

ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN



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**COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021 – 4:30 P.M.
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**COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021 – 4:30 P.M.**

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Public Comment - sent in via email by noon Monday, February 8, 2021
4. Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2021
5. Transfers
6. Review of Payments
7. Resolutions and Committee Action
 - A. Recognizing Rock County Assistant District Attorney Scott Dirks
 - B. Recognizing Kenneth McMillan
 - C. Creating a 1.0 FTE Nutrition Program Assistant for the Council on Aging Nutrition Program and Amending the 2021 Council on Aging Budget
 - D. Asking Governor Tony Evers to Include an Inflationary Increase to Utility Aid Payments in the 2021-23 Budget Proposal
 - E. Appointment of Nursing Home Administrator
8. Review, Discussion and Possible Action
 - A. Nursing Home Administrator Relocation Expenses
9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Per Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. Conferring with Legal Counsel Concerning Strategy to be Adopted by the Board Regarding Litigation in Which It Is, or Is Likely to Become Involved.
10. Adjournment

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COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE
Minutes – January 11, 2021

Call to Order. Acting Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the County Board Staff Committee to order at 4:30 P.M. via telephone conference.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Beaver, Brien, Richard Bostwick, Peer, Podzilni, Sweeney, Leavy and Yeomans.

Committee Members Absent: One vacancy.

Staff Members Present via Phone: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez, Assistant to County Administrator; Annette Mikula, Human Resources Director; Richard Greenlee, Corporation Counsel; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager; Bridget Laurent, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Kate Luster, Human Services Director; Jennifer Thompson, ADRC/APS Division Manager, HSD.

Others Present: Supervisor Kathy Schulz.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Public Comment. None.

Approval of Minutes – December 14, 2020. Supervisor Peer moved approval of the minutes of December 14, 2020 as presented, second by Supervisor Brien. ADOPTED.

Transfers. None.

Review of Payments. The Committee accepted the reports. Supervisor Yeomans asked about post-accident testing. Ms. Carlson will run a safety committee report to share at a future County Board Staff meeting.

Resolutions and Committee Action.

Recognizing Jean Friend for Service to Rock Haven

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2020 does hereby recognize Jean Friend for her 27 years, 6 months of service and extend their best wishes to her in her future endeavors.”

Supervisor Brien moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Recognizing Deputy Sheriff Bryan S. Hanthorn

“**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2021, does hereby recognize Deputy Bryan S. Hanthorn for his over 30 years of faithful service and recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to Deputy Bryan S. Hanthorn along with best wishes for the future.”

Supervisor Beaver moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. ADOPTED.

Endorsing the Acceptance of Medicaid Expansion Funds and Placing Healthcare Advisory Referendum on the Spring 2021 County Ballot

“**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2021 does hereby support and endorse the acceptance of Medicaid Expansion funds by the State and urges the legislature to accept such funds as a part of the 2021-2023 biennium budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors does hereby direct the Rock County Clerk to place the following advisory referendum question on the countywide ballot at the election to be held on April 6, 2021:

“Should the State of Wisconsin accept Affordable Care Act Federal Medicaid funds earmarked to expand health insurance coverage to 176,000 additional Wisconsin residents resulting in the state saving \$324.5 million?”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Office of the Governor, all members of the Wisconsin State Legislature, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.”

Supervisor Brien moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Leavy.

Supervisor Yeomans asked why the need to do this again. Supervisor Schulz said there is a need due to the rising numbers. Supervisor Yeomans asked how this will save us money and asked if there was examples of any other states’ savings. FAILED on the following vote: YES – Supervisors Richard Bostwick, Brien and Leavy; NO – Supervisors Sweeney, Yeomans, Peer, Podzilni and Beaver; ABSENT – None; VACANT – one.

Support Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers

“**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2021, does

hereby support the following increases in the 2021-23 state biennial budget to ensure access to critical services provided by ADRCs to Wisconsin's aging and disability populations:

- Provide an additional \$27,410,000 GPR in funding to our state's ADRCs. It is important to note that the proposed change in the ADRC allocation methodology cannot occur unless the full \$27.4 million is allocated.
- Provide additional funding to expand/equalize ADRC services across the state:
 - ◆ Expand Dementia Care Specialist Funding Statewide: \$3,320,000
 - ◆ Fully Fund Elder Benefit Specialists Statewide: \$2,300,000
 - ◆ Expand Caregiver Support and Programs: \$3,600,000
 - ◆ Expand Health Promotion Services: \$6,000,000
 - ◆ Expand Care Transition Services: \$6,000,000
 - ◆ Fund Aging and Disability Resources in Tribes: \$1,180,000
 - ◆ Fully Fund Aging and Disability Resource Support Systems: \$2,650,000; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Tony Evers, DOA Secretary Joel Brennan, DHS Secretary-designee Andrea Palm, the Wisconsin Counties Association and all area legislators.”

Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Peer. **ADOPTED.**

In Support of a Land Acknowledgement Statement for All Regular Meetings of the Rock County Board of Supervisors

“**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2021, does hereby add the following Land Acknowledgement Statement to its regular Thursday meetings after Roll Call and before Adoption of the Agenda:

Land Acknowledgement Statement: We would like to recognize that we are meeting on the ancestral lands of Native Nations. In Wisconsin, where there are 11 federally recognized Native American sovereign nations and one seeking to regain federal recognition, Rock County is built on the ancestral lands of the Miami, Sauk and Meskwaki, Ho-Chunk, and Potawatomi People. We acknowledge these Indigenous communities and their forbears who have stewarded this land through the generations, and pay respect to their elders past and present.”

Supervisor Brien moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Bostwick. **FAILED** unanimously.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action.

Approval of Changes to Administrative Policy and Procedure 5.47 Vacation Schedules Mr. Greenlee said this would change the way attorneys were distributed their vacation. They would get the same amount of vacation but instead of every six months it would be once per year.

Supervisor Sweeney moved approval of the changes to Policy 5.47, second by Supervisor Peer.

Supervisor Yeomans asked about eliminating the differences between employee groups. Ms. Mikula said since ACT 10 they have tried to honor most employee group's policy and procedures that had been previously bargained. She suggested this may be an item the Blue Ribbon Commission may want to discuss.

ADOPTED.

Semi-Annual Reports. The committee accepted the reports.

Adjournment. Supervisor Podzilni moved adjournment 5:08 P.M., second by Supervisor Brien. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
HR Secretary

NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE.

ROCK COUNTY

COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2021

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
01-1320-0000-63200	Pubs/Subs/Dues					
		P2100614	01/14/2021	ICMA	2021 ICMA DUES-RANDY T	732.97
		P2100615	01/14/2021	ICMA	2021 ICMA DUES FOR JOSH SMITH	1,189.00
		P2100616	01/14/2021	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTI	NACO 2021 DUES FOR JOSH SMITH	3,207.00
		P2100677	01/14/2021	WCMA	2021 WCMA DUES FOR JOSH SMITH	213.25
		P2100678	01/14/2021	WCMA	2021 WCMA DUES FOR	137.43
County Administrator PROG TOTAL						5,479.65

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$5,479.65**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

ROCK COUNTY

COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2021

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt.
03-1110-0000-63200	Pubs/Subs/Dues					
		P2100613	01/14/2021	WISCONSIN COUNTIES UTILITY TAX	2021 WI COUNTIES UTILITY TAX	4,227.64
		P2100679	01/14/2021	WISCONSIN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION	2021 WCA DUES FOR ROCK COUNTY	18,098.00
County Board PRDG TOTAL						22,325.64

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$22,325.64**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

ROCK COUNTY

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2021**

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
06-1620-0000-63200	Pubs/Subs/Dues	P2100267	01/28/2021	WISCONSIN CHAPTER OF PRIMA	2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR	100.00
Corporation Counsel PROG TOTAL						100.00

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$100.00**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

ROCK COUNTY

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION**
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
01-1320-0000-63100	Office&Misc Exp	P2000024	01/21/2021	US BANK	NAME PLATE FOR COUNTY BOARD	14.45
County Administrator PROG TOTAL						14.45

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$14.45**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

ROCK COUNTY

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020**

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
03-1110-0000-63107	Legal Notices	P2000010	01/28/2021	ADAMS PUBLISHING GROUP OF SOUT	RATE ADJUSTMENT 11-20-2020	724.30
County Board PROG TOTAL						724.30

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$724.30**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
08-1420-0000-61925	Background/Test					
		P2000319	01/21/2021	US BANK	BACKGROUND AND TESTING	11.00
		P2000337	01/07/2021	WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTIC	BACKGROUND AND TESTING	361.46
		P2002228	01/07/2021	STANARD AND ASSOCIATES INC	SHIPPING AND HANDLING	1,247.50
08-1420-0000-63100	Office&Misc Exp					
		P2000319	01/21/2021	US BANK	OFFICE SUPPLIES	84.55
08-1420-0000-64216	Cultural Comp					
		P2002227	01/07/2021	COMMUNITY ACTION INC OF ROCK &	D&I COMMITTEE MEETING 11/17/20	900.00
08-1420-0000-64417	RH Expenses					
		P2000319	01/21/2021	US BANK	2020 BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER	130.00
		P2000337	01/07/2021	WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTIC	BACKGROUND AND TESTING	63.79
Human Resources PRDG TOTAL						2,798.30

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$2,798.30**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

ROCK COUNTY

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020**

01/28/2021

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
19-1912-0063-61710	Workers Comp	P2000186	01/28/2021	TK GROUP INC	DECEMBER AUDIOGRAMS	42.00
Worker's Compensation PROG TOTAL						42.00

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$42.00**.

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
DAVID J. O'LEARY

INITIATED BY

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE
SUBMITTED BY



DAVID J. O'LEARY
DRAFTED BY

JANUARY 20, 2021
DATE DRAFTED

RECOGNIZING ROCK COUNTY ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY SCOTT DIRKS

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Scott graduated in 1982 from Georgetown University with a Bachelor of Science, School of
- 2 Foreign Service; Scott taught English and Cultural Orientation to Cambodian and Vietnamese unaccompanied
- 3 minors at Phanat Nikhom Refugee Camp in Thailand in 1982; Scott earned his Masters of Arts in East Asian
- 4 Political History, University of Wisconsin, in 1986; and Scott earned his Juris Doctorate from UW in 1993; and
- 5
- 6 **WHEREAS**, Scott began his legal career by interning at Rock County DA's Office from 1992-1993; Scott was
- 7 subsequently hired as an Assistant District Attorney in the Rock County DA's Office in 1993; Scott has served as
- 8 the lead juvenile prosecutor in the DA office, as a general prosecutor and ended his career as one of the specially
- 9 trained prosecutors in child maltreatment cases to protect children who have been abused or sexually assaulted.
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- 11 **WHEREAS**, Scott has served Rock County as an Assistant District Attorney since 1993 and intends to retire
- 12 with over 28 years of service to the citizens of Rock County; and
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- 14 **WHEREAS**, Scott has served on the church council of Covenant Lutheran Church in Stoughton from 2006-2016,
- 15 and as council President 2014-2016; Scott has served on the Stoughton School District Board of Education 2010-
- 16 2018, board President 2016-2018; Scott volunteered to coach the Beloit FJ Turner High School's Mock Trial
- 17 team 2008-2017; and
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- 19 **WHEREAS**, Scott has worked his entire career in order to make Rock County a better community; and Scott
- 20 will retire as an Assistant District Attorney for Rock County after 28 years of public service on March 1, 2021;
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- 22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this
- 23 _____ day of _____, 2021, does hereby recognize Scott Dirks for his years of faithful service and
- 24 recommends that a sincere expression of appreciation be given to him along with best wishes for the future.
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- 26 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of this
- 27 resolution to Rock County Assistant District Attorney Scott Dirks.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

_____/s/Mary Beaver_____
Mary Beaver, Chair

_____/s/Brian Knudson_____
Brian Knudson, Vice Chair

_____/s/Jacob Taylor_____
Jacob Taylor

_____/s/Ron Bomkamp_____
Ron Bomkamp

_____/s/Danette Rynes_____
Danette Rynes

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

Rich Bostwick, Chair

J. Russell Podzilni

Wes Davis, Vice Chair

Alan Sweeney

Mary Beaver

Bob Yeomans

Tom Brien

Kevin Leavy

Louis Peer

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

General Services Committee
INITIATED BY

General Services Committee
SUBMITTED BY



**Brent Sutherland-Director
Facilities Management**
DRAFTED BY

January 26, 2021
DATE DRAFTED

Recognizing Kenneth McMillan

1 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan has served the citizens of Rock County in total for the past 21 years as a
2 dedicated and valued employee, and is retiring effective January 15, 2021, and;
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4 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan began his career with Rock County Facilities Management on June 28,
5 2000 as a Mechanical Maintenance Worker III and later promoted to Mechanical Maintenance worker IV
6 which was responsible for Health Care Center and Rock Haven Nursing home, and;
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8 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan has worked through several leadership changes and managed them well,
9 and;
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11 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan has many talents but excels in carpentry, and;
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13 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan has shown his wiliness to step up and help when ever needed at any
14 location, and;
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16 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan assisted the Judges needs by listening to them and built a bullet resistant
17 bench for the Jury assembly room that exceeded their expectations for a fraction of the cost to purchase new,
18 and;
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20 **WHEREAS**, Kenneth Mc Millan will start the new chapter in his life and will be missed by many, and;
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22 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to
23 recognize Kenneth Mc Millan for his long, dedicated and faithful service.
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25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting
26 this ____ day of _____, 2021, directs that a sincere expression of recognition be given to Kenneth
27 McMillan for his 21 years of service and expresses to him best wishes for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

/s/Robert Potter
Robert Potter, Chair

Rich Bostwick, Chair

/s/Tom Brien
Tom Brien, Vice Chair

Wes Davis, Vice Chair

/s/Dave Homan
Dave Homan

Tom Brien

/s/Brent Fox
Brent Fox

Kevin Leavy

/s/William Wilson
William Wilson

Bob Yeomans

J. Russell Podzilni

Louis Peer

Alan Sweeney

Mary Beaver

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Paula Schutt COA Director
INITIATED BY



Paula Schutt, COA Director

Education, Veterans
And Aging Committee
SUBMITTED BY

January 22, 2021
Date Drafted

**Creating a 1.0 FTE Nutrition Program Assistant for the Council on Aging
Nutrition Program and Amending the 2021 Council on Aging Budget**

1 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Council on Aging operates a Senior Nutrition Program Monday through
2 Friday to provide hot meals to Rock County residents over 60; and
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4 **WHEREAS**, the Council on Aging Nutrition Program has operated with 1.4 FTE since 2014; and
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6 **WHEREAS**, since 2014 there has been more than a 300% increase in home delivered meals ordered
7 through the program; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, this increase is accredited in large part to population growth of residents age 60 and over in
10 Rock County; and
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12 **WHEREAS**, it has become increasingly difficult for staff to effectively complete all the necessary tasks
13 that keep the program running smoothly; and
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15 **WHEREAS**, in CY 2020 the Nutrition Program received \$371,588 in COVID Relief Funding; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, instructions were received to spend down the COVID funding before traditional funding
18 was spent; and
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20 **WHEREAS**, this has left a carryover of approximately \$350,000 for CY 2021; and
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22 **WHEREAS**, the Council on Aging Director is requesting the addition of a 1.0 FTE Nutrition Program
23 Assistant for the Nutrition Program. The new positions would be placed in Range 7 on the unilateral pay
24 grid with a pay range of \$37,270 – \$45,414.
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26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
27 this _____ day of _____, 2021 does hereby authorize creation of a 1.0 FTE Nutrition
28 Program Assistant within the Council on Aging.
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30 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council on Aging 2021 budget be amended as follow:
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<u>Account/ Description</u>	<u>Budget at 01/01/21</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
30-3904-0000-46400/ Nutrition Program Funding	76,716	59,793	136,509
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
30-3904-0000-61100 Wages	82,216	37,460	119,586
30-3904-0000-61400 FICA	6,290	2,866	9,156
30-3904-0000-61510 Retirement	5,550	2,528	8,078
30-3904-0000-61610 Health Insurance	54,667	16,466	71,133
30-3904-0000-61620 Dental Insurance	-0-	473	473

Executive Summary

The Rock County Council on Aging operates a Senior Nutrition Program, serving Rock County residents age 60 and over. Since 2014, the program has functioned with one 1.0 staff and one .4 staff. The senior population in Rock County is growing rapidly. Census charts indicate that between 2020 and 2025, residents age 60 and over will increase by just over 10,000. Between 2025 and 2030 they will increase another 8,200. There are 25,734 total households with one or more persons age 60+.

Since 2014, the number of meals served by the Rock County Nutrition Program has increased by over 300%. With this increase and the effects of the COVID pandemic, it has become increasingly difficult for staff to do all that is required to operate the Nutrition Program and stay in compliance with all the regulations required by the Older Americans Act.

In CY2020, The Nutrition Program received additional funding in the amount of \$371,588 as a result of Covid Relief Funding. Government stipulations required that the excess funding be spent down before the regular funding. This has left a carryover of approximately \$350,000 for CY2021. It is highly possible that carryover funding will be allowed for CY 2022 as well.

To effectively operate the Nutrition Program, The Council on Aging Director is requesting the addition of new position for the Nutrition Program. The new position would be placed in Range 7 on the unilateral pay grid with a pay range of \$37,270 – \$45,414. The title would be Nutrition Program Assistant.

Rock County Profile of Persons Ages 65 and Older

Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2015-2019 Estimate

Households with Older Members	Wisconsin	Rock County
Total number of households	2,358,156	64,739
Households with one or more people 60 years and over:	911,644	25,734
<i>Percent with a member age 60+</i>	38.7%	39.8%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over:	668,819	18,646
<i>Percent with a member age 65+</i>	28.4%	28.8%
<small>Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey, 2015-19 Five-year Estimates, Tables B11006 and B11007, 1/2021</small>		

Age Group Estimates	Wisconsin	Rock County
Total Population - All Ages, All Races	5,790,716	162,152
60+	1,341,829	37,087
65+	953,571	26,139
75+	403,421	11,079
85+	125,495	3,118
% 60+	23.2%	22.9%
% 65+	16.5%	16.1%
% 75+	7.0%	6.8%
% 85+	2.2%	1.9%
Males age 65+	432,812	11,567
<i>Males as percent of 65+ population</i>	45.4%	44.3%
Females age 65+	520,759	14,572
<i>Females as percent of 65+ population</i>	54.6%	55.7%
<small>Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey, 2015-19 Five-year Estimates, Table B01001, 1/2021</small>		

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Supervisor Bob Yeomans
INITIATED BY

County Board Staff Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Corporation Counsel Richard
Greenlee
DRAFTED BY

January 15, 2021
DATE DRAFTED

**ASKING GOVENOR TONY EVERS TO INCLUDE AN INFLATIONARY INCREASE
TO UTILITY AID PAYMENTS IN THE 2021-2023 BUDGET PROPOSAL**

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WHEREAS, shared revenue utility aid payments help defray the cost to counties and municipalities of the services provided to the tax-exempt property owned by utility companies; and

WHEREAS, these payments-in-lieu of taxes are also designed to partially compensate units of local government for the negative effects of air pollution, noise, traffic congestion, property maintenance, emergency services and land use limitations caused by the presence of utility property, and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has typically retained about eighty percent of utility tax collections for use as General Purpose Revenue (GPR), rather than return those dollars to counties and municipalities where the utilities are located; and

WHEREAS, from 2019 to 2020, the state collected \$351.4 million in utility taxes, but only returned \$75.6 million to local governments as utility aid; and

WHEREAS, moreover, payments generated through the current utility aid formula have largely been stagnant, both as a percentage of tax collections and in the actual dollars distributed to counties and municipalities. Stagnant or declining aid results in a burdensome shift in taxes to owners of the remaining taxable property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2021 hereby asks that the Governor Tony Evers include in his 2021-23 proposed budget a more fair and equitable return of utility tax collections to counties and municipalities as utility aid payments, including the addition of a inflationary increase built into the utility aid formula.

Respectfully submitted:

COUNTY BOARD STAFF

Wes Davis, Chair

Rich Bostwick, Vice Chair

Tom Brien

Kevin Leavy

Louis Peer

J. Russell Podzilni

Alan Sweeney

Bob Yeomans

Mary Beaver

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LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

s/Richard Greenlee

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE:

No fiscal impact in and by itself.

/s/Sherry Oja

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

/s/Josh Smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Executive Summary

BACKGROUND FACTS—THE WISCONSIN DEPT. OF REVENUE COLLECTS UTILITY TAXES INSTEAD OF UTILITIES PAYING LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES. WHO PAYS WHAT AND HOW MUCH DOES DOR RETURN TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS STATE TAXATION OF UTILITIES

Based on Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau Informational Paper 9, 2017 and LFB Utility Tax Collection Data 2020 (September 2020 revised estimates), Public Utilities are subject to State taxation in lieu of local general property taxes.

The State collects taxes based on

- a) An Ad valorem tax based on assessed value of Company property
 - 1) Air Carrier companies (2019-20 tax collections \$0) **Utility PLT Payments 0**
 - 2) Conservation and Regulation Companies (\$268,319) **Utility PLT Payments 0**
 - 3) Municipal Electric Companies (\$4,444,548)
 - 4) Pipelines (\$44,513,183) **Utility PLT Payments 0**
 - 5) Railroad Companies (Deposited in the Transportation fund, \$ not reported) **PLT 0**
 - 6) Telephone Companies (\$66,173,269) **Utility PLT Payments 0**

- b) A tax or license fee based on gross revenues generated in Wisconsin
 - 1) Car Line Companies (furnishing or leasing car line equip to a RR) (\$205,187) **PLT 0**
 - 2) Electric Cooperative Associations (\$12,751,922)
 - 3) Municipal Light, Heat, and Power Companies (\$2,728,904)
 - 4) Private Light, Heat and Power Companies (\$225,411,443) **Total of 2,3,4 PLT \$77,832,012**

For all Ad valorem Utilities, a tax assessment is calculated by determining the full market value of the utilities taxable property and multiplying that value by a tax rate.

Light, Heat and Power Companies carry the responsibility for All Payments in lieu of local general property taxes.

In 1986, the basis of taxation for the light, heat, and power companies changed from Ad valorem to gross revenues.

State payments to local governments in lieu of utility property taxes due local governments fail to adequately compensate those governments for the lost property taxes from the utilities.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Health Services Committee
INITIATED BY

Health Services Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Amy Spoden, Asst. HR Director
DRAFTED BY

February 3, 2021
DATE DRAFTED

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the previous Nursing Home Administrator, left County employment on December 3, 2020; and,
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- 3 **WHEREAS**, the County has conducted a recruitment effort to fill the job of Nursing Home Administrator; and,
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- 5 **WHEREAS**, the candidates were screened with the most qualified being interviewed; and,
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- 7 **WHEREAS**, the County Administrator has appointed Natalie Rolling-Edlebeck, who has been recommended
- 8 by the Health Services Committee; and,
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- 10 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors assembled this
- 11 _____ day of _____, 2021, confirms the appointment of Natalie Rolling-Edlebeck, as Nursing Home
- 12 Administrator in accordance with the attached conditions of employment.

Respectfully Submitted,

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

Tom Brien, Chair

Richard Bostwick, Chair

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FISCAL NOTE:

Funds for this position are included in the 2021 Rock Haven personnel budget.

/s/Sherry Oja

Sherry L. Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to sec. 59.22 (2), Wis. Stats.

/s/Richard Greenlee

Richard D. Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

/s/Josh Smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

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COUNTY OF ROCK, WISCONSIN

Employment Services Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by and between the County of Rock (hereinafter referred to as "EMPLOYER") and Natalie Rolling-Edlebeck (hereinafter, "EMPLOYEE"),

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS EMPLOYER whose address is c/o County Administrator, 51 South Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545, desires to obtain the services of Natalie Rolling-Edlebeck to serve as Rock Haven Nursing Home Administrator,

WHEREAS EMPLOYEE, whose current address is [REDACTED], [REDACTED] is able and willing to serve as Nursing Home Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual covenants of the parties hereinafter set forth, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged by each party for itself, EMPLOYER and EMPLOYEE do agree as follows:

1. CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT; GENERAL PROVISIONS. Employment of EMPLOYEE is subject to the general supervision and shall be conducted pursuant to the orders, advice and direction of the County Administrator and be governed by the terms and conditions of Chapter 18 of the Rock County Ordinance, except as to the terms and conditions that are herein modified. Employment is further subject to EMPLOYEE's compliance with and implementation of policies established from time to time by EMPLOYER in the exercise of its lawful authority. EMPLOYEE shall perform such other duties as are customarily performed by one holding the same or similar positions in other governmental organizations or businesses which provide similar services. EMPLOYER reserves to the County Administrator the right to require EMPLOYEE to render such other and unrelated services and duties as may be assigned from time to time by the County Administrator.

2. DUTIES OF EMPLOYEE; GENERAL PROVISIONS. EMPLOYEE agrees to perform lawfully, faithfully, industriously, competently, dutifully and to the best of EMPLOYEE's ability, all of the duties that may be required of EMPLOYEE pursuant to the express or implied terms of this agreement, to the level of satisfaction that the County Administrator may reasonably require.

3. DUTIES OF EMPLOYEE; JOB DESCRIPTION. The duties of EMPLOYEE shall include but not be limited to those expressly stated or implied in the job description for the position, as may be revised from time to time by EMPLOYER as circumstances change, and as set forth in applicable state statutes. This paragraph is further subject to the right of assignment reserved to the County Administrator, as set forth in paragraph 1 hereof.

4. DUTIES OF EMPLOYEE; OFFICIAL ACTS OF COUNTY BOARD. The duties of EMPLOYEE shall also include but not be limited to those expressly stated or implied in the ordinances, resolutions or motions of EMPLOYER's county board or any of its committees acting within the scope of their lawful authority.

5. DUTIES OF EMPLOYEE; DIRECTIVES OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. The duties of EMPLOYEE shall also include but not be limited to those expressly stated or implied in orders, directives, or rules of the County Administrator.

53 6. TERM OF AGREEMENT. The term of this agreement shall be a period of 1 year,
54 commencing at 8:00 a.m., Monday, March 22, 2021, and expiring as of 11:59, March 21, 2022,
55 unless earlier terminated under other provisions of this agreement or by operation of law.
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57 7. NONRENEWAL OF AGREEMENT. At its expiration this agreement shall not be considered
58 renewed unless extended in writing by mutual agreement of the parties. If it is the County
59 Administrator's intention not to renew this agreement, the County Administrator will attempt to give
60 EMPLOYEE three (3) months advance written notice of the intent not to renew this agreement,
61 provided, however, that failure to give such notice shall create no obligation on EMPLOYER to
62 continue EMPLOYEE's employment beyond the expiration date of this agreement. The County
63 Administrator may extend EMPLOYEE's employment on a month-to-month basis for a period not to
64 exceed 3 months, pending renewal of this agreement.
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66 8. EMPLOYEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES; ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS. EMPLOYEE shall at
67 all times observe and comply with all ethical obligations imposed or required by constitution, statute,
68 ordinance or other provision of law and shall at all times conduct EMPLOYEE's personal affairs in
69 such a manner as to avoid a conflict of interest or appearance of conflict and in accordance with the
70 duties and responsibilities of public officials. During normal work hours EMPLOYEE shall at all times
71 devote all of EMPLOYEE's time, attention, knowledge and skills solely to the interests of the
72 EMPLOYER, and EMPLOYEE shall never use EMPLOYEE's position or confidential information
73 gained in such work position for EMPLOYEE's personal gain, either directly or indirectly.
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75 9. EMPLOYEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES; CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. EMPLOYEE shall
76 not at any time or in any manner, either during the term of this agreement or thereafter, either directly
77 or indirectly divulge, disclose or communicate to any person any confidential information gained in
78 the performance of EMPLOYEE's duties except as otherwise required or compelled by law.
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80 10. EMPLOYEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES; EXCLUSIVE EMPLOYMENT. EMPLOYEE agrees to
81 remain in the exclusive employ of EMPLOYER throughout the term of this agreement. The term
82 "exclusive employ" shall not be construed to prohibit occasional teaching, writing or consulting which
83 is performed on EMPLOYEE's time off and which does not affect EMPLOYEE's job performance,
84 subject to prior approval of the County Administrator.
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86 11. HOURS OF WORK. The usual and customary hours of business of EMPLOYER are from
87 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, however, as a managerial employee, EMPLOYEE
88 shall have as a condition of employment a job to perform and shall work such hours as are
89 necessary to accomplish the tasks assigned to EMPLOYEE.
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91 12. EVALUATION AND GOALS. At least annually, the County Administrator or his or her
92 designee shall meet with EMPLOYEE to discuss job performance and to define goals and objectives
93 for both EMPLOYEE and EMPLOYER.
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95 13. EMPLOYEE'S DUTIES; LIMITED CONTRACTING AUTHORITY. EMPLOYEE shall not
96 have the right to make contracts or commitments for or on behalf of EMPLOYER except as expressly
97 authorized in advance by statute, ordinance, or express written consent of EMPLOYER.
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99 14. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEE; BASE COMPENSATION. EMPLOYER shall pay
100 EMPLOYEE, and EMPLOYEE shall accept from EMPLOYER in payment for EMPLOYEE's services,
101 direct compensation at a rate provided for in the Unilateral Pay Plan for the position occupied by the
102 EMPLOYEE.
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104 15. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEE; COMPENSATION FOR EXPENSES. EMPLOYER
105 shall reimburse EMPLOYEE for all necessary expenses incurred in the service of EMPLOYER, in
106 accordance with Rock County ordinances and regulations on reimbursement of expenses, provided
107 that EMPLOYEE complies with all applicable provisions of law and Rock County ordinances and
108 procedures prior to incurring or claiming reimbursement for such expenses. It is expressly

109 understood that prior approval of the County Administrator is required for attendance at conferences
110 held outside of Wisconsin and that attendance is further subject to the rules, regulations and
111 ordinances applicable to managerial employees employed by the EMPLOYER.
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113 16. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEE; FRINGE BENEFITS. Except as otherwise set forth in
114 this agreement, and in addition to the monetary compensation set forth above EMPLOYEE shall
115 receive fringe benefits as are enumerated from time to time in resolutions and general ordinances of
116 EMPLOYER, on the same terms as these are made available to non-represented managerial and
117 professional employees of EMPLOYER.
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119 17. VACATION. EMPLOYEE shall receive twenty (20) days of vacation on date of hire and
120 annually on anniversary date, March 22. Carry-over of unused vacation shall be allowed under such
121 conditions as are contained in the Rock County Personnel Policy.
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123 18. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEE; TREATMENT OF DIRECT COMPENSATION FOR
124 TAX PURPOSES. The direct financial compensation paid EMPLOYEE under this Agreement shall
125 be treated as wages for federal and state tax purposes and for purposes of allowing EMPLOYEE to
126 participate in the Wisconsin retirement system. EMPLOYEE recognizes that EMPLOYER will
127 withhold taxes, Social Security and the like from direct compensation. EMPLOYEE shall be allowed
128 to participate in EMPLOYER's deferred compensation program(s) and Section 125 Flexible
129 Spending Account, at EMPLOYEE's option and to the extent permitted by law.
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131 19. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT BY EMPLOYEE; NOTICE REQUIRED FOR
132 RESIGNATION. This agreement may be terminated by EMPLOYEE on 30-days' written notice to
133 the County Administrator. Any such notice, once accepted by the County Administrator, may not be
134 withdrawn or rescinded. The fact that the County Administrator has asked EMPLOYEE for
135 EMPLOYEE's resignation shall not invalidate any such resignation once tendered to, and accepted
136 by, the County Administrator. Accrued but unused vacation and holiday time shall be paid out to
137 EMPLOYEE upon resignation, provided sufficient notice as required above is received.
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139 20. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT BY EMPLOYER; EMPLOYER'S RIGHT TO
140 TERMINATE AT WILL. This agreement may be terminated, or any obligation of EMPLOYER under
141 this agreement may be suspended, by the County Administrator at any time during its term, in the
142 sole discretion of the County Administrator. EMPLOYEE shall be deemed to be an at-will employee
143 of EMPLOYER who shall have no remedy or recourse in the event of disciplinary action, up to and
144 including discharge.
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146 21. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT BY EMPLOYER; DISCIPLINARY ACTION;
147 PROCEDURE FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION. All disciplinary action shall originate from the County
148 Administrator and be accomplished by the County Administrator.
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150 22. EMPLOYER TO INDEMNIFY AND DEFEND EMPLOYEE FOR OFFICIAL ACTS.
151 EMPLOYER shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless EMPLOYEE, in accordance with the
152 requirements of s. 895.46, Wis. Stats. EMPLOYER reserves the right to compromise or settle any
153 such litigation in any fashion deemed advantageous to EMPLOYER, regardless of whether
154 EMPLOYEE consents thereto.
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156 23. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT; NO ASSIGNMENT. EMPLOYEE shall not assign or
157 transfer any interest or obligation in this Agreement, whether by assignment or novation. It is
158 expressly understood EMPLOYER will not consent to any assignment of EMPLOYEE's duties and
159 obligations.
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161 24. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT; SEVERABILITY. All parts of this agreement are
162 severable from all other parts and invalidity of any part shall not operate to invalidate any other part.
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25. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT; WISCONSIN LAW CONTROLS. It is expressly understood and agreed that in the event of any dispute between the parties, arising under this agreement, Wisconsin law shall control to the extent that it is not superseded by any applicable federal law.

26. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT; ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes any and all negotiations of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof. Any prior employment agreement between the parties, together with any extension or renewal of such agreement, is likewise terminated and superseded by this Agreement. All of EMPLOYEE's rights, of any nature whatsoever, arising from, by or under any prior employment agreement between the parties are hereby compromised in their entirety.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, EMPLOYER and EMPLOYEE have executed this agreement effective as of the day and date by which EMPLOYER's authorized representative and EMPLOYEE have affixed their respective signatures, as indicated below.

FOR EMPLOYER:

Date: _____

Josh Smith, Rock County Administrator

BY EMPLOYEE:

Date: _____

Natalie Rolling-Edlebeck, Nursing Home Administrator

WITNESS:

Date: _____

ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN



County Administrator
51 South Main Street
Janesville, WI 53545
(608)757-5510
Fax (608)757-5511

DATE: February 4, 2021
TO: County Board Staff Committee
FROM: Josh Smith, County Administrator
RE: Relocation Expenses for Nursing Home Administrator

As you know, confirmation of a new Nursing Home Administrator is scheduled for consideration by the County Board on February 11.

Section 18.302 of the Rock County Personnel Ordinance reads as follows:

An employee, newly hired to fill an FLSA exempt position, who resides outside of reasonable commuting distance (i.e. a distance greater than 40 miles) wishing to relocate his or her domicile to Rock County may be eligible for a contribution toward moving expenses, if it is determined, upon recommendation of the County Administrator and approval of the County Board Staff Committee, to be in the best interest of Rock County to offer such contribution. An employee receiving a contribution toward moving expenses shall remain a resident and employee of Rock County for not less than three (3) years. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the repayment of said moving expense on a pro rata basis.

I am recommending and asking that County Board Staff Committee approve relocation expenses of up to \$3,000 for the new Nursing Home Administrator, who will be moving to Rock County from Texas. These funds would be payable upon receipt of incurred expenses and considered taxable income.

Thank you for your consideration.