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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Janesville, Wisconsin
November 7, 2016

The Rock County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment on October 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse at Janesville, Wisconsin.

Chair Podzilni called the meeting to order. Supervisor Bussie gave the invocation.

3. Roll Call. At roll call, Supervisors Peer, Arnold, Mawhinney, Fox, Driscoll, Gustina, Bussie, Davis, Thomas, Kraft, Garrett, Homan, Yeomans, Pleasant, Brill, Schulz, Zajac, Bostwick, Sweeney, Hawes, Owens, Dommershausen, and Podzilni were present. Supervisors Dowd, Beaver, Heidenreich, Richard, Knudson and Fell, were absent. PRESENT – 23. ABSENT 6. VACANT – 0.

QUORUM PRESENT

4. Adoption of Agenda.

Supervisors Arnold and Davis moved the Agenda. Agenda ADOPTED as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- OCTOBER 27, 2016
6. PUBLIC HEARING
7. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATION
9. RECOGNITION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS
10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES BY SUPERVISORS FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE
11. REPORTS
12. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Supplementary Appropriations and Budget Changes - Roll Call
 - B. Contracts – Roll Call
 - C. Review of 2017 Recommended Budget with County Administrator
13. ADJOURNMENT

5. Approval of Minutes of October 27, 2016 Supervisors Brill and Hawes moved to approve the minutes as submitted. ADOPTED by acclamation.

7. Citizen and Participation, Communications and Announcements
Supervisor Mawhinney reminder everyone to vote tomorrow.

12.C. Review of 2017 Recommended Budget with County Administrator, Josh Smith
Josh Smith, County Administrator, went into detail of each division of County Services from the complete Rock County 2016 Recommended Budget document. The budget document in its entirety can be viewed online at <http://www.co.rock.wi.us/administration-budget> or by contacting the Rock County Clerk, 51 S. Main St., Janesville WI 53545.

RAIL TRANSPORTATION

Three members of the County Board serve as voting members of both the Pecatonica Rail Transit Commission (PRTC) and the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission (WRRTC). WRRTC is asking its member counties for a \$28,000 contribution in 2017 to serve as the local share, which is the same as the prior year. The County will have an estimated fund balance of \$1046 on Dec. 31, 2016. Recommended to apply fund balance of \$1046 and \$26,954 of 2017 tax levy for the \$28,000 contribution.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Parks – Three Capital Project Requests for 2017 recommended are 1) Beloit to Janesville Trail Construction, 2) Carver-Roehl Trail Bridge Replacement, and 3) Happy Hollow Park Bathroom Replacement – funded by \$130,000 in sales tax receipts. The recommended tax levy for Parks is \$510,831, which is an increase of \$387.

Airports - Recommended Projects include: *Three Federal Aid Airport Improvement Program Projects* 1) Replace Runway 4/22 & 14/32 Lighting and Signage, 2) Replace Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Vehicle and 3) Wildlife Hazard Assessment Update. *Two State Aid Projects* 1) Reconstruct Apron Southeast Terminal Area, and 2) Runway Safety Areas Survey and Clearing. *Three 100% County – Funded Projects* 1) Runway Snow Blower, 2) replace Four-Gate Operators, and 3) Parking Lot Repairs. The recommended tax levy included in the 2017 Airport budget is \$503,946, which is a decrease of \$18,084 or 3.5% from the prior year.

Highway - Recommended items include: Two Reconstruction Projects, both including County Road MM, completing the work began on County Road MM in 2016; sealcoating section of County Road D and County Road Q; Bridge Aid Work for five bridge projects; replacement of 14 pieces of equipment; and 8 capital improvement projects. The recommended tax levy for the Highway Division is \$3,216,994, an increase of \$176,888 or 5.8% over 2016.

The recommended tax levy for the department as a whole (Highway, Airport and Parks) is \$4,231,771, which is an increase of \$159,190 or 3.9%.

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Sheriff – The Department budget includes increases in Physicians & Other Services Account and inmate meals, twelve new vehicles; replacing the SWAT truck and trailer, Automatic External Defibrillators, and an Emergency Management siren. The recommended tax levy for the Sheriff's Office is \$20,968,452. This is an increase of \$782,748 or 3.9% more than the 2016 budgeted amount.

Court System – The court system includes the seven branches of the Circuit Court, the Clerk of Courts, the Court of Commissioners and the Office of Mediation and Family Court Services. The 2017 recommended tax levy for the Court System as a whole is \$2,660,757. This is an increase of \$171,482 or 7.2% over the prior year.

Rock County Communications Center – This budget includes capital upgrades to the Computer Aided Dispatch, and replacing the fire paging system. The recommended tax levy for 2017 operations is \$4,279,423, which is an increase of \$53,589 or 1.3% from the prior year.

District Attorney – The District Attorney's Office is composed of three programs: Prosecution, Victim/Witness Program, and the Deferred Prosecution/Domestic Violence Intervention Program. The total 2017 recommended tax levy for the District Attorney's Office is \$1,451,099, an increase of \$49,844 or 3.6%.

Medical Examiner – The Medical Examiner's office works through an intergovernmental agreement with Dane County for services. The recommended tax levy is \$542,352, which is an increase of \$104,233 or 23.8% more than the prior year.

Child support Enforcement – Several computers, printers, scanner, and shredder are recommended in the budget. After adjusting for personnel expenditures to be more consistent with historical trends, the recommended tax levy for the Child Support Enforcement Office is \$510,618, which is a decrease of \$36,034 or 6.6% from the prior year.

Other Public Safety – The total amount recommended from this account for the Alternative Residential Program, the Community Service Program, and Evidence Based Decision Making initiatives in 2017 is \$158,584.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Real Property – The recommended tax levy for 2017 for Real Property Description is \$192,965, which is an increase of \$1,554 or 0.8% from the 2016 Budget. The recommended 2017 Budget for the Land Records Account is \$377,965 in revenues offset by an equal amount of expenditures. Thus, there is no County tax levy in this account.

Planning, Economic and Community Development – 2016 is the first full year the County Surveyor was incorporated in the Planning Department. The recommended tax levy for the Planning Department, including the Surveyor, is \$649,171. This is an increase of \$47,792 or 8% from the prior year.

ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM

Arrowhead Library System – the recommended tax levy is \$1,031,441, this is an increase of \$36,065 or 3.6% from the prior year. The tax levy does not count against the County's levy limit under state statutes, as it is not levied on all taxable property in the county.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Human Services Department – The transition to Family Care has made many changes in the Human Service Department including the elimination of Long Term Support and the Developmental Disabilities Board. The total budgeted expenditures for the Human Services Department in 2017 are \$358,993,276. The recommended tax levy is \$22,854,295, which is an increase of \$2,749,476 or 13.8% from the prior year. \$2,487,766 of this levy increase is due to the adoption of duties formerly carried out by the Developmental Disabilities Board or other changes necessitated by the transition to Family Care, and \$167,710 is due to programs currently operated by the Human Services Department.

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

Rock Haven - A rate increase for private payers from \$300 to \$305 is recommended. The rate last change was in 2013. Enhancements to electronic health system have greatly increased productivity will continue in this budget. The 2017 recommended tax levy for Rock have is \$4,062,808, which is an increase of \$68,393 or 107% from the prior year.

GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Facilities Management Department – Numerous capital requests are included in the recommended budget including but not limited to seven projects for the Jail, six for the Courthouse, Youth Services Center HVAC, and Job Center parking lot. In total the tax levy recommended for the Facilities Management Department is \$2,513,350, which is \$74,472 or 2.9% decrease from the prior year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Director – The Finance Department is requesting an upgrade of the financial accounting system in 2017. The recommended tax levy for Financial Services, which includes the addition of Central Duplicating and Mail, is \$1,037,276, which is an increase of \$181,176 or 21.2% from the prior year.

Information Technology Department – Further Roll-Out of Microsoft Software Assurance Functionality, Network Server Replacement, and Upgrading the Courts Video Conferencing System, are included in the department budget. The recommended tax levy for Information Technology is \$1,455,767, which is an increase of \$77,257 or 5.6% from the prior year.

County Clerk – The recommended tax levy in the County Clerk account is \$143,732, which is an increase of \$6,084 or 4.4%. The Elections account tax levy recommendation is \$46,760, a decrease of \$19,810 or 30.2% from the prior year.

County Treasurer – Combining the Treasurer’s main account, the Personal Property Tax Redemption account, and the Tax Deed Expense account results in 1,759,549 of revenue in excess of expenditures. This is \$116,131 or 7.1% more than the amount included in the 2016 Budget and, therefore, will be available to fund other County operations.

Register of Deeds – The recommended budget contains \$297,997 of revenue in excess of expenditures, which will go toward offsetting the County property tax levy. That figure is \$15,841 or 5.7% more than the amount used to offset the property tax levy in 2016.

EDUCATION VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES

Council on Aging – Increases in the tax levy for 2017 of \$38,569 are largely due to changes in the nutrition program. Changes include reduction in Federal Aid, reduction in contributions from clients, annualized cost of Evansville meal program, and increases in home delivered meal participants.

Veterans Service Office – The tax levy recommended from the Veterans Service Office budget as a whole is \$302,721, which is a decrease of \$11,749 from the prior year.

Contributions: Heritage Rock County and RSVP of Rock County - The budgeted amounts for these two programs remain the same as the previous budget.

COUNTY BOARD STAFF

County Administrator – The recommended tax levy for the County Administrator’s Office is \$609,202, an increase of \$8,543 of 1.4% of the prior year.

Corporation Counsel – The recommend tax levy for 2017 operations is \$362,608. This is a decrease of \$20,387 or 5.3%.

Human Resources – The recommend tax levy is \$562,539. This is an increase of \$19,274 or 3.4% from the prior year.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Public Health Department – Minor rate adjustments are recommended. Overall revenue in the department is down. The recommended tax levy for 2017 operations is \$2,448,744, which is an increase of \$97,012 or 4.1% from the prior year.

AGRICULTURE AND LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

UW-Extension – \$10,000 of the UW Seminar Collections is recommended to be applied to the 2017 budget. The recommended tax levy for 2017 operations is \$318,263. This is an increase of \$14,985 or 4.9% from the prior year.

4-H Fairgrounds – As a result of the changes in management and maintenance of the fairgrounds, the 2017 budget includes a tax levy for the first time in many years in the amount of \$36,202.

Farm – Use of sales tax and carryover revenue are recommended to replace outdated nonfunctional tillage equipment. Total recommended expenditures for the 2017 Farm budget are \$27,091.

Subtracting the expenditures from total projected revenues of \$136,791 a net revenue of \$109,700. This amount is \$3,915 less than prior years.

Land Conservation – The recommended tax levy for the 2017 operations is \$159,399. This an increase of \$863 from the prior year.

COUNTY BOARD

The recommended tax levy is \$177,200, which is a \$5,835 decrease or 3.2% less than the prior years.

The 2017 Recommended Budget includes a tax levy of \$65,107,690. The overall tax year levy is recommended to increase by \$951,636 or 1.48%. The total expenditures in the recommended budget equal \$167,812,570.

13. Adjournment.

Supervisors Fox and Gustina moved to adjourn at 11:22 a.m. to Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. ADOPTED by acclamation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JME', written in a cursive style.

Prepared by Lisa Tollefson, County Clerk
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