PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARCH Special SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS OF IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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

The Board of Supervisors met in the Health and Human Services Center Community Room in the City of Dodgeville on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 8:06 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John M. Meyers, Chair of the Board.

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

Roll call:

Members attending in person: Dan Nankee, Curt Peterson, Darrell Kreul, Dave Gollon, Joan Davis, Dody A. Cockeram, Richard Rolfsmeyer, John Meyers, Tim Lease, Jerry Galle, Don Gander, Don Leix, and Mel Masters.

Remotely: None

Excused: Doug Richter, Mike Peterson, and Justin O'Brien.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Sup. Masters seconded by Sup. Davis to approve the agenda for this March 9, 2024 meeting with a correction to agenda #8, setting the next meeting to March 19th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Strategic Planning Session with UW Extension Community Development Agent Barry Hottman. Hottmann walked the County Board through a planning process and as a result, the County Board reached a consensus to pursue these three objectives:

- 1. Taxes and Finance: Find a balance between needs and wants
- 2. Infrastructure: Broadband, Airport, and Road Investments.
- 3. Finding ways to impact workforce/housing/economic development
 - a. Zoning influence to help with development opportunities
 - b. Developing incentives to help with growth (housing/workforce/economic development)
 - c. Working and educating municipalities for economic development; building the relationships.

2025 Budget Discussion with the County Administrator. Administrator Bierke went over the anticipated budget concerns for the upcoming 2025 fiscal year. The County Board was provided with several items to think about and consider in anticipation of a budget shortfall. The County Board provided Bierke with directions on what to pursue and what not to pursue to help balance the 2025 budget.

Mileage and Per Diem Report for this March 9, 2024 Special Session of the Board was presented.

13 Members 277 Miles and Per Diem \$715.59 Motion by Sup. Davis seconded by Sup. Cockeram to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sup. Galle seconded by Sup. Masters to adjourn to March 19, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

John M. Meyers, Chairman