

DECEMBER MEETING

December 8, 2020

Chair Brewer called the meeting to order. Roll call found all members present except Luck and Wegner.

Reverend Larry Engels, Pastor of the Five Points Lutheran Church, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by McGuire, second by Cosgrove for approval of the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Murphy-Lopez, second by Kaul for approval of the minutes of the November meeting, as amended. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 20-155 Thanking The Owner Of The Phoenix Center For Allowing The County Board To Hold Four Meetings There At No Cost was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Frank, second by Cosgrove that Resolution No. 20-155 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 155

A Resolution Thanking The Owner Of The Phoenix Center For Allowing The County Board To Hold Four Meetings There At No Cost.

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 Pandemic, the County Board Room, where the County Board normally holds its meetings, was not large enough to accommodate a County Board meeting with social distancing requirements and the County Board needed an alternate location to conduct its monthly meetings, and

WHEREAS the owner of the Phoenix Center on South Orange Street in Richland Center kindly allowed the County Board to hold four monthly meetings there in the banquet hall, which was sufficiently large to meet the County Board's meeting needs, and

WHEREAS the County Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the owner of the Phoenix Center for this accommodation and for the staff time required to arrange the banquet hall.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County Board hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to Thomas A. Hauber of Richland Center, the presumed trustee of the Thomas A. Hauber Revocable Trust, the owner of the Phoenix Center, for his public-spirited act of allowing the County Board to hold its July, August, September and October evening meetings at the banquet hall at the Phoenix Center on South Orange Street in Richland Center and for the time spent by his staff in arranging the banquet hall, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall send a copy of this Resolution to Mr. Thomas A. Hauber, 1135 W. Kinder Street, Richland Center, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez

X

Chad Cosgrove	X
Kerry Severson	X
Donald Seep	X

Resolution No. 20-156 Engaging A County Surveyor For The Next Two Years was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Manning, second by Couey that Resolution No. 20-156 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 156

A Resolution Engaging A County Surveyor For The Next Two Years.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the County advertises for applications from surveying firms in the area and then enters into a contract with a surveying firm to be the County Surveyor for a two-year period, and

WHEREAS the Zoning and Land Information Committee is recommending that the County enter into a contract with Driftless Area Surveying, LLC of Richland Center, as represented by Surveyor Todd T. Rummeler, for the next two years, and

WHEREAS the Committee, being well-satisfied with Driftless Area Surveying's performance for the past two years, and after having carefully considered this matter, is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the County to enter into a contract with Driftless Area Surveying, LLC to be the Richland County Surveyor for 2021 and 2022, with the proposed contract to be at the same rate, \$70.00 per hour, as the County Surveyor contract for the past two years, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the County such contract as is approved by the Zoning and Land Information Committee in accordance with this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Marc Couey	X
Steve Williamson	X
Chad Cosgrove	X
Linda Gentes	X
Ingrid Glasbrenner	X

Resolution No. 20-157 Amending Rule 14 Of The Rules Of The Board To Give Department Heads More Spending Authority was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Seep, second by Turk that Resolution No. 20-157 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 157

A Resolution Amending Rule 14 Of The Rules Of The Board To Give Department Heads More Spending Authority.

WHEREAS it has been proposed that the second paragraph (b) of Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board be amended to increase the authority of department heads to make expenditures, from \$1,000 to \$2,000, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the first and second sentences of the second paragraph (b) of Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board are hereby amended by repealing the following crossed-out language and adopting the following underlined language:

“(b) Expenditures. If the purchase price of the needed property including computers is \$1,000 \$2,000 or less the department head may make the purchase upon obtaining at least one quotation from a vendor. If the purchase price of the needed property including computers ~~is between~~ exceeds \$2,000 and does not exceed \$5,000, the purchase must be made by the appropriate committee of the County Board after having obtained a minimum of 3 quotes from vendors, if reasonably possible,” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

Resolution No. 20-158 Amending The Collective Bargaining Agreement With The Deputy Sheriffs was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Frank, second by Kaul that Resolution No. 20-158 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 158

A Resolution Amending The Collective Bargaining Agreement With The Deputy Sheriffs.

WHEREAS there is a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County and the Richland County Deputy Sheriff's Association covering 2019-2021, and

WHEREAS both parties to this Agreement have proposed an amendment to the section of the contract dealing with compensatory time, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposed amendment and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the first paragraph under the heading “Compensatory Time” of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County and the Richland County Deputy's Association is hereby amended by repealing the following crossed-

out items and adopting the following underlined items:

“Compensatory time. An employee shall have the option to receive his/her overtime in the form of pay at time and one-half or compensatory time off at time and one-half. The employee may accumulate a maximum of ~~25 1/2~~ fifty-one (51) hours compensatory time off.”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair and the County Administrator are hereby authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding in accordance with this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

	FOR	AGAINST
Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X	
Marc Couey	X	
Marty Brewer	X	
Linda Gentes	X	
Donald Seep	X	
David Turk	X	

Resolution No. 20-159 Approving A Project Consisting Of Constructing A New Emergency Services Facility was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Gentes, second by Couey that Resolution No. 20-159 be adopted. Discussion followed. Motion by Couey, second by Severson that the resolution be amended by adding “BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds to pay for these engineering services shall come from the Capital Project Fund (Fund # 75), and”. Roll call vote on the amendment. AYES: McKee, Brewer, Manning, Gottschall, Glasbrenner, Gentes, Turk, Cosgrove, Frank, Severson, Williamson, Couey, Kaul, McGuire, Carrow, Murphy-Lopez, Van Landuyt, Seep. NOES: Nelson. Ayes 18. Noes 1. Total 19. Motion carried on the amendment. Discussion continued. Roll call vote on the resolution, as amended. AYES: Brewer, Manning, Gottschall, Glasbrenner, Gentes, Turk, Cosgrove, Frank, Severson, Williamson, Couey, Kaul, Carrow, Van Landuyt, Seep, McKee. NOES: Nelson, Murphy-Lopez. Ayes 16. Noes 2. Total 18. Motion carried on the resolution, as amended.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 – 159 (Amended)

A Resolution Approving A Project Consisting Of Constructing A New Emergency Services Facility.

WHEREAS the Joint Ambulance Committee has proposed constructing a new emergency services facility in the City’s Industrial Park to house the County’s emergency services program, and

WHEREAS, while bidding for professional services is not legally required, the Committee did advertise for bids for engineering services to design the proposed new facility and the Committee is recommending that the lowest bid, submitted by Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc. of Spring Green, be approved, and\

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this matter and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for a public works project consisting of building a new emergency services facility in the City’s Industrial Park to house the County’s emergency services program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lowest bid, submitted by Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc. of Spring Green, in the amount of \$59,750.00 is hereby accepted and the contract for engineering services to draft plans and specifications for this facility is hereby awarded to that firm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bidding statutes shall be complied with in soliciting bids for the construction of this facility, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds to pay for these engineering services shall come from the Capital Project Fund (Fund # 75), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

Resolution No. 20-160 Approving A Wisconsin Residential Anti-Displacement And Relocation Assistance Plan For Community Development Block Grant Program was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Turk, second by Severson that Resolution No. 20-160 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 160

A Resolution Approving A Wisconsin Residential Anti-Displacement And Relocation Assistance Plan For Community Development Block Grant Program.

WHEREAS the County Board has authorized grant applications for the purpose of utilizing the balance of Community Development Block Grant funds to pay for several public works projects in Richland County, and

WHEREAS these Community Development Block Grant funds are Federal funds and it is a requirement of Federal law that the County adopt a Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan in order to be able to spend the grant funds, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered the proposed Plan and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the Wisconsin Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for Community Development Block Grant Programs, a copy of which is on file in the County Clerk's office and is accessible on the County's website, is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign this Plan on behalf of the County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

	FOR	AGAINST
Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X	
Marc Couey	X	
Marty Brewer	X	
Linda Gentes	X	
Donald Seep	X	
David Turk	X	

Resolution No. 20-161 Approving A Contract To Provide A Temporary Employee In The Emergency Management Department was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Murphy-Lopez, second by Couey that Resolution No 20-161 be adopted. Motion by Murphy-Lopez, second by Frank to amend the resolution to state that the position will end on “October 31, 2022”. Motion carried on the amendment. Motion carried and resolution, as amended, declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 – 161 (Amended)

A Resolution Approving A Contract To Provide A Temporary Employee In The Emergency Management Department.

WHEREAS. due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a significant increase in the workload and response coordination responsibilities of the Emergency Management Department, and

WHEREAS the Emergency Management Committee and the Director of the Emergency Management Department, Darin Gudgeon, have recommended to the Finance and Personnel Committee that approval be granted for the Department to enter into a contract with The Southwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Board to hire one temporary employee, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the County to enter into a contract with The Southwestern Wisconsin Workforce Development Board to provide a temporary employee to assist in meeting the increased workload of the Emergency Management Department, with this position to end on October 31, 2022 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the estimated cost of this proposal is \$15,203.13, with \$2,677.51 to be paid from a Routes to Recovery Grant and with the remaining costs to be paid in the remaining Routes to Recovery Grant submittal and, if there is a shortage, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will cover 87.5% of the remaining balance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Emergency Management is authorized to sign on behalf of the County a contract that is approved by the Emergency Management Committee in accordance with this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

	FOR	AGAINST
Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X	
Marc Couey	X	
Marty Brewer	X	
Linda Gentes	X	
Donald Seep	X	
David Turk	X	

Resolution No. 20-162 Establishing A Referendum For The April 6, 2021 Election Calling For The Creation Of A Non-Partisan Procedure For Drafting Legislative And Congressional Districts In Wisconsin was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Van Landuyt, second by Gentes that Resolution No. 20-162 be adopted. Discussion followed. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 162

A Resolution Establishing A Referendum For The April 6, 2021 Election Calling For The Creation Of A Non-Partisan Procedure For Drafting Legislative And Congressional Districts In Wisconsin.

WHEREAS, at its October 31, 2017 meeting, the County Board adopted Resolution 17-99 urging the Legislature to create a non-partisan procedure for drafting Legislative and Congressional districts in Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS all counties in Wisconsin are being asked to adopt a like Resolution, including calling for the establishment of a referendum on this question to be placed on the ballot in the County in the April 6, 2021 election, and

WHEREAS the purpose of the creation of a non-partisan procedure for drawing Legislative and Congressional districts is to eliminate the practice known as gerrymandering according to which the majority party in the Legislature seeks to draft districts which are favorable to that party and these districts last until after the next Federal census.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County Board hereby reaffirms Resolution No. 17-99 calling for the creation of a non-partisan procedure for drafting Legislative and Congressional districts in Wisconsin, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT approval is hereby granted for the following question to be placed on the April 6, 2021 ballot as an advisory referendum question:

“Question: Should the Wisconsin Legislature create a non-partisan procedure for the preparation of Legislative and Congressional district plans and maps?”

Yes_____ No _____,” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Corporation Counsel Ben Southwick shall prepare a Notice of Referendum to be published by the County Clerk and, in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes, section 8.37, this

Resolution and the referendum shall be filed with the County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the April 6, 2021 election, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send the results of the referendum election to Governor Tony Evers, to all State Legislators whose districts include any portion of Richland County and to the Wisconsin Counties Association, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Chad Cosgrove	X
Kerry Severson	X
Donald Seep	X

Ordinance No. 20-34 Stating Richland County's Policy Of Enforcing Wisconsin Statutes, Section 160.50 Barring Discrimination In Housing was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Glasbrenner, second by Van Landuyt that Ordinance No. 20-34 be enacted. Motion carried and ordinance declared enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 34

An Ordinance Stating Richland County's Policy Of Enforcing Wisconsin Statutes, Section 160.50 Barring Discrimination In Housing.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. Richland County hereby reaffirms the non-discrimination policies set forth in Ordinance # 80-2 in housing. (Amended).
2. That it is the policy of Richland County to make every effort to ensure compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, section 160.50, barring discrimination in housing.
3. Richland County, and its officers and employees, shall assist in the orderly prevention and elimination of discrimination in housing in Richland County by implementing Wisconsin Statutes, section 160.50.
4. The County shall maintain forms for complaints to be filed under Wisconsin Statutes, section 160.50, and the County Clerk shall assist any person alleging a violation of that Statute in Richland County in filing a complaint with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Equal Rights Division.
5. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

Dated: December 8, 2020
Passed: December 8, 2020
Published:

ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Marty Brewer, Chair
Richland County Board of Supervisors

Shaun Murphy-Lopez
Marc Couey
Marty Brewer
Linda Gentes
Donald Seep
David Turk

X
X
X
X
X
X

ATTEST:
Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk

Resolution No. 20-163 Approving A Project In Three Parts Relating To Updating The Digital Audio Recording System And Videoconferencing Systems In The Large Courtroom And Purchasing And Installing An Internet Protocol Telephone System In Both Courtrooms And Supporting Court Offices was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Seep, second by Turk that Resolution No. 20-163 be adopted. Discussion followed. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 163

A Resolution Approving A Project In Three Parts Relating To Updating The Digital Audio Recording System And Videoconferencing Systems In The Large Courtroom And Purchasing And Installing An Internet Protocol Telephone System In Both Courtrooms And Supporting Court Offices.

WHEREAS there is a need to update the digital audio recording system and the videoconferencing system in the large Courtroom and to purchase and install an Internet Protocol telephone system in both Courtrooms and the Court offices, and this work needs to be completed by a proposed March 1, 2021 reopening of the Courtrooms, and

WHEREAS the project consists of three parts, one for data wiring, one for carpentry and electrical support and a third for the purchase and installation of the Internet Protocol telephone system, and

WHEREAS plans and specifications were developed for this project and bids were solicited in accordance with the bidding statutes, and

WHEREAS this project has been carefully reviewed by the Finance and Personnel Committee which is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for a project consisting of updating the digital audio recording system and the videoconferencing system in the large Courtroom and purchasing and installing an Internet Protocol telephone system in both Courtrooms and supporting Court offices, with this work to be completed by a proposed March 1, 2021 reopening of both Courtrooms, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the data wiring component of this project is hereby awarded to the lowest bidder which is Strang Heating and Electrical of Richland Center, Wisconsin in the amount of \$18,629.00 and the contract for the data wiring aspect of this project is hereby awarded to that firm, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this part of the project shall be paid for from the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund Non-Direct Counties 2020 Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bid of Michael Marshall Carpentry and Decorating of Richland Center, Wisconsin in the amount \$ 19,600 for the carpentry and electrical work is accepted and the contract for that work is hereby awarded to Mr. Marshall, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this part of the project shall be paid from 2021 Short Term Capital Borrowing Funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lowest bid of existing maintenance contract of Marco Technologies, LLC of Madison, Wisconsin in the amount of \$ 21,084.46 for the purchase and installation of the Internet Protocol telephone system in both Courtrooms is hereby accepted and the contract for that work is hereby awarded to that firm, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this part of the project shall be paid from Coronavirus Emergency Supplement Fund/Non-Direct Counties 2020 Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lowest bid of JComp Technologies, Inc. of Baraboo, Wisconsin in the amount of \$10,416.00 for the purchase and installation of the Internet Protocol Switches in both Courtrooms is hereby accepted and the contract for that work is hereby awarded to that firm, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this part of the project shall be paid from Coronavirus Emergency Supplement Fund/Non-Direct Counties 2020 Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that authority is hereby granted to the County Administrator to issue change orders for this project in that amount not to exceed \$ 5,000 in total, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

	FOR	AGAINST
Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X	
Marc Couey	X	
Marty Brewer	X	
Linda Gentes	X	
Donald Seep	X	
David Turk	X	

Resolution No. 20-164 Amending Resolution No. 20-81 (Amended) Relating To Approving A Project Consisting Of Remodeling The Small Courtroom In The East Wing Of The Courthouse was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Murphy-Lopez, second by Severson that Resolution No. 20-164 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 164

A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 20-81 (Amended) Relating To Approving A Project Consisting Of Remodeling The Small Courtroom In The East Wing Of The Courthouse.

WHEREAS Resolution No. 208-81 (Amended) relating to approving a project consisting of remodeling the small Courtroom in the East Wing of the Courthouse needs to be amended because the amount stated as the bid of Michael Marshall Carpentry and Decorating of Richland Center of \$9,256.81 is short by \$2,140.13, making the total amount due to the firm as \$11,396.94, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this matter and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that Resolution No. 20-81 (Amended) is further amended by repealing the following crossed-out numbers and adopting the following underlined numbers:

“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an advertisement for bids has been published in The Richland Observer and the bid of Michael Marshall Carpentry and Decorating of Richland Center in the amount of ~~\$9,256.81~~ \$11,396.94 is hereby accepted and the contract for this work is hereby awarded to that firm”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

Ordinance No. 20-35 Amendment No. 510 To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Brad And Cheryl Dobbs In The Town Of Akan was presented to the Board. Motion by Cosgrove, second by Manning that Ordinance No. 20-35 be enacted. Zoning Administrator Mike Bindl explained the rezoning request. Motion carried and ordinance declared enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 35

Amendment No. 510 To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Brad And Cheryl Dobbs In The Town Of Akan.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. The County Board, having considered the following factors, hereby finds that the following rezoning is in the best interests of the citizens of Richland County:

- (a) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
- (b) Provision of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
- (c) The land to be rezoned is suitable for development and development will not cause unreasonable water or air pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- (d) Non-farm development will be directed to non-agricultural soils or less productive soils.
- (e) Non-farm development will be directed to areas where it will cause minimum disruption of established farm operations or damage to environmentally sensitive areas.
- (f) Non-farm development will be encouraged to locate so as to leave a maximum amount of farmland in farmable size parcels.
- (g) Non-farm residential development will be directed to existing platted subdivisions and sanitary districts.

2. Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5, which was adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors on May 20, 2003, as amended to date, is hereby further amended as follows:

That the official maps designating district boundaries, as adopted by Richland County Ordinance 1985 No. 1 (also known as Amendment No. 1 to the Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 3), which was adopted on March 19, 1985, are hereby amended as follows:

That the following described 5.44 acre parcel belonging to Brad and Cheryl Dobbs in the Town of Akan is hereby rezoned from the General Agricultural and Forestry District (A-F) to the Agricultural- Residential (A-R) District

Part of the fractional Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 2 West, Town of Akan, Richland County, Wisconsin more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section 5;
Thence North 89°55'41" West, along the North line of the Northwest quarter, 163.34 feet to the point of beginning of the lands hereinafter described;
Thence continuing North 89°55'41" West, along said North line, 502.76 feet;
Thence South 03°04'21" East, 575.84 feet;
Thence North 87°31'27" East, 397.07 feet;
Thence North 11°26'10" East, 142.78 feet;
Thence North 30°12'41" East, 79.13 feet;
Thence North 01°09'38" East, 348.97 feet to the point of beginning.

3. This Ordinance shall be effective on December 8, 2020.

Dated: December 8, 2020
Passed: December 8, 2020
Published:

ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND
LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

		FOR	AGAINST
Marty Brewer, Chair	Marc Couey	X	
Richland County Board of Supervisors	Steve Williamson	X	
	Chad Cosgrove	X	
ATTEST:	Linda Gentes	X	
Victor V. Vlasak	Ingrid Glasbrenner	X	
Richland County Clerk			

Ordinance No. 20-36 Amendment No. 511 Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Swain Family Farms, LLC., In The Town Of Willow was presented to the Board. Motion by Gentes, second by Couey that Ordinance No. 20-36 be enacted. Zoning Administrator Mike Bindl explained the rezoning request. Motion carried and ordinance declared enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 36

Amendment No. 511 To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Swain Family Farms, LLC., In The Town Of Willow.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 20-22, which was adopted by the County Board at its July 21, 2020 meeting, is hereby repealed.

2. The County Board, having considered the following factors, hereby finds that the following rezoning is in the best interests of the citizens of Richland County:

- (h) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
- (i) Provision of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
- (j) The land to be rezoned is suitable for development and development will not cause unreasonable water or air pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- (k) Non-farm development will be directed to non-agricultural soils or less productive soils.
- (l) Non-farm development will be directed to areas where it will cause minimum disruption of established farm operations or damage to environmentally sensitive areas.
- (m) Non-farm development will be encouraged to locate so as to leave a maximum amount of farmland in farmable size parcels.
- (n) Non-farm residential development will be directed to existing platted subdivisions and sanitary districts.

3. Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5, which was adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors on May 20, 2003, as amended to date, is hereby further amended as follows:

That the official maps designating district boundaries, as adopted by Richland County Ordinance 1985 No. 1 (also known as Amendment No. 1 to the Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 3), which was adopted on March 19, 1985, are hereby amended as follows:

4. That the following described 2.09 acre parcel belonging to Swain Family Farms in the Town of Willow is hereby rezoned from the General Agricultural and Forestry District (A-F) to the Single-Family (R-2)

Part of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter and part of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter and part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 11 North, Range 2 East, Town of Willow, Richland County, Wisconsin more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 5;

Thence North 00°33'17" West, along the east line of the Southwest quarter, 917.52 feet;

Thence North 89°26'43" East, 118.32 feet to a point on the centerline of Richland County Trunk Highway "NN" and the point of beginning of the lands hereinafter described;

Thence North 36°09'22" West, 123.11 feet;

Thence North 66°34'44" West, 463.04 feet;

Thence North 75°36'53" West, 235.86 feet;

Thence South 42°17'25" West, 114.18 feet;

Thence North 66°30'50" West, 74.74 feet;

Thence North 27°26'23" West, 217.80 feet;

Thence North 26°57'13" East, 62.64 feet;

Thence South 66°34'44" East, 1019.08 feet;

Thence South 07°29'15" East, 122.51 feet to a point on the centerline of Richland County Trunk Highway NN.

Thence South 37°51'46" West, along said centerline, 12.63 feet to the point of beginning.

5. This Ordinance shall be effective on December 8, 2020.

Dated: December 8, 2020

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ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND
LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Marty Brewer, Chair
Richland County Board of Supervisors

Marc Couey
Steve Williamson
Chad Cosgrove
Linda Gentes
Ingrid Glasbrenner

X
X
X
X
X

ATTEST:

Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk

Zoning Administrator Mike Bindl reported that there were no petitions for zoning amendments received since the last County Board meeting and no rezoning petitions recommended for denial by the Zoning and Land Information Committee.

Chair Brewer noted the receipt of correspondence from Todd Novak, State Representative for the 51st Assembly District, acknowledging receipt of the resolution urging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin State legislature to provide \$15 million annually in state funds for counties to upgrade their 911 emergency response systems.

Motion by Manning, second by Turk to adjourn to Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)SS
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)

I, Victor V. Vlasak, County Clerk in and for the County of Richland, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors of Richland County for the December meeting held on the 8th day of December, 2020.

Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Recognizing The Retirement Of Two Employees Of Pine Valley Community Village.

WHEREAS Ms. Marilyn Jensen was hired at Pine Valley Community Village on May 23, 2007 and she retired as a Food Service Worker II on September 30, 2020, and

WHEREAS Ms. Kathy Bingham was hired at Pine Valley Community Village on August 22, 2001 and she retired as a Certified Nursing Assistant on December 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS the County Board wants to express its sincere appreciation to Ms. Marilyn Jensen for her over 13 years of dedicated service at Pine Valley Community Village and to Ms. Kathy Bingham for her over 19 years of dedicated service at Pine Valley Community Village.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County Board hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to Ms. Marilyn Jensen for her over 13 years of dedicated service at Pine Valley Community Village and to Ms. Kathy Bingham for her over 19 years of dedicated service at Pine Valley Community Village, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board wishes Ms. Jensen and Ms. Bingham long and happy retirements, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall send a copy of this Resolution to:

Ms. Marilyn Jensen
E2871 Kennedy Road
Lone Rock, WI 53556

Ms. Kathy Bingham
29224 Hell Hollow Road
Richland Center, WI 53581

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY BOARD	
		SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE PINE VALLEY	
		COMMUNITY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
AYES _____ NOES _____			
RESOLUTION _____		FOR AGAINST	
_____		Richard McKee	X
COUNTY CLERK		Marty Brewer	X
DATED _____		Donald Seep	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving The Submission Of Two Community Development Block Grant Applications.

WHEREAS the County is in the process of closing out the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the CDBG Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund has a value of approximately \$1.2 million and the County is allowed to submit to grant applications by not later than January 31, 2021 in order to have this fund balance spent in the County, and

WHEREAS these CDBG close-out funds, as administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration, Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources, may be used for the economic development purposes in Richland County, and

WHEREAS, after a public hearing and due consideration, the County is prepared to approve the preparation and filing of 2 applications to utilize these funds for economic development within the County and the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this matter and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board hereby approves and authorizes the preparation and filing of an application for the following two projects:

- 1. Rendering the City Auditorium of the City of Richland Center handicapped accessible;
- 2. The creation by the Village of Lone Rock of a Village park to be known as Village Center Park, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Richland County Development Director, Jasen Glasbrenner, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to prepare and file applications for the CDBG close-out funds to be used for the above two projects, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the County such documents as may be necessary to carry out this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
		Marc Couey	X
		Marty Brewer	X
		Linda Gentes	X
		Melissa Luck	X
		Donald Seep	X
		David Turk	X
COUNTY CLERK _____			
DATED _____			

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 20-19 Relating To Authorizing Richland County To Serve As Co-Applicant On A Disaster Recovery And Economic Resiliency Grant From The Federal Economic Development Administration.

WHEREAS at its February 18, 2020 meeting, the County Board adopted Resolution # 20-19 relating to authorizing the County to serve as co-applicant on a Disaster Recover and Economic Resiliency grant from the Federal Economic Development Administration and this Resolution needs to be amended because the terms of the grant have been changed, and

WHEREAS the purpose of this Resolution is to amend Resolution # 20-19 to conform to the terms of a proposed contract between Richland County and the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered these proposed amendments and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that Resolution # 20-19 is hereby amended by repealing the following crossed-out material and adopting the following underlined material:

1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approval is hereby granted for the Richland County Economic Development Director to work in-kind hours between 2020 and 2022 in an amount equal to ~~\$31,078.80~~ \$51,164.20 in order to satisfy the remaining amount of the required 20% match that is not being supplied by the Commission, and

2. The following is added after the first BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED end of paragraph:

“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, to participate in this project, the County commits providing \$25,000 in cash, to be paid across a 2-year period as agreed upon by the County and SWWRPC .”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approval is hereby granted for the payment of Invoice # 526 received from Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission in the amount of \$12,500, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
		Marc Couey	X
COUNTY CLERK _____		Marty Brewer	X
		Linda Gentes	X
DATED _____		Melissa Luck	X
		Donald Seep	X
		David Turk	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving Purchasing Backup, Recovery And Monitoring Software For Servers For The Management Information Systems Department.

WHEREAS the Director of the Management Information Systems Department, Ms. Barbara Scott, has recommended that she be authorized to purchase backup, recovery and monitoring software for servers that is used for protection and analytics of data, and

WHEREAS Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board requires County Board approval for any purchase costing \$5,000 or more, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors approval is hereby granted for the Management Information Systems Department to purchase Veeam Essentials software for 3 years from JComp Technologies, Inc. of Baraboo at a cost of \$13,627.86, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this purchase shall be paid for from funds from the Borrowed Money Fund (Fund # 75), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

COUNTY CLERK

DATED _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

	FOR	AGAINST
Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X	
Marc Couey	X	
Marty Brewer	X	
Linda Gentes	X	
Melissa Luck	X	
Donald Seep	X	
David Turk	X	

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Amending The First Paragraph Of Rule 1 Of The Rules Of The Board.

WHEREAS it is provided in the first paragraph of Rule 1 of the Rules of the Board that the County Clerk shall mail all Resolutions and Ordinances to Supervisors on the Wednesday before the County Board meeting on the following Tuesday, and

WHEREAS, practically speaking, for a variety of reasons, this provision is not uniformly complied with and the Rules and Resolutions Committee, working with County Administrator Clinton Langreck, have proposed amendments to the first paragraph of Rule 1 so that it better conforms to the reality of the situation, and

WHEREAS the Rules and Resolutions Committee, having carefully considered this matter, is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the first paragraph of Rule 1 of the Rules of the Board is hereby amended by repealing the following crossed-out words and adopting the following underlined words:

“The hour of the meeting of the board shall be 7:00 p.m. The County Clerk shall send the minutes of the previous meeting, ~~and the agenda for the next meeting and all Resolutions or~~ and Ordinances to be considered at the next meeting to each member by U.S. Mail ~~Supervisor~~ digitally or, if a Supervisor elects, ~~digitally by U.S. Mail~~, by not later than Wednesday before the next County Board meeting. Resolutions or Ordinances, or subsequent drafts of Resolutions or Ordinances, which were not timely sent out may be considered by the County Board as long as long as they are approved by the County Board Chair, unless the County Board adopts a motion objecting to consideration of a specific Resolution and Ordinance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective at the start of the February, 2021 County Board Meeting.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
COUNTY CLERK _____		Kerry Severson	X
		Melissa Luck	X
DATED _____		Donald Seep	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving A Temporary Suspension Of Part Of Rule 19 Of The Rules Of The Board.

WHEREAS, the following is provided in part of Rule 19 of the Rules of the Board:

“No resolution or ordinance shall be brought to the consideration of the Board unless it has been signed by a majority of the members of the appropriate committee. Upon signing a proposed resolution or ordinance, members may indicate on the resolution or ordinance their position for or against the proposed resolution or ordinance;’, and

WHEREAS the requirement that Resolutions and Ordinances must be signed by Supervisors before they can be considered by the County Board has proven to be difficult to accomplish due to the restrictions imposed by the coronavirus pandemic, and

WHEREAS County Administrator Clinton Langreck has proposed to the Rules and Resolutions Committee that this signature requirement be temporarily suspended until the likely end of the pandemic and the Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the provision of Rule 19 of the Rules of the Board that requires a majority of the members of a committee to sign a Resolution or Ordinance that a committee wants to present to the County Board is hereby temporarily suspended, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it will be assumed that Supervisors would otherwise be willing to sign the Resolution and would be in favor of its adoption, although Supervisors may indicate by an email to the County Clerk that they would not have signed the Resolution and/or that they are opposed to it, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall expire on June 30, 2021.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
COUNTY CLERK _____		Kerry Severson	X
		Melissa Luck	X
DATED _____		Donald Seep	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving The Sheriff’s Department Purchasing 3 New Portable Radio Units With Capital Improvement Funds.

WHEREAS the Sheriff ‘s Department portable radio inventory is aging and is mostly made up of second hand units and there is a need for the Department to update its portable radio inventory by purchasing 3 new portable radio units, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee and Sheriff Jim Bindl have recommended to the Finance and Personnel Committee that the purchase of these units be approved, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the Sheriff’s Department to purchase 3 new portable radio units from Brandt Communications, Inc. of Janesville at a total cost of \$5,409.18, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this purchase shall be paid for with funds from the Capital Improvement Fund (Fund # 75), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE	
AYES _____NOES _____			
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
_____		Melissa Luck	X
COUNTY CLERK		David Turk	X
DATED _____		Chad Cosgrove	X
		Daniel McGuire	X
		Kerry Severson	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving The Payment Of 2 Invoices For The Sheriff’s Department.

WHEREAS the Sheriff’s Department has received 2 invoices both of which exceed \$5,000 which need to be paid and these invoices have been presented to the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee and approved by that Committee, and

WHEREAS Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board requires County Board approval for nearly all expenses in excess of \$5,000, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the following invoices for the Sheriff’s Department are hereby approved:

- 1. From Baycom, Inc. of Green Bay for annual maintenance of the County’s emergency radio system in the amount of \$8,361.90;
- 2. From General Communications, Inc. of Madison for \$10,609.00 for a 2021 maintenance contract for the Sheriff’s Department’s radio system, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payment of these 2 invoices shall be made from the Maintenance Agreement line in the Sheriff’s Department’s Police Radio account in the 2021 County budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby directed to issue County checks in accordance with this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
_____		Melissa Luck	X
COUNTY CLERK		David Turk	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
DATED _____		Daniel McGuire	X
		Kerry Severson	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving The Disposal By The Sheriff’s Department Of A 2014 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle.

WHEREAS it is provided in the second paragraph (f) of Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board that the disposal of surplus County property which a department’s supervising committee estimates has a market value of more than \$1,000 must be approved by the County Board, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee and Sheriff Jim Bindl have recommended that the County Board approve the disposal of a 2014 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle, which is Squad # 14, and the Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that authority is hereby granted for the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee and Sheriff Jim Bindl to sell a 2014 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle, which is Squad # 14, in a manner deemed appropriate by the Committee and the net sale proceeds shall be deposited in the General Fund in the 2021 County budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to the disposition of this vehicle, the Sheriff’s Department shall, again in accordance with the second paragraph (f) of Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board, offer this vehicle by email to other County departments at no cost, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE	
AYES _____NOES _____			
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Melissa Luck	X
		David Turk	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
COUNTY CLERK _____		Daniel McGuire	X
DATED _____		Kerry Severson	X

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - _____

A Resolution Approving A New 2021 Contract For The Health And Human Services Department.

WHEREAS the Health and Human Services Board and the Director of the Health and Human Services Department, Ms. Tracy Thorsen, have recommended that a new 2021 contract be approved, and

WHEREAS it is provided in Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board that any contract by the Department of Health and Human Services Department which involves the expenditure of \$50,000 or more at any one time or within the course of one year must be approved by the County Board, and

WHEREAS the Health and Human Services Board has carefully considered this matter and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for a new 2021 contract with Gundersen Health System – Gundersen St. Joseph’s Hospital and Clinics & Gundersen Boscobel Area Hospitals and Clinics (Hillsboro and Boscobel) in the amount of \$100,000 to provide occupational and/or physical therapy services to Birth to Three Program children being served by the Behavioral Health Services Unit, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Health and Human Services Board is hereby authorized to amend the above contracts by not more than 15%, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Health and Human Services Board is hereby authorized to sign the above contracts on behalf of the County in accordance with this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY BOARD	
AYES _____NOES _____		SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH AND	
		HUMAN SERVICES BOARD	
RESOLUTION _____		FOR	AGAINST
_____		Kerry Severson	X
COUNTY CLERK		Ingrid Glasbrenner	X
		Van Nelson	X
DATED _____		Brad Wegner	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Granting Temporary Authority To The County Administrator To Extend The Deadline For Employees To Take Their Accrued Vacation.

WHEREAS it is provided in subsection 12 entitled “Vacation” under the heading “Compensation and Fringe Benefits” in the Handbook of Personnel Policies and Work Rules that employees’ vacation time must be used within 18 months following the employees’ anniversary date except that the Finance and Personnel Committee is authorized to extend this deadline if the employee has been unable to take their accrued vacation within 18 months due to unforeseen circumstances, and

WHEREAS County Administrator Clinton Langreck has proposed to the Finance and Personnel Committee that the County Administrator be granted temporary authority during the continued pandemic to extend the deadline for employees to utilize their accrued vacation beyond the 18 months deadline, with this authority to expire on April 30, 2021 and extended deadline vacations must be used by not later than June 30, 2021, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County Administrator is hereby granted temporary authority to extend the 18-month expiration date for employees to use accrued vacation, with extended-deadline vacations to be taken by not later than June 30, 2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that department heads who want to take advantage of this provision should petition the County Administrator for an extended-vacation deadline for their employees or themselves, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication and shall expire on June 30, 2021.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

COUNTY CLERK

DATED _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Melissa Luck	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving Temporary Coronavirus Unpaid Leave For Qualifying County Employees.

WHEREAS Federal law employment provisions relating to the coronavirus expired on December 31, 2020 and the County wants to take up the slack by allowing full-time County employees up to 80 hours (pro-rated for part-time County employees) of ~~unpaid~~ leave for coronavirus-related reasons, and

WHEREAS County Administrator Clinton Langreck has proposed this policy to the Finance and Personnel Committee which is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that qualifying full-time County employees are hereby authorized to take up to ~~80 hours~~ a total of 10 days in a two week period up to a maximum of 80 hours (pro-rated for qualifying part-time employees) of ~~unpaid~~ leave, for COVID-19 related events that may not currently meet eligibility under sick or FMLA, and ~~leave after first exhausting all accrued sick leave and vacation time, and~~

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that employees will utilize accrued benefit time for this leave, or may enter a negative sick balance to receive compensation during this leave if other accrued time is exhausted, or exempt employees eligible for “Exempt COVID-19 Leave” may be compensated under that benefit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in order to qualify for this program, the employee must meet one of the following conditions:

- (a) subject to a Federal, State or local quarantine or isolation order related to coronavirus;
- (b) advised by health care providers to self quarantine due to concerns related to coronavirus;
- (c) experiencing coronavirus symptoms and seeking medical diagnosis;
- (d) caring for an individual who is subject to a Federal, State or local quarantine or isolation order related to coronavirus or who has been advised by a health care provider to self quarantine due to concerns related to coronavirus;
- (e) caring for a family member if the school or place of care of the family member has been closed or if the child care provider of the family member is unavailable due to coronavirus, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that leaves taken in accordance with this Resolution shall not affect benefit accrual or be used against health insurance proration factors, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective as of January 1, 2021 and shall expire on March 31, 2021.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

COUNTY CLERK

DATED _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Melissa Luck	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Assigning The Computer Room Between The County Clerk’s Office And The Treasurer’s Office To The County Administrator.

WHEREAS one of the duties of the Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee is to designate office space for the County Administrator and the Committee is recommending that the computer room located between the County Clerk’s office and the Treasurer’s office be assigned to the County Administrator, and

WHEREAS the Committee has made this recommendation to the Property, Building and Grounds Committee which has carefully considered this proposal and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the computer room, located between the County Clerk’s office and the Treasurer’s office, is hereby assigned as the office of the County Administrator, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE PROPERTY, BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE	
AYES _____NOES _____			
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
_____		Richard McKee	X
COUNTY CLERK		Chad Cosgrove	X
DATED _____		Steve Carrow	X
		Daniel McGuire	X
		Steve Williamson	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Making Changes To Two Positions That Are Currently In The County Clerk’s Office.

WHEREAS there are currently two assistants positions in the County Clerk’s office, an Accounts Payable Specialist, which is held by Ms. Amy Louis, and a Payroll & Benefits Specialist, which is held by Ms.Tami Hendrickson, and

WHEREAS, as part of the transition to the County administrative form of government, the Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee has proposed to the Finance and Personnel Committee which in turn is proposing to the County Board several changes to these positions, including that they report to the County Administrator rather than the County Clerk, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered the proposed changes to these two positions and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the following changes to the two positions currently in the County Clerk’s office are hereby approved:

- 1. The Accounts Payable Specialist position, which is held by Ms. Amy Louis, is transferred from the County Clerk’s office to the County Administrator’s office, with the pay grade for Ms. Louis remaining at Step 4, Grade G in the County’s Pay Plan (\$19.85 per hour) and the amended job description for this position which is on file in the County Clerk’s office and which is accessible on the County’s website is hereby approved;
- 2. The Payroll & Benefit Specialist position, which is held by Ms. Tami Hendrickson, is hereby transferred from the County Clerk’s office to the County Administrator’s office with the pay grade for Ms. Hendrickson remaining at Step 4, Grade H in the County’s Pay Plan (\$21.62 per hour) and the amended job description which is on file in the County Clerk’s office and which accessible on the County’s website is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective on February 1, 2021.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

COUNTY CLERK

DATED _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Melissa Luck	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Approving The Purchase And Installation Of A Heat Exchanger At Melvill Hall On The U.W. Platteville-Richland Campus.

WHEREAS the old heat exchanger at Melvill Hall failed in late November and it was necessary to replace it on an emergency basis, and

WHEREAS it is provided in the second paragraph (e) of Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board that the chair of the appropriate committee is authorized to act on behalf of the County on an emergency basis when presentation of the matter to the County Board cannot be accomplished on a timely basis, and

WHEREAS the U.W. Platteville-Richland Committee is now recommending approval of purchasing and installing the heat exchanger on an emergency basis by presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for a project consisting of purchasing and installing a new heat exchanger at Melvill Hall on the U.W. Platteville-Richland campus, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bidding statutes were complied with and the lowest bid of Precision Controls & Service, LLC of Richland Center in the amount of \$17,925.99 is hereby approved and the contract for this project is hereby awarded to that firm, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this project shall be paid for with funds from the 2021 Short Term Capital Borrowing Fund (Fund # 92), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of Supervisor Linda Gentes, the Chair of the U.W. Platteville-Richland Committee, in approving this project on an emergency basis, is hereby ratified, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE U.W. PLATTEVILLE-RICHLAND COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Linda Gentes	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
COUNTY CLERK _____		Bob Frank	X
		Timothy Gottschall	X
DATED _____		Lee Van Landuyt	X

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 20-126 Which Created A Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee To Complete The Transition To The Administrative Form Of County Government.

WHEREAS, at its August 18, 2020 meeting, the County Board adopted Resolution No. 20-126 creating a Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee to complete the transition to the administrative form of County government, and

WHEREAS the Temporary Committee has met several times and it turns out that the issues surrounding the transition to an administrative form of government are more complicated than initially anticipated, and

WHEREAS County Administrator Clinton Langreck has recommended to the Rules and Resolutions Committee that the Temporary Transition Committee be expanded from 3 Supervisors to 5 Supervisors and that the deadline for the completion of the Temporary Transition Committee’s work be extended from February 1, 2021 to June 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that Resolution No. 20-126 relating to creating a Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee to complete the transition to the administrative form of County government is hereby amended by repealing the following crossed out material and adopting the following underlined material:

“1. 3-5 Supervisors appointed by the County Board after receiving nominations from the Committee on Committees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication and shall expire on ~~February~~ to June 1, 2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD	
AYES _____	NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____			FOR AGAINST
		Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
		Chad Cosgrove	X
		Kerry Severson	X
		Melissa Luck	X
		Donald Seep	X
COUNTY CLERK _____			
DATED _____			

ORDINANCE NO. 21 - _____

Amendment No. _____ To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Micah and Christina Wilson in the Town of Buena Vista.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. The County Board, having considered the following factors, hereby finds that the following rezoning is in the best interests of the citizens of Richland County:

- (a) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
- (b) Provision of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
- (c) The land to be rezoned is suitable for development and development will not cause unreasonable water or air pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- (d) Non-farm development will be directed to non-agricultural soils or less productive soils.
- (e) Non-farm development will be directed to areas where it will cause minimum disruption of established farm operations or damage to environmentally sensitive areas.
- (f) Non-farm development will be encouraged to locate so as to leave a maximum amount of farmland in farmable size parcels.
- (g) Non-farm residential development will be directed to existing platted subdivisions and sanitary districts.

2. Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5, which was adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors on May 20, 2003, as amended to date, is hereby further amended as follows:

That the official maps designating district boundaries, as adopted by Richland County Ordinance 1985 No. 1 (also known as Amendment No. 1 to the Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 3), which was adopted on March 19, 1985, are hereby amended as follows:

3. That the following described 0.89 acre belonging to Micha and Christina Wilson in the Town of Buena Vista is hereby rezoned from the General Agricultural and Forestry District to the Single-Family Residential (R-2) District:

LOT 1 AND OUTLOT 1 OF CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP NUMBER 734 RECORDED SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 IN CERTIFIED SURVEYS ON PAGES 29-31 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 275501, AND ADDITIONAL UNPLATTED LANDS, BEING LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 6, TOWN 9 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, TOWN OF BUENA VISTA, RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN, BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE WEST QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 6, T9N, R2E; THENCE S00°40'15"W ON THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER, 303.24' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S62°44'29"E, 206.83'; THENCE S42°27'59"W, 110.53'; THENCE S31°47'17"E, 68.57'; THENCE S42°27'36"W, 93.67'; THENCE S53°53'06"W, 79.07'; THENCE N 47°39'12" W, 30.64' TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE N 00°45'48" E, 329.66' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL CONTAINS 0.89 ACRES (38,858 SQ.FT.±), MORE OR LESS.

3. This Ordinance shall be effective on January 19, 2021.

Dated: _____
Passed: _____
Published: _____

ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND
LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Marty Brewer, Chair
Richland County Board of Supervisors

Marc Couey	X
Steve Williamson	X
Chad Cosgrove	X
Linda Gentes	X
Ingrid Glasbrenner	X

ATTEST:

FOR AGAINST

Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.20 - _____

A Resolution Detailing The Utilization Of The Funds From The County’s Recent Short Term Capital Borrowing.

WHEREAS, at its September 15, 2020 meeting, the County Board approved undertaking short term borrowing by issuing \$1,050,000 in taxable general obligation promissory notes, with the result that there will be a net \$1,032,132.00 available to be spent on capital improvement projects, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee and County Administrator Clinton Langreck have proposed a series of projects to be undertaken with the borrowed funds and the Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the \$1,032,132.00 derived from the recent issuance of taxable general obligation promissory notes to be utilized for the following projects in the following amounts:

<u>Allocation:</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Project or Improvement</u>
\$ 75,000	Courthouse	Old Courthouse/window replacement and facility improvements
\$ 24,000	Courthouse	Replacement of heat exchangers (estimating 3 units)
\$ 30,000	Courthouse	Large Courtroom improvement projects
\$ 30,000	Courthouse	Old Courthouse roof repair
\$ 20,000	Management Information Systems	Network infrastructure improvement
\$ 6,000	Health and Human Services	Heating/cooling unit replacement
\$ 130,000	Sheriff	2 Patrol vehicles (est. 2 units with configuration)
\$ 45,000	Sheriff	Tower/radio (assessment and specification design)
\$ 20,000	U.W. campus	Humidifier replacements in Library; heating ventilating and air conditioning controls in Wallace and Melville Halls; facility improvements
\$ 650,000	Highway	County trunk road improvements
\$ 2,132		Administration Contingent
Total.....		\$1,032,132, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

COUNTY CLERK

DATED _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
Marc Couey	X
Marty Brewer	X
Linda Gentes	X
Melissa Luck	X
Donald Seep	X
David Turk	X

RESOLUTION NO.20 - _____

A Resolution Establishing A Timetable For Drawing Supervisory District Boundaries After the 2020 Census.

WHEREAS the County Board must establish new Supervisory district boundaries after the 2020 census in accordance with the procedure set forth in Wisconsin Statutes, sections 59.10 (1) and (3)(a) to (c), and

WHEREAS the Rules and Resolutions Committee has considered a proposal to establish a timetable for drawing Supervisory district boundaries after the 2020 census and the Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following timetable is established for the drawing of Supervisory district boundaries after the 2020 census:

Step 1	February – March 2021	Determine the size of the County Board and appoint a redistricting committee
Step 2	March 2021	Establish guidelines for redistricting
Step 3	April-May 2021	Develop a tentative plan
Step 4	June-July 2021	Create municipal wards
Step 5	August-September 2021	Finalize and adopt redistricting plan, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION	RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AND ETHICS BOARD	
AYES _____NOES _____		
RESOLUTION _____		FOR AGAINST
_____	Shaun Murphy-Lopez	X
COUNTY CLERK	Chad Cosgrove	X
	Kerry Severson	X
	Melissa Luck	X
DATED _____	Donald Seep	X

Administrative Transition Committee Resource Report November- December 2020

PREFACE

This report is written by Melissa Luck, Chair of the Administrative Transition Committee. It has not yet been approved by the entire committee but I wanted to share it with the whole County Board, in an effort to make sure you have a clear understanding of what information/data has been gathered and discussed at length in these committee meetings. I will seek commentary/corrections from Supervisors Turk and Glasbrenner at the County Board meeting to ensure I have presented an accurate description of the activities of this committee thus far. I also intend to present this report, with the opportunity for Supervisors to make any changes needed, at the next Committee meeting. Once approved, this report will be published on the Administrative Transition Committee's county webpage.

The committee has met 3 times (we were scheduled to meet a 4th time but that meeting was cancelled in order to gather more information). I am including a list of all the materials that were provided to committee members for review at each meeting and a brief summary of the discussions that followed. The actual materials are provided as an appendix to this document and I have referenced page numbers in the materials list to assist in finding the appropriate document. Materials are also available on the committee's website and in the committee's iPad folder.

11/6/20 meeting material included:

1. County Administrator job description - see pages 6-8
2. WCA summary of County Clerk duties – see page 9
3. SWOT analysis done by Administration Study Committee – see page 10
4. Page 10 of the Administration Study Report (committee recommendation summary) – page 11
5. County Clerk Statutes – pages 12-13
6. Spreadsheet summary of County Clerk staffing levels in all 72 Wisconsin counties – pages 14-15

Summary of meeting: For purposes of evaluating staffing needs of the Administrator the following documents were reviewed. County Administrator's job description with special attention to sections 4, 5 and 6 that outline the Financial and HR expectations of that position. In part, the SWOT analysis identified the following as Weaknesses: Budget process, Lack of financial stability, No HR and finance departments; and the following as Threats : Strained finances, Litigation (lack of HR). The Administration Study Committee also identified the following as 2 of 9 criteria "critical for the improved administration of Richland County": Financial oversight of all departmental budgets and HR management to create uniform HR policy across departments. After review of all of these documents, it became clear that the Administrator would need staff in order to be successful.

Corporation Counsel expressed that he felt the County Board did not have the authority to determine the number of staff in the County Clerk's office, or to transfer positions out of the County Clerk's office. His opinion was that we could create new positions in the Administrator's office but could not transfer any position from the Clerk's office to the Administrator's office.

11/20/20 Meeting cancelled.

12/4/20 meeting material included:

1. Agenda item #5 cover sheet- Discussion and possible action on authority of county personnel and functions. Includes Wisconsin Statute 59.22(2)(c)(1) defining County Board authority to determine staffing levels in all county offices, including deputies to elected officers- see page 16
2. Email communication from Corporation Counsel in regard to county wide personnel administration- see page 17-19
3. Email communication from Corporation Counsel in regard to legal principles governing positions in the County Clerk's office- see page 20
4. Email communication from Corporation Counsel in regard to legal principles governing positions in the County Clerk's office- see page 21
5. Email communication from Clerk Vlasak defining current operations in the County Clerk's office see pages 22-23
6. Resolution creating Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee, defining mission of committee- see page 24
7. County Administrator Strategic Plan approved by County Board – see pages 25-26
8. County Administrator job description – see pages 6-8
9. County Clerk office position descriptions with statute references – see pages 27-31
10. Wisconsin Statutes County Clerk – see pages 12-13
11. Sample Deputy County Clerk job description from Calumet County – see page 32
12. Sample Deputy County Clerk job description from Portage County – see pages 33-34

Summary of meeting: The meeting began with Chair Luck presenting research that had been done to clarify County Board authority in determining staffing for departments. The following resources were utilized:

1. Reviewed the opinions sent to the committee by our Corporation Counsel
2. In depth review of Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 59 (County Government)
3. Webex meeting with Wisconsin Counties Association Attorney Andrew Philips.
4. Phone conversation with Calumet County Administrator
5. Email communication with Iowa County Administrator

The conversation with the Wisconsin Counties Association Attorney Phillips was incredibly helpful. When asked if the County Board has the authority to decide how many positions are in any county department, he referenced the following:

Per Wisconsin Statutes [59.22\(2\)\(C\)\(1\)](#)

(2) APPOINTIVE OFFICIALS; DEPUTY OFFICERS; AND EMPLOYEES.

(a) Except for elective offices included under sub. [\(1\)](#), supervisors and circuit judges, and subject to s. [59.794 \(3\)](#), the board has the powers set forth in this subsection, sub. [\(3\)](#) and s. [59.03 \(1\)](#) as to any office, department, board, commission, committee, position or employee in county service created under any statute, the salary or compensation for which is paid in whole or in part by the county, and the jurisdiction and duties of which lie within the county or any portion thereof and the powers conferred by this section shall be in addition to all other grants of power and shall be limited only by express language.

(c)

1. Except as provided in subd. [2.](#) and par. [\(d\)](#), the board may do any of the following:

a. Provide, fix or change the salary or compensation of any office, board, commission, committee, position, employee or deputies to elective officers that is subject to sub. [\(1\)](#) without regard to the tenure of the incumbent.

b. Establish the number of employees in any department or office including deputies to elective officers.

c. Establish regulations of employment for any person paid from the county treasury.

Attorney Phillips also helped clarify the role of the Clerk in the finances of the county. The Clerk is the repository for the records of accounts. The Clerk's office will communicate with finance and payroll positions but it is not required that the Clerk supervise those positions.

Discussion continued with the following background. On October 27, 2020, the County Board approved Resolution #20-126 creating a Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee to perform the following:

- Identify the staffing needs of the County Administrator.
- Evaluate staffing levels across all departments in the County to identify what staff, if any, can be moved from other departments to the County Administrator's office.
- Identify what office space the County Administrator and his staff will occupy.

On September 15, 2020, the County Board approved Resolution #20-107 establishing a Strategic Plan and Administrative Priorities. Of the 10 priorities ranked by the County Board (referred to as "Challenges for the County Administrator"), the #2 priority was to "Transition Finance and HR from County Clerk's Office to the Administrator's Office."

The Administrator's job description, which was last amended by the County Board on July 21, 2020 through Resolution #20-76, details the Finance and HR responsibilities of the Administrator under the following points:

4. Budget Preparation and Execution
5. Financial Reports and Planning
6. Human Resources

A review of the 3 positions currently in the County Clerk's office. The positions are:

1. Accounting Supervisor/Deputy Clerk- this position is currently vacant
2. Payroll and Benefits Specialist – this position is currently held by Tami Hendrickson
3. Accounts Payable Specialist- this position is currently held by Amy Louis.

Duties under each job description for these 3 positions were identified as HR, Financial or associated with a County Clerk statutory duty. A majority of duties for the Accounting Supervisor and Payroll/Benefits Specialist positions were identified as NOT being duties defined in the County Clerk statutes, while the Accounts Payable Specialist position did have a majority of duties that are defined by statute.

There were also documents shared that reviewed staffing levels present in County Clerk's offices in the other 71 counties in Wisconsin (see pages 14-15). This document was created by an evaluation of each County's website, for informational purposes only. The information was not verified by direct communication with each county. Sample job descriptions for County Clerk Deputy positions were also provided to committee members (see pages 32-34).

12/16/20 meeting material included:

1. Agenda Items 5 & 6 cover sheet – see page 35
2. Spreadsheet outlining job duties for the 3 positions currently in County Clerk's office with recommendation as to which duties should be transferred to County Administrator's office or remain in the Clerk's office – see pages 36-40
3. Spreadsheet transition planning- major functions cycle – see page 41
4. Spreadsheet describing transition issues to be addressed with potential solutions – see page 42

Summary of Meeting: Administrator Langreck presented a spreadsheet outlining the duties of each of the 3 positions currently in the County Clerk's office. It contains a recommendation next to each duty

as to whether that duty would stay in the County Clerk's office or move to the Administrator's office based on the documents reviewed and discussed at the previous Administrative Transition Committee meeting. The recommendation was made to allocate 2 positions (Accounting Supervisor and Payroll & Benefits Specialist) to the County Administrator and 1 position (Accounts Payable Specialist) to the County Clerk's office. Duties listed on the Accounting supervisor and Payroll/Benefits Specialist positions that relate to County Clerk statutory duties would be removed from those position descriptions and added to the Accounts Payable Specialist position. The title of Deputy Clerk would be removed from the Accounting Supervisor position and the Clerk can assign that title to the position that remains in the County Clerk's office. The only duty on the Accounting Supervisor/Deputy Clerk job description that was identified as a Deputy County Clerk duty was "Serve as County Clerk in Clerk's absence". Duties on the Accounts Payable Specialist position that are not statutory Clerk duties would be transferred to the County Administrator's office.

Review and discussion of the calendar of major HR and financial events was extensive. The work of the HR and financial positions are busy year round, with no breaks between major events. The open Accounting Supervisor position is a critical position that needs to be filled as soon as possible. Discussion followed on how to get that position filled as quickly as possible. Primary concerns raised in regard to delaying the transition to summer 2021 or later were that if the position was advertised and filled with the current position description and supervisor, knowing that both are going to change in the near future, it could lead to confusion and difficulties for the person filling that position. It could also inhibit some qualified applicants from applying because the county is known to be in the middle of a transition with that position.

Administrator Langreck then presented his recommendation for office space. It should be noted that the recommendation for the Administrator to occupy the computer room off the County Clerk's office is the best solution at this time. It creates a shared environment to facilitate communication during the transition of HR and financial functions from the Clerk to the Administrator. It should not, however, be considered a permanent solution. The office space to be occupied by the Administrator is not ideal and other options should be considered in the near future.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

On January 6, 2021 Clerk Vlasak wrote an email to the County Board. I reached out to Supervisor Murphy-Lopez as Chair of Finance and Personnel regarding the question of layoffs. He responded to a limited number of people to avoid violating open meetings laws. His response is below for your reference, which I am now sharing with the whole board to be discussed in a public meeting.

From: Shaun Murphy-Lopez
Sent: Thursday, January 7, 2021 10:29 AM
To: Victor Vlasak
Cc: Clinton Langreck; Melissa Luck; Lee Van Landuyt; Van Nelson
Subject: Fw: Transition
Victor,

See my answers **in red** below.

Thanks,

Shaun

P.S. Van & Lee - not sure you would do this, but if so please do not forward this to other County Board members, since that might violate [Wisconsin Open Meetings law](#) (per your email responses earlier).

From: Victor Vlasak
Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 8:44 AM
To: County Board; Department Heads
Cc: 'Attorney Benjamin Southwick'; Clinton Langreck
Subject: Transition

Action was taken yesterday by the Finance and Personnel Committee for the "Reduction of the Accounting Supervisor and Payroll and Benefits Supervisor positions in the County Clerk's office and addition of the same positions to the County Administrator's office with necessary position function adjustments effective February 1st".

You took no action to create a Deputy Clerk position. So, February 1st the County Clerk has no staff. This would not be true, if the County Board adopts the committees' recommendation. You would still have 1 FTE (Accts Payable Specialist) and the statutory authority to name your Deputy Clerk. We don't have that authority. You've also been operating without a Deputy Clerk since September, when Derek resigned. Clint has the County Board's authority to approve job description changes. So if you want to change the title of the Accounts Payable Specialist to include "Deputy Clerk," you can recommend that change to Clint, and Clint can approve it.

What happens to the Accounts Payable Specialist position? Since you did not take any action regarding the position, it appears it will continue as a position for the County Clerk. Here you are correct. Although the County Board has the authority to make changes here as well (if statutorily appropriate), in future committee/board meetings.

You have only addressed position changes. You have not addressed the status of the current employees that occupy those positions. What happens to them?

Current employees in the County Clerk's office are Tami Hendrickson, Payroll and Benefits Specialist and Amy Louis, Accounts Payable Specialist.

Are they laid off?

Are they furloughed?

Are they fired?

To clear this up for Tami's position, refer to a few of our documents. First, according to the Employee Handbook*** (see below and attached), we did not "abolish" a position. So no layoff is required. Second, Resolution No. 20-126 only gives the committee the authority to move staff from other departments to the Administrator (see below and attached). It does not give them the authority to recommend layoffs (or "abolishing").

For Amy, our committees have made no recommended changes to that position, so who occupies that position is still under your supervision.

Employee Handbook***, page 24-25 (see attached)

"a. Elimination of Position: Whenever it becomes necessary, in the interest of economy or because the necessity for the position involved no longer exists or because of reorganization or lack of work, the County Board may abolish any position covered by this policy. Any employee holding such an abolished position shall be laid off."

Resolution No. 20-126

"evaluate staffing levels across all departments in the County to identify what staff, if any, can be moved from other departments to the County Administrator's office"

***Note that tracked changes in the Employee Handbook were approved by the Finance & Personnel Committee, but not the County Board. Clint is working with Ben to recommend additional changes to the Employee Handbook per Ben's 11/24/20 email, before this goes to County Board.

Richland County Administrator duties

1. Meeting Attendance & County Board Relations.

A. Attends all meetings of the County Board, except when excused by the County Board Chair or the County Board, and advises and recommends courses of action to the Board as it pertains to matters of County interest.

B. Supports the County Board by assisting with the preparation of the agendas, minutes of the meeting, and all resolutions and ordinances to be presented to the Board.

C. Provides the Board with data regarding County programs and activities, and makes regular reports to the Board.

D. Sees that all orders, ordinances, resolutions, and regulations adopted by the County Board are faithfully executed.

E. Attends and participates in committee meetings as deemed necessary or requested by committee chairs.

F. Monitors, reviews and keeps the County Board fully informed of any federal and state administrative, legislative and judicial developments which may affect or impact the County. Solicits the Board's position, drafts responses, recommends amendments, and supports said legislation. May represent the County at state legislative meetings or hearings, or engage in lobbying efforts, on behalf of the county.

2. Administrative Duties.

A. Appoints and supervises all Department Heads of the County, except those elected by the people. Supervises, coordinates, and directs all administrative and management functions of the County's departments and agencies under direct jurisdiction or fiscal control of the County Board, including requiring the periodic submission of organizational charts and departmental activity reports and conducting regular meetings with department heads. Oversees the day-to-day operations of all County government functions ensuring effectiveness and efficiency.

B. Responsible for the overall direction, coordination, and evaluation of the County Administrator's Office. Carries out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with the County's policies and other applicable laws. Responsibilities include interviewing, hiring, and training Department Heads (who are not elected by the people); planning, assigning, and directing work; appraising performance; rewarding and disciplining Department Heads (who are not elected by the people); addressing complaints and resolving problems. Reviews all recommendations for disciplinary suspensions and discharge of all employees.

C. Researches and recommends the establishment and modification of County policies, and interprets and advises Department Heads concerning board policies, directives and expectations. Ensures the policies and programs adopted by the County Board are effectively carried out.

D. Appoints the members of all Boards and Commissions, subject to the confirmation of the County Board. Coordinates and actively participates in the selection and appointment process for the committees of the County Board.

E. Acts as a resource for all union negotiations, and actively participates in the development of the County's negotiation strategy.

F. In coordination with the oversight committees and department heads reviews and determines whether vacant positions should be filled.

G. Directs the preparation of all reports, studies, and research as the Board may require concerning operations of the County; prepares plans and programs for the Board's consideration in anticipation of future needs.

H. Reviews and signs all contracts for goods and services after review by the Corporation Counsel and department head. Approves all intergovernmental contracts and rental or lease contracts on behalf of the County.

I. Manages a wide variety of major projects and coordinates the roles of staff in the process.

3. Strategic Planning & Organizational Improvement.

A. Makes recommendations, assists the County Board in establishing, and advances the organizational mission, vision, values and identified County goals.

B. Develops, integrates, and directs the current and long-range strategic plans for all County activities. Uses resources within the County to accomplish organizational goals and objectives and assists in the formulation of those goals and objectives to assure they support the County's mission, vision and values.

C. Evaluates, on a continuing basis, the levels of service provided by County Departments and recommends the establishment and/or modification of policies, procedures, or operating standards. Recommends reorganization, improvement, or development of new functions, or abandonment of old functions, to the County Board.

D. Takes the initiative to propose to the County Board such actions as will contribute to the efficiency, productivity, and overall improvement of County operations.

4. Budget Preparation and Execution.

A. Responsible for the preparation and submission of the annual budget and capital improvement program to the County Board.

B. Establishes, with the Finance and Personnel Committee procedures, format, and priorities desired in the preparation of the budget. Conducts and schedules budget hearings and meetings on budget requests with the Finance and Personnel Committee. Attends budget meetings and makes recommendations on said budgets.

C. Executes the adopted budget, ensuring that all expenditures of County funds are made in strict compliance; reviews all departmental and agency requests or adjustments transfers of budgeted funds with the Finance and Personnel Committee, and the board as necessary

5. Financial Reports and Planning. *In cooperation with the Finance and Personnel Committee*

A. Makes regular reports to the Board, keeping the Board fully advised as to the financial condition of the County and its future financial needs. Recommends such matters to them for their consideration as deemed necessary or advisable for administration and coordination of County functions.

against anticipated county growth, and recommends methods of financing future needs.

B. Directs the examination of all accounts, records and operations of the County, which receive moneys from the County Board.

C. Maintains and provides affected departments with current information on availability of funds and procedures to apply for federal and state grant programs and assists in application for and procurement of such grants.

D. Develops bonding projects for the County and makes subsequent recommendations for the County Board.

6. Human Resources

A. Administers the County's Handbook of Personnel Policies and Work Rules

B. Administers the County's employee fringe benefits programs

C. Reviews all recommendations for disciplinary suspensions or discharges

D. Develops hiring policies and monitors hiring practices and decisions to ensure that consistent and sound personnel policies are followed.

7. Property Management.

A. Monitors the care and custody of all buildings, grounds and property of the County, and ensures that an accurate inventory of said property is maintained.

B. Directs the preparation of plans for the management of County properties and for the construction and alteration of physical facilities needed to render County services properly, said plans to be submitted to the Board, recommending the priority of projects.

C. Coordinates, with the appropriate committee, the preparation of architectural plans for County buildings and their construction, and allocates space to County departments and agencies.

8. Community & Intergovernmental Relations.

A. Initiates contact with other state and local governmental agencies, to recognize policy shifts, resolve developing conflicts, identify opportunities for cooperation, explore and evaluate potential operational efficiencies and cost savings.

B. Invites other local units of government to cooperate with the County through the establishment of task forces, conference committees, and other similar arrangements.

C. Handles the public relations affairs of the County and the County Board. Serves as the chief administrative spokesperson for the County, which role is to be coordinated with the County Board Chair, who acts as the chief elected spokesperson.

D. Maintains good community relations, including ensuring timely investigation and response to citizen complaints and inquiries.

E. Maintains positive, professional, and business-like working relationships with the community and other units of government. *It is unlikely an employee will perform all the duties listed, nor is the list exhaustive in the sense it covers all the duties an employee may be required to perform. The examples are merely indicative, not restrictive. No provision of this position description is intended to vest any duty, or grant any authority which is vested by law in any other County Officer, Commission, Committee, or Board.*

Duties & Services of the County Clerk's Office

SERVICES TO THE COUNTY BOARD

- ❑ Recording secretary
- ❑ Prepare and publish agendas for county board and committee meetings
- ❑ Record meeting minutes for county board and committee meetings
- ❑ Certification of county board actions
- ❑ Publish official proceedings
- ❑ Ensure compliance with open meetings law
- ❑ Ensure compliance with records retention laws
- ❑ Ensure compliance with freedom of information requests
- ❑ Compile/publish/maintain current county directory
- ❑ Sign contracts, deeds and agreements as approved by county board

ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

- ❑ Serve as election officer of the county
- ❑ Receive and file the official oaths and bonds of all county officers
- ❑ Serve as the filing officer for county candidates and referenda questions
- ❑ Prepare and publish election notices
- ❑ Prepare/print/distribute ballots and supplies to municipal clerks
- ❑ Program election tabulation equipment
- ❑ Maintain Statewide Voter Registration System for general,

- judicial and special elections
- ❑ Provide Statewide Voter Registration System services for local municipalities
- ❑ Tabulate and report election results
- ❑ Conduct Boards of Canvass and recounts
- ❑ Issue Certificates of Election
- ❑ Election training for municipal clerks and school districts

LICENSES AND PERMITS

- ❑ Issue marriage licenses and maintain index
- ❑ Issue domestic partnership certificates and domestic partnership terminations and maintain indexes
- ❑ Distribute state dog license and supplies to municipal treasurers
- ❑ Administer dog license fee accounts
- ❑ Process passport applications
- ❑ Issue conservation licenses
- ❑ Issue hayrack and sleigh ride permits
- ❑ Issue pawnbroker and secondhand dealer licenses
- ❑ Issue temporary and/or permanent vehicle license plate and registration renewals
- ❑ Issue work permits for minors

FINANCIAL FUNCTIONS

- ❑ Sign all orders for payment of money directed by the board
- ❑ Budgeting

- ❑ Apportionment of taxes
- ❑ General accounting
- ❑ Bonding/borrowing
- ❑ Payroll
- ❑ Purchase liability, property and other insurance
- ❑ Insurance maintenance
- ❑ GASB reporting
- ❑ Asset inventory
- ❑ Sale of tax deed property

OTHER STATUTORY DUTIES

- ❑ Annually compile and transmit list of municipal officers to secretary of state
- ❑ Zoning matters
- ❑ Farmland preservation
- ❑ Library reimbursement requirements
- ❑ Timber harvest notices
- ❑ Probate claim notices
- ❑ Miscellaneous highway department records
- ❑ Contracts, leases and agreements
- ❑ Claims against the county
- ❑ Historical Society
- ❑ Other non-mandated functions
- ❑ Administrative coordinator
- ❑ Personnel
- ❑ Data processing
- ❑ Purchasing
- ❑ Facilities maintenance
- ❑ Insurance
- ❑ Redistricting
- ❑ Website maintenance
- ❑ Other duties specific to local office

SWOT Analysis

<p style="text-align: center;">Strengths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loyal and dedicated staff • Communication • Willingness to make change • Services we provide to residents • Positive outlook between dept. heads and supervisors • Caring supervisors and dept. heads • Rural and scenic 	<p style="text-align: center;">Weaknesses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget process • Lack of financial stability • No HR and finance departments • Communication/unclear processes • No centralization of departments
<p style="text-align: center;">Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More assistance with HR rules • At a cross-road, chance to improve processes • Clear roles for supervisors and dept. heads • Desire to change • To address: lack of transparency and increase public satisfaction • Better quality of life for residents • Better overall picture of county fiscally • To make county more efficient and cost savings through streamlining • A centralized government entity • To budget a new position of leadership • Clear roles for supervisors and department heads 	<p style="text-align: center;">Threats</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strained finances • Litigation (lack of HR) • Lack of transparency • Public dissatisfaction • Tax base in danger of eroding as farm industry slides downward • Cost of new position (salary, benefits, office space) • Failure to see big picture • County board will not like a coordinator and will work against that person. • County is poor • Population shift and state/federal dollars going to urban areas

The following criteria were identified as critical for the improved administration of Richland County:

1. Financial oversight of all department budgets. Work with departments to develop budget and possibly identify areas to improve efficiency
2. Evaluate county as a whole and identify possible areas of redundancy/deficiency and formulate plan to improve efficiency
3. Strategic plan implementation/capital expense plan
4. HR management to create uniform HR policy across departments
5. Supervise Department Heads
6. Create communication plan to disseminate information to employees and public
7. Create centralized services (where appropriate) to increase buying power and create efficiencies.
8. Eliminate “silos” (departments acting unilaterally)
9. Facilitation of coordination between county board and departments

RECOMMENDATION

After much research and deliberation, it is the recommendation of this committee that Richland County choose County Administrator (CA) as its form of administration. When considering all the criteria identified as critical for Richland County administration, this committee determined they could not be accomplished in a part-time position. The primary differences between a full-time administrative coordinator (AC) and county administrator are the amount of authority granted by statute. The AC is not given statutory authority for submission of an annual budget or supervising department heads, rather it would have to be explicitly granted by the County Board. It is the opinion of this committee that in order for the administration to be successful in implementing the criteria identified, the position would need to have the authority to handle the county budget as a whole, as well as supervise department heads. Since we want the position to have that authority, and not have it dependent on that authority being granted by the Board, the County Administrator form is best suited to meet the needs of Richland County.

While we were not tasked with discussion of the economic impact of our decision, the committee was mindful of the budget situation when making our recommendation. When comparing full-time administrative coordinator with a county administrator, the costs would be similar.

The committee recommends the job description be well written to address each of the nine criteria with clearly stated authority and expectations. The Board Rules and Committee Structure will also need to be re-written to align with the statutory authorities granted to this position.

15 Updated 17–18 Wis. Stats.**COUNTIES 59.23**

Board of Supervisors can provide, fix, or change the pay of unclassified employees, unless and until board action interferes with the Milwaukee County Executive's day-to-day control of a county department or subunit. *Lipscomb v. Abele*, 2018 WI App 58, 384 Wis. 2d 1, 918 N.W.2d 434, 17–1023.

The Milwaukee County Executive's day-to-day control power under s. 59.794 (3) (a) has the express intent of removing and clarifying some authority of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (Board) under sub. (2) and increasing and clarifying the authority of the Milwaukee County Executive. The Milwaukee County Executive's day-to-day control power prevents the Board from taking actions that effectively direct what duties may or must be accomplished by employees or officers or how they may or must perform those duties, even when a Board action may result in a compensation change. *Lipscomb v. Abele*, 2018 WI App 58, 384 Wis. 2d 1, 918 N.W.2d 434, 17–1023.

A county ordinance implementing a collective bargaining agreement providing for the payment to county employees, upon their leaving government employment, compensation for accumulated sick leave, earned both before and after the effective date of the ordinance, is valid. 59 Atty. Gen. 209.

A county board may not adopt a step-salary plan for elective offices related to experience of the officeholder as compensation is for the office, not the officer, and the officer is entitled to the compensation as an incident of the office. 61 Atty. Gen. 165, 403.

When it is the duty of a county traffic officer to testify or assist in the prosecution of county traffic offenses, the officer is not entitled to witness fees but may be paid additional compensation if a court appearance takes place outside regular working hours. 62 Atty. Gen. 93.

A county board may not deny a salary to an elected official during a period of sickness. A board does not have power to establish sick leave and vacation benefits for elected county officials. 65 Atty. Gen. 62.

The authority to establish salaries for the staff employed by a county's 51.42/51.437 board lies with that board, subject to the general budgetary control of the county board. 65 Atty. Gen. 105.

Discretionary authority to grant increases to elected county officials based upon performance or length of service may not be delegated to a committee of the county board because the board itself lacks the authority to establish such a compensation scheme. 80 Atty. Gen. 258.

59.23 Clerk. (1) DEPUTIES; SALARIES; VACANCIES. (a) Every clerk shall appoint in writing one or more deputies and file the appointment in the clerk's office. The deputy or deputies shall aid in the performance of the duties of the clerk under the clerk's direction, and in case of the absence or disability of the clerk or of a vacancy in the clerk's office, unless another is appointed therefor as provided in par. (c), shall perform all of the duties of the clerk during the absence or until the vacancy is filled. The board may, at its annual meeting or at any special meeting, provide a salary for the deputy or deputies.

(b) In each county the clerk may also appoint the number of assistants that the board authorizes and prescribes, and the assistants shall receive salaries that the board provides and fixes.

(c) If a clerk is incapable of discharging the duties of office the board shall appoint an acting clerk within 90 days after the board adopts a resolution finding that the clerk is incapable of discharging the duties of the office. The acting clerk shall serve until the disability is removed. If the board is not in session at the time of the incapacity, the chairperson of the board may appoint an acting clerk, whose term shall not extend beyond the next regular or special meeting of the board. A person appointed as acting clerk or appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of clerk, upon giving an official bond with sureties as required of a clerk, shall perform all of the duties of the office; and thereupon the powers and duties of the deputy of the last clerk shall cease.

(2) DUTIES. The clerk shall:

(a) *Board proceedings.* Act as clerk of the board at all of the board's regular, special, limited term, and standing committee meetings; under the direction of the county board chairperson or committee chairperson, create the agenda for board meetings; keep and record true minutes of all the proceedings of the board in a format chosen by the clerk, including all committee meetings, either personally or through the clerk's appointee; file in the clerk's office copies of agendas and minutes of board meetings and committee meetings; make regular entries of the board's resolutions and decisions upon all questions; record the vote of each supervisor on any question submitted to the board, if required by any member present; publish ordinances as provided in s. 59.14 (1); and perform all duties prescribed by law or required by the board in connection with its meetings and transactions.

(b) *Recording of proceedings.* Record at length every resolution adopted, order passed and ordinance enacted by the board.

(c) *Orders for payment.* Sign all orders for the payment of money directed by the board to be issued, and keep a true and correct account of such orders, and of the name of the person to whom each order is issued; but he or she shall not sign or issue any county order except upon a recorded vote or resolution of the board authorizing the same; and shall not sign or issue any such order for the payment of the services of any clerk of court, district attorney or sheriff until the person claiming the order files an affidavit stating that he or she has paid into the county treasury all moneys due the county and personally collected or received in an official capacity; and shall not sign or issue any order for the payment of money for any purpose in excess of the funds appropriated for such purpose unless first authorized by a resolution adopted by the county board under s. 65.90 (5).

(cm) *Apportionment of taxes.* Apportion taxes and carry out other responsibilities as specified in s. 70.63 (1).

(d) *Accounts.* File and preserve in the clerk's office all accounts acted upon by the board, and endorse its action thereon, designating specifically upon every account the amount allowed, if any, and the particular items or charges for which allowed, and such as were disallowed, if any.

(de) *Property.* To the extent authorized by the board, exercise the authority under s. 59.52 (6).

(dg) *Dogs.* Perform the responsibilities relating to dog licensing, which are assigned to the clerk under ch. 174, and the dog fund specified in ch. 174.

(di) *Marriage licenses, domestic partnerships.* Administer the program for issuing marriage licenses as provided in ch. 765 and the program for forming and terminating domestic partnerships as provided in ch. 770.

(e) *Reports of receipts and disbursements.* Record the reports of the treasurer of the receipts and disbursements of the county.

(f) *Recording receipts and disbursements.* Keep a true and accurate account of all money which comes into the clerk's hands by virtue of the clerk's office, specifying the date of every receipt or payment, the person from or to whom the receipt or payment was received or paid, and the purpose of each particular receipt or disbursement, and keep the book at all times open to the inspection of the county board or any member of the board.

(g) *Payments to treasurer.* Keep in the manner prescribed in par. (f) a separate account of all moneys paid the treasurer by the clerk.

(h) *Books of account.* Keep all of the accounts of the county and all books of account in a manner that the board directs. Books of account shall be maintained on a calendar year basis, which shall be the fiscal year in every county.

(i) *Chief election officer; election duties.* As the chief election officer of the county, perform all duties that are imposed on the clerk in relation to the preparation and distribution of ballots and the canvass and return of votes at general, judicial, and special elections.

(L) *Duplicate receipts.* Make out and deliver to the treasurer duplicate receipts of all money received by the clerk as clerk, and countersign and file in the clerk's office the duplicate receipts delivered to the clerk by the treasurer of money received by the treasurer.

(m) *Certified copies; oaths and bonds; signatures.* 1. Make and deliver to any person, for a fee that is set by the board under s. 19.35 (3), a certified copy or transcript of any book, record, account, file or paper in his or her office or any certificate which by law is declared to be evidence.

2. Except as otherwise provided, receive and file the official oaths and bonds of all county officers and upon request shall certify under the clerk's signature and seal the official capacity and authority of any county officer so filing and charge the statutory fee. Upon the commencement of each term every clerk shall file the clerk's signature and the impression of the clerk's official seal in the office of the secretary of state.

2017–18 Wisconsin Statutes updated through 2019 Wis. Act 186 and through all Supreme Court and Controlled Substances Board Orders filed before and in effect on September 1, 2020. Published and certified under s. 35.18. Changes effective after September 1, 2020, are designated by NOTES. (Published 9–1–20)

59.23 COUNTIES

(n) *Taxes.* Perform all duties that are imposed on the clerk in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes.

(nm) *Timber harvest notices.* Provide notice to a town chairperson regarding the harvesting of raw forest products, as described in s. 26.03 (1m) (a) 2.

(o) *Report, receipts and disbursements to board.* Make a full report to the board, at the annual meeting or at any other regular meeting of the board when so stipulated by the board, in writing, verified by the clerk's oath, of all money received and disbursed by the clerk, and separately of all fees received by the clerk; and settle with the board the clerk's official accounts and produce to the board all books, accounts and vouchers relating to the same.

(p) *Proceedings to historical society.* Forward to the historical society, postpaid, within 30 days after their publication a copy of the proceedings of the board, and of all printed reports made under authority of such board or by the authority of other county officers.

(q) *County highway commissioner; notify of election.* Notify a county commissioner of highways of the commissioner's election within 10 days thereafter.

(r) *County tax for road and bridge fund.* Notify the proper town officers of the levy and rate of any tax for the county road and bridge fund.

(s) *List of local officials.* Annually, on the first Tuesday of June, transmit to the secretary of state a list showing the name, phone number, electronic mail address, and post-office address of local officials, including the chairperson, mayor, president, clerk, treasurer, council and board members, and assessor of each municipality, and of the elective or appointive officials of any other local governmental unit, as defined in s. 66.0135 (1) (c), that is located wholly or partly within the county. Such lists shall be placed on file for the information of the public. The clerk, secretary, or other administrative officer of a local governmental unit, as defined in s. 66.0137 (1) (as), shall provide the county clerk the information he or she needs to complete the requirements of this paragraph.

(t) *General.* Perform all other duties required of the clerk by law.

History: 1995 a. 201 ss. 261, 263, 264, 275; 1995 a. 225 ss. 147 to 150; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9; 2013 a. 373; 2019 a. 19.

Under s. 59.17 (8) [now sub. (2) (h)], the clerk keeps only those accounts designated by the board. *Harbick v. Marinette County*, 138 Wis. 2d 172, 405 N.W.2d 724 (Ct. App. 1987).

Except for their elected superior's power to appoint and discharge, chief deputies are subject to the Municipal Employment Relations Act, ss. 111.70 to 111.77, and are not excluded from a collective bargaining unit as a matter of law. *Oneida County v. WERC*, 2000 WI App 191, 238 Wis. 2d 763, 618 N.W.2d 891, 00-0466.

Statutory powers of the county clerk with respect to budgeting and record keeping cannot be transferred by the county board to a new position of finance officer. 63 Atty. Gen. 196.

A county board can only grant powers of indirect supervision to a finance director with respect to the accounting or bookkeeping duties of a county clerk. 65 Atty. Gen. 132.

59.24 Clerks of counties containing state institutions to make claims in certain cases. The clerk of any county that is entitled to reimbursement under s. 16.51 (7) shall make a certified claim against the state, without direction from the board, in all cases in which the reimbursement is directed in s. 16.51 (7), upon forms prescribed by the department of administration. The forms shall contain information required by the clerk and shall be filed annually with the department of corrections on or before June 1. If the claims are approved by the department of corrections, they shall be certified to the department of administration and paid from the appropriation made by s. 20.410 (1) (c), if the claim is for reimbursement of expenses involving a prisoner in a state prison named in s. 302.01, or from the appropriation under s. 20.410 (3) (c), if the claim is for reimbursement of expenses involving a juvenile in a juvenile correctional facility, as defined in s. 938.02 (10p).

History: 1989 a. 31, 359; 1995 a. 27, 77; 1995 a. 201 s. 265; Stats. 1995 s. 59.24; 1997 a. 35; 2005 a. 344.

Updated 17–18 Wis. Stats. 16

59.25 Treasurer. (1) **ELIGIBILITY.** No person holding the office of sheriff, undersheriff, circuit judge, district attorney, clerk of the circuit court, clerk or member of the board shall be eligible to the office of treasurer or deputy treasurer.

(2) **DEPUTIES; OATH; SALARY; TEMPORARY VACANCY.** (a) The treasurer shall appoint one deputy to aid the treasurer, under the treasurer's direction, in the discharge of the duties of the office of treasurer. The appointment shall be in writing and shall be filed and recorded in the treasurer's office. Such deputy, in the absence of the treasurer from the treasurer's office or in case of a vacancy in said office or any disability of the treasurer to perform the duties of the office of treasurer, unless another is appointed therefor as provided in par. (b), shall perform all of the duties of the office of treasurer until such vacancy is filled or such disability is removed. The person so appointed shall take and file the official oath. The person shall file his or her appointment with the clerk. The board may, at its annual meeting or at any special meeting, provide a salary for the deputy.

(b) If any treasurer is incapable of discharging the duties of the office of treasurer, the board may, if it sees fit, appoint a person treasurer who shall serve until such disability is removed. A person so appointed or appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of treasurer, upon giving an official bond with like sureties as are required of such treasurer, shall perform all the duties of such office, and thereupon the powers and duties of any deputy performing the duties of the last treasurer shall cease.

(3) **DUTIES.** The treasurer shall do all of the following:

(a) 1. Receive all moneys from all sources belonging to the county, and all other moneys which by statute or county ordinance are directed to be paid to the treasurer, and, except in counties having a population of 750,000 or more, in the case of the payment of delinquent property taxes or the redemption of land subject to a tax certificate, make out and deliver to the clerk duplicate receipts therefor, and file in the treasurer's office the duplicate receipts delivered to the treasurer by the clerk for money received by the clerk.

2. In counties having a population of 750,000 or more, file a duplicate receipt in the treasurer's office.

(b) Pay out all moneys belonging to the county only on the order of the board, signed by the clerk and countersigned by the chairperson, except when special provision for the payment thereof is otherwise made by law; and, except in counties having a population of 750,000 or more, pay out all moneys belonging to the county road and bridge fund on the written order of the county commissioner of highways, signed by the clerk and countersigned by the chairperson of the board.

(c) Pay all county orders described in par. (b) in the order of time in which they are presented for payment; but where 2 or more are presented at the same time, give precedence to the order of the oldest date, but the treasurer shall receive of municipal treasurers all county orders issued in the county, which the municipal treasurers may present in payment of county taxes, to the amount of the county taxes actually collected by any municipal treasurer in the year for which the orders are offered in payment, which amount shall be determined by the affidavit of the municipal treasurer.

(d) Keep a true and correct account of the receipt and expenditure of all moneys which come into the treasurer's hands by virtue of the treasurer's office in books kept therefor, specifying the date of every receipt or payment, the person from or to whom the same was received or paid, and the purpose of each particular receipt or payment; keep also in like manner a separate account of all fees received, a separate account of all moneys received for taxes, and a separate account of money received upon redemption of lands from sales thereof for nonpayment of taxes, further specifying in the 2 last accounts the description of the property on account of which such money was paid, which books shall be open at all times to the inspection of the board or any member thereof and to

County	# deputies	Notes	Other staff	population	Administration
Menominee	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		4258	Administrative Coordinator
Florence	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		4454	Administrative Coordinator
Iron	1			5921	Administrative Coordinator
Pepin	1			7391	Administrative Coordinator
Forest	1	deputy/bookkeeper	payroll clerk	9227	Administrative Coordinator
Buffalo	1			13699	Administrative Coordinator
Price	1			14046	County Administrator
Rusk	2			14754	Administrative Coordinator
Bayfield	1		1 PT clerk, 1 accountant, 1 bookkeeper	15327	County Administrator
Marquette	1			15408	Administrative Coordinator
Burnett	1		1 office specialist, 1 election project specialist	15508	County Administrator
Washburn	2			15929	Administrative Coordinator
Ashland	1	1 account clerk/bookkeeper	1 admin assistant	16030	County Administrator
Crawford	2			16737	Administrative Coordinator
Sawyer	2	1 accounts payable, 1 payroll		16828	County Administrator
Lafayette	2			17010	Administrative Coordinator
Richland	3			17919	County Administrator
Green Lake	2	1 PT deputy, 1 purchasing agent		19174	County Administrator
Langlade	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		20131	Administrative Coordinator
Taylor	1	payroll/benefits		20746	Administrative Coordinator
Adams	2			20786	Administrative Coordinator
Kewaunee	1	account clerk		20786	County Administrator
Jackson	1		1 book keeper	20800	Administrative Coordinator
Vilas	1		1 admin secretary	21771	Administrative Coordinator
Iowa	1			23867	County Administrator
Waushara	1		1 finance supervisor	24441	County Administrator
Juneau	1	Purchasing/secretary/deputy	1 central duplicating	27117	Administrative Coordinator
Door	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		28463	County Administrator
Lincoln	1			28862	Administrative Coordinator
Trempealeu	2			29767	Administrative Coordinator
Vernon	2	1 deputy/financial accts mgr, 1 confidential admin. Asst/deputy	1 payroll administrator, 1 sr. admin assist.	30248	Administrative Coordinator
Clark	0	directory present with no staff listed for clerk		34743	Administrative Coordinator
Oneida	2			38383	Administrative Coordinator
Green	1		1 office associate	36967	Administrative Coordinator
Oconto	1			38476	Administrative Coordinator
Marinette	1			41382	County Administrator
Shawano	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		41655	Administrative Coordinator
Pierce	1		1 switchboard/reception	42021	Administrative Coordinator

Polk	2			44380	County Administrator
Douglas	1		1 web/technology specialist	44443	County Administrator
Dunn	1			44617	Administrative Coordinator
Barron	1			46336	County Administrator
Monroe	1		1 purchasing/license clerk	46393	County Administrator
Waupaca	2			52217	Administrative Coordinator
Grant	1		1 GIS specialist, 1 real property specialist	52615	Administrative Coordinator
calumet	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		63568	County Administrator
Columbia	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		57125	Administrative Coordinator
Sauk	3	Lead deputy, Deputy, deputy Program Asst.		62822	Administrative Coordinator
Chippewa	2			64551	County Administrator
Portage	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		71038	Executive
Wood	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		74817	Administrative Coordinator
Manitowoc	1		1 admin assistant	81494	Executive
Jefferson	2	1 deputy, 1 program assistant/deputy election clerk		84352	County Administrator
St. Croix	3			88583	County Administrator
Ozaukee	1			88667	County Administrator
Dodge	2			89949	County Administrator
Eau Claire	1		1 admin assistant	102816	County Administrator
Walworth	1		3 admin assistants	103535	County Administrator
Fond du Lac	1		2 program assistants	104035	Executive
Sheboygan	0		2 clerk assistants	115924	County Administrator
La Crosse	2		1 clerk (other 2 were designated as deputies)	119193	County Administrator
Marathon	0		1 assistant clerk, 1 administrative specialist, 1 administrative specialist/mail clerk	135922	County Administrator
Washington	0		1 central reproductions supervisor	135970	Executive
Rock	0	directory present with no staff listed for clerk		160349	County Administrator
Kenosha	2			168700	Executive
Winnebago	1			179025	Executive
Outagamie	1	deputy county clerk/programmer	2 deputy clerk assistants	184541	Executive
Racine	1			196200	Executive
Brown	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		260616	Executive
Waukesha	1			401446	Executive
Dane	?	directory present with no staff listed for clerk		530519	Executive
Milwaukee	?	no staff listed but no directory to confirm 0 staff		950381	Executive

Richland County Administration Transition Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Discussion and possible action on authority of county personnel and functions

Department	Administration	Presented By:	Melissa Luck
Date of Meeting:	December 4 th , 2020	Action Needed:	None/Information, Discussion Only
Disclosure:	Open	Authority:	
Date submitted:	December 1 st , 2020	Refer to:	Attachment 3 Only to Finance & Personnel Committee

Recommendation and/or action language:

No action necessary. Review and discuss.

Background:

Attachment A is an email from Mr. Southwick entitled “Richland County Government: Personnel Administration” that frames his opinion on the County Administrator’s authority to supervise employees. This email, although sent to this committee for review, should not be reviewed or discussed by this committee because it’s content addresses issues that are not a part of this committee’s designated tasks.

Attachments B and C are emails from Mr. Southwick stating his opinion on the authority of the County Board to assign personnel to the County Clerk’s office.

After consultation with the Wisconsin Counties Association attorney Andrew Phillips, the following statute was referenced as the primary statute giving the County Board authority to establish the number of employees for any department or office, including deputies to elective officers.

Per Wisconsin Statutes [59.22\(2\)\(C\)\(1\)](#)

(2) APPOINTIVE OFFICIALS; DEPUTY OFFICERS; AND EMPLOYEES.

(a) Except for elective offices included under sub. [\(1\)](#), supervisors and circuit judges, and subject to s. [59.794 \(3\)](#), the board has the powers set forth in this subsection, sub. [\(3\)](#) and s. [59.03 \(1\)](#) as to any office, department, board, commission, committee, position or employee in county service created under any statute, the salary or compensation for which is paid in whole or in part by the county, and the jurisdiction and duties of which lie within the county or any portion thereof and the powers conferred by this section shall be in addition to all other grants of power and shall be limited only by express language.

(c)

1. Except as provided in subd. [2.](#) and par. [\(d\)](#), the board may do any of the following:

a. Provide, fix or change the salary or compensation of any office, board, commission, committee, position, employee or deputies to elective officers that is subject to sub. [\(1\)](#) without regard to the tenure of the incumbent.

b. Establish the number of employees in any department or office including deputies to elective officers.

c. Establish regulations of employment for any person paid from the county treasury.

Attachment D is a document that was provided by Clerk Vlasak as an explanation of the current roles for his staff.

Recommended Cover Letter— County Administrator Langreck (20 May 2020)

Richland County Government Personnel Administration

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RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT: PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Introduction

This opinion deals with County employees who are not department heads. It does not deal with department heads.

As to positions, the County Board has authority to determine the number of positions, compensation and fringe benefits. The County Board also has authority to prescribe procedural (due process) rights of County employees regarding discipline and termination, although there are also Statutory provisions dealing with this subject. Federal law governs those employees whose positions are supported by Federal funds.

In summary, this opinion deals with those elements of personnel administration which are central to a department head's ability to supervise and administer his or her department. These elements include hiring, probation, discipline and termination.

With the advent of a County Administrator, County employees are divided into the following 6 categories:

Category No. 1

The department head is an elected official. This covers the following departments.

Circuit Court, (includes Register in Probate, Court Reporter and
bailiffs)
Coroner
County Clerk
Clerk of Circuit Court
Register of Deeds
Sheriff
Treasurer

As to this category of County employees, the County Administrator has no authority regarding personnel administration.

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Category No. 2

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_____ Departments with a related board or commission. This covers the following departments:
Health and Human Services
Pine Valley Community Village
Parks (general manager of the parks system is appointed by the
County Administrator)
Veterans Service Office

The County Administrator has no authority regarding personnel administration of these departments.

Category No. 3

Departments where Statutes require the department head or the supervising committee to administer the department:

Zoning and Land Information
County Highway Department
U.W. Extension

As to the above departments, the County Administrator has no personnel administration authority.

Category No. 4

Department in which County employees by Statute are employees of both the County and the U.W. system:

U.W. Extension

The County Administrator has no personnel administration authority over this department.

Category No. 5

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Departments that are the subject of contracts with other government entities:
Ambulance
Symons Natatorium

The County Board could grant the County Administrator personnel administration authority regarding these departments, consistent with the applicable contract.

Category No. 6

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Departments where the statutes are silent as to personnel administration:
Child Support
Corporation Counsel (only employee is a part-time Assistant Corporation
Counsel who, by Resolution, is also the Assistant District Attorney
and the Director of the Child Support Agency)

Emergency Management
Fair (one part-time casual employee and one 10% clerical position)
Management Information Systems
University of Wisconsin-Platteville Food Service
Land Conservation (one 90% clerical position)
Zoning and Land Information.

The County Board could grant the County Administrator personnel administration authority

regarding these departments.

Based on the above, the Handbook of Personnel Policies and Work Rules must be revised.

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Friends,

My purpose in issuing this opinion is to set forth the legal principles governing positions in the County Clerk's office. These positions are:

County Clerk; an elected position created by the Wisconsin Constitution

Deputy County Clerk/Accounting Supervisor: position is currently vacant;

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Legal principles relating to positions in the County Clerk's office

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Friends,

My purpose in issuing this opinion is to set forth the legal principles governing positions in the County Clerk's office. These positions are:

- County Clerk; an elected position created by the Wisconsin Constitution
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The advent of the County Administrator resulted in the County Clerk no longer having the following duties:

1. The County Clerk is no longer the County's Administrative Coordinator. The duties of an Administrative Coordinator are set forth in Wisconsin Statutes, section 59.19 as follows:

"The administrative coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating all administrative and management functions of the county government not otherwise vested in law by boards or commissions, or in other elected officers."

2. The County Clerk no longer has authority to submit an annual budget to the County Board. However, the County Clerk retains day-to-day administration of the County budget.

The above duties have been transferred by law to the County Administrator.

I will attend remotely the Committee's meeting scheduled for this coming Friday at 1:00 p.m.

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November 18, 2020

Below is a brief overview of the operations of the County Clerk's office. The 2020 adopted County budget shows expenditures and revenues totaling \$32,555,314.24. All of the revenues and expenditures for the budget flow through the financial software.

The three positions of Accounting Supervisor, Payroll and Benefits Specialist and Accounts Payable Specialist work together as a team. The duties of each position are interrelated and intertwined. While payroll and benefits seems to be an independent function, all of the accounting information for payroll and benefits feeds into the accounting software. The account structure of the accounting software is maintained by the Accounting Supervisor to meet the ever changing accounting structure needs of the County's departments. This account structure is also built into the payroll software so that salary and fringe benefit costs post to the appropriate accounts in the general ledger. The accounts payable functions involve the payment of all expenditures. Coding for each individual expenditure is a part of the accounting system. The coding is how expenditures get posted to the various expenditure accounts. The coding and accounts setup is the function of the accounting supervisor position. The maintenance of the vendor system is handled by accounts payable. A major part of the accounts payable position is the maintenance of the vendor system, which is a part of the accounting software, for the issuance of the annual 1099's to vendors. All of the revenues for the 2020 budget are receipted by the County Treasurer. Copies of all of those receipts go to the Accounting Supervisor for entry into the financial software by the holder of the accounting supervisor position.

Another important part of the team is cross training. Before the vacancy occurred in the Accounting Supervisor position, the holder of that position performed the duties of the payroll and benefits position and the accounts payable position during the absence of the holders of those position during vacation periods or because of illness. The plan was to have the new holder of the Accounting Supervisor position trained to perform the duties of payroll and accounts payable during absences.

The current County Clerk has the knowledge, having performed the duties of all three positions, to cover the duties of the three positions and is currently performing the duties of the accounting supervisor position due to the vacancy in that position. The County Clerk would also be the person training the new person assuming the Accounting Supervisor position.

Below is the ordinance the board recently adopted amending the administrative coordinator ordinance. Note that the ordinance did not eliminate all of the duties that the County Clerk fulfilled when designated as the Administrative Coordinator of the County.

ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 26

An Ordinance Amending Ordinances # 86-6 and # 88-3 Relating To Designating The County Clerk As The Administrative Coordinator Of The County.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. Sections 1, 2, 5, and 6 of Ordinance # 86-6, which was adopted on September 16,

1986, as amended by Ordinance No. 88-3, which was adopted on June 21, 1988, relating to designating the County Clerk Victor V. Vlasak as the Administrative Coordinator of the County, are repealed.

2. Section 3 and 4 are amended by repealing the following crossed-out words and adopting the following underlined words.
3. Section 3: The ~~Administrative Coordinator~~ County Clerk shall ~~also~~, exercise the following duties:
 - (a) Administer the various insurance programs of the County. Work with the ~~Insurance~~ Finance and Personnel Committee to see that insurance coverage is solicited and adequate to protect the County from financial loss.
 - (b) Assist the ~~Finance Committee~~ County Administrator in the preparation of the annual budget. Monitor implementation of the adopted budget to assure that all expenditures of county funds are made in compliance with the allocations of the budget.
 - ~~(c) Serve as Courthouse building Manager.~~
 - ~~(d) Provide general leadership to County Departments and assure that County Board policies are implemented.~~
 - ~~(d) Act as liaison to the public to resolve problems and answer citizens questions about county services.~~
4. ~~Section 4: The administrative coordinator~~ County Clerk shall at all times be fully accountable to the County Board in the management of his or her responsibilities under this Ordinance.

publication.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

FOR AGAINST

David J. Turk	X
Kerry Severson	X
Marty Brewer	X

Resolution No. 20-126 Creating A Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee To Complete The Transition To The Administrator Form Of County Government was read by County Clerk Vlasak. Motion by Gentes, second by Frank that Resolution No. 20-126 be adopted. Motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 126

A Resolution Creating A Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee To Complete The Transition To The Administrator Form Of County Government.

WHEREAS the creation of the County Administrator position has resulted in needs for permanent office space for the County Administrator and his staff and a need for a comprehensive review of the Handbook of Personnel Policies and Work Rules and the departments' addendums, and

WHEREAS County Administrator Clinton Langreck has proposed to the Rules and Resolutions Committee and to the Finance and Personnel Committee that a Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee be created, and

WHEREAS these two Committees have carefully considered this proposal and are now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the Temporary County Administrator Transition Committee is hereby created to complete the transition to the County Administrator form of County government, with the composition and duties of the Committee being as follows:

1. 3 Supervisors appointed by the County Board after receiving nominations from the Committee on Committees;
2. The Committee shall: identify the staffing needs of the County Administrator; evaluate staffing levels across all departments in the County to identify what staff, if any, can be moved from other departments to the County Administrator's office; identify what office space the County Administrator and his staff will occupy;
3. The Committee shall present its recommendations to the Finance and Personnel Committee as to staff and office space matters and to the Rules and Resolutions Committee as to the Handbook of Personnel Policies and addendums to conform to the statutory provisions relating to county administrators, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Administrator Transition Account is hereby created and \$500 is appropriated from the Contingency Fund to that Account, and

Richland County Finance and Personnel Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Strategic Plan and Administrative Priorities

Department	Administration	Presented By:	Clinton Langreck
Date of Meeting:	01 Sep 2020	Action Needed:	Resolution
Disclosure:	Open Session	Authority:	
Date submitted:	28 Aug 2020	Referred by:	

Recommendation and/or action language:

Motion to recommend resolution to the County Board adopting proposed 1) County Administrator challenges, 2) County Board Strategic Goals, and 3) County Board priority values to help guide initiatives and resources through the 2020-2022 County Board session.

Background: *(preferred one page or less with focus on options and decision points)*

In efforts to adopt and implement strategic priorities, goals and values for the remainder of the 2020-2022 session, I am proposing the initiatives listed below for consideration and adoption. These initiatives were gathered by method of individual interviews with county board supervisors and followed by a survey. From the survey, I listed the top ten popular responses for categories of “Challenges for the County Administrator” and “County Board Strategic and Priority Goals” are listed in order of popularity and I have added two of my choosing in representing priorities from administration. The category of “Values” lists the top five popular responses.

Challenges for the County Administrator (18 month goals for administrator):

1. Develop a long-term strategic plan
2. Transition finance and HR from County Clerk’s Office to the Administrator’s Office
3. Make resolutions and ordinances available and organized on the internet
4. Develop more uniform HR policy and procedures
5. Implement a uniform performance review program
6. Develop plan and funding for more broadband
7. Develop finance and purchasing policy (increase admin authority on purchasing)
8. Develop new county board member orientation program
9. Full review of county employee handbook, addendums and administrative manual
10. Partner with Southwest Regional Planning in developing a county strategic plan
11. Develop policy and procedure to address complaints and investigations (Proposed by Administrator)
12. Develop compensation and classification plan (Proposed by Administrator)

Recommended Cover Letter— County Administrator Langreck (20 May 2020)

Richland County Finance and Personnel Committee

Agenda Item Cover

County Board Strategic and Priority Goals (longer range goals):

1. More centralized HR supervision and resources
2. Consider future referendum options for maintaining services
3. Reach goal of 25% General Fund Reserve (3 months' reserve)
4. Plan and prioritize employee retention and development
5. Develop a five-year and ten-year plan
6. Improve fiscal transparency
7. Continue transition of Committee Boards and Commission to advisory/policy roles
8. Continue establishing administrator position and administrative authority
9. Collaboration with Richland Center
10. Develop a plan for a new jail / public safety building
11. Develop a plan for county owned property that promotes economic development
(Proposed by Administration)
12. Develop more rural broadband access (Proposed by Administration)

County Board Prioritized Values (how we approach solutions when values conflict):

1. Strategic Vision
2. Proactive
3. Accountability
4. Transparency
5. Direction by policy

Attachments and References:

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Financial Review:

(please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	In adopted budget	Fund Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apportionment needed	Requested Fund Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other funding Source		
<input type="checkbox"/>	No financial impact		

(summary of current and future impacts)

No direct expenses, but may significantly influence project and funding decisions.

Approval:

Review:

Clinton Langreck

Department Head

Administrator, or Elected Office (if applicable)

Recommended Cover Letter— County Administrator Langreck (20 May 2020)

ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR/DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Department: County Clerk

Reports To: County Clerk

Purpose of Position

The purpose of this position is to perform accounting tasks within the office of Richland County Clerk and serve as Deputy Clerk.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

The following duties are normal for this position. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.

- Manages the computerized Government Financial and Payroll Systems.
- Maintains Chart of Accounts for all County Funds. ^{59.23 (2)(d)} Responsible for coding, data entry, and posting of receipts, disbursements, and journal entries.
- Monthly closing of General Ledgers and distribution of account activity reports to all departments.
- Prepares monthly financial reports. Monthly reconciliation of Treasurers Cash, ^{59.23 (2)(e)} Highway Cost Accounting Cash, accounts receivables, and investments with County's financial system.
- Monitors accuracy of monthly CORE report for Child Support agency and reconciles through DWD CORE website.
- Monitors various Government Grants and reconciles with departments to assure compliance.
- Assists in preparing the Annual Budget. Maintains computerized budgeting program, distributes worksheets to departments and finance committee, prepares salary and fringe data, and schedules budget meetings with the finance committee.
- Closes financial ledgers annually. Prepares reports for and participates in Annual financial audits. Maintains and update GASB 34 depreciation schedule of equipment for annual audit. Prepares the County Clerk's Annual Financial report.
- Maintains and monitors the AS400 computer system to include: nightly backups, complete operating system backups, department and application backups, installing software updates via CD or web downloads, maintains User profiles and

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security, places calls and follow up with networking support provider, and other troubleshooting issues.

- Compiles financial data for State and Federal surveys, and statistical reports.
- Reports worker's compensation injuries to insurance company via internet ExPrs. Submits the annual summary of injuries to State of Wisconsin.
- Participates in employee interviews and trains new employees.
- Processes payroll in the absence of the Fiscal Clerk.
- Submits weekly EFTPS payment for payroll tax withholdings.
- Monitors monthly payroll payables for employee benefits to include: Health, Dental, Disability and Life Insurance.
- Monitors and assists with filing requirements and deadlines for Annual W2 wage reporting. Supervises preparation of W2's. Prepares magnetic media for reporting annual W2 data to State and Federal agencies.
- Reconciles annual Wisconsin Retirement System reporting and prepares magnetic media for reporting to State of Wisconsin.

59.23 (1)(a)

- Serves as County Clerk in Clerk's absence.
- Performs reception duties as needed.

Minimum Training and Experience Required to Perform Essential Job Functions

High school diploma with three years accounting experience, or any combination of education and experience that provides equivalent knowledge, skills and abilities.

Physical and Mental Abilities Required to Perform Essential Job Functions

Language Ability and Interpersonal Communication

- Ability to classify, compute and tabulate data and information, following a prescribed plan requiring the exercise of some judgment. Ability to compare, count, differentiate, measure and sort information. Ability to assemble, copy, record and transcribe data and information.
- Ability to advise and interpret on how to apply policies, procedures and standards to specific situations. Ability to explain, demonstrate and clarify to others within well-established policies, procedures and standards.

RICHLAND COUNTY POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Accounts Payable Specialist **Department:** County Clerk
Reports to: County Clerk **Non-Union Pay Grade:** 16
Date: September 17, 2013 **Hours Per Week:** 35

PURPOSE OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is to provide financial and clerical services in order to ensure effective and efficient financial and administrative operations.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following duties are normal for this position. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.

- 59.23(c) • Receive and verify invoices before preparing vouchers and making payments for all Courthouse Departments, Parks, UW-Extension, UW Food Service, UW Outlay, Sheriff's Department, County Fair, Land Conservation Symons Recreation, and MIS Departments.
- 59.23(c) • Make all vendor payments for all Richland County Departments.
- Maintain all Richland County Vendor files.
- Countywide IRS Reporting. Issue Wisconsin State Sales Tax reports. Issue 1099's to vendors and IRS. Issue Real Estate 1099's. Issue tax exempt forms and letters.
- 59.23(di) • Collect payments for DNR licenses, marriage licenses, copies, plat books, and maps.
- 59.23(f) • Maintain money supply in cash box balancing on a bi-monthly basis against receipts.
- 59.23(di) • Keep report to verify money collected by County Clerk Office.
- Perform reception tasks. Greet visitors, answer telephone, take messages, answer routine questions, and prepare marriage and domestic partnership applications and licenses.
- DNR License sales. Issue DNR licenses to the general public, maintaining Automated License Issuance System (ALIS) and ordering current regulations and DNR information.
- 59.23(2)(a)(i) • Type County Board minutes for permanent record, Supervisor per diems, County Board Resolutions and Ordinances and weekly calendar of meetings.
- Maintain County personnel policies, Board rules and committee structure.
- Operates and maintain office equipment (computers, printers, typewriter, calculator, copier and shredder).
- 59.23(2)(i) • Enter voter information into the SVRS system after an election including new voter applications.
- 59.23(2)(i) • Take minutes at elections canvass meetings.
- 59.23(2)(i) • Record all elections results into the official elections results book.
- 59.23(2)(i) • Compile and maintain information for the Richland County Directory.
- Type and mail Tri-County Airport agenda to that committee's members.
- Perform a variety of other secretarial duties including: filing, duplicating and collating printed materials and compose routine replies to correspondence.

RICHLAND COUNTY POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Payroll & Benefits Specialist

Department: County Clerk

Reports to: County Clerk

Non-Union Pay Grade: 19

Date: September 17, 2013

Hours Per Week: 35

PURPOSE OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is to perform various accounting duties with the primary emphasis on payroll and benefits administration for Richland County under the direction of the County Clerk.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following duties are normal for this position. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.

- Process payroll for: Highway Department, Pine Valley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, Health and Human Services Department, Courthouse staff, Symon's Recreation Complex, Sheriff's Department, County Supervisors, County Committee members, Richland County Fair, Ambulance personnel and casual county employees and in compliance with county policies, union contracts and statutory requirements.
- New employee orientation which includes going over the required documents and documentation needed to set up an employee for payroll and direct deposit. Explaining the health, dental and life insurances, retirement, Flex Section 125 plan, and loss of time benefits. Instructing the new employee on the County Handbook, computer policy, equal opportunity policy, sexual harassment policy, drug-free workplace safety policy, discipline/termination grievance policy and workplace safety grievance policy.
- Accurately code and enter employee payroll changes including hires, terminations, wage rates, deductions, child support orders, garnishments, benefits and direct deposit accounts.
- Submit new hires or any employee not paid within a 60 day time frame to the Wisconsin New Hire Reporting Center as required by State Law
- Verify new hires social security numbers with the Social Security Business Services Online system
- Maintains all County personnel files.
- Maintains and balances Employee vacation, sick and comp times per County policies and/or union contracts.
- Computes and enters wage and fringe benefits data for health, dental, and life insurance, retirement, Flex Section 125 plan, loss of time and union dues. Maintains benefit files.
- Process the monthly benefit billings and ensures billing accuracy of employees listed on each bill.
- Generate required reports and remit deductions and withholdings to vendors and taxing authorities.
- Monitors Wisconsin Retirement eligibility for temporary part-time and call-in employees.
- Calculates and process all amounts due to State and Federal agencies for payroll withholdings; i.e. state and federal taxes, garnishments, and retirement contributions

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- Reconciles and distributes W2's.
- Process Unemployment compensation billings and eligibility forms.
- Prepares and files monthly Labor statistics employment reports.
- Prepares and files quarterly Federal wage tax, Multiple Worksite and Unemployment reports
- Prepares annual payroll reports for auditors including workman's comp.
- Completes salary and benefit surveys as requested.
- Administers open enrollment each year for Health and Dental insurance, Flex Section 125 plan and Loss of Time. Enters in new applications into each of the plans computer systems and monitors billings to make sure the employees were enrolled correctly.
- Administers Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) and maintains detailed records on employees that elect to participate in COBRA.
- Administers Family Medical Leave (FMLA) and maintains detailed records on employees that need to have FMLA.
- Administers Domestic Partnership's created with Employee Trust Funds and sets up any insurance benefits that the employee is eligible for upon creating the Domestic Partnership.
- Performs reception duties, sell all types of licenses as required by the DNR, take marriage and Domestic Partnership applications, answers telephone and sell plat books or Richland County maps.
- Enter voter information into the SVRS system after an election including new voter applications.
- Create lists of voter information based on customer request through the SVRS system.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

- High school diploma or equivalent is required.
- Preference for a 2-year or 4-year degree in Accounting or Human Resources.
- Preference for knowledge of working in an AS-400 environment
- Preference for experience with payroll and governmental accounting
- Preference for knowledge of State & Federal regulations related to wage, hour & payroll.
- Must be proficient in Microsoft Excel and Microsoft Word

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL ABILITIES REQUIRED TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Language Ability and Interpersonal Communication

- Ability to analyze and categorize data and information in order to determine the relationship of the data with reference to criteria/standards. Ability to compare, count, differentiate, measure and/or sort data and information. Ability to assemble, copy, record and transcribe data. Ability to classify, compute and tabulate data.
- Ability to advise and interpret on how to apply policies, procedures and standards to a variety of specific situations.
- Ability to utilize advisory data and information such as Federal and State withholding guidelines, Wisconsin Retirement Fund rules and guidelines, union contracts, ACS, a Xerox company Payroll Operation Manual, Minnesota Life Insurance Manual, insurance billings, unemployment guidelines, non-routine correspondence and laws.
- Ability to communicate effectively with County Clerk, co-workers, all county employees, Department Heads, the general public and County Supervisors.

Calumet County Position Description

Job Title: Deputy County Clerk
Salary Level: Grade 5
Department: County Clerk
Reports To: County Clerk
FLSA Status: Non-exempt
Approved By: Salary and Personnel Committee
Approved Date: October 22, 2001
Updated By: Michelle L. Wright, Human Resources Manager
Updated Date: March 12, 2020

Summary Performs difficult and responsible office work involving a considerable degree of independent judgment and initiative. Assists the County Clerk in the discharge of the duties of the office. Performs related duties as required.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities *include the following. Other duties may be assigned.*
Maintains the office in the absence of the County Clerk.

Assists with the preparation and distribution of election materials; prints various election reports; enters data into the statewide voter registration system; and may be a member of the Board of Canvass for elections.

Serves as Receptionist for the Courthouse and explains departmental policies, procedures, and instructions in response to telephone or personal inquiries from co-workers and the public. Performs general clerical duties including, but not limited to preparing letters, memorandum, reports, agendas, and minutes; maintains manual records and computer records; maintains office supplies; and distributes and maintains forms.

Processes all incoming and outgoing mail of departments. Reconciles postage amounts per department; and prepares shipping docket and billing for UPS service.

Prepares marriage applications and licenses.

Collects and receipts revenues, deposits with Treasurer and maintains a variety of complex records, which may include bookkeeping accounts and statistics. Prepares and remits corresponding reports.

Provides clerical support to the County Board including preparation of County Board and committee agendas and minutes. In the absence of the County Clerk, takes minutes for County Board and for Committee meetings for which the County Clerk is Recording Secretary. Operates voting system as necessary.

Assists with the preparation, publication and distribution of the Official County Directory; and County Board Proceedings Book. Indexes County Board resolutions and ordinances and logs motions.

Registers County Board Supervisors for conferences and procures lodging, as required.

Maintains dog license receipts from municipalities and prepares dog settlement to municipalities annually.

Attends meetings, conferences and seminars as required.

Performs other duties necessary to carry out the responsibilities required of the County Clerk's Office as set by Wisconsin Statute.

PORTAGE COUNTY POSITION DESCRIPTION

Name:
Class Title: Chief Deputy County Clerk Position No. 120000002
Department: County Clerk Grade: 24E
Regular Hours: 40 hours per week
Date Duties Began:

POSITION SUMMARY:

Under general direction, this appointed position assists County Clerk in the discharge of official duties and to perform related work as required by Wisconsin State Statutes, DNR Regulations, County Ordinances/Resolutions, Postal Regulation, Wisconsin Elections Commission, Wisconsin Ethics Commission, Statewide Vital Records Information System (SVRIS), Help America Vote Act, WisVote, and MUNIS. Resolves problems and deals with customers in a professional matter to ensure all customers are given prompt, efficient and accurate service. This is a salary position and is required to work more than 40 hours per week as needed.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED:

Work is performed under the general supervision of the County Clerk. The position is an appointed position per Wisconsin State Statutes 59.23 (1).

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Assists County Clerk in supervising, selecting, evaluating and disciplining staff. Supervise staff and administer duties in County Clerk's absence.
- Provides backup for County Clerk in her absence and backup at County Board meetings. Performs all aspects of all office duties and responsibilities while maintaining confidentiality.
- County Board/Committees - preparation and maintenance of agendas, minutes, correspondence and information processed as well as publishing appropriate legal notices ensuring accuracy and proper format
- Marriage Licenses, Domestic Partnerships, Termination of Domestic Partnerships – processes applications, document validity, verifies and approves licenses and duplicates in SVRIS, processes amendments with the Statewide Vital Records Information System (SVRIS)
- Election Process - assists County Clerk, Chief Election Officer, regarding the Administration of Elections – order/maintain related documents and supplies, municipal documents coordinator, ballot design and proofing and ordering, WisVote coordinator – maintain WisVote and related documents, maintains and updates State Canvass System, backup for testing handicap voting equipment, maintains election website and programs with election results, assists with recount elections, conducts canvass board of State and County offices in County Clerk's absence and general election information
- Codified Ordinances – format, accuracy, updating and maintaining website
- Tax Deed Process – assists County Clerk with Tax deed processes per Wisconsin Statutes
- Dog Licenses –distribution of dog tags and forms to municipal Treasurers and balances tags with municipal Treasurers at year end

- Commercial Animal Establishment Licenses – processes licenses with owners, coordinates inspections with Humane Society and Planning and Zoning or municipal Zoning Administrator, related issues and questions
- Maintain staff work and vacation schedule
- Payroll – maintains and updates payroll for County Clerk personnel and obtains documentation and processes/updates payroll and expenses for County Board of Supervisors and Citizen Committee Members
- Large Assemblies, Solicitor Applications, Sexually Oriented Business Applications, Pawnbroker Applications –
- ordering, approval, document verification, accounting and related issues/ questions
- Business Continuation Plan – format, accuracy, updating and revisions
- Budget status – assists County Clerk with preparation of budget
- Assists County Clerk with processing the apportionment of taxes to all municipalities
- Assists County Clerk with Redistricting
- General Office Operations – responsible for but not limited to providing general county, town, village, city information via telephone, internet, fax, email or in person. Notary services, parking permits, maintain accurate County maps, timber cutting permits, relocation orders, rezoning petitions, claims against the County, various county contracts and leases, Farmland Preservation Agreements, compiles County directory with staff
- Verifies and approves daily deposits, requests for items, County Board Proceedings and other related office reports.
- Serve as backup for making deposits in Administrative Associate I absence
- Provides backup for Administrative Associate I duties in his/her absence – sorts incoming mail and processes outgoing mail and inter-departmental mail to appropriate departments
- Reviews and distributes email request/questions from County website
- Processes Quarterly Survey of Selected Non-Property Taxes – obtains report from the Department of Revenue and completes survey on U.S. Census Bureau website providing quarterly general sales and gross receipt taxes for Portage County
- Attends and takes minutes at County Board meetings and required Committee meetings
- Administers Election Day and evening results to County website and Wisconsin Election Committee Canvass System

NON-ESSENTIAL FUNCTION:

- In case of a disaster may be required to assist in disaster relief efforts

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Richland County Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Item #5: regarding the timeline and transition of functions from the County Clerk's Office to the County Administrator's Office and #6 establishment of the number of employees in the County Clerk's Office and County Administrator's Office

Department	Administration	Presented By:	Administrator
Date of Meeting:	16 Dec 2020	Action Needed:	Vote / Recommendation to F+P and R+R
Disclosure:	Open Session	Authority:	Resolution 20-126
Date submitted:	15 Dec 2020	Referred by:	

Recommendation and/or action language:

Pending discussion, committee may take action to make recommendations to the Finance and Personnel for consideration and advancement to the County Board.

Multiple recommendation options are presented in attachment C.

Background: (preferred one page or less with focus on options and decision points)

In the November 6th Committee meeting, the Administrator Transition Committee took action to acknowledge the need for staff support for the Administrator.

In the December 4th Committee meeting, the Administrator Transition Committee discussed authorization of positions and amendments to position descriptions. Motion was made to recommend to the County Board to authorize two job positions for the County Administrator and one job position for the County Clerk. No vote was called on the motion and the motion died. The committee requested that a plan be developed including office space and location and a transition timeline.

As such the attached documents are presented in efforts to inform the committee on functions, offer options for transition and recommendations for space.

Attachments and References:

A. Position Transition (Position Functions)	B. Time-line options
C. Possible recommendations	

Financial Review:

(please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	In adopted budget	Fund Number	
X	Apportionment needed	Requested Fund Number	Undesignated General Fund
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other funding Source		
<input type="checkbox"/>	No financial impact		

(summary of current and future impacts)

Additional expenses if clerical Assistant is added = (Grade F/Step2) \$17.31 x 2080 x (32%beni) = \$47,526.34

Additional expenses for unforeseen changes = ?

Additional expenses for Computer Room reconfiguration = ?

Recommended Cover Letter— County Administrator Langreck (20 May 2020)

Current Configuration:

Moving Functions to Administrator:

		<u>Stays with Clerk</u>	<u>Moves to Administrator</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
Accounts Payable Specialist Position		X		
1	Receive and Verify invoices before vouchers and making payments for all Courthouse Departments, Parks, UW-Extension, UW Foo Services, UW Outlay, Sheriff's Department, County Fair, Land Conservation, Symons Recreation, and MIS Departments. 59.23(c)	...(Authority to sign release of payments, oversight on record keeping)	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	Task would need to be reassigned
2	Make all vendor payment for all County Departments 59.23(e)	...acts as repository with oversight	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	Task would need to be reassigned
3	Maintain all Richland County Vendor files	...acts as repository with oversight	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	Task would need to be reassigned
4	Countywide IRS Reporting, Issue Wisconsin State Sales Tax reports. Issue 1099's to vendors and IRS.. Issue Real Estate 1099's Issue tax exempt forms and letters.	...acts as repository with oversight	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	Task would need to be reassigned
5	Collect payments for DNR licenses, marriage licenses, copies, plat books, and maps. Maintain money supply in cash box balancing on a bi-monthly basis against receipts. Keep report to verify money collected by County Clerk Office. 59.23(di)	X		
6	Perform reception tasks. Greet visitors, answer telephone, take messages, answer routine questions, and prepare marriage and domestic partnership applications and licenses. 59.23(f)	X		
7	DNR Licenses sales. Issue DNR licenses to the general public, maintaining Automated License Issuance System (ALIS) and ordering current regulations and DNR information. 59.23(di)	X		
8	Type County Board minutes for permanent record, Supervisor per diems, County Board Resolutions and Ordinances and weekly calendar of meetings. 59.23(2)(a)(b)	X		
9	Maintain County personnel policies, Board rules and committee structure.	...acts as repository with oversight	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	Task would need to be reassigned
10	Operates and maintain office equipment (computers, printers, typewriter, calculator, copier and shredder).			
11	Enter vote information into the SVRS system after an election including new voter applications 59.23(2)(i)	X		
12	Take minutes at elections canvass meetings 59.23(2)(i)	X		
13	Compile and maintain information for the Richland County Directory 59.23(2)(i)	X		
14	Record all elections results information for the Richland County Directory. 59.23(2)(s)	X		
15	Type and mail Tri-County Airport agenda to that committee's members	X		
16	Perform a variety of other secretarial duties including: filing, duplicating and collating printed materials and compose routine replies to correspondence.			
		<u>Stays with Clerk</u>	<u>Moves to Administrator</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
Payroll & Benefits Specialist			X	
1	Process payroll for: Highway Department, Pine Valley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, Health and Human Services Department, Courthouse staff, Symon's Recreation Complex, Sheriff's Department, County Supervisors, County Committee members, Richland County Fair, Ambulance personnel and casual county employees and in compliance with county policies, union contracts and statutory requirements.		X	
2	New employee orientation which includes going over the required documents and documentation needed to set up an employee for payroll and direct deposit. Explaining the health, dental and life insurances, retirement, Flex Section 125 plan, and loss of time benefits. Instructing the new employee on the County Handbook, computer policy, equal opportunity policy, sexual harassment policy, drug-free workplace safety policy, discipline/termination grievance policy and workplace safety grievance policy.		X	

3	Accurately code and enter employee payroll changes including hires, terminations, wage rates, deductions, child support orders, garnishments, benefits and direct deposit accounts.			X	
4	Submit new hires or any employee not paid within a 60 day time frame to the Wisconsin New Hire Reporting Center as required by State Law			X	
5	Verify new hires social security numbers with the Social Security Business Services Online system			X	
6	Maintains all County personnel files.			X	
7	Maintains and balances Employee vacation, sick and comp times per County policies and/or union contracts.			X	
8	Computes and enters wage and fringe benefits data for health, dental, and life insurance, retirement, Flex Section 125 plan, loss of time and union dues. Maintains benefit files.			X	
9	Process the monthly benefit billings and ensures billing accuracy of employees listed on each bill.			X	
10	Generate required reports and remit deductions and withholdings to vendors and taxing authorities.			X	
11	Monitors Wisconsin Retirement eligibility for temporary part-time and call-in employees.			X	
12	Calculates and process all amounts due to State and Federal agencies for payroll withholdings; i.e. state and federal taxes, garnishments, and retirement contributions			X	
13	Reconciles and distributes W2's.			X	
14	Process Unemployment compensation billings and eligibility forms.			X	
15	Prepares and files monthly Labor statistics employment reports.			X	
16	Prepares and files quarterly Federal wage tax, Multiple Worksite and Unemployment reports			X	
17	Prepares annual payroll reports for auditors including workman's comp.			X	
18	Completes salary and benefit surveys as requested.			X	
19	Administers open enrollment each year for Health and Dental insurance, Flex Section 125 plan and Loss of Time. Enters in new applications into each of the plans computer systems and monitors billings to make sure the employees were enrolled correctly.			X	
20	Administers Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) and maintains detailed records on employees that elect to participate in COBRA.			X	
21	Administers Family Medical Leave (FMLA) and maintains detailed records on employees that need to have FMLA.			X	
22	Administers Domestic Partnership's created with Employee Trust Funds and sets up any insurance benefits that the employee is eligible for upon creating the Domestic Partnership.			X	
23	Performs reception duties, sell all types of licenses as required by the DNR, take marriage and Domestic Partnership applications, answers telephone and sell plat books or Richland County maps.				
24	Enter voter information into the SVRS system after an election including new voter applications.	59.23(2)(f)	X		Reassigned to Deputy Clerk
25	Create lists of voter information based on customer request through the SVRS system.	59.23(2)(i)	X		Reassigned to Deputy Clerk
			<u>Stays with Clerk</u>	<u>Moves to Administrator</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR/DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK				X	
1	Manages the computerized Government Financial and Payroll Systems.			X	
2	Maintains Chart of Accounts for all County Funds. Responsible for coding g, data entry, and posting of receipts, disbursements, and journal entries.	39.23(2)(d)	...(Authority to sign release of payments, oversight on record keeping)	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	
3	Monthly closing of General Ledgers and distribution of account activity reports to all departments.			X	
4	Prepares monthly financial reports. Monthly reconciliation of Treasurers Cash, Highway Cost Accounting Cash, accounts receivables, and investments with County's financial system.	59.23(2)(e)	...(Authority to sign release of payments, oversight on record keeping)	...(daily supervision and management, ensuring Clerk is informed and has access to records)	
5	Monitors accuracy of monthly coRe report for child Support agency and reconciles through DWD CORE website.			X	
6	Monitors various Government Grants and reconciles with departments to assure compliance.			X	

7	Assists in preparing the Annual Budget. Maintains computerized budgeting program, distributes worksheets to departments and finance committee, prepares salary and fringe data, and schedules budget meetings with the finance committee.			X	
8	Closes financial ledgers annually. Prepares reports for and participates in Annual financial audits. Maintains and update GASB 34 depreciation schedule of equipment for annual audit. Prepares the County Clerk's Annual Financial report.			X	
9	Maintains and monitors the AS400 computer system to include: nightly backups, complete operating system backups, department and application backups, installing software updates via CD or web downloads, maintains User profiles and security, places calls and follow up with networking troubleshooting support provider, and other issues.			X	
10	compiles financial data for State and Federal surveys, and statistical reports.			X	
11	Reports worker's compensation- injuries to insurance company via internet Exprs. Submits the annual summary of injuries to State of Wisconsin.			X	
12	Participates in employees interviews and trains new employees.				
13	Processes payroll in the absence of the Fiscal clerk.			X	
14	Submits weekly EFTps payment for payroll tax withholdings.			X	
15	Monitors monthly payroll payables for employee benefits to include: Health, Dental, Disability and Life Insurance.			X	
16	Monitors and assists with filing requirements and deadlines for Annual w2 wage reporting' Supervises preparation of w2's. Prepares magnetic media for reporting annual W2 data to State and Federal agencies.			X	
17	Reconciles annual Wisconsin Retirement system reporting and prepares magnetic media for reporting to State of Wisconsin.			X	
18	Serves as County Clerk in Clerk's absence.	59.23(1)(a)	X		Reassigned to Deputy Clerk
19	Performs reception duties as needed.				
			<u>Stays with Clerk</u>	<u>Moves to Administrator</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
County Clerk Duties by (Ordinance 20-26)				X	
1	Administer the various insurance programs of the County. Work with the Finance and Personnel Committee to see that insurance coverage is solicited and adequate to protect the County from financial loss.			X	Task would need to be reassigned
2	Assist the County Administrator in the preparation of the annual budget. Monitor implementation of the adopted budget to assure that all expenditures of county funds are made in compliance with the allocations of the budget.			X	Task would need to be reassigned
(By Wisconsin Statute 59.23(2))					
1	(a) Board proceedings. Act as clerk of the board at all of the board's regular, special, limited term, and standing committee meetings; under the direction of the county board chairperson or committee chairperson, create the agenda for board meetings; keep and record true minutes of all the proceedings of the board in a format chosen by the clerk, including all committee meetings, either personally or through the clerk's appointee; file in the clerk's office copies of agendas and minutes of board meetings and committee meetings; make regular entries of the board's resolutions and decisions upon all questions; record the vote of each supervisor on any question submitted to the board, if required by any member present; publish ordinances as provided in s. 59.14 (1); and perform all duties prescribed by law or required by the board in connection with its meetings and transactions.		By Statute		
2	(b) Recording of proceedings. Record at length every resolution adopted, order passed and ordinance enacted by the board.		By Statute		

3	(c) Orders for payment. Sign all orders for the payment of money directed by the board to be issued, and keep a true and correct account of such orders, and of the name of the person to whom each order is issued; but he or she shall not sign or issue any county order except upon a recorded vote or resolution of the board authorizing the same; and shall not sign or issue any such order for the payment of the services of any clerk of court, district attorney or sheriff until the person claiming the order files an affidavit stating that he or she has paid into the county treasury all moneys due the county and personally collected or received in an official capacity; and shall not sign or issue any order for the payment of money for any purpose in excess of the funds appropriated for such purpose unless first authorized by a resolution adopted by the county board under s. 65.90 (5).		By Statute		
4	(cm) Apportionment of taxes. Apportion taxes and carry out other responsibilities as specified in s. 70.63 (1).		By Statute		
5	(d) Accounts. File and preserve in the clerk's office all accounts acted upon by the board, and endorse its action thereon, designating specifically upon every account the amount allowed, if any, and the particular items or charges for which allowed, and such as were disallowed, if any.		By Statute		
6	(de) Property. To the extent authorized by the board, exercise the authority under s. 59.52 (6).		By Statute		
7	(dg) Dogs. Perform the responsibilities relating to dog licensing, which are assigned to the clerk under ch. 174, and the dog fund specified in ch. 174.		By Statute		
8	(di) Marriage licenses, domestic partnerships. Administer the program for issuing marriage licenses as provided in ch. 765 and the program for forming and terminating domestic partnerships as provided in ch. 770.		By Statute		
9	(e) Reports of receipts and disbursements. Record the reports of the treasurer of the receipts and disbursements of the county.		By Statute		
10	(f) Recording receipts and disbursements. Keep a true and accurate account of all money which comes into the clerk's hands by virtue of the clerk's office, specifying the date of every receipt or payment, the person from or to whom the receipt or payment was received or paid, and the purpose of each particular receipt or disbursement, and keep the book at all times open to the inspection of the county board or any member of the board.		By Statute		
11	(g) Payments to treasurer. Keep in the manner prescribed in par. (f) a separate account of all moneys paid the treasurer by the clerk.		By Statute		
12	(h) Books of account. Keep all of the accounts of the county and all books of account in a manner that the board directs. Books of account shall be maintained on a calendar year basis, which shall be the fiscal year in every county.		By Statute		
13	(i) Chief election officer, election duties. As the chief election officer of the county, perform all duties that are imposed on the clerk in relation to the preparation and distribution of ballots and the canvass and return of votes at general, judicial, and special elections.		By Statute		
14	(L) Duplicate receipts. Make out and deliver to the treasurer duplicate receipts of all money received by the clerk as clerk, and countersign and file in the clerk's office the duplicate receipts delivered to the clerk by the treasurer of money received by the treasurer.		By Statute		
15	(m) Certified copies; oaths and bonds; signatures. 1. Make and deliver to any person, for a fee that is set by the board under s. 19.35 (3), a certified copy or transcript of any book, record, account, file or paper in his or her office or any certificate which by law is declared to be evidence. 2. Except as otherwise provided, receive and file the official oaths and bonds of all county officers and upon request shall certify under the clerk's signature and seal the official capacity and authority of any county officer so filing and charge the statutory fee. Upon the commencement of each term every clerk shall file the clerk's signature and the impression of the clerk's official seal in the office of the secretary of state.		By Statute		
16	n) Taxes. Perform all duties that are imposed on the clerk in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes.		By Statute		
17	(nm) Timber harvest notices. Provide notice to a town chairperson regarding the harvesting of raw forest products, as described in s. 26.03 (1m) (a) 2.		By Statute		

18	(o) Report, receipts and disbursements to board. Make a full report to the board, at the annual meeting or at any other regular meeting of the board when so stipulated by the board, in writing, verified by the clerk's oath, of all money received and disbursed by the clerk, and separately of all fees received by the clerk; and settle with the board the clerk's official accounts and produce to the board all books, accounts and vouchers relating to the same.		By Statute		
19	(p) Proceedings to historical society. Forward to the historical society, postpaid, within 30 days after their publication a copy of the proceedings of the board, and of all printed reports made under authority of such board or by the authority of other county officers.		By Statute		
20	(q) County highway commissioner; notify of election. Notify a county commissioner of highways of the commissioner's election within 10 days thereafter.		By Statute		
21	(r) County tax for road and bridge fund. Notify the proper town officers of the levy and rate of any tax for the county road and bridge fund.		By Statute		
22	(s) <i>List of local officials.</i> Annually, on the first Tuesday of June, transmit to the secretary of state a list showing the name, phone number, electronic mail address, and post-office address of local officials, including the chairperson, mayor, president, clerk, treasurer, council and board members, and assessor of each municipality, and of the elective or appointive officials of any other local governmental unit, as defined in s. 66.0135 (1) (c), that is located wholly or partly within the county. Such lists shall be placed on file for the information of the public. The clerk, secretary, or other administrative officer of a local governmental unit, as defined in s. 66.0137 (1) (as), shall provide the county clerk the information he or she needs to complete the requirements of this paragraph.		By Statute		
23	t) General. Perform all other duties required of the clerk by law.		By Statute		

Transition Planning - Major Functions Cycle (2021):						
	Jan + Feb	Mar + Apr	May + June	July + Aug	Sept + Oct	Nov + Dec
Proposed Transition Options:	"Sooner": Opt#1			"Later": Opt#2		"End of Cycle": Opt#3
	February 1st, 2021			July 5th, 2021		January 1st 2022
Finance Functions:						
*Hiring an Accounting Supervisor	W-2s	Audit		Budget		Year-End
	1095s	Maximus Audit				
	1099s	EOC Report (every 2 yrs.)				
	NEED! - Who is hiring?					
HR Functions						
	W-2		Maximus Audit	Health Ins. Planning	Open Enrollment	Premium Adjustments
	1095s		CMS Report	Worker's Comp Audit	Flex Renewal	
	COLA/Wage Increases				Anti-discrim. test	
	Dental Open Enroll	Dental Renew				
Insurance						
	Renewal					
Elections						
	Primary - Feb 16	General- April 6		Primary- Aug		General- Nov

Transition Functions

Options:	The following items are listed recommendations to be considered in transitioning authorities and responsibilities: Possible action language: "...Motion to make the following recommendations to the Finance and Personnel Committee for consideration and advancement to the County Board for resolution (with possible ordinance amendment)"			
		Sooner...	Later...	End of cycle...
Functions	The Richland County Administrator Assumes Authority and Responsibility for Human Resources Functions....	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
Functions	The Richland County Administrator Assumes Authority and Responsibility for Financial Functionseffective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
	*Recommendation for _____ to recruit a replacing accounting supervisor ...	Immediately	Immediately	Immediately
Functions	The Richland County Administrator Assumes Authority and Responsibility of managing the County's Insurance Programseffective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
Functions	Richland County Ordinance No. 20-26 "An ordinance Amending Ordinance #86-6 and #88-3 Relating To Designating The County Clerk As the Administrative Coordinator Of The County" is repealed and the additional functions once associated with assignment of Administrative Coordinator be removed from the County Clerk and assigned to the County Administrator...	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
Personnel	The Accounts Payable Specialist is retitled to Deputy County Clerkeffective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
	The retitled Deputy County Clerk Position will relinquish the HR and Financial duties identified in the Position Transition Document to the Administrator's Office for reassignment...			
	The retitled Deputy County Clerk Position will assume additional County Clerk duties, from the Accounting Supervisor and Payroll & Benefits Specialist positions, as identified in the Position Function Transition Document as assigned by the County Clerk...			
	The retitled Deputy County Clerk Position will be assigned to the pay grade G (matching the Clerk of Court Deputy)...			
	Added budget expenses will be placed on the Administrator's budget with anticipation of utilizing undesignated general funds to cover over expenditure			
Personnel	By authority of State Statute 59.22(2)(j)1.b the Accounting Supervisor position is reduced in the County Clerk's Office and added to the County Administrator's Office...	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
	Duties associated with functions of the County Clerk's Office will be removed or amended in accordance with the Position Transition Document...			
	The Accounting Supervisor Position will be assigned to the pay grade J...			
Personnel	By authority of State Statute 59.22(2)(j)1.b the Payroll & Benefits Specialist position is reduced in the County Clerk's Office and added to the County Administrator's Office...	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022

Duties associated with functions of the County Clerk's Office will be reassigned to the Deputy Clerk in accordance with the Position Transition Document...				
The Payroll & Benefits Specialist Position will be assigned to the pay grade H...				
Personnel	By authority of State Statute 59.22(2)(c)1.b a position of County Administrator's Office Clerical Assistant is added to the County Administrator's Office...	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
This position is proposed to handle Financial and HR Duties of the former "Accounts Payable Specialist" and additional administrative support duties.				
The County Administrator's Office Clerical Assistant Position will be assigned to the pay grade F...				
Office Space	Recommend the "Computer Room" currently assigned to the County Clerk's Office be reassigned as the "Administrator's Office"	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
Recommend that the main office area in the County Clerk's Office be shared to accommodate the Deputy County Clerk, Accounts Payable Specialist, Payroll & Benefit Specialist and Clerical Assistant				
Recommend that MIS be consulted with finding an alternative location/solutions for the existing AS400 computer system, that allows staff access for trouble shooting and solution for data backup				
Transition	Recommendation that the County Clerk continue with involvement in the County Financials, HR, and Insurances in the role of teaching, coaching, and advising the County Administrator.	...effective February 1st, 2021	...effective July 5th	...effective January 1st, 2022
Recommendation that the County Administrator work with the County Clerk on ensuring appropriate access remains in place for the Clerk to gather necessary reports and information				
Recommendation that the County Administrator work with the County Clerk to provide staffing support for the elections and supporting efforts				
Recommendation that the County Administrator work with the County Clerk in identifying budgetary impacts and bring forward amended office budgets reflecting changes in personnel and functions				

EMPLOYEE NAME	JOB CODE	PER DIEM	MILEAGE	MEALS	LODGING	REGISTR	PARKING	REG PAY	TOTAL PAY
BREWER/MARTY K	1	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 585.54					\$ 2,250.00	\$ 5,685.54
CARROW/STEPHEN J	1	\$ 860.00	\$ 428.40						\$ 1,288.40
COSGROVE/CHAD M	1	\$ 2,550.00							\$ 2,550.00
COUEY/MARC B	1	\$ 1,890.00	\$ 312.12						\$ 2,202.12
FRANK/MELVIN R	1	\$ 610.00							\$ 610.00
GENTES/LINDA G	1	\$ 1,520.00							\$ 1,520.00
GOTTSCHALL/TIMOTHY J	1	\$ 790.00							\$ 790.00
HUFFMAN/JAMES D	1	\$ 440.00	\$ 225.42						\$ 665.42
KAUL/MARGARET E	1	\$ 950.00	\$ 244.59						\$ 1,194.59
KIRKPATRICK/JEANETTA K	1	\$ 860.00	\$ 308.55					\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,968.55
LUCK/MELISSA L	1	\$ 2,360.00	\$ 524.28						\$ 2,884.28
MANNING/GARY A	1	\$ 1,130.00	\$ 112.71						\$ 1,242.71
MARSHALL JR/BUFORD E	1	\$ 740.00	\$ 375.36						\$ 1,115.36
MCKEE/RICHARD	1	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 198.39						\$ 1,448.39
MURPHY LOPEZ/SHAUN B	1	\$ 1,680.00	\$ 550.80						\$ 2,230.80
NELSON/VAN L	1	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 428.80						\$ 2,128.80
PETERS/GARY A	1	\$ 160.00	\$ 4.69						\$ 164.69
PULVERMACHER/EDWARD J	1	\$ 280.00							\$ 280.00
SEBRANEK/LARRY L	1	\$ 770.00	\$ 292.74						\$ 1,062.74
SEEP/DONALD	1	\$ 1,570.00	\$ 645.15						\$ 2,215.15
SEVERSON/KERRY	1								\$ -
TURK/DAVID J	1								\$ -
VAN LANDUYT/LEE D	1	\$ 970.00	\$ 364.14						\$ 1,334.14
WEGNER/BRADLEY J	1	\$ 860.00							\$ 860.00
WILLIAMSON/STEVE	1	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 585.48						\$ 2,605.48
	TOTALS	\$ 28,810.00	\$ 6,187.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 39,047.16

JULIE KELLER
RICHLAND COUNTY TREASURER
DECEMBER 31, 2020

TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

I HEREBY SUBMIT THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

MONTH	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS
JANUARY	\$10,217,337.98	\$10,171,676.54
FEBRUARY	\$9,875,662.87	\$9,325,034.47
MARCH	\$6,999,251.56	\$7,280,034.12
APRIL	\$2,423,304.63	\$2,877,017.33
MAY	\$3,100,312.73	\$2,437,754.84
JUNE	\$2,815,765.35	\$3,483,578.33
JULY	\$8,181,900.48	\$7,253,010.99
AUGUST	\$8,588,223.46	\$9,041,722.13
SEPTEMBER	\$2,737,609.26	\$3,034,845.69
OCTOBER	\$2,841,707.58	\$2,454,547.89
NOVEMBER	\$3,770,761.23	\$4,064,949.87
DECEMBER	\$2,478,818.68	\$2,834,615.33
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	\$64,030,655.81	\$64,258,787.53

CASH BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2020	\$1,691,158.97
RECEIPTS 1/1/20 THROUGH 12/31/20	<u>\$64,030,655.81</u>
	\$65,721,814.78

DISBURSEMENTS 1/1/20 THROUGH 12/31/20	\$64,258,787.53
AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE	<u>\$1,463,027.25</u>
	\$65,721,814.78

RICHLAND COUNTY BANK BALANCE	\$1,778,648.20
POINT & PAY DEBITS DEDUCT JANUARY	-\$444.69
	-\$389.94
	-\$1,511.36
DENTAL INS-DEDUCT ON JAN. 1	-\$15,702.35
DEC WAGE ATTACH DEDUCT 1/4/21	-\$913.95
CASH IN OFFICE	<u>\$1,297.16</u>
	\$1,760,983.07
LESS OUTSTANDING CHECKS - RICHLAND COUNTY BANK	<u>\$297,955.82</u>
	\$1,463,027.25

TREASURER'S REVOLVING FUND -----	\$100.00
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GENERAL INVESTMENTS	12/31/2020
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT FUND	\$10,300,914.06
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TOTAL GENERAL INVESTMENTS	\$10,300,914.06
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INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT FUND	\$50,106.11
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	\$0.00

INTEREST EARNED ON DELINQUENT TAXES	\$117,742.82
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INTEREST EARNED ON CHECKING ACCOUNTS

RICHLAND COUNTY BANK	\$2,731.80
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TOTAL INTEREST EARNED	\$170,580.73
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CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	12/31/2020	\$1,463,027.25
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS	12/31/2020	<u>\$10,300,914.06</u>
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TOTAL CHECKING ACCOUNT AND INVESTMENTS	\$11,763,941.31
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COLLATERAL: (AS OF 12/31/2020) On Working Checking Account

RICHLAND COUNTY BANK	FDIC	\$250,000.00
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U.S. TREASURY NOTE:

3130A6AP2	BANK OF OKLAHOMA	\$1,000,000.00	Matures 9/9/2022
912828B58	BANK OF OKLAHOMA	\$500,000.00	Matures 1/31/2021
912828C57	BANK OF OKLAHOMA	\$500,000.00	Matures 3/31/2021

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Fall Well Testing Results

The Driftless Area Water Study of Crawford, Richland and Vernon counties just conducted its first round of private well-water testing to gather data on the quality of drinking water in these counties. 293 samples were collected from homeowners throughout the tri-county area. Crawford County tested 89 wells, Richland County tested 79 wells and Vernon County tested 125 wells. The counties worked with the UW-Stevens Point Center for Watershed Science and Education to coordinate the private well-testing project. Participating homeowners were asked to collect their water samples on the morning of October 26th and take them to one of the drop off sites. The samples were all taken to the Water and Environmental Analysis Lab in Stevens Point early the next morning. The testing was conducted that day. Results have been mailed out to the participants.

RICHLAND COUNTY SPECIFICS: There are approximately 4,175 private wells in Richland County. Letters were sent to 400 randomly chosen well owners, asking for their participation in this sample collection. The first 95 to respond and pick up vials were allowed to participate. There were 79 that actually returned samples for testing. The cost of the testing was \$55 and it was paid for by Richland County Land Conservation department.

Overall, of the 293 well samples collected in the tri-county area, 7.8% of the wells tested had nitrate-nitrogen greater than the 10 mg/L nitrate-nitrogen, 23.5% of the wells tested positive for coliform bacteria with 2.7% of the wells testing positive for E. coli bacteria. In Richland County, of the 79 well samples collected, 14% of them testing greater than 10 mg/L nitrate-nitrogen, 32% tested positive for coliform bacteria with 1% testing positive for E. coli bacteria. Nitrate-nitrogen above 10 mg/L can pose health risks if consumed by infants, pregnant women and women trying to become pregnant. Routine coliform bacteria testing can be used as an indication of whether a well is capable of producing sanitary or bacteria safe water. The presence of E. coli in a water sample is conclusive evidence of fecal contamination in the well. Source tracking was not conducted as part of this project so the sources of E. coli are not known.

The 3 counties are looking at conducting another round of sampling in the spring of 2021, tentatively scheduled for April.

Richland

Nitrate (mg/L as N)

	Number	%
None Detected	13	16%
<= 2.0	32	41%
2.1 -5.0	15	19%
5.1-10.0	8	10%
10.1-20.0	8	10%
>20.0	3	4%

Average: 4 for 79 Samples

Coliform Bacteria	25	32%
E. Coli Positives of the Coliform pos.	1	4%

Crawford-Richland-Vernon

Nitrate (mg/L as N)

	Number	%
None Detected	52	18%
<= 2.0	89	30%
2.1 -5.0	84	29%
5.1-10.0	45	15%
10.1-20.0	20	7%
>20.0	3	1%

Average: 3.4 for 293 Samples

Coliform Bacteria	69	24%
E. Coli Positives of the Coliform pos.	8	12%

Crawford, Richland and Vernon Counties

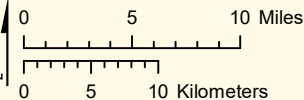
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NITRATE-NITRITE (ppm N)

A	None Detected	52	18 %
B	... 2.0	89	30 %
C	2.1 - 5.0	84	29 %
D	5.1 - 10.0	45	15 %
E	10.1 - 20.0	20	7 %
F	20.1 ...	3	1 %

Mapped value is the average for the 1/4 1/4 section
Treated samples not mapped



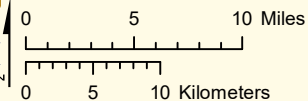
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*** BACTERIA POSITIVE**
Any sample in the 1/4 1/4 section



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To: Richland County Board, Chair Marty Brewer

Subject: County Administrator's Monthly Report — Jan 2021

19-Jan-21

COVID-19 Response:

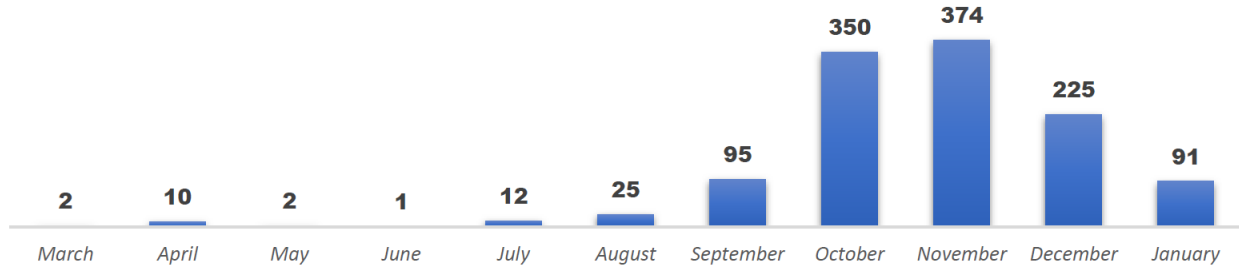
Emergency Operations Center —briefings are held every Tuesday and Thursday. We continue to exchange information with community regarding:

- 1) Down-trend in local in COVID-19 positive tests: as seen through our community testing statistics

The charts below represent the COVID-19 cases among Richland County residents reported as of January 18, 2021.

Time Period	Total Individuals	Positive Cases	Positive Case Percentage	CURRENT Active COVID Cases	TOTAL Recovered / Released from Isolation	TOTAL Related Deaths	OVERALL TOTAL COVID CASES	TOTAL Ever Hospitalized
Last 14 days	162	70	43.2%	81	+ 1,093	+ 13	= 1,187	68

POSITIVE CASES BY MONTH



~Data provided through HHS Director Tracy Thorsen as of January 19th, 2020.

- 2) Local Healthcare Capacity: Our local healthcare providers are reporting available capacity in their intensive care units. They continue to strongly encourage the community to abide by public health safety protocols.

COVID-19 Community Testing:

The Richland County Emergency Medical Services and Public Health will continue Monday testing at the Richland County Fairgrounds until March 1st. The WI National Guard will continue Thursday testing at the Richland County Fairgrounds until March 4th. Testing demands have trended down, but a community need remains.

To learn more: <https://covid.co.richland.wi.us/free-community-testing/>

COVID-19 Vaccine Information:

The Vaccination process has begun. For the most accurate and up-to-date information please visit:

<https://covid.co.richland.wi.us/vaccine-information/>

Policy Development in 2020: Review

Declaration of Disaster	Adopted in May
COVID-19 Plan	Adopted in May
Video Teleconferencing	Adopted in May
Remote Work Policy	Adopted in May
Families First Act	Adopted in June
Policy Establishment	Adopted in August
Procedure Establishment	Adopted in August
Authority and Roles	Adopted in August
2021 Budget	Adopted in October

Policy Development in 2021: Progress

Temporary COVID-19 Leave	Anticipated for Jan 2021
Short-Term Borrowing	Anticipated for Jan 2021
Complaints and Mismanagement	Anticipated for Jan 2021
Authorization Table	Anticipated for Feb 2021
Compensation Classification and	
Authorization Policy	Anticipated for Feb 2021
Purchasing Policy	Under development
Tax Deed Property	Under development

Leadership Changes:

Leadership change at UW Richland Center — Dr. Brandon Fetterly has become the Interim Assistant Dean for the College of Engineering, Mathematics, and Science effective January 11, 2021. Communications Manager John Christensen will continue to help with outreach with the local communities and operations on both branch campuses—
christensjoh@uwplatt.edu phone 608.355.5365; cell 608.561.1774

Strategic Planning:

Resolution No. 21-107 approved the County Administrative Strategic Plan and Administrative Priorities. The Administrator reports to the Finance and Personnel Committee regarding the status and progress of these goals.

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Strategic Plan Tracking and Reporting: 2020-2021					
Items:	Actions:	Status:			
Challenges for the County Administrator (18 month goals for		29-Sep-20	30-Oct-20	25-Nov-20	29-Dec-21
1. Develop a long-term strategic		Preliminary	Developing	Developing	Developing
	Meeting with SW Regional planning 28 Sep 2020				
	Utilization of WI Statute 75.69(2) for strategic land development Ordinance / Policy Change to Follow				
	Received EAD Grant for Development Resiliency				
	Began Marketing and Tourism Focus Team Meetings				
	Scheduled dates for planning session				
2. Transition finance and HR from County Clerk's Office to the Administrator's Office		Preliminary	Developing	Developing	Developing
	Preliminary Discussion with Clerk 16 Sep 2020				
	Administrator moved office to Courthouse 23 Oct 2020				
	Administrative Transition Team has begun meeting: Nov 6th				
	Administrative Transition recommendation to F+P Dec 16th				
3. Make resolutions and ordinances available and organized on the		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	HTML Richland CTY Website search tool -by MIS				
4. Develop more uniform HR policy and procedures		No Actions	No Actions	No Actions	No Actions
5. Implement a uniform performance review program		Preliminary	Developing	Developing	Developing
	Legal Research Defining relationships of Dept. Heads				
	Probation Review Administrator				
	Probation Review Economic Development Dir				
	Looking to confirmation of appointed department heads in Nov				
	Department Heads Confirmed on 17 Nov 2020				
6. Develop plan and funding for more broadband		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	Meeting with SW Regional planning 28 Sep 2020				
	Scheduling meeting with John Bertz				
7. Develop finance and purchasing policy (increase admin authority on		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	Investigating other counties				
	Amendment to Rle #14 expanding authority				
8. Develop new county board member orientation program		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	Discussion and drafts				
9. Full review of county employee handbook, addendums and administrative manual		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	Reviews in adjusting to Administrator Model				
10. Partner with Southwest Regional Planning in developing a county strategic plan		Developing	Developing	Developing	Actions Taken
	Meeting with SW Regional planning 28 Sep 2020				
	Plan on moving forward with EAD Grant Study				
	Received EAD Grant for Development Resiliency				
	Began Marketing Focus Team Meetings				
	Released Survey				
	Proposed Agreement Language to Administer Gran				
11. Develop policy and procedure to address complaints and investigations (Proposed by		Preliminary	Preliminary	Actions Taken	Complete?
	Discussion and draft with several supervisors				
	Department Review: Taking to County Board in January				
12. Develop compensation and classification plan (Proposed by Administrator)		Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary	Preliminary
	Policy draft for discussion 05 Jan 2021				

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2022 Budget Planning with Finance and Personnel – Proposed Timeline:

Richland County 2022 Budget Development Process — 8 Dec 2020	
The following tentative time-line is amended in addressing current needs and strategic goals:	
Adopt plan and timeline the 2022 budget process:	1-Dec-20
Initiatives and timeline	
Affirm commitments to prior resolutions:	5-Jan-21
Amend and Affirm Res 15-98 General Fund Balance	
Discussion and guidance on Res 19-89 Compensation Plan	
Capital Improvements and Projects:	Feb and Mar 2021
Develop forecast plan	
Adopt a plan	
<u>IT projects and funding</u>	
Review and affirm partnerships:	2-Mar-21
<u>Goals and Planning for Union Negotiations</u>	2-Mar-21
Closed Session on Goals for 2021- CBA	
<u>Review Fund Assignments:</u>	2-Mar-21
Placement Fund - 2022 Plan	
Staffing and Spacing	April thru June 2021
Review Functions	
Determine needs and possible adjustments	
Collective Bargaining	May through July 2021
Health insurance and benefits	6-Jul-21
Review current package	
Explore options	
Operating budget	August – September 2021
Preliminary Guidance	
Review by Line item w/ Administrator and F+P Committee	
Presentation to Supervisory Committees	
Finalization by F+P Committee	
Posting	
Hearings and adoption	26-Oct-21

Current Administrative Projects/Support:

List of current projects the Administrator is assisting/tracking development:

- Strategic Planning through SW Regional Planning
- 2022 Budget Process
- Capital Improvement/Project Planning
- Emergency Response Radio/Tower Assessment
- Courtroom Improvements
- Courthouse Roof Repair
- County Grass Cutting Assessment
- Cazenovia Demolition
- Land Conservation Relocation
- New Ambulance Garage
- Kayak Landing Project
- Administrator Transition Committee

Current County Board, Committee and Commission Meetings Tracker:

(Please see attachment below.) This Schedule is only a tracker and is not policy, meetings may deviate based on needs of the bodies or discretion of the chairs. Please always reference agendas. Please report discrepancies or changes to me and I will do my best to update and redistribute the tracker with future monthly reports.

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MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE FOR COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WK 1					
			Ag and Extension Edu - 1PM		
		Finance and Personnel - 1PM		Rules and Resolutions - 1PM	
	Zoning and Land Info-3PM County Parks-5:30PM		Transportation Cord (Qrt) - 3PM Highway and Transportation - 5PM	Board of Adjustments - 1PM Property, Buildings, Grounds - 3PM	
WK 2				Health+Human Services - 10:30AM	Law Enforcement Judiciary 8:30AM
	UW Platt.-Richland-1:15PM		COUNTY BOARD MAIL-OUT		
	Land Conservation - 4PM		(Wednesday before Board Meeting)		
	Symons Natatorium - 7PM	City Park Board - 5PM <i>County Board -December</i>	Comm on Aging and Dis - 1PM		
WK 3			Hidden Valleys Board - 11AM Fair and Recycling - 5PM		
	Auditing Committee - 9AM		SW WI Library System - 5PM	Veterans Service Commission- 10am	
	RED Economic Dev - 1PM	County Board - 7PM	Joint Ambulance - 7PM (Quarterly	Tri-County Airport - 11AM	
	City Library Board - 5PM Pine Valley - 6PM	<i>(except: October is last Tuesday , and no meeting in November and December is 2nd Tuesday)</i>	<i>Feb, May, Aug and Nov)</i>		
WK 4/5					
		<i>County Board -October</i>			
	OFF WEEK	OFF WEEK	OFF WEEK	OFF WEEK	OFF WEEK
COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS THAT MEET AS NEEDED					
Americans with Disability Act Compliance Committee			Joint Ambulance Subcommittee		
Child Support Committee			Mississippi Valley Health Services Commission		
City/County Ad Hoc Committee			Neighborhood Housing Services of Southwest Wisconsin		
Committee on Committees			Nutrition Advisory Council		
Community Development Block Grant Housing Regional Board			Richland County Housing Authority		
Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Regional Board			Southwest Wisconsin Community Action Program		
Courthouse Security Committee			Viola Library Board		
Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee					
CST Coordinating Committee					
Emergency Management Committee					
ALL MEETING TIMES AND DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE					