44	\$ 532.44	D11-10	24 x 18	Atv Route Sign	51	\$ 18.00	\$ 918.00	\$ 1,450.44	\$ 5,462.36	\$ 3,464.82
27	13.05	\$ 352.35	C17-6	30 x 18	Atv Route Sign 30	27	\$ 18.00	\$ 486.00	\$ 838.35	\$ 2,891.84	\$ 1,834.32
14	10.44	\$ 146.16	W11-21E	30 x 18	End Atv Route	14	\$ 18.00	\$ 252.00	\$ 398.16	\$ 1,499.47	\$ 951.13
7	3.64	\$ 25.48	M7-2	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead				\$ 25.48	\$ -	\$ 475.56
31	3.64	\$ 112.84	M7-1	12 x 9	Arrow Right				\$ 112.84	\$ -	\$ 2,106.07
14	3.64	\$ 50.96	M7-6R	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Right				\$ 50.96	\$ -	\$ 951.13
13	3.64	\$ 47.32	M7-6L	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Left				\$ 47.32	\$ -	\$ 883.19
14	3.64	\$ 50.96	M7-5	12 x 9	Arrow Left and Right				\$ 50.96	\$ -	\$ 951.13
3	25.75	\$ 77.25		30 x 30	All Streets in the Village of Barneveld	3	\$ 18.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 131.25	\$ 321.32	\$ 203.81
174		\$ 1,395.76			are Atv Routes unless Posted	95					
								\$ 1,710.00	\$ 3,105.76	\$ 10,174.98	\$ 11,821.15
Ridge Runners of Iowa Grant											
Number Needed			MUTCD Sign Code	Size	Sign Description/Symbol	Posts 4 x 4 x 14					
35	10.44	\$ 365.40	D11-10	24 x 18	Atv Route Sign	35	\$ 18.00	\$ 630.00	\$ 995.40	\$ 3,748.68	\$ 2,377.82
13	13.05	\$ 169.65	C17-6	30 x 18	Atv Route Sign 30	13	\$ 18.00	\$ 234.00	\$ 403.65	\$ 1,392.37	\$ 883.19
11	10.44	\$ 114.84	W11-21E	30 x 18	End Atv Route	11	\$ 18.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 312.84	\$ 1,178.16	\$ 747.31
22	3.64	\$ 80.08	M7-2	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead				\$ 80.08	\$ -	\$ 1,494.63
23	3.64	\$ 83.72	M7-1	12 x 9	Arrow Right				\$ 83.72	\$ -	\$ 1,562.57
1	3.64	\$ 3.64	M7-6R	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Right				\$ 3.64	\$ -	\$ 67.94
1	3.64	\$ 3.64	M7-6L	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Left				\$ 3.64	\$ -	\$ 67.94
1	3.64	\$ 3.64	M7-5	12 x 9	Arrow Left and Right				\$ 3.64	\$ -	\$ 67.94
107		\$ 824.61				59			\$ 1,886.61	\$ 6,319.20	\$ 7,269.33
S. W. Wisconsin All Terrain Club											
Number Needed			MUTCD Sign Code	Size	Sign Description/Symbol	Posts 4 x 4 x 14					
11	10.44	\$ 114.84	D11-10	24 x 18	Atv Route Sign	11	\$ 18.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 312.84	\$ 1,178.16	\$ 747.31
6	13.05	\$ 78.30	C17-6	30 x 18	Atv Route Sign 30	6	\$ 18.00	\$ 108.00	\$ 186.30	\$ 642.63	\$ 407.63
2	10.44	\$ 20.88	W11-21E	30 x 18	End Atv Route	2	\$ 18.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 56.88	\$ 214.21	\$ 135.88
10	3.64	\$ 36.40	M7-2	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead				\$ 36.40	\$ -	\$ 679.38
4	3.64	\$ 14.56	M7-1	12 x 9	Arrow Right				\$ 14.56	\$ -	\$ 271.75
2	3.64	\$ 7.28	M7-6R	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Right				\$ 7.28	\$ -	\$ 135.88
1	3.64	\$ 3.64	M7-6L	12 x 9	Arrow Ahead and Left				\$ 3.64	\$ -	\$ 67.94
36		\$ 275.90				19			\$ 617.90	\$ 2,035.00	\$ 2,445.76
										\$ 18,529.17	\$ 21,536.24

7-0319

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: INCREASED CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Resolution in Support of Increased County Child Support Funding for consideration by the Wisconsin Legislature during the 2019-21 Budget discussions

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Approval of Resolution

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution

FISCAL IMPACT:

Additional \$1.5 million for additional child support funding in each fiscal year for the 2019-21 State Budget. Increased funding will increase funding to all county child support agencies.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

STAFF PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? _____

COMPLETED BY: Deb Rosenthal

DEPT: Child Support

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Resolution No. 7-0319

Supporting Increased County Child Support Funding

- WHEREAS:** Iowa County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to Iowa County residents including paternity establishment, obtaining child support and health insurance orders for children, and enforcing and modifying those orders; and
- WHEREAS:** Our children's well-being, economic security and success in life are enhanced by parents who provide financial and emotional support; and
- WHEREAS:** Iowa County Child Support Agency ensures that parents take responsibility for the care and well-being of their children, supports the involvement of parents in their children's lives and provides services to both custodial and noncustodial parents; and
- WHEREAS:** The Child Support Enforcement Program is an effective investment in Wisconsin's future as child support increases self-sufficiency, reduces child poverty, and has a positive effect on children's well-being; and
- WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is ranked 2nd in the nation for collecting current support; and
- WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is incredibly cost-effective, collecting an average of \$5.56 in support for every dollar invested in the program; and
- WHEREAS:** County child support agencies collected \$934 Million in child support during 2017, 95% of which went directly to families while 5% reimbursed public assistance programs; and
- WHEREAS:** Child support agencies help save taxpayer dollars by establishing health insurance orders for 97% of cases, which reduces state Medicaid costs by moving children from public assistance to private insurance; and
- WHEREAS:** State funding for county child support services has not increased above the 2007 funding level while county agency costs have steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation and new federal regulations; and
- WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Diminished performance would result in reduced federal funding to Wisconsin; and
- WHEREAS:** Decreased federal funding would lead to less funding for Iowa County Child Support Agency.

WHEREAS: New state investments in child support are amplified by a generous federal match. Every \$1 of state GPR invested in the Child Support Program generates \$2 in federal matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the IOWA COUNTY Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$1.5 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2019-21 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$3 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and State Representatives representing IOWA COUNTY, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration.

Respectfully submitted by the Public Safety Committee.

Adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this ____ day of _____, 2019.

John M. Meyers, Chairman of the Board

Attested to by the County Clerk.

Greg Klusendorf

8-0319

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Resolution to Issue Tax Deeds to Unredeemed Certificates

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

This is a statutory requirement in taking a tax deed. I am asking the Committee to refer this onto the next County Board meeting for approval. The last payment we have received on this property was 3/2/17. We have sent several notices to the current owners and published in the chronicle with no response. This property is located at 1845 Pine Knob Road in the Town of Highland.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Resolution and map of parcel.

FISCAL IMPACT:

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? _____

COMPLETED BY: Connie Johnson

DEPT: Treasurer's Office

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☐ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Resolution No. **8-0319**
Ordering County Clerk to Issue Tax Deeds
On Unredeemed Certificates

WHEREAS, Connie Johnson, Iowa County Treasurer, is informing the Iowa County General Government Committee, that real estate taxes for the year **2010** remain unpaid for certain properties; and

WHEREAS, the Committee is also informed that all of the statutory requirements concerning notification and the publication of notices for said properties with unpaid taxes for the year of **2010** have been completed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chap. 75.14(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the County Board, by resolution, shall order the County Clerk to execute to the County the tax deeds for such properties; and

WHEREAS, such resolution is the next necessary step in the equitable enforcement and collection of real estate taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Clerk of Iowa County is ordered to execute and issue a tax deed in favor of Iowa County upon lands for which Iowa County owns and holds tax certificates remaining unredeemed for the year **2010** and are listed below:

PARCEL NO.	DISTRICT	DESCRIPTION	TAXES OWED
012-0075.A	Town of Highland	A parcel of land in the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of S8 T7N R2E, Town of Highland Iowa County, Wisconsin, more fully desc as Follows, to wit: Commencing at a point on the Centerline of Pine Knob Rd, said point being 2445.86 feet S and 487.02 feet W of the NWcorner Of Section 8; th S 63° 09' 03" E, 239.47 feet; Th S 47° 40' 34" E, 204.13 feet; th S 30° 07' 52" E, 113.15 feet; th S 51° 55' 00" E, 233.85 feet; th S 88° 14' 50" E, 502.91 feet; th S 77° 24' 30" E, 125.08 feet to a point on the West line of the Serafina Bathrick property and the POB; th S 64° 35' 50" E, along the Northerly line of the parcel, 115.30 feet; th S 78° 42' 30" E, along the Northerly Line of the parcel, 179.90 feet; th S 54° 26' 30" E, Along the Northerly line of the parcel, 48.75 feet; th S 1° 11' 50" W, 828.45 feet; th N 87° 44' 20" W, Along the South line of the Serafina Bathrick property 322.58 feet; th N 1° 11' 50" E, along the West line of the Serafina Bathrick property, 928.78 feet to the POB, containing 6.5 acres of land, more or less. Reserving therefrom an easement For ingress and egress over a strip of land being 25 feet in width Lying Southerly, parallel and adjacent to the northerly line of the Above described parcel. Also granting an easement for ingress And egress over a strip of land being 25 feet in width lying Northerly, parallel and adjacent to the Northerly lines of the Above described parcel.	\$ 135.23

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Iowa County will assume and pay the **2019** real estate taxes.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County General Government Committee



Iowa Co...

WKID: 4326 Lat/Long ▲

Lat: 43.0984° N
Lon: 90.2754° W

0 200 400ft

RULE XVI: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Whereas statutes state that public comment section is not right of the public during any meeting of the Board or committees of the Board. The Iowa County Board or Committees of the Board may allow the public may to address members at the portion of the agenda listed as "Comments from the Public."

Guidelines for public participation include the following:

- a) The topic may pertain to any item they wish to present with the exception shall be germane to the agenda for that night. There should be no of political candidate endorsements.
- b) The individuals must identify themselves, their voting residence and, if representing a group, identify that group.
- c) State clearly and concisely the issue, limiting comments to a maximum of TWO (2) MINUTES. Written material may be provided. It is not necessary to read an entire document.
- d) Limit group representation by appointing a speaker(s) to present an issue.

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Economic Support Specialist Lead position

☒ Original

☐ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Reinstate the Economic Support Specialist Lead position. This position was not refilled in March 2011 when the last lead worker retired. The position will provide backup decision making authority for the unit in the absence of the ES Manager. There will be a delegation of some duties from the ES Manager to this position. This position will be a resource for staff on difficult cases and technical questions. They will also provide continued training to current staff and lead training of new staff.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

Convert one Economic Support Specialist position to an Economic Support Specialist Lead position. This will not be an additional position to the unit.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Economic Support Specialist Lead Job Description

FISCAL IMPACT:

This will increase the budget by approximately \$650 annually. This years budget will be able to absorb this increase due to the vacancy in the ESS unit from January until this position is filled.

LEGAL REVIEW PERFORMED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PUBLICATION REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

PRESENTATION?:

☐ Yes

☒ No

How much time is needed? _____

COMPLETED BY: Thomas C. Slaney

DEPT: ADRC/Social Services

2/3 VOTE REQUIRED:

☐ Yes

☒ No

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

MEETING DATE:

AGENDA ITEM #

COMMITTEE ACTION:



IOWA COUNTY POSITION DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Economic Support Specialist Lead

DEPARTMENT / SECTION: Health & Human Services

DATE REVIEWED: January 2019

TITLE OF IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR: Economic Support Supervisor

GRADE: I

JOB SUMMARY:

This position is responsible for providing Economic Support Program services (ESS) that include Medical Assistance, BadgerCare, FoodShare, Child Care and Energy Assistance as mandated by the State of WI and the Federal Government and provides technical assistance and staff development support.

TASK NO.	DESCRIPTION	FREQUENCY	BAND/ GRADE
1	Advises staff in making decisions regarding applications, reviews, and changes; direct the staff in an effort to solve problems of clients and offers suggestions to rectify problems. Researches complex policy and provides technical assistance to staff through use of handbooks, manuals, computer systems or State Call Center for correct case processing and eligibility determination.		
2	Receives and responds to technical questions from staff, consumers, and general public about programs and services.		
3	Assists in the training of new Economic Support Specialists by observing and coaching them during interviews, providing feedback and direction, reviewing case work prior to confirmation of benefits to ensure accuracy and timeliness. Mentors new employees throughout new worker training and informs supervisor on a regular basis of status of training.		
4	Assumes responsibility for the day to day functions of the Economic Support Unit in absence of the Economic Support Manager.		
5	Manages more difficult cases and is assigned Confidential cases for the County.		
6	Acts as a Transfer Coordinator for cases transferring between teams or between counties.		
7	Conducts interviews with clients to obtain financial and non-financial information necessary to complete the eligibility determination process, including interactive online applications.		
8	Clarifies discrepancies, process overpayments and issue benefit supplements as needed.		
9	Assists clients in completing required forms.		
10	Explain information to clients regarding economic assistance programs.		
11	Analyzes the needs of the client in order to make necessary referrals to other programs.		

TASK NO.	DESCRIPTION	FREQUENCY	BAND/ GRADE
12	Analyzes, interprets, secures and reviews client statements and documentation such as legal documents, income tax forms, real estate contracts, evidence of immigration status, trust documents, financial records and medical records to determine eligibility.		
13	Establishes and maintains electronic case file, data entry, document verification within specific timeframes		
14	Answers questions from clients, department staff, and other agencies regarding financial assistance.		
15	Researches, prepares written summary and appears as the Agency representative at administrative hearings related to the denial, termination, or reduction of economic assistance to a client.		
16	Attends training sessions as required by the State, attends and participates in staff meetings and other training sessions as required.		
17	Analyzes application and recertification identified as error prone as part of a front-end verification process. Assists in the investigation of suspected welfare fraud cases which include referring suspected cases to the fraud unit.		
18	Creating and maintaining authorizations to child care providers, entering attendance hours and making payment adjustments.		
19	Ensure that all data is entered into the CWW/Cares system in an accurate and timely manner and that correct benefits are issued in a timely manner.		
20	Process eligibility renewals, new program request, and changes as appropriate.		
21	Working in a multi-functional call center setting working with the general public for a seven county consortium.		
22	Provide quality customer service including, but not limited to, retrieving e-mails, voice mail messages and return phone calls.		
23	Make referrals to various agencies and community resources.		
24	Provide quality customer service by answering clients' questions, explaining programs and eligibility requirements and following up on requests within specific time frames.		
25	Ability to obtain necessary information from clients, verification sources, and other agencies to maintain detailed records.		
26	Meet with potential applicants to assess current situation, gather information, examine available resources, explain program requirements, complete client registration and schedule appointments.		
27	Must demonstrate regular and dependable attendance.		
	<u>Demonstrated Experience and Skills Required.</u> • Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. • Ability to work independently and exercise judgment in organizing and prioritizing work within program time limits • Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with clients, families, community agencies, county staff, governmental agencies, contract staff, medical professionals and the general public. • Ability to interpret, analyze, and apply federal, state and local laws regulations, policies and procedures regarding economic assistance programs. • Ability to demonstrate proficiency working with personal computers, including word processing and electronic mail software. • Access to dependable transportation to transport self to and from required meetings, or appointments that occur outside of the Iowa County Department of Social Services.		

	<u>Minimum Qualifications</u> • High School Diploma/GED required. • Associates Degree or Technical Degree in Business, Human Services, Social Services or closely related field is required, or have successfully completed the State mandatory training for an Economic Support Specialist. • Minimum of four (4) years' experience performing Economic Support eligibility determinations.		
	<u>Conditions of Employment</u> Working Environment: • Typical working environment is within a non-smoking temperature controlled office. Physical Requirements: • Ability to operate office equipment such as multi-line telephones, copiers, facsimile machines, typewriters, personal computers, calculators, etc. • Ability to exert very moderate physical effort in sedentary to light work activity, typically involving some combination of stooping, kneeling, crouching, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling and stair climbing.		

DATE: _____	EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE: _____	
DATE: _____	DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE: _____	
DATE: _____	COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR APPROVAL: _____	

9-0319

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Title: Amending the Committee Structure

☐ Original

☒ Update

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEAD

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

Iowa County adopted via resolution a "Committee, Commission, and Boards Structure". The attached draft Resolution makes changes to the structure as noted on the resolution:

A - The resolution eliminates the Revolving Loan Fund Committee. The Revolving Loan Fund Committee handled the management of the Iowa County CDBG Revolving Loan Fund. The State of Wisconsin is requiring that the Revolving Loan Fund be closed and the dollars put to use for other purposes. It is my intent to utilize the funds to support an Iowa County Broadband initiative. The guidelines for the use of the funds are dictated in the CDBG-CLOSE program at the Wisconsin Department of Administration. The other major Committee responsibility is approving County Structure Grants to local municipalities. I am proposing for 2019 that that responsibility go to the General Government Standing Committee. Ultimately it is anticipated that Iowa County Structure Grants would discontinue in 2020.

B - The local TIF Districts section of the document does not reflect action taken by the County Board assigning the duties of representing Iowa County to the County Administrator and County Treasurer.

C - The Iowa County Library Board is listed in the document as having 12 members. This resolution reduces that to "7-9 members".

D - The Iowa County Board adopted the creation of the "Crime Prevention Funding Surcharge Board" via Resolution 4-0416. This Resolution adds that Board to the Committee Structure document under the Public Safety Standing Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS (IF ANY):

I am recommending and proposing to make these changes to the Iowa County Committees, Commissions, and Boards Structure that governs the oversight committees of Iowa County.

ANY ATTACHMENTS? (Only 1 copy is needed)

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please list below:

Attached is a copy of the Resolution and the existing Committee, Commissions & Boards Structure Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

By eliminating Committees, Iowa County reduces the number of meetings and corresponding mileage and per diem costs.

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:

Resolution No. 9-0319

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE IOWA COUNTY
COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS & BOARDS STRUCTURE**

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors operates under a committee structure established by the Wisconsin State Statutes and the Iowa County Board Rules; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 10-1015, the Iowa County Board established the Iowa County Committees, Commissions, and Boards Structure to establish Committee Structure for Iowa County; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee has reviewed the Committees, Commissions, and Boards Structure and has updated the document; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby amends the Committees, Commissions, and Boards Structure as follows:

- A. Economic Development Cluster: Eliminate the Revolving Loan Fund Committee and transfer any of their remaining duties to the General Government Standing Committee.
- B. Modify the Language under the Local TIF Districts as follows:
 - a. Purpose: Iowa County hereby appoints the County Administrator as the official County representative on all local Tax Increment Districts. Should the County Administrator be unable to attend a Joint Review Board Meeting, the County Treasurer shall attend as an alternate and have complete voting authority in place of the County Administrator.
- C. Iowa County Library Board is hereby reduced from 12 members to 7-9 members. The library Director from each Library located wholly in Iowa County shall be permanent members.
- D. Public Safety Standing Committee: Add:
Crime Prevention Funding Surcharge Board (Wis. Stat. § 59.54(28), Iowa County Resolution 4-0416)
Purpose: Since passage of Resolution 4-0416, the Iowa County Circuit Court has assessed a \$20 crime prevention surcharge for each criminal conviction that occurs in Iowa County criminal cases. That surcharge is collected by the Iowa County Clerk of Courts and is to be transmitted to the Iowa County Treasurer. The Crime Prevention Funding Surcharge Board is tasked with distributing the amounts collected in the form of grant payments to private nonprofit organizations and law enforcement agencies within Iowa County for crime prevention purposes. The Crime Prevention Funding Surcharge Board also is to produce an annual report on its activities to the Clerk of Court, the County Board, and the legislative bodies of each Iowa County municipality. That annual report is to identify all entities that received a grant, the purpose of the grants, and an accounting of the funds disbursed.

- a) Size of Committee: 7 members, consisting of the circuit court judge (or judge's designee); the district attorney (or D.A.'s designee); the sheriff (or sheriff's designee); the county administrator (or administrator's designee); the chief elected official of the largest municipality in the county, as determined by population (or that official's designee); a person chosen by a majority vote of the sheriff and all of the chiefs of police departments that are located wholly or partly within the county; and a person chosen by the county's public defender's office.
- b) Frequency of Meetings: as needed, no less than annually
- c) Assessment of the Committee: annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Respectfully submitted by the Executive Committee.

Adopted this _____ day of March, 2019

IOWA COUNTY COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS & BOARDS STRUCTURE

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 59, counties are authorized to organize under one of three forms of County government: 1) Executive; 2) Administrator; or 3) Administrative Coordinator. Specific statutes define the relationship between the legislative and executive roles of county government. Iowa County is organized under the County Administrator form (Wis. Stat. § 59.18) to insure clarity in roles and appropriate delegation of authority under the powers given a County Board. Committees created by the County Board are organized pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.13(1). Some committees are authorized under separate statutes and are referenced later in this document. Committees, Commissions, and Boards establish priorities.

Supervisors serve primarily a legislative function. The legislative function is largely limited to policymaking, lawmaking, budgetary approval, and cooperative decision making. No operational control resides with individual supervisors. Supervisors' authority is collective versus individual. Direction and decision-making by the Board of County Supervisors shall occur as a Board. Individual members of the Board shall not attempt to exercise independent authority over the County Administrator, director, official, or employee thereof. When elected to a committee chair position, a supervisor has the authority to set the agenda for committee meetings, preside at meetings, and make reports and recommendations on the committee's behalf.

The County Administrator presents the budget based on established priorities. A County Board has overall budget approval authority. The role of a County Board is that of being "visionary." Standing committees have policy oversight for departments, offices, and other entities. They monitor performance, review and participate in development of the budget, and draft ordinances and resolutions. Standing committees develop policy which in turn is recommended to the County Board for action. Standing Committee chairs shall report to the County Board at least every other month.

Department heads and/or other staff members provide input, make recommendations, and serve as a resource for committees. They do not vote. Staff members should be allowed an opportunity to provide input or clarify in a committee meeting, but it is not an appropriate role for staff to engage in committee debate or for a committee member or Board members to assign tasks to a staff member. As a collective body, a committee/board/commission may assign tasks to a department head/staff member.

Standing Committees: The following standing committees shall be formed after the spring election:

- 1) **General Government** – County Board 1st Vice Chair serves as Committee Chair; Committee elects a Vice Chair and Secretary
- 2) **Health & Human Services** – Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary elected by this committee
- 3) **Public Safety** – Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary elected by this committee
- 4) **Public Works** – Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary elected by this committee

Standing committees shall have not less than three nor more than eight supervisors serving as members. A five member standing committee is preferred. Standing committees shall have a supervisor appointed by the County Board Chair as an alternate, and that person is only compensated for attending a meeting if they are filling in for an absent member.

Committees/Boards/Commissions Align with Standing Committees: Wisconsin statutes mandate the existence of certain Committees/Boards/Commissions, and these shall be identified as such when constituted. The statutes spell out the responsibilities. Further, Wisconsin statutes provide counties with autonomy so that they may appoint committees that meet local needs and interests. Iowa County is involved in multi-county or regional arrangements, and usually a member of the County Board or a citizen is appointed to represent the County. Other boards may represent a specific interest, optional involvement may result from a commitment of resources, and usually a member of the County Board or a citizen is appointed. Each committee/board/commission shall align with a standing committee.

Assessment of Committees, Boards, and Commissions: Annually, committee members shall review the purpose, accomplishments, and issues. Assessment shall serve as a means to determine how the purpose and functioning might be improved. Additionally, this is a time when the group determines if the committee/board/commission continues, is modified, or has completed its work. The County Administrator, supervisors, and staff provide input into the discussion.

Committee on Appointments

Purpose: The purpose of the Committee on Appointments is to assist the County Board Chair in selecting supervisors for all County Committees. The County Board Chair retains veto authority for all appointments. Additionally, input is made to the County Administrator for the committee members to be appointed by that position as outlined in the Wisconsin Statutes. Vice Chairs assist and assume an advisory role. The County Board Chair in consultation with Vice Chairs appoints board members to special committees when the need arises. The preferred length of term to serve on a specific committee, board, or commission shall be six (6) years, however, longer tenure may occur.

- a. Size of the Committee: 3 (Elected Chair, 1st Vice Chair and 2nd Vice Chair)
- b. Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c. Assessment of the Committee: County Board

Executive Committee

Purpose: The purpose of the Executive Committee is to act on matters for which no other committee has jurisdiction or, where committee jurisdiction is in question or in conflict, on the recommendation of the County Board Chair, the Chair of the Committee and/or the County Administrator. The Executive Committee is empowered to investigate, report, and act on problems or issues that are brought to its attention. This body provides leadership for the hiring and assessment of the county administrator, establishing performance goals and providing feedback. The Executive Committee provides oversight for the County Board Rules with changes requiring approval by the full County Board. The Executive Committee may also act in emergencies requiring

immediate authorization with required subsequent approval of the Board. The Executive Committee has responsibility for the County's real property. The Executive Committee collaborates with the County Administrator and Finance Director to develop and monitor the budget. If a Committee, Board, or Commission better fits with a different Standing Committee, the Executive Committee shall recommend a change to the County Board for action. The Executive Committee is responsible to see that all resolutions and policies are implemented.

- a. Size of the Committee: 7 or less. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chair of the County Board who shall serve as chair of the Executive Committee, the 1st Vice Chair, the 2nd Vice Chair and the Chair of each standing committee. Vice Chairs of each of the standing committees shall serve as an alternate to the Executive Committee in the event the Committee chair is unavailable or already serves on this committee. The 1st Vice Chair shall serve as the Chair of the General Government Standing Committee.
- b. Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c. Assessment of the Committee: County Board

Departments reporting to this committee include:

- a) County Administrator
- b) Corporation Counsel
- c) Finance

Appointment to Standing and Other Committees, Boards, and Commissions: The County Board Chair shall make appointment of all Supervisors to Committees created under County Board Rules, subject to confirmation by the County Board. Where Wisconsin statutes provide that other appointments shall be made by the County Board or by the chairperson of the County Board, those appointments to boards and commissions shall be made by the county administrator and shall be subject to the confirmation of the County Board. The preferred length of term to serve on a specific committee, board, or commission shall be six (6) years, however, longer tenure may occur.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT Standing Committee

Purpose: The General Government Standing Committee provides policy oversight and direction to departments and entities with functions, duties and powers that align with this standing committee. Members of this committee should be engaged with and knowledgeable of programs and services offered by involved departments and committees. The function of this committee shall be to assist in priority setting, policy development, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, economic development, facilities maintenance, recommending budget in support of priorities, promoting collaborative relationships regionally and within Iowa County, assessing effectiveness and continuation of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the Board and the public.

- a) Size of the Committee: 3 - 8 supervisors (five is preferred)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and /or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Executive Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Departments and agencies reporting to this committee include:

- a) County Clerk
- b) Economic Development
- c) Employee Relations
- d) Environmental Services
- e) Information Technology
- f) Register of Deeds
- g) Treasurer

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/ COMMISSIONS/BOARDS OF IOWA COUNTY ALIGN WITH THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT STANDING COMMITTEE –

Iowa County Ethics Board

Purpose: This board reviews and makes recommendations and referrals regarding ethics complaints filed. The Ethics Board primarily focuses on conflict of interest issues.

- a) Size of the Committee: 5 -- individuals from the Iowa County community
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by the General Government Standing Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Long-Range Planning Committee

Purpose: This committee creates, recommends, and monitors a long-range plan that involves analysis of space, building, and service needs of county departments and agencies as well as planning for future growth/contraction of county services.

- a) Size of the Committee: 5 Supervisors
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly and as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the General Government Standing Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Tax Deed Committee

Purpose: The Tax Deed Committee assumes responsibility for the sale of property that has not paid taxes in accordance with state statues.

- a) Size of the Committee: 3-5 Supervisors
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly and as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Economic Development & Property Standing Committee with input from supervisors and staff

The General Government Standing Committee has three clusters and the goal is to have these clusters communicating around areas of common interest. Clusters include: a) Economic Development, b) Education and c) Recreation & Tourism. **Additionally, it will be helpful to have one County Board member serving on one of the committees in a specific cluster. Committees, commissions and/or boards in a cluster will be encouraged to meet at least annually around issues of mutual interest.**

CLUSTER - Economic Development

Revolving Loan Fund Commission

Purpose: This Commission has the authority to review, select, and recommend loan applications and make policy recommendations to the County Board for administration of the program including fees. Members shall consist of representatives of broad community interest, and have special expertise and knowledge of commercial lending, accounting, management, business law, and economic development.

- a) Size of the Commission: 5-7 members from the community
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review by members of the Commission and input from supervisors and staff

Southwest Wisconsin Housing Region (Required for Participation in Program)

Purpose: Eleven (11) counties created what has become the Southwest Wisconsin Housing Region to provide adequate housing for limited resource households. Programs such as down payment assistance and repair assistance may be available to limited resource households.

- a) Size of the Region: 11 -- one member from each of the 11 counties; staff member
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Consortium: Annual peer review by members of the Consortium and input from supervisors and staff

Southwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Board

Purpose: The Southwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Board (SWWDB) is a private, non-profit corporation dedicated to promoting innovation and providing quality local workforce development programs and services to businesses and residents in Southwest Wisconsin.

- a) Size of the Board: 32 members - A majority of the Board members are from private sector businesses and include business owners, chief executives, or operating officers with optimum policy-making or hiring authority. The remainder of the board is from public sector organizations and agencies – one Supervisor/ county
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer Review by the Board with input from supervisors and staff

Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (Wis. Stat. § 66.0309)

Purpose: The Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission collaborates with communities and organizations to build capacity within southwestern Wisconsin, serving as advocates for its residents. Regional Planning create opportunities and develop dynamic solutions to the challenges facing the region. This agency fosters growth by supporting innovative endeavors that provide tangible benefits to those served. The SWWRPC believe in the bold vision of southwestern Wisconsin and works to build the region's future. Counties involved include: Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland.

- a) Size of the Commission: 15 -- 3 from each county (County Board Chair or their designee as approved by the County Board, 1 is appointed by the Governor and County Board, and another appointed by the Governor

- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review by the Commission with input from supervisors and staff

Local TIF Districts

Purpose: Nine communities (Arena, Avoca, Barneveld, Dodgeville, Highland, Livingston, Mineral Point, Muscoda, Ridgeway) have a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district that includes a County Board appointment. A TIF is the main vehicle used by Wisconsin Cities and Villages to improve areas of the city/village to attract residential, commercial and industrial growth. A TIF district does not increase or decrease property taxes to residents. A TIF District is set up with contiguous parcels of property and the purpose of a TIF district is generally for infrastructure improvements to attract development.

- a) Size of the Board: Determined by the Municipality
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by the Board with input from supervisors and staff

CLUSTER - Education

Iowa County Fair Association Board

Purpose: This board has overall responsibility and oversight for the Iowa County Fairgrounds including the annual fair and other activities that occur throughout the year. The Board provides oversight for operation, improvements, maintenance, priority setting, identifying unmet needs and opportunities, budget development in support of priorities, maintenance of collaborative relationships with the people, businesses, and communities throughout Iowa County, staffing decisions and communicating the value of services and programs to the public.

- a) Size of the Board: 12 members and may include one Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by the Board with input from supervisors and staff

Southwest Wisconsin Library Board (Wis. Stat. §§ 43.19(1)(b)1 & 43.58)

Purpose: This Board has oversight for policies, budget and finances, and services to member public libraries in Crawford, Grant, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland Counties.

- a) Size of the Board: Approximately 15 -- there is one representative from each County Board of Supervisors and Resource Library Representatives.
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least 6 times each year and as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by members and input from supervisors and staff

Iowa County Library Board (Wis. Stat. § 43.11 and Act 150)

Purpose: This Board develops a county wide library plan, makes revisions to an existing plan, or makes changes to the boundaries of a public library system. The goal is to provide for library services for all residents of the county.

- a) Size of the Board: Approximately 12 members including one member of the County Board

- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by members and input from supervisors and staff

Local Library Boards

Purpose: Three of the libraries in Iowa County (Barneveld, Dodgeville, Mineral Point) have a board that requires a County Board appointment. These Boards have responsibility for policy making as it relates to use, management, regulation, budgeting, and preservation of the public library system as provided in Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter 43.

- a) Size of the Board: Varies with at least one County Board appointment
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Established by the local Board
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by members

CLUSTER – Recreation & Tourism

Hidden Valley Committee (Bylaws)

Purpose: Nine counties collaborate to promote tourism in the Hidden Valley region of Wisconsin. This committee provides oversight and support for promotion activities that occur both regionally and within a county.

- a) Size of the Committee: 12-16 -- each county represented by a Supervisor and at least one volunteer who is engaged in the tourism industry
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Tri-County Trail Commission (formerly Cheese Trail Commission (Bylaws))

Purpose: This commission provides oversight for maintaining and managing the Monroe to Mineral Point railroad right-of-way for use as an all year, all-purpose public recreation corridor.

- a) Size of the Commission: 11 -- 6 Supervisors (Green County), 4 Supervisors (Lafayette County), 1 Supervisor (Iowa County)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review by the Committee with input from supervisors and staff

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Standing Committee

Purpose: The Health & Human Services Standing Committee provides policy oversight and direction to departments and entities with functions, duties and powers that align with this standing committee. Members of this committee should be engaged and knowledgeable of programs and services offered by involved departments and committees. The function of this committee shall be to assist in priority setting, policy development, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, recommending budget in support of priorities, promoting collaborative relationships regionally and within Iowa County, assessing effectiveness and continuation of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the Board and the public.

- a) Size of the Committee: 3 - 8 supervisors (five is preferred)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Executive Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Departments and agencies reporting to this committee include:

- a) Aging and Disability Resource Center
- b) Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehabilitation,
- c) Public Health
- d) Seniors United for Nutrition
- e) Social Services
- f) UW Extension.
- g) Veteran's Services
- h) Unified Community Services

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/ COMMISSIONS/BOARDS of IOWA COUNTY ALIGN WITH THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE:

Aging and Disability Resource Center, Iowa County Board (Wis. Stat. §§ 46.283(6) & 46.285) (Formerly known as Commission on Aging)

Purpose: The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Southwest Wisconsin – Iowa County Board provides oversight for services and programs with adults and families who are affected by aging, disability, mental health or substance abuse issues so that their quality of life might be enhanced.

- a) Size of the Committee: 15 (3 Supervisors)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review by the Health and Human Services Standing Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Bloomfield Commission

Purpose: The Bloomfield Commission provides vision for operation, improvements, maintenance, priority setting, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, assists in budget development in support of priorities and ongoing monitoring, assessment of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the public. Members of this commission are engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services offered. The Commission also serves as the fiduciary agent for segregated funds such as the Campbell fund and any others that are created for specific needs.

- a) Size of the Committee: 5 – 3 Supervisors and 2 community members
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Board of Health (Wis. Stat. § 251.04)

Purpose: The Committee on Health provides policy direction and oversight with respect to Chapter 250-255 of the Wisconsin Statutes relating to public and environmental health matters. Members of this committee should be engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services offered through the Department of Health. Assist in priority setting, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, budget development in support of priorities, development of collaborative relationships within Iowa County and

regionally, assess services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to all members of the Board and public.

- a) Size of the Committee: 7 -- 3-4 Supervisors and 3-4 community members
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Extension & Agriculture Education Committee (Wis. Stat. § 59.56(3)(b))

Purpose: The Committee on Agriculture and Extension Education is to provide oversight and program direction to the UW-Extension Staff. Be engaged and knowledgeable of the programs offered by UWEX, promoting collaborative relationships regionally and within Iowa County. Conduct UWEX staff performance reviews, assist in budget development, participate in interviews for new staff when positions become vacant, communicate the value of UWEX to Iowa County residents and participate in the statewide WI Association of County Extension Committees (WACEC).

- a) Size of the Committee – 5 Supervisors (Fair Board representative serves on this committee)
- b) Frequency of Meetings - quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee – Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Veterans Service Commission (Wis. Stat. § 45.81(1))

Purpose: The Veterans Service Commission provides oversight for programs and services for the men and women who have served our country in the Armed Forces of the United States. Programs and services are extended to those serving in times of peace, as well as in times of war, and include those who have served in the National Guard and the Reserves.

- a) Size of the Commission: 3 -- staggered three year terms, no supervisors
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/ COMMISSIONS/BOARDS INVOLVE ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTIES AND IOWA COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION ALIGNS WITH THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE:

Aging and Disability Resource Center, Southwestern, WI Regional Board (Bylaws)

Purpose: Grant, Green, Iowa, and Layette Counties constitute the ADRC SWW. This Committee has oversight for services and programs with adults and families who are affected by aging, disability, mental health or substance abuse issues so that their quality of life might be enhanced. Collaborative efforts are valued and reports directly to State of Wisconsin.

- a) Size of Committee: 12 (one Supervisor per county and an advocate for each of the purposes)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Marsh Country Health Alliance Board (Agreement)

Purpose: The Marsh Country Health Alliance (MCHA) formed in 2010 leases, manages and operates portions of Dodge County's, Clearview, a long term care and rehabilitation center. It operates under an intergovernmental cooperation agreement under which member counties (14 counties-Adams, Columbia, Dodge, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Rock, Sauk, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago) contribute to the costs of operation. The purpose of forming MCHA is to provide financial resources to offset Dodge County for the inequitable losses Dodge County incurs due to caring for residents from other counties that have specialized physical and mental health needs. Dodge County is financially accountable because it provides the majority of funding and has effective control over the operation of the facility.

- a) Size of the Board: 14-16 -- Official representative must be a County Board Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed, the County Executive Commissioners meet yearly.
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Seniors United for Nutrition Board (S.U.N.) (Bylaws)

Purpose: The Seniors United for Nutrition Program, Inc. (SUN) Board provides oversight for services and programs that support and assist seniors 60 and over by providing hot nutritious meals, home delivered or in a group setting, to promote fellowship, reduce isolation, and to provide prevention programming to assist in maintaining independence and involvement in their community. Iowa and Lafayette Counties have a collaborative program.

- a) Size of the Committee: 6 -- three Supervisors from each county
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Southwestern Community Action Program Board (SWCAP) (Agreement with state and federal government)

Purpose: The SWCAP Board provides oversight for programs that involve low-income people in developing and carrying out anti-poverty programs. Leadership is provided for planning and evaluating both long and short-range strategies for overcoming poverty in the community. Assist in determining whether to conduct or delegate to other agencies the operation of programs financed through federal, state, local, or other available funds. Counties in SWCAP include Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland

- a) Size of the Board: 24 -- Approximately 1/3 from low-income audiences or individuals representing low-income, 1/3 supervisors, 1/3 general population -- 1 Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Unified Board of Grant and Iowa Counties (Wis. Stat. § 51.42)

Purpose: This board provides oversight for programs that contribute to the development of healthier individuals, families, and communities within Grant and Iowa Counties. The Unified Board provides oversight for services and programs with adults and families who are affected by aging, disability, mental health or substance abuse issues so that quality of life might be enhanced.

- a) Size of the Board: 10 -- 6 from Grant County and 4 from Iowa County - 2 Supervisors
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly

- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

PUBLIC SAFETY Standing Committee

Definition: Addressing services that protect the wellbeing of the public and keeping residents safe

Purpose: The Public Safety Standing Committee provides policy oversight and direction to departments and entities with functions, duties and powers that align with this standing committee. Members of this committee should be engaged and knowledgeable of programs and services offered by involved departments and committees. The function of this committee shall be to assist in priority setting, policy development, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, recommending budget in support of priorities, promoting collaborative relationships regionally and within Iowa County, assessing effectiveness and continuation of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the Board and public.

- a) Size of the Committee: 3 - 8 supervisors (five is preferred)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Executive Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Departments and agencies reporting to this committee include:

- a) Child Support
- b) Clerk of Circuit Court,
- c) Coroner
- d) District Attorney
- e) Emergency Management
- f) Family Court
- g) Humane Society
- h) Operating While Intoxicated (OWI)
- i) Register in Probate
- j) Sheriff

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS of IOWA COUNTY ALIGN WITH THE PUBLIC SAFETY STANDING COMMITTEE:

Chapter 59 Grievance Committee (Wis. Stat. § 59.26(8)(b)1)

Purpose: This committee hears Sheriff Department Chapter 59 and other union grievances.

- a) Size of the Committee: 5 -- 2 Supervisors from Public Safety Standing Committee, 2 Supervisors from General Government Standing Committee, and Board Chair
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Courtroom Security and Facilities Committee (Supreme Court Rule 68.05)

Purpose: This committee assists the county and courts in making decisions regarding the court facilities whether construction, remodeling and security innovations, or relocation. The presiding judge appoints members of this committee.

- a) Size of the Committee: at least 12 as specified in the Court Rule
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Criminal Justice Collaboration Council (Resolution 8-0814)

Purpose: This Council has responsibility to explore, establish, and have oversight of innovative and effective programs that could enhance public safety, improve offender accountability and rehabilitation, and/or support the rights and needs of crime victims as well as provide guidance for the Iowa County OWI Intensive Supervision Program and Iowa County Drug Treatment Court.

- a) Size of the Council: 12-14 stakeholders in the justice system including staff, a county board member, and citizens of the county
- b) Frequency of Meetings: At least quarterly
- c) Assessment of the Council: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Crime Prevention Funding Board (Resolution 04-0416)

Purpose: This Board is responsible for directing the distribution of funds collected through the crime prevention surcharge, as authorized by Wis. Stat. §§ 59.54(28) and 973.0455, to private nonprofit organizations and law enforcement agencies within Iowa County for crime prevention purposes. The Board also is responsible for reporting on such grant fund disbursements.

- a) Size of the Council: 7 members as outlined in Resolution 04-0416
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed to approve grant awards and reports
- d) Assessment of the Council: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Local Emergency Planning Committee (Wis. Stat. § 59.54(8))

Purpose: This committee provides oversight for Iowa County Hazardous Material Response Planning tracking Haz-Mat spills and identifies needs relative to response to Haz-Mat incidents.

- a) Size of Committee: 11 -- 1 Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Once every 6 months or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

PUBLIC WORKS Standing Committee

Definition: Addressing infrastructure and land services for the benefit of and use by the public

Purpose: Public Works Standing Committee provides policy oversight and direction to departments and entities with functions, duties and powers that align with this standing committee. Members of this committee should be engaged and knowledgeable of programs and services offered by involved departments and committees. The function of this committee shall be to assist in priority setting, policy development, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, recommending budget in support of priorities, promoting collaborative relationships regionally and within Iowa County, assessing

effectiveness and continuation of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the Board and the public.

- a) Size of the Committee: 3 - 8 supervisors (five is preferred)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review by the Executive Committee with input from supervisors and staff

Departments and agencies reporting to this committee include:

- a) Airport (including Tri-County)
- b) Highway
- c) Land Conservation
- d) Planning and Zoning
- e) Rural Transit

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS of IOWA COUNTY ALIGN WITH THE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS STANDING COMMITTEE:

Iowa County Airport Commission (Wis. Stat. § 114.14(2))

Purpose: The Iowa County Airport Commission provides oversight for improvements, operation, and maintenance of the airport as well as for the budget. This Commission provides jurisdiction for the Airport Land Use Plan as part of the Iowa County zoning ordinance. Having a county supervisor from the Mineral Point area is desired but not required.

- a) Size of the Committee: 7 -- 5 Supervisors and 2 from the aviation community
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input supervisors and staff.

Traffic Safety Commission (Wis. Stat. § 83.013(1))

Purpose: This commission identifies high risk locations and recommends risk mitigation measures with regards to the flow of traffic within the county.

- a) Size of Committee: 9 – 11 – one Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

The Public Works Standing Committee has one cluster and the goal is to have this cluster communicating around areas of common interest. Additionally, it will be helpful to have one County Board member serving on one of the committees in a specific cluster. Committees, Commissions and/or Boards in a cluster will be encouraged to meet at least annually around issues of mutual interest.

CLUSTER - Conservation & Land

Board of Adjustment & Administrative Appeal (Wis. Stat. § 59.694(1))

Purpose: The Board of Adjustment receives and acts on appeals related to variances regarding shorelands as found in Wis. Stat. § 59.692(4)(b), floodplain zoning (Wis. Admin. Code NR 116.19) and county zoning (Wis. Stat. § 59.69(2)).

- a) Size of the Board: Not more than 5 members and 2 alternates

- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Board: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Land Conservation Committee (Wis. Stat. § 92.07)

Purpose: This committee performs the functions and exercises the powers set forth in the statutes and provides administration and oversight for the Farmland Preservation Program. Collaborate with staff having responsibility for both state and federal programs. Members of this committee shall be engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services offered. Assist in priority setting, budget preparation, staffing decisions, collaborative relations, and assessment of services and programs. Make decisions on distribution and allocation of federal, state, and county funds made available for cost-sharing programs or other incentive programs for improvements and practices. Provide input to committees that have land rentals and share best agriculture practices.

- a) Size of the committee: Maximum of 7 (3-5 Supervisors and two from the community - (At least one Supervisor from the Planning & Zoning Committee)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Every other month or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Blackhawk Lake Commission – aligns with the Land Conservation Committee (Wis. Stat. § 66.30 & Operations Agreement)

Purpose: The Commission provides oversight for operation, improvements, maintenance, priority setting, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, budget development and monitoring in support of priorities, maintenance of collaborative relationships with Iowa County and the DNR, staffing decisions and hiring of manager, assessment of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the public. Members of this commission are engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services offered.

- a) Size of the Commission: 5 members from each village (Cobb & Highland) Supervisor from either Cobb or Highland areas (ex-officio)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review by the Land Conversation Committee and members of the commission

Ludden Lake District Commission (Wis. Stat. §§ 33.28 & 66.30)

Purpose: The District Commission provides oversight for operation, improvements, maintenance, priority setting, identifying unmet service needs and opportunities, budget development in support of priorities, maintenance of collaborative relationships with Iowa County and the DNR, staffing decisions, assessment of services and programs, and communicating the value of services and programs to the public. Members of this commission are engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services offered.

- a) Size of the District Commission: Bylaws identify and state statute indicates one Supervisor needs to be on this board
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Land Information Council (Wis. Stat. § 59.72(3m))

Purpose: This council has oversight over any physical, legal, economic or environmental information or characteristics concerning land, water, groundwater, subsurface resources or air in Iowa County.

- a) Size of the Council: Not less than 8 members; one is a Supervisor (a list of who needs to be on this Council is in the statute)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: As needed
- c) Assessment of the Council: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Planning and Development Committee (Wis. Stat. § 59.69(2))

Purpose: This committee provides oversight for direction and oversees enforcement of land use regulations within shore lands (Wis. Admin. Code NR 115), food plains (Wis. Admin. Code NR 116), and non-metallic mining areas (Wis. Admin. Code NR 135). Provides oversight for the enforcement of all matters related to zoning, private sewage systems, subdivision control, comprehensive planning, mapping, land records modernization, and land use ordinances and statutes. Members of this committee shall be engaged and knowledgeable of the programs and services.

- a) Size of the Committee: 5 Supervisors (Represent townships)
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Hearings are held monthly
- c) Assessment of the Committee: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/ COMMISSIONS/BOARDS INVOLVE ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTIES AND IOWA COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION ALIGNS WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS STANDING COMMITTEE:**Pecatonica Rail Transit Commission (Wis. Stat. § 59.968)**

Purpose: Green, Iowa, and Lafayette Counties are served by a branch line commencing at Janesville and ending in Mineral Point. The purpose of this commission is to oversee operations and maintain as much right-of-way and rail as possible.

- a) Size of the Commission: 9 --Three commissioners from each county for staggered three year terms and may be a Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Quarterly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Tri-County Airport Commission (Wis. Stat. § 114.14(2))

Purpose: The Tri-County Airport Commission consists of Iowa, Richland, and Sauk Counties. The Tri-County Airport Commission provides oversight for improvements, operation, and maintenance of the airport as well as for the budget. This Commission provides jurisdiction for the Airport Land Use Plan as part of the Iowa County zoning ordinance. The Sauk County Department of Conservation, Planning and Zoning provides the administrative support for the tri-county airport.

- a) Size of the Commission: 3 -- one Supervisor from each county
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission (Wis. Stat. § 59.968)

Purpose: Crawford, Dane, Grant, Iowa, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Walworth, and Waukesha Counties are served and therefore are members of this commission. The purpose of this commission is to oversee operations and maintain as much right-of-way and rail as possible. A branch from Madison to Prairie du Chien with spurs to Mazomanie and Lone Rock is included.

- a) Size of the Commission: Three commissioners from each county for staggered three year terms and may be a Supervisor
- b) Frequency of Meetings: Monthly and/or as needed
- c) Assessment of the Commission: Annual peer review with input from supervisors and staff

SERVICE DATE
Mar 13, 2019

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Joint Application of American Transmission Company LLC, ITC Midwest LLC, and Dairyland Power Cooperative, for Authority to Construct and Operate a New 345 kV Transmission Line from the Existing Hickory Creek Substation in Dubuque County, Iowa, to the Existing Cardinal Substation in Dane County, Wisconsin, to be Known as the Cardinal-Hickory Creek Project

5-CE-146

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM-SECOND

This memorandum orders the following consistent with the prehearing conference held on February 22, 2019, and pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.04(1):

I. PARTIES:

A. Applicants:

1. American Transmission Company LLC
2. ITC Midwest LLC
3. Dairyland Power Cooperative

B. Intervenors:

1. Alex Tanke
2. Amelia & Garry Williams
3. Carol Beckett & Frank Sander
4. Chris Klopp
5. Citizens Utility Board
6. Clean Grid Organizations
7. Clean Wisconsin
8. Dane County
9. David & Nancy Giffey
10. David Stanfield
11. David Swanson
12. Deborah Mulligan
13. Dennis & Judi Halverson
14. Don & Julie Pluemer
15. Driftless Area Land Conservancy
16. Gene Smith
17. George Schwarzmenn
18. Gloria & Leroy Belkin
19. Iowa County

Docket: 5-CE-146

20. James Campbell
21. Joe Schwarzmann
22. Joel C. Kurth
23. Kerry Beheler
24. Lila Zastrow & Dave Hendrickson
25. Linda Grice
26. Marilyn & Richard Brewer
27. Mark Surkowaty
28. Marline & Patrick Patterson
29. Michael & Michelle Dubis
30. Michael McDermott
31. Michael Russel & Susan Ehlers
32. Midcontinent Independent System Operator
33. Monica Sella
34. Pat & Pam Raimer
35. RENEW Wisconsin
36. S.O.U.L. OF WISCONSIN
37. Ten Old Order Amish Intervenors
38. Town of Arena
39. Town of Lima
40. Town of Vermont
41. Town of Wingville
42. Town of Wyoming
43. Village of Montfort
44. Wisconsin Industrial Energy Group
45. Wisconsin Wildlife Federation

II. ISSUES:

- A. Does the proposed project comply with the applicable standards under Wis. Stat. §§ 1.11, 1.12, 196.025, 196.49, and 196.491, and Wis. Admin. Code chs. PSC 4, and 111?

III. SCHEDULE:

04/26/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Direct : Intervenor and Commission Staff (Addressing all issues, except for the FEIS.)
05/17/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Direct : Parties and Commission Staff (Addressing the FEIS.)
05/28/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Rebuttal : Parties and Commission Staff
06/11/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Surrebuttal : Parties and Commission Staff
06/13/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Other: Errata Testimony and Replacement Exhibits
06/13/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Other: Cross questions to ALJ

Docket: 5-CE-146

06/17/2019 9:30 AM	Hearing: Party Hearing Session in PSC Hearing Room (6/17-6/21 reserved)
Week of 6/24/2019	Public Hearing Sessions (Date/Time/Location TBD)
06/25/2019 4:30 PM	Transcript: Draft Transcript
06/26/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Other: Exhibits Offered and Received at Hearing
06/26/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Other: Witness Verification Affidavits)
06/26/2019 1:30 PM	Offered Evidence Other: Revised Testimony
06/28/2019 1:30 PM	Transcript: Proposed Corrections to Draft Transcript
07/02/2019 1:30 PM	Transcript: Objections to Proposed Corrections to Draft Transcript
07/12/2019 1:30 PM	Brief: Initial Brief
07/22/2019 1:30 PM	Brief: Reply Brief

IV. OTHER FACILITATION MATERS:

A. Other matters required to facilitate this proceeding are as follows:

1. The Facilitating Matters Ordered for Contested Case Proceedings attached to the Prehearing Conference Memorandum (PSC REF#: 357500), remains in effect.
2. Cross-examination of a party witness by a non-organizational party, who is neither an attorney, nor represented by counsel, shall occur as follows.
 - a. Any non-organizational party, who is neither an attorney, nor represented by counsel shall, no later than 06/13/2019 at 1:30 p.m., email to the presiding Administrative Law Judge, all cross examination questions for any witness who has timely filed pre-hearing written testimony.
 - b. The presiding Administrative Law Judge shall review all timely proffered questions. During time for cross-examination of each witness, the presiding Administrative Law Judge will submit to the witness any questions directed to that witness reasonably required for a full and true disclosure of the facts with consideration for the evidentiary standards provided under Wis. Stat. § 227.45, and with respect for the proper and efficient regulation of the proceeding.

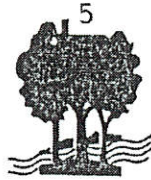
Docket: 5-CE-146

- c. Each email provided for this purpose must indicate the identity of the question's author, and the witness for which the author intends to direct the question.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Newmark". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "M" and a long, horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael E. Newmark
Administrative Law Judge

MEN: :DL:01675618



ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY CENTER

Protecting the Midwest's Environment and Natural Heritage

Natural Resources Expert Witness Team for Driftless Area Land Conservancy, Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and Other Groups Opposing the Huge Proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line that Would Cut a Wide Swath Through the Scenic Driftless Area

PSCW Case No. 5-CE-146 (Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line)

The Environmental Law & Policy Center (ELPC) is providing legal representation to the Driftless Area Land Conservancy and Wisconsin Wildlife Federation. ELPC has engaged several natural resource experts – Terry Ingram, Curt Meine, George Meyer and Don Waller – who will provide expert witness consulting and testimony in PSCW Case No. 5-CE-146 involving the application of the American Transmission Company, ITC Midwest, and Dairyland Power Cooperative for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to build the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line and exert eminent domain to take private land. The natural resource experts will provide testimony helping to make the case before the Commission that the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line will have significant, long-lasting detrimental impacts on the unique scenic Driftless Area and its natural and cultural resources.

The Natural Resources Expert Team members are:

Terry Ingram is the President of the Eagle Nature Foundation. Mr. Ingram has devoted his life to saving the natural world, which includes bald eagles and honeybees, as well as other birds, animals and insects. He has studied the bald eagle for decades, and received several awards for his work. Mr. Ingram's testimony focuses on impacts to bald eagles and other animal species.

Dr. Curt Meine is a Conservation Biologist, Environmental Historian and Writer. Mr. Meine is an adjunct faculty member at UW-Madison, a Senior Fellow with the Center for Humans and Nature, a Senior Leopold Fellow with the Aldo Leopold Foundation, and a research associate with the International Crane Foundation. Mr. Meine has written and edited several books on Aldo Leopold, conservation, and environmental history. He is coeditor of *The Driftless Reader* (2017). Mr. Meine's testimony will focus on the importance of the Driftless Area and the harmful impacts of the proposed transmission line on natural and cultural resources.

George Meyer is the Executive Director of Wisconsin Wildlife Foundation. Mr. Meyer served as the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") from 1993 to 2001, after having served in other capacities at DNR starting in 1970. Mr. Meyer's testimony will address the harmful impacts of the proposed transmission line on natural resources and environmental impact statement issues.

Dr. Don Waller is a Professor of Botany and Environmental Studies at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He is a conservation biologist who has numerous publications, including scholarly articles, popular articles and books. Professor Waller's testimony will focus on the harmful impacts of the proposed transmission line on natural resources and species.

35 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1600 • Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 673-6500 • www.ELPC.org

Harry Drucker, Chairperson • Howard A. Learner, Executive Director
Chicago, IL • Columbus, OH • Des Moines, IA • Duluth, MN • Grand Rapids, MI • Indianapolis, IN
Jamestown, SD • Madison, WI • Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN • Sioux Falls, SD • Washington, D.C.





ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY CENTER

Protecting the Midwest's Environment and Natural Heritage

Energy Expert Witness Team for Driftless Area Land Conservancy, Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and Other Groups Opposing the Huge Proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line that Would Cut a Wide Swath Through the Scenic Driftless Area

PSCW Case No. 5-CE-146 (Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line)

The Environmental Law & Policy Center (ELPC) is providing legal representation to the Driftless Area Land Conservancy and Wisconsin Wildlife Federation. ELPC has retained the Center for Renewables Integration, GridPolicy, Rakon Energy and Strategen Consulting to provide expert witness consulting and testimony in PSCW Case No. 5-CE-146 involving the application of the American Transmission Company, ITC Midwest, and Dairyland Power Cooperative for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to build the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line and exert eminent domain to take private land. The Energy Expert Team will provide testimony helping to make the case before the Commission that the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line is unneeded for reliability, not cost-effective, and that there are better, cheaper, cleaner, more flexible and more environmentally-friendly distributed clean energy generation and alternative transmission solutions.

The Energy Expert Team will address the following issues:

1. The extent to which ATC et al. have overstated the benefits of the transmission line.
2. The extent to which ATC et al. have understated the costs of the transmission line.
3. A critique of ATC's "non-transmission alternative" portfolio and the development of one or more portfolios of Alternative Transmission Solutions, including distributed solar and wind generation and energy storage technologies, and energy efficiency and demand response, that can fulfill the same functions as a "wires-based" solution at a lower overall cost.
4. Analysis of how an Alternative Transmission Solutions portfolio can fulfill the same transmission objectives as the proposed transmission line, and thus should receive the same cost allocation under existing Federal Energy Regulatory Commission rules and case law.

The Energy Expert Team members are:

Kerinia Cusick is Co-Founder and President of the Center for Renewables Integration. Ms. Cusick has deep insight into storage, wind, solar and other Alternative Transmission Solutions technology costs, capabilities, and development timelines; FERC policy regarding treatment of Alternative Transmission Solutions as transmission; renewable portfolio standards and state-based clean energy legislation or regulations that may be impacted by Alternative Transmission Solutions. Ms. Cusick's testimony will focus on accuracy of performance, cost assumptions and development timelines associated with the Alternative Transmission Solutions portfolio(s).

35 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1600 • Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 673-6500 • www.ELPC.org

Harry Drucker, Chairperson • Howard A. Learner, Executive Director
Chicago, IL • Columbus, OH • Des Moines, IA • Duluth, MN • Grand Rapids, MI • Indianapolis, IN
Jamestown, SD • Madison, WI • Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN • Sioux Falls, SD • Washington, D.C.

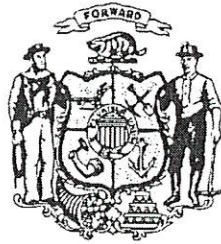
Jon Wellinghoff is the CEO of Grid Policy. Mr. Wellinghoff served as Chair and Commissioner of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) during 2006 – 2013, and previously as General Counsel at the Nevada Public Utilities Commission. He has deep expertise on FERC principles for cost allocation of transmission projects and treatment of Alternative Transmission Solutions technologies. Mr. Wellinghoff's testimony will focus on FERC principles for cost allocation of transmission projects and the regulatory basis for treating a portfolio of Alternative Transmission Solutions assets under the existing cost structure.

Rao Konidena is the President of Rakon Energy LLC. He has 15 years of experience at the Mid-Continent Independent System Operator (MISO) including eight years in a management role. Mr. Konidena has deep expertise in modeling the MISO system; deliverability analysis; forecasting (load and generation); modeling demand response, energy efficiency and storage in MISO; MISO regulations surrounding the dispatch and use of energy storage, energy efficiency, distributed energy resources and demand response as transmission assets; and MISO's "storage as transmission" process. Mr. Konidena's testimony will focus on showing that ATC overstated the benefits of the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line, and on summarizing how Strategen correctly modeled the MISO system to perform its analysis.

Ed Burgess, Mihir Desu, and Maria Roumpani of Strategen Consulting have significant analytical expertise related to energy storage technologies and markets, distributed energy resources, and grid edge policy throughout the United States. The Strategen team's testimony will summarize the results of the various Alternative Transmission Solutions portfolios modeled and the net benefit and costs for ratepayers.

February 2019

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN
WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES



Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
RECEIVED: 02/28/2019 5:05:36 PM

Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

PSC Docket 5-CE-146

Date Issued: February 2019

To the Reader

This draft environmental impact statement (EIS) fulfills part of the requirements of the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA), Wis. Stat. § 1.11. WEPA requires state agencies to consider environmental factors when making major decisions. The purpose of this draft EIS is to provide the decision makers, the public, and other stakeholders with an analysis of the economic, social, cultural, and environmental impacts that could result from the construction of the proposed 3-45 kV transmission line and its associated facilities. This document has been prepared jointly by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission or PSC) and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

You are encouraged to comment on this draft EIS. The state agency comment period on this draft EIS ends on April 14, 2019. Please use the PSC docket number 5-CE-146 on all e-mail and correspondence. Written comments should be addressed to:

Akanksha Craft
Docket Coordinator
Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 7854
Madison, WI 53707-7854
(608) 267-9509
Akanksha.Craft@wisconsin.gov

Comments may also be submitted electronically at the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>. Once at the site, click on the "E-Services" tab on the top right menu bar, toward the right of the page. On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears on the left side of the page. Locate the Cardinal-Hickory Creek docket (5-CE-146) and file a comment. Specific questions on the draft EIS should be addressed to:

Cindy Burtley
Public Service Commission
(608) 267-6718
Cindy.Burtley@wisconsin.gov

Lindsay Tekler
Department of Natural Resources
(608) 535-2602
Lindsay.Tekler@wisconsin.gov

Geri Radermacher
Department of Natural Resources
(262) 574-2153
Geri.Radermacher@wisconsin.gov

Alexander Vedvik
(engineering)
Public Service Commission
(608) 267-9099
Alexander.Vedvik@wisconsin.gov

Comments received during the comment period will be used to prepare the final EIS, which will become part of the record used by the Commission to make its final decisions on this project. At this time, the Commission decision on the proposed project is expected in September 2019.

The Commission decision on the merits of this project will be based on the record of a public hearing that will be held about 30 days after the final EIS is issued. When the final EIS is prepared, the Commission will issue a Notice of Hearing. The hearing will satisfy the WEPA requirements of the Commission and DNR. The final EIS and testimony from the public hearing will be included in the hearing record.

If necessary, DNR will hold separate hearings on its water permits or other DNR regulatory actions discussed in this draft EIS.

Executive Summary

On April 30, 2018, American Transmission Company LLC, ITC Midwest LLC, and Dairyland Power Cooperative (together, applicants) filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) under Wis. Stat. § 196.491 and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 111.53 for authority to construct new transmission facilities. The applicants are seeking the Commission's approval of the project and the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN). The primary focus of the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission Line Project (Cardinal-Hickory Creek) is to install a new 345 kilovolt (kV) transmission line from the Hickory Creek Substation in Dubuque County, Iowa to the Cardinal Substation in Dane County, Wisconsin. Depending on approvals and possible route alternatives selected by the Commission, the new Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345 kV transmission line would be between 84 and 105 miles long. The Cardinal-Hickory Creek project also includes construction of a new intermediate Hill Valley Substation in Grant County, as well as perform a variety of modifications at substations in northeast Iowa and southwest Wisconsin.

PROPOSED CARDINAL-HICKORY CREEK PROJECT

In Wisconsin, the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345 kV transmission line would begin by crossing the Mississippi River in Cassville, travel northeast to Montfort to connect to the proposed Hill Valley Substation, and end at the Cardinal Substation in Middleton (Figure ES-1). In this EIS, the applicants' proposed route subsegments have been combined into several route alternatives that have then been grouped into four distinct routing areas to facilitate the Commission's evaluation of the proposed project. These four routing areas provide an organizational tool for presenting and analyzing information about the ecological and socioeconomic impacts of the proposed project for each proposed route alternative. The distinct geographic routing areas and their associated chapters within this EIS are the:

- Mississippi River Routing Area (Chapter 6),
- Western Routing Area (Chapter 7),
- Eastern Routing Area (Chapter 8), and
- Dane County Routing Area (Chapter 9).

The proposed project must cross the Mississippi River to get from the Hickory Creek Substation (Dubuque County, IA) to the Cardinal Substation (Dane County, WI). The applicants have proposed two different areas where it could cross the Mississippi River in Cassville, WI, either connecting to the Stoneman Substation (existing crossing) or the Nelson Dewey Substation (new crossing). Each route alternative contains common subsegments that would be shared by either route alternative, and have been included in the quantification of impacts for each route alternative throughout the tables in this EIS.

The route alternatives within each routing area that are being evaluated in this EIS include the following (Figure ES-1):

- Mississippi River Routing Area
 1. Nelson Dewey-North
 2. Nelson Dewey-South
 3. Stoneman-North
 4. Stoneman-South

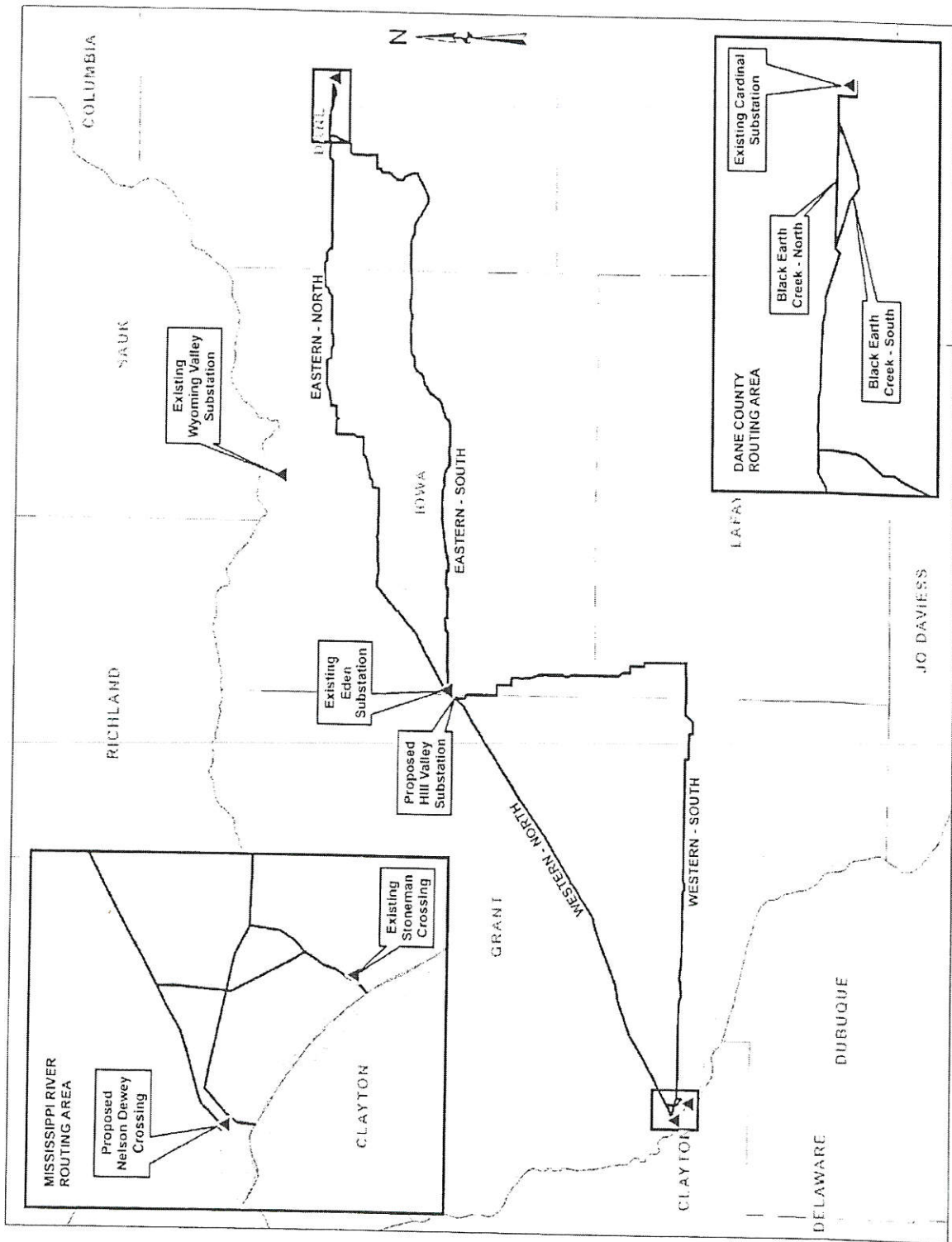
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

- Western Routing Area
 1. Western-North
 2. Western-South
- Eastern Routing Area:
 1. Eastern-North
 2. Eastern-South
- Dane County Routing Area
 1. Black Earth Creek-North
 2. Black Earth Creek-South

The proposed route alternatives would cross the counties of LaFayette, Grant, Iowa, and Dane, and potentially involve 38 municipalities and townships. In Wisconsin, if the project is approved by the Commission a new 345kV transmission line would be constructed that is approximately 84 to 105 miles long with an average right-of-way (ROW) width of 150 feet.

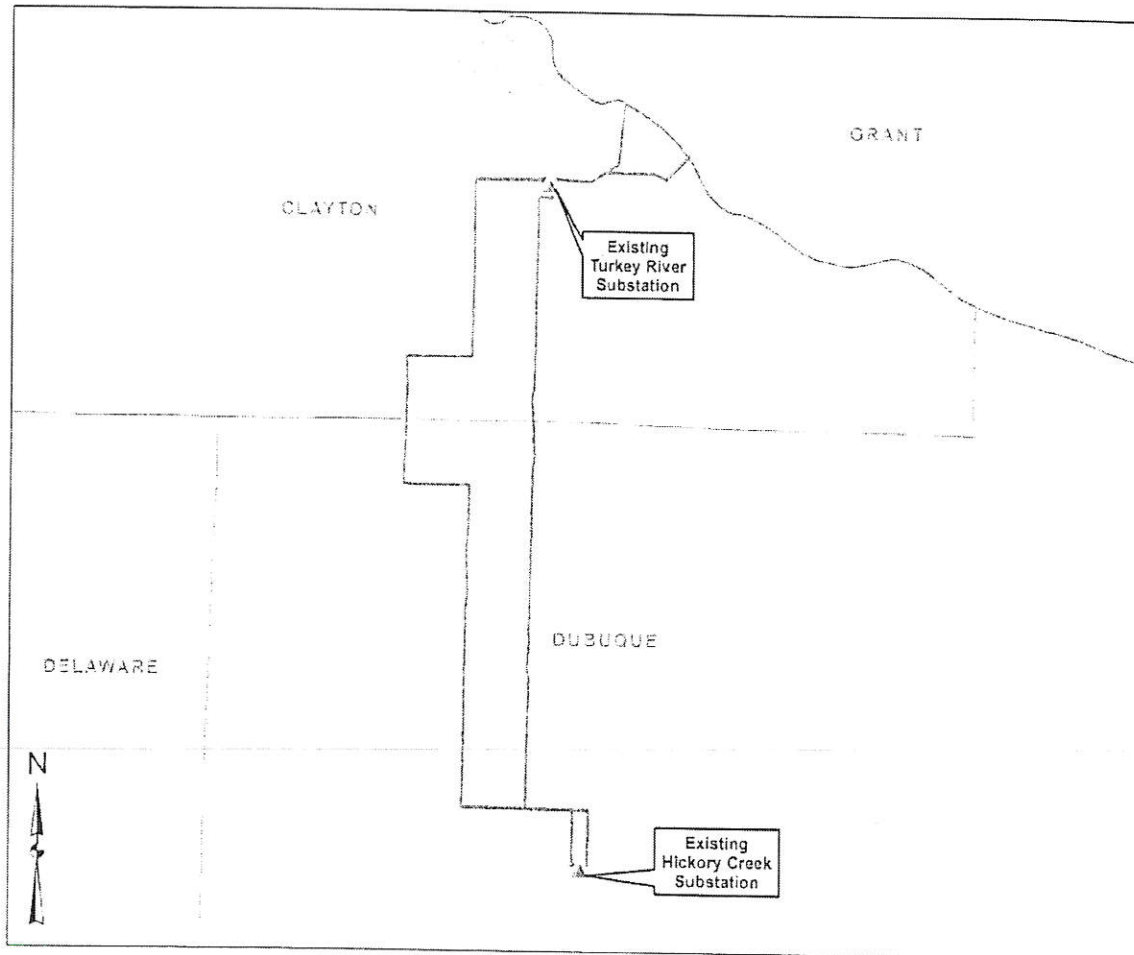
The Cardinal-Hickory Creek project would also include construction of a new intermediate substation in Grant County (i.e. Hill Valley Substation), as well as perform a variety of modifications at substations in northeast Iowa and southwest Wisconsin including the Hickory Creek, Turkey River, Stoneman, Nelson Dewey, Eden, Wyoming Valley, and the Cardinal Substations.

Figure ES-1 Route alternatives within each routing area that are being evaluated in this EIS



The proposed project would also include approximately 14 miles of 345kV transmission facilities in Iowa before it reaches Wisconsin. This portion of the applicants' project starts at the Hickory Creek Substation in Clayton County, Iowa, travels north through the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge (Refuge), and then east across the Mississippi River into Wisconsin (Figure ES-2).

Figure ES-2 Proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345 kV route in Iowa



In addition to the proposed route alternatives, the applicants have provided information on additional project options that are under consideration by the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Rural Utilities Services (RUS). RUS is the lead agency coordinating the development of the federal environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Cardinal-Hickory Creek project as a result of DPC requesting financial assistance as a partial owner of the proposed project. During its review of DPC's application for financial assistance, RUS is also responsible for reviewing the engineering purpose and need, feasibility, alternatives, and cost of the proposed project. The applicants are not proposing these additional project options as siting alternatives for the Commission in this proceeding.

The majority of the transmission line structures proposed for this project would be self-supporting tubular steel monopoles that would range from 120 to 175 feet tall with spans of 750 to 1,100 feet between structures. At the crossing of the Mississippi River, the proposed steel H-frame structures would be between 173 and 198 feet tall with a minimum wire to ground clearance between 91 and 94 feet.

The overall cost of the Cardinal-Hickory Creek Project would range between \$474 million to \$560 million, depending on the final route alternatives selected. These costs are estimated in 2023 dollar costs, which is the projected in-service year for the project. The estimated project cost includes substation modifications, the new Hill Valley Substation, distribution line relocations, land acquisitions, precertification, and allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) for ITC and DPC.

There are numerous intervenors in the Cardinal-Hickory Creek docket including utilities, individual landowners, a number of municipal government offices, and environmental advocacy groups. The primary issues of contention, based on comments received during the scoping process, include:

- 1) the need for the proposed project;
- 2) fair evaluation of non-transmission/local renewable energy resources;
- 3) aesthetics of the proposed project;
- 4) impacts to tourism and local businesses;
- 5) individual hardships and property impacts, and
- 6) impacts to the Driftless Area.

NEED FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

Commission staff's analysis of project need is on-going and will be covered in greater detail in the final EIS. The need for the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek project is and will continue to be a subject of scrutiny throughout the Commission's review process including during the public and technical hearings.

The applicants' stated purposes for the Cardinal-Hickory Creek transmission line project are to:

- Provide economic benefits to Wisconsin customers;
- Avoid the expenditure on reliability and asset renewal projects that would be needed if the proposed project were not constructed;
- Increase the transfer capability of the electric system between northeastern Iowa, and southwest and southcentral Wisconsin, ease congestion and improve generator competition;
- Allow the transfer of wind energy from the west to Wisconsin;
- Support wind energy resources that have requested interconnection in Iowa and areas west of Wisconsin;
- Eliminate the need for three MISO system operating guides in southwest and southcentral Wisconsin currently requiring load shedding and/or other operational actions under certain contingencies; and
- Create other reliability and public policy benefits stemming from a more robust and flexible electric transmission system in the state.

The analysis of need provided in the project application relied heavily on the planning process of the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO). This stated need could be summarized under the following three categories of benefits that MISO's multi-value (MVP) projects are required to provide: 1) improve electric system reliability locally and regionally; 2) deliver economic savings for Wisconsin utilities and electric consumers; and 3) expand infrastructure to support the public policy of greater use of renewables. More information about the MISO process and purpose of the proposed project is included in Chapter 3.

Existing Transmission Resources

The southwest and southcentral Wisconsin area is served by a network of 161 kV and 69 kV lines along with some 138 kV lines. The Badger Coulee 345 kV project (docket 5-CE-142) connects the Briggs Road Substation in Onalaska on the west end to the North Madison Substation in Vienna and the Cardinal Substation in Middleton on the east end.

The existing Eden 138/69 kV Substation near Montfort, Wisconsin does not have any transmission facilities above the 138 kV voltage level. The existing Hickory Creek 345/161 kV Substation is connected to the Hazleton-Salem 345 kV line.

The applicants state that there is need to improve west to east power flow capability in order to relieve transmission system congestion. They believe that the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek project would increase the transfer capability of the electric system between northeastern Iowa, and southwest and southcentral Wisconsin by approximately 1,300 Megawatts (MW). The applicants also state that the project would provide an outlet for approximately 25 Gigawatts (GW) of wind energy resources in Iowa and areas west of Wisconsin. In addition, the applicants state that the project would eliminate the need for three transmission system operating guides in southwest and southcentral Wisconsin, which currently require load shedding and/or other operational actions under certain contingencies due to reliability concerns in the area.

SYSTEM ALTERNATIVES

The applicants considered several non-transmission and transmission alternatives to the proposed project. These non-transmission and transmission alternatives are described further in Section 3.9 of the EIS.

The non-transmission alternatives that were evaluated and considered by the applicants include:

- **Energy efficiency and load reduction:** This alternative considers reduced energy consumption and peak load, above that achieved historically by Focus on Energy.
- **Generation:** This alternative studies if additional generation resources would mitigate the need for the proposed project. These new generation sources include new natural gas, wind, and solar resources.
- **No-build alternative:** The applicants used the No-Build Alternative as a reference case for evaluating the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek project, other transmission, and non-transmission system alternatives considered.

In addition to the non-transmission alternatives, a number of transmission alternatives were also described in the application including:

- **Low-voltage alternative (LVA):** This alternative would consist of construction and upgrades to multiple 138 kV transmission facilities and construction of a new 345 kV transmission line from Hickory Creek Substation in New Vienna, Iowa to an expanded Nelson Dewey Substation in Cassville, WI. The LVA has a total project cost estimate of \$356 million in year-of-occurrence dollars and the present value (discounted to year 2018) of the change in net transmission charges to Wisconsin transmission network customers is estimated to be \$220.6 million.
- **Other transmission alternatives:** The applicants assert that any substitute transmission alternative to the proposed project should meet the main criteria of the MVP in the MISO 2011 MVP portfolio. They state that the Wisconsin portion of any 345 kV transmission alternative

must begin in Cassville. At the northern end, the applicants point out that there are a number of potential endpoints that would meet the required criteria. These locations include:

- o Existing Cardinal Substation
- o Existing North Madison Substation
- o Existing Rockdale Substation
- o New Kitty Hawk Substation
- o New Paddock Substation

The applicants state that they performed a full evaluation of each transmission system alternative by comparing all identified benefits and costs for each alternative, both quantitative and qualitative. Further discussion of the applicants' system alternatives analyses and results are detailed Section 3.9.4.

Commission staff is currently reviewing the transmission system alternatives provided by the applicants and various other transmission system alternatives that would be more limited in scope and cost as compared to the proposed project. In addition, staff is evaluating the need for the entire scope of the proposed project as described by the applicants.

Proposed Project and Route Alternatives

In Wisconsin, the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345 kV transmission line would begin by crossing the Mississippi River in Cassville, Wisconsin, travel northeast to Montfort, Wisconsin to connect to the proposed Hill Valley Substation, and end at the Cardinal Substation in Middleton, Wisconsin. If approved and depending on the route alternatives selected by the Commission, the new 345 kV transmission line would be between 84 and 105 miles long.

If approved, ATC would own 45.5 percent, ITC would own 45.5 percent, and DPC would own 9 percent of the Cardinal-Hickory Creek project. ITC would be the construction manager for the portion of the transmission line between Hickory Creek Substation (Dubuque, Iowa), across the Mississippi River, and to the new Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, Wisconsin). ATC would be the construction manager for the portion of the transmission line between the Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, Wisconsin) and Cardinal Substation (Dane County, Wisconsin). ATC would construct the new Hill Valley Substation, as well as for any modifications approved at the Cardinal, Eden, Nelson Dewey, and Wyoming Valley Substations. DPC would construct any approved modifications at the Stoneman Substation.

Mississippi River Routing Area

This routing area is located near Cassville, Wisconsin, and lies entirely within Grant County. The proposed project provides two separate locations (Nelson Dewey or Stoneman) for crossing the Mississippi River in Cassville, Wisconsin. There are existing 161kV and 69kV electric transmission lines that cross the Mississippi River connecting at the Stoneman Substation. A new Mississippi River crossing has been proposed that would connect the Wisconsin portion of the proposed project at the Nelson Dewey Substation, just north of the Stoneman Substation. Each of these crossing options includes two separate route alternatives (North and South) that connect to route alternatives in the Western Routing Area.

The route alternatives under consideration in this routing area are:

1. Nelson Dewey-North which only connects to Western-North
2. Nelson Dewey-South which only connects to Western-South
3. Stoneman-North which only connects to Western-North
4. Stoneman-South which only connects to Western-South

The only exception to the Commission having the primary siting authority for the proposed project in Wisconsin would be where it crosses property that is owned by a federal agency or encumbered with federal easement. The applicants would need a federal easement in the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge (Iowa) prior to crossing the Mississippi River to get from the Hickory Creek Substation (Iowa) to the Cardinal Substation (Wisconsin). If the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approve a ROW location within the Refuge that differs from the Commission's decision in the Mississippi River Routing Area, the location of the federal easement approved by the federal agencies would be the one that is constructed.

Western Routing Area

This routing area is located in Grant, Iowa, and Lafayette Counties. The Western Routing Area is comprised of two main route alternatives (North and South) that connect the Mississippi River Routing Area and the Eastern Routing Area. The Western-North route alternative travels northeast from the village of Cassville to the village of Montfort. The Western-South route alternative travels east from the village of Cassville to the city of Platteville and then north to the village of Montfort. Before entering the proposed Hill Valley Substation, both route alternatives would connect to common route subsegments before entering the substation.

The route alternatives under consideration in this routing area are:

1. Western-North
2. Western-South

Eastern Routing Area

This routing area is located within Iowa and Dane Counties. The Eastern Routing Area is comprised of two main route alternatives that connect the Western Routing Area near Montfort, Wisconsin and the Dane County Routing area near Cross Plains, Wisconsin. The Eastern-North route alternative generally travels north and east from the proposed Hill Valley Substation (Montfort) to Cross Plains. The Eastern-South route alternative generally travels east and north from Montfort to Cross Plains.

The route alternatives under consideration in this routing area are:

1. Eastern-North
2. Eastern-South

Dane County Routing Area

This routing area is located entirely within Dane County, and connects the Eastern Routing Area near Cross Plains, Wisconsin to the Cardinal Substation near Middleton, Wisconsin. The Dane County Routing Area starts near Cross Plains, Wisconsin and follows common route subsegments east until Cleveland Road where it separates into two route alternatives (North and South) near Black Earth Creek. From here it travels east along common route subsegments until it terminates at the Cardinal Substation in Middleton, Wisconsin.

The route alternatives under consideration in this routing area are:

1. Black Earth Creek-North
2. Black Earth Creek-South

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACTS

The proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek project traverses southwestern Wisconsin from the Mississippi River to Middleton, Wisconsin, which is well-known and often referred to as the Driftless Area. Wisconsin's Driftless Area has not been glaciated for at least the last 2.4 million years and consists of significant topographic variation and unique ecological communities found nowhere else in the state. Southwestern Wisconsin contains areas of steep forested ridges and deeply dissected river valleys with numerous of spring-fed and cold-water trout streams.

In addition to the unique ecology of the Driftless Area, its social and economic significance is often considered unquantifiable to those who live and visit the area. Many have recognized the Driftless Area as a unique resource worthy of ecological, cultural, and economic importance; and thus, this area is the focus of several government, non-profit, and private partnerships and organizations that are solely focused on the conserving, restoring, and enjoying this unique area in the state. Concerns for the impacts the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek project could and would have on the Driftless Area are a common theme found throughout the hundreds of comments received on the project as well as the parties intervening in the proceeding for the proposed project.

Mississippi River Routing Area

The route alternatives in this routing area range from approximately 1.08 to 1.83 miles long starting at either the existing Mississippi River crossing (Stoneman Substation) or a new Mississippi River crossing (Nelson Dewey Substation).

The following contains a bulleted list of potential impacts of the proposed ROWs, identifying which routes would have the greatest or the least amount of impacts for a given resource. None of the route alternatives within this routing area would impact properties enrolled in the Managed Forest Law program (MFL) or are expected to cause impacts to wetlands within the proposed ROW. Refer to Chapter 6, Chapter 10, and Appendix B for additional information on these impacts by proposed route alternatives and route subsegments.

- **Nelson Dewey-North**
 - Greatest amount of grassland areas within the proposed ROW (9.80 acres).
 - Least amount of residences within 300 feet of the proposed ROW (0 houses).
 - Least amount of waterways crossed by proposed ROW (0 waterways).
 - Least amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (0 sites).
 - Greatest amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (2.71 miles).
 - Greatest amount of endangered resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (62).
- **Nelson Dewey-South**
 - Greatest amount of new proposed ROW (90 percent).
 - Greatest amount of total agricultural land within the ROW (5.49 acres).
 - Greatest amount of forested lands requiring clearing within the proposed ROW (16.84 acres).
- **Stoneman-North**
 - Greatest amount of residences within 300 feet of the proposed ROW (20 houses).
 - The proposed ROW would be within 150 feet of two schools and one daycare; the same as Stoneman-South.
 - Greatest amount of waterways crossed by proposed ROW (2 waterways).

- Greatest amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (8 sites).
- Least amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (0 miles).
- **Stoneman-South:**
 - Least amount of new proposed ROW (62 percent)
 - Least amount of total agricultural land within the ROW (2.51 acres).
 - Least amount of grassland areas within the proposed ROW (3.60 acres).
 - Least amount of forested lands requiring clearing within the proposed ROW (16.84 acres).
 - Would have the second greatest amount of residences within 300 feet of the proposed ROW (18 houses).
 - The proposed ROW would be within 150 feet of two schools and one daycare; the same as Stoneman-North.
 - Greatest amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (8 sites).
 - Least amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (0 miles).
 - Least amount of endangered resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (35).

Western Routing Area

The route alternatives in this routing area range from approximately 32.54 miles (Western-North) to 50.42 miles (Western-South). Both route alternatives would have approximately the same amount of new proposed ROW (65 percent); however, the terrain along Western-North is steeper and more remote making construction potentially more difficult along this route alternative. Western-South primarily follows existing utility infrastructure and roads along its corridor through more open terrain. Although not always reflected in the impact tables, Western-North would have greater potential to impact more unique ecological resources and communities because it is sited in less disturbed, more remote locations.

The following contains a bulleted list of potential impacts of the proposed ROWs, identifying which route alternative would have the greatest amount of impacts for a given resource. There are no schools, daycares, or hospitals identified by the applicants within 300 feet of the proposed ROW in this routing area. Refer to Chapter 7, Chapter 10, and Appendix B for additional information on these impacts by proposed route alternatives and route subsegments.

- **Western-North**
 - Greatest amount of forested lands requiring clearing within the proposed ROW (95.59 acres).
 - Greatest amount of MFL properties (11 properties).
 - Greatest amount of wetland areas within the proposed ROW (16.70 acres).
 - Greatest amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (2.55 miles).
- **Western-South**
 - Greatest amount of total agricultural land within the ROW (517.04 acres).
 - Greatest amount of grassland areas within the proposed ROW (227.26 acres).
 - Greatest amount of residences within 300 feet of the proposed ROW (37 houses).
 - Greatest amount of waterways crossed by proposed ROW (88 waterways).
 - Greatest amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (9 sites).
 - Greatest amount of endangered resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (37).

Eastern Routing Area

The route alternatives in this routing area range from approximately 46 miles (Eastern-North) to 48.72 miles (Eastern-South). Eastern-North would primarily travel cross-country along new ROW with steep terrain making construction potentially more difficult along this route alternative. Eastern-South primarily follows existing roads and transmission facilities along its corridor through more open and flat terrain. Although not always reflected in the impact tables, Eastern-North would have greater potential to impact more unique ecological resources and communities because it is sited in less disturbed, more remote locations.

The following contains a bulleted list of potential impacts of the proposed ROW's, identifying which route alternative would have the greatest amount of impacts for a given resource. Refer to Chapter 8, Chapter 10, and Appendix B for additional information on these impacts by proposed route alternatives and route subsegments.

- **Eastern-North**
 - Greatest amount of new proposed ROW (84 percent).
 - Greatest amount of forested lands requiring clearing within the proposed ROW (355.06 acres).
 - Greatest amount of MFL properties (97 properties).
 - Greatest amount of wetland areas within the proposed ROW (45.38 acres).
 - Greatest amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (1.3 miles).
- **Eastern-South**
 - Greatest amount of total agricultural land within the ROW (362.34 acres).
 - Greatest amount of grassland areas within the proposed ROW (266.16 acres).
 - Greatest amount of residences within 300 feet of the proposed ROW (89 houses and 74 apartment units). Two of these homes are located within 25 feet of the proposed centerline, and one of these homes are located within 50 feet of the proposed centerline.
 - There is one school located just beyond 300 feet of the proposed ROW.
 - Greatest amount of waterways crossed by proposed ROW (63 waterways).
 - Greatest amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (8 sites).
 - Greatest amount of endangered resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (50).

Dane County Routing Area

The Dane County Routing Area is the only routing area that contains several common subsegments for a significant length of the route where there is no other route option. For the purposes of the executive summary, all of the impacts for the common subsegments in the Dane County Routing Area have been included in the quantification of impacts for Black Earth Creek-North and Black Earth Creek-South, as applicable.

The total length of the proposed ROW in this routing area would be between 4.47 and 4.57 miles. Both route alternatives would have the same amount of new proposed ROW (64 percent), the same number of residences within 300 feet of the proposed centerline (11 houses), and the same amount of avian risk areas identified within the proposed ROW (0.26 miles). There are no schools, daycares, or hospitals identified by the applicants within 300 feet of the proposed ROW.

The following contains a bulleted list of potential impacts of the proposed ROW's, identifying which route alternative would have the greatest amount of impacts for a given resource. Refer to Chapter 9, Chapter 10, and Appendix B for additional information on these impacts by proposed route alternatives and route subsegments.

- **Black Earth Creek-North**
 - Greatest amount of total agricultural land within the ROW (27.27 acres).
 - Greatest amount of forested lands requiring clearing within the proposed ROW (21.8 acres).
 - Greatest amount of wetland areas within the proposed ROW (5.5 acres).
 - Greatest amount of archaeological and historic resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (2 sites).

- **Black Earth Creek-South**
 - Greatest amount of grassland areas within the proposed ROW (15 acres).
 - Greatest amount of MFL properties (1 property).
 - Would have the same number of residences within 300 feet of the proposed centerline (11 houses) as Black Earth Creek-North; however, this route alternative has one house within 25 feet of the proposed centerline.
 - Greatest amount of waterways crossed by proposed ROW (10 waterways).
 - Greatest amount of endangered resources potentially impacted by the proposed ROW (18).

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

The applicants anticipate dividing ownership of the proposed project as follows: ATC 45.5 percent, ITC 45.5 percent and DPC 9 percent (Table 1-2).

Table 1-2 Additional details regarding the ownership and construction if the project is approved by the Commission, as stated in the application⁴

Proposed Facilities	Location	Ownership Percentage and Construction Managers
345 kV transmission line	Hickory Creek Substation (Dubuque County, IA) to Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, WI)	ITC 95.5% DPC 4.5% ITC construction manager
	Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, WI) to Cardinal Substation (Dane County, WI)	ATC 95.5% DPC 4.5% ATC construction manager
161 kV transmission line	Any portion of the existing 161kV line that would be rebuilt as a part of the Mississippi River Crossing	DPC 100% ⁵
Hill Valley Substation	Grant County, WI	ATC 100% ATC construction manager
Cardinal, Eden, Nelson Dewey, Wyoming Valley Substations	Various locations throughout southwestern Wisconsin	ATC currently owns and would construct all approved modifications
Stoneman Substation	Grant County, WI	DPC currently owns and would construct all approved modifications
Turkey River Substation	Clayton County, IA	DPC partial ownership

1.1.5. Proposed Construction Schedule

Provided the project is granted a CPCN by the Commission and all state and federal approvals and permits are granted, the applicants anticipate construction to start on the substations in October 2020 and on the transmission line in October 2021. Their expected in-service date for the project is December 2023.

As stated in Table 1-2, ITC would be the construction manager for the portion of the transmission line between Hickory Creek Substation (Dubuque, Iowa), across the Mississippi River, and up to the new Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, Wisconsin). ATC would be the construction manager for the portion of the transmission line between the Hill Valley Substation (Grant County, Wisconsin) and Cardinal Substation (Dane County, Wisconsin). ATC would be the construction manager for the new Hill Valley Substation, as well as for any modifications approved at the Cardinal, Eden, Nelson Dewey, and Wyoming Valley Substations. DPC would construct any approved modifications at the Stoneman Substation.

The Commission has the final authority to certify whether and how the project may be built (see Section 1.2). If approved, construction must start within one year of a Commission Order.

1.2. ROLE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

1.2.1. Approval, denial, or modification of this proposed project

Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491 (3), the Commission has the authority to approve, deny, or modify any and all facilities proposed in the Cardinal-Hickory Creek project CPCN application. If the project is approved,

⁴ PSC REF#: 352698

⁵ As identified in the draft environmental impact statement prepared for RUS, accessed at: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/environmental-studies/impact-statements/cardinal-%E2%80%93-hickory-creek-transmission-line>

the Commission would select the route and design for the proposed transmission line as well as the site and layout of the proposed substation modifications and construction.

1.2.2. Commission considerations

Compared to other state agencies, the regulatory interests of the Commission in reviewing this proposed transmission project are quite broad. These interests cover the need for the project, the project cost and electrical performance, and the project's short- and long-term environmental and socioeconomic impacts, other than those specifically regulated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

1.2.2.1. Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity law

Wisconsin Statute (Wis. Stat.) § 196.491(3) requires the Commission to make all of the following determinations before approving construction of a major transmission line:

- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)2, the proposed facilities must satisfy the reasonable needs of the public for an adequate supply of electric energy.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)3, the facilities must be in the public interest, considering: alternative sources of supply, alternative locations or routes, individual hardships, engineering factors, economic factors, safety, reliability, and environmental factors.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)3r, if the high-voltage transmission line is proposed to increase the transmission import capability into this state, existing ROW must be used to the extent practicable, and the routing and design must minimize environmental impact in a manner that is consistent with achieving reasonable electric rates.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)3t, the 345 kV line must provide usage, service, or increased regional reliability benefits to the wholesale and retail customers or members in this state, and the benefits of the line must be reasonable in relation to the cost of the line.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)4, the facilities must not have undue adverse impact on environmental values such as, but not limited to: ecological balance, public health and welfare, historic sites, geological formations, aesthetics of land and water, and recreational use.
- Under Wis. Stat. §§ 196.491(3)(d)5. and 196.49(3)(b), the facilities must not substantially impair the efficiency of the applicants' service or reasonably exceed the applicants' probable future requirements, and the value or available quantity of service the facilities provide must be proportionate to their cost.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)6, the facilities must not unreasonably interfere with the orderly land use and development plans for the area involved.
- Under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3)(d)7, the facilities must not have a material adverse impact on competition in the relevant wholesale electric service market.

1.2.2.2. Required priorities for meeting energy demands

In addition to the above statutory determinations, the Commission must address the priorities in Wis. Stat. §§ 1.12 and 196.025. These laws require the Commission to give priority to specific methods of meeting energy demands to the extent these methods are "cost-effective and technically feasible." The Commission must consider options based on the following priorities, in the order listed, for all energy-related decisions:

- Energy conservation and efficiency
- Noncombustible renewable energy resources
- Combustible renewable energy resources

- Advanced nuclear energy using a reactor design or amended reactor design approved after December 31, 2010, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- Nonrenewable combustible energy resources, again in the order listed:
 - Natural gas
 - Oil or coal with a sulfur content of less than one percent
 - All other carbon-based fuels

If the Commission finds that any of these statutorily preferred options, or a combination of these options, constitutes a cost-effective and technically feasible alternative to the project, the Commission must reject all or a portion of the project as proposed.

1.2.2.3. Required priorities for siting electric transmission projects

Wisconsin Stat. § 1.12(6) also directs the Commission to consider corridor sharing opportunities when reviewing transmission facility projects. The statute states that, when siting new electric transmission facilities, it is the policy of the state to attempt to share existing corridors to the greatest extent feasible. When selecting existing corridors to share, the Commission must determine that corridor sharing is consistent with economic and engineering considerations, reliability of the electric system, and protection of the environment. When feasible, corridors should be utilized in the following order of priority:

- Existing utility corridors
- Highway and railroad corridors
- Recreational trails, to the extent that the facilities may be constructed below ground and that the facilities do not significantly impact environmentally sensitive areas
- New corridors

1.2.3. Intervenor in the PSC process

A number of organizations, local government offices, utilities, and community groups have requested to “intervene”, to become parties to the docket before the Commission. The intervenors in this docket are⁶:

- Amelia and Garry Williams
- Carol Beckett and Frank Sander
- Chris Klopp
- Citizens Utility Board
- Clean Grid Organizations
- Clean Wisconsin
- Dane County
- David and Nancy Giffey
- David Stanfield
- Deborah Mulligan
- Dennis and Judi Halverson
- Don and Julie Pluemer
- Driftless Area Land Conservancy
- Gene Smith
- George Schwarzmenn

⁶ Prehearing Conference Memorandum (PSC REF#: 357500)