

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Lisa Tollefson
INITIATED BY



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DRAFTED BY

Finance Committee
SUBMITTED BY

September 2, 2020
DATE DRAFTED

**AMENDING THE 2020 COUNTY CLERK BUDGET TO ACCEPT WEC
ELECTION SECURITY GRANT**

1 **WHEREAS**, the County Clerk has been awarded a County Election Security Subgrant from the
2 Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC); and,
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4 **WHEREAS**, the funding will be used is enhance election security in Rock County Clerk's Office further
5 with backup equipment, redundancies, physical security and software upgrades.
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7 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
8 this 10th day of September, 2020 does hereby amend the 2020 County Clerk budget as
9 follows:
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<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget at 1/1/2020</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
14-1420-0000-42200 Federal Aid	-0-	\$71,536	\$71,536
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
14-1420-0000-63407 Computer Supplies	-0-	\$13,068	\$13,068
14-1420-0000-63407 Computer Hardware	-0-	\$13,305	\$13,305
14-1420-0000-63407 Capital Asset	-0-	\$42,163	\$42,163
14-1420-0000-64200 Training	-0-	\$3,000	\$3,000

20-9A-065

Respectfully submitted,

FINANCE COMMITTEE

/s/ Mary Mawhinney
Mary Mawhinney, Chair

/s/ Wes Davis
Wes Davis, Vice Chair

/s/ Stephanie Aegerter
Stephanie Aegerter

/s/ Brent Fox
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/s/ Kara Purviance
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FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution accepts and authorizes the expenditure of \$71,536 in state funds to enhance election security. No County matching funds are required.

/s/ Sherry Oja

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2020 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

/s/ Richard Greenlee

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

/s/ Josh Smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Executive Summary

The Wisconsin Elections Commission approved the County Election Security Subgrant to ensure counties were able to make upgrades to their systems to improve the election security posture at county level. The majority of the funding from HAVA previously was directed toward the state and municipal levels.

Counties were eligible to apply for a grant amount based on the number of registered voters in their county. Rock County's grant amount is \$71,535.80. There were three criteria a county needed to meet to receive the grant funds or use the grant to meet the required criteria. Rock County had already met all three criteria prior to applying. The three criteria are as follows: Secure encrypted website, secure email host, and completed a recent security risk assessment.

With input from Rock-IT, we developed a plan to use the election security funds to further secure the county clerk's office with backup equipment, creating redundancies, physical security and software upgrades with part of the funding being used to create an added umbrella layer of security over the entire county system.