

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday August 15, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452
Via Teleconference and In-Person Attendance

Electronic Attendance: Persons wishing to attend the meeting electronically may enter the meeting beginning approximately ten minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number or address:

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Access Code (PIN): 492 467 134#

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Attendance Policy: The teleconference cannot start until the host (county clerk) dials in and enters the host password. In the event there is an unforeseen technical difficulty that prevents all or a part of the meeting from being available electronically, the meeting will continue in person and those wishing to attend can appear in person at the location indicated on this agenda. All public participants' phones, microphones and chat dialog boxes must be muted or disabled during the meeting.

All Public Comment is Limited to Current Agenda Items: citizens attending by teleconference may have floor privileges to speak on agenda items without signing-in at the meeting location. Before the meeting is called to order, the Clerk will ask teleconference attendees whether any public comment is being offered. When called upon by the Board Chair, any persons offering public comment should state his/her name and express in good order his/her comments upon the topic under consideration for no more than 5 minutes.

AMENDED AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Appointments and Re-Appointments
 - A. Appointment of Dana Miller to the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors to fill the unexpired term of Mike Loka (District 16, City of Tomahawk Wards 5-6, and Town of Bradley Ward 3)
 - a. Oath of Office
 - b. Ratify Appointments to Appointive Committees (Board of Health, LE/EM/Judicial/EMS, and Solid Waste)
 - B. Appointment of Chris Marlowe and Tyler Verhasselt to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (Term ending April 15, 2024)
5. Announcements/Awards/ Recognitions
 - A. Announcements
 - 1) Wisconsin Reliability Project correspondence
 - 2) Pesobic Lake Association Petition to the DNR
 - B. Awards – None
 - C. Service Recognitions: August
 - 25 Years: Sherrie Zortman, Register in Probate Office
6. Approval of the Minutes – July 18, 2023
7. Letters and Memorials
 - A. Letters - None
 - B. Memorials - None
7. Reports of Standing & Special Committees
 - A. Finance & Insurance Committee: 2023 Year-to-Date Budget Report – Finance Director (Samantha Fenske)
 - B. Finance & Insurance Committee: 2024 Budget Update – Finance Director (Samantha Fenske)
 - C. Aging and Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin: Annual Update – Executive Director (Michael Rhea)
8. Public Comment
9. Resolutions and Ordinances
 - A. Res *1) Resolution 2023-07-47 Resolution to Support Establishment of a Broadband Commission and Supporting Broadband Expansion to Provide High Speed Internet Service to all Residents of Lincoln County (carried over from July meeting)*

- 2) Resolution 2023-08-48- Resolution Authorizing a Binding Referendum and Approving Official Referendum Language To Exceed Levy Limits by \$3,000,000 for each year for 10 Years to Fund Pine Crest Nursing Home Operations and Maintenance
- 3) Resolution 2023-08-49- Resolution Accepting and Expressing Gratitude to the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. for the Grant of \$421,000 for Purchasing Ambulance Equipment.
- 4) Resolution 2023-08-50 - Resolution to Designate Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Lincoln County and Participate in the State of Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs Next Generation 911 (NG911) Initiative
- 5) Resolution 2023-08-51 - Resolution to Authorize the Application of the Public Service Answering Point Grant

B. Ord 1) Ordinance 2023-08-742 An Ordinance amending the general code of the County of Lincoln— CHAPTER 17, 17.1.12 AND 17.2.03, ZONING ORDINANCE AS A RESULT OF A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT AND REZONING PETITION BY JOHN AND DIANE BLAUBACH FOR PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF BRADLEY. .

10. Report of Claims – None

11. Approval for Mileage and Per Diem for Board Meeting

12. Next County Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 6:00 P.M. Meeting Location: Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452

13. Adjourn

Posted: Date _____ Time _____ by _____

Request for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of this meeting. You may contact the County Clerk at 715.539.1019. Please do so as early as possible so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be held in a location which is reasonably accessible to the public.
2. Must be open to all members of the public unless the law specifically provides otherwise.

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

1. In addition to any requirements set forth below, notice must also be in compliance with any other specific statute.
2. Chief presiding officer or his/her designee must give notice to the official newspaper and to any members of the news media likely to give notice to the public.

MANNER OF NOTICE:

Date, time, place, and subject matter, including subject matter to be considered in a closed session, must be provided in a manner and form reasonably likely to give notice to the public.

TIME FOR NOTICE:

1. Normally, a minimum of 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting.
2. No less than 2 hours prior to the meeting if the presiding officer establishes there is a good cause that such notice is impossible or impractical.

EXEMPTIONS FOR COMMITTEES AND SUB-UNITS:

Legally constituted sub-units of a parent governmental body may conduct a meeting during the recess or immediately after the lawful meeting to act or deliberate upon a subject which was the subject of the meeting, provided the presiding officer publicly announces the time, place, and subject matter of the sub-unit meeting in advance of the meeting of the parent governmental body.

PROCEDURE FOR GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION:

1. Motion must be made, seconded, and carried by roll call majority vote and recorded in the minutes.
2. If motion is carried, chief presiding officer must advise those attending the meeting of the nature of the business to be conducted in the closed session, and the specific statutory exemption under which the closed session is authorized.

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS UNDER WHICH CLOSED SESSIONS ARE PERMITTED:

1. Deliberation of judicial or quasi-judicial matters. Sec. 19.85(1)(a)
2. Considering dismissal, demotion, or discipline of any public employee or the investigation of charges against such person and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the person is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action is taken. The person under consideration must be advised of his/her right that the evidentiary hearing be held in open session and the notice of the meeting must state the same. Sec. 19.85(1)(b).
3. Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee. Sec. 19.85(1)(c).
4. Considering strategy for crime detection or prevention. Sec. 19.85(1)(d).
5. Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Sec. 19.85(1)(e).
6. Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of specific charges, which, if discussed in public would likely have an adverse effect on the reputation of the person referred to in such data. Sec. 19.85(1)(f).
7. Conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Sec. 19.85(1)(g).
8. Considering a request for advice from any applicable ethics board. Sec. 19.85(1)(h).

CLOSED SESSION RESTRICTIONS:

1. Must convene in open session before going into closed session.
2. May not convene in open session, then convene in closed session and thereafter reconvene in open session with twelve (12) hours unless proper notice of this sequence was given at the same time and in the same manner as the original open meeting.
3. Final approval or ratification of a collective bargaining agreement may not be given in closed session.

BALLOTS, VOTES, AND RECORDS:

1. Secret ballot is not permitted except for the election of officers of the body or unless otherwise permitted by specific statutes.
2. Except as permitted above, any member may require that the vote of each member be ascertained and recorded.
3. Motions and roll call votes must be preserved in the record and be available for public inspection.

USE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT:

The meeting may be recorded, filmed, or photographed, provided that it does not interfere with the conduct of the meeting or the rights of the participants.

LEGAL INTERPRETATION:

1. The Wisconsin Attorney General will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.
2. The municipal attorney will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.

PENALTY:

Upon conviction, any member of a governmental body who knowingly attends a meeting held in violation of Subchapter IV, Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, or who otherwise violates the said law shall be subject to forfeiture of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$300.00 for each violation.

July 14, 2023

Lincoln County Public Health Department
607 North Sales Street, Suite 101
Merrill, WI 54452

Dear Lincoln County Public Health Department,

Last year, TC Energy's ANR Pipeline Company announced the Wisconsin Reliability Project (Project). ANR filed an application for the project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Docket No. CP23-15-000) in November 2022. As a stakeholder within the community in which we operate, we wanted to inform you of this project. All landowners for the Project have already been contacted and this letter is a courtesy notification.

The proposed Project consists of the replacement of existing pipeline located mostly within ANR's existing right-of-way and installation of 51 miles of new larger diameter pipeline, modifications at two existing compressor stations, modifications to six meter stations and the installation, and removal of auxiliary facilities, as more fully described herein.

Upon completion, the proposed expansion portion of the Project will provide 144,000 dekatherms per day ("Dth/d") of mainline capacity on ANR's pipeline system. ANR proposes to begin the construction in 2024 to meet an in-service date of November 1, 2025; however, construction dates are subject to change depending on a variety of factors including receipt of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and other federal, state, and local authorizations and weather. The increased capacity will be able to meet peak day natural gas delivery requirements and serve growing energy needs in Wisconsin and Illinois in a safe, reliable, and sustainable manner.

Project Details

- The Project involves replacing ANR's existing pipeline throughout Wisconsin and North Illinois with 51 miles of larger diameter, new pipeline to increase system efficiency and reliability while meeting the increased market demand.
- The Project will replace and upgrade existing gas compression facilities with hybrid units at the existing Kewaskum and Weyauwega stations which will result in a net reduction to the Project's direct greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 24,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per year.
- Upgrades to the Lena, Merrill, Oshkosh, South Wausau, Stevens Point, and Two Rivers existing meter stations.

Community Giving

Wherever life happens, we are there. This sentiment is part of our culture at TC Energy because we know that working with you to build long-lasting relationships in the communities where we live, work, and operate will help us all build a stronger future.

Through Build Strong (<https://www.tcenergy.com/community-giving/build-strong/>), our community giving program, we give back in meaningful ways to causes and organizations that are vital to our communities, important to our business and meaningful to our workforce.

Build Strong invests in organizations that are integral to our local communities and our business. Whether we are providing grants to organizations, awarding scholarships to students, or sponsoring a local event that brings community members together, our goal is to help build strong, vibrant communities through mutually beneficial relationships.

If you or your organization is interested in applying or would like more information, please contact me at meaghan_jorgensen@tcenergy.com.

Stay Up to Date with the Wisconsin Reliability Project

TC Energy offers an informational virtual open house about the Project that can be found at TCEnergyOpenHouse.com/WRP. The virtual open house provides information from experts on the Project team in the areas of *Environmental Sustainability, Construction and Contracting, Working with Landowners*, and other components of the Project.

Additional information is also available on our Project website TCEnergy.com/WRP where interested parties may submit questions, comments or and learn more about the Project.

This Project is regulated by FERC. We invite you to follow the Project through the FERC process by visiting the agency's eLibrary at http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/docket_search.asp and searching for docket number CP23-15-000.

Our team is available to answer any questions or concerns that you might have about the Wisconsin Reliability Project. I can be reached directly by email at meaghan_jorgensen@tcenergy.com to discuss the Project or any other topics.

Sincerely,

Meaghan Jorgensen

Advisor, State Government and Community Relations

July 10, 2023

Petition to disallow removing water from Lake Pesobic via tanker trucks.

We the undersigned property owners as members of the Pesobic Lake Association, ask that no high volume removal of water from the Lake be allowed going forward. Lake Pesobic is a seepage lake, and relies strictly on Winter thaw and rain to replenish the volume of water in the lake. Removing 100,000 gallons of water from the lake on daily basis will quickly reduce the water level where it is not usable as a recreation area.

We are also working closely with the Wisconsin –DNR on a Lake Management Plan. Low water levels will disrupt this process which is currently being funded by a \$15,000 grant.

CC: The Town of Merrill Town Board.
The Lincoln County Board
The Lincoln County Land Services
State of Wisconsin- DNR

Lincoln County Board of Supervisors

Meeting: July 18, 2023

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors met at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI in session assembled pursuant to law.

1. Chair Friske called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Pledge of allegiance followed.
3. County Clerk Marlowe called Roll - Members Present: Allen, Anderson-Malm, Ashbeck, Bialecki, Boyd, Detert, Friske, Hafeman, Hartwig, Lemke, McCrank, Meunier, Rusch, Simon, Thiel, and Wendorf. (16) Virtual: Cummings and Wickham (2) Excused: Callahan, DePasse, and Osness (3) Quorum of 18 was present.
4. Announcements/Recognitions/Awards/Appointments
 - A. Announcements
 1. Posting placed in newspaper seeking County Board District 16 seat. Application deadline - 12:00 PM, Monday, July 31, 2023.
 2. Chair Friske announced that Supervisor Boyd will chair the LE/EMS/Judicial/EMS Committee and Supervisor Cummings will chair the Board of Health due to Mike Loka's resignation.
 - B. Appointments & Re-Appointments - None
 - C. Awards - None
 - D. Service Recognitions – July

25 Years: Jamie Taylor, Social Services
5. Approval of Journal – May 16, 2023: M/S Meunier/Thiel to approve the June 20th minutes as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote.
6. Letters, Petitions and Memorials
 - A. Letters – None
 - B. Memorials – None
7. Reports of Standing & Special Committees:
 - A. Finance & Insurance Committee: 2023 Year-to-Date Budget Report – Finance Director (Samantha Fenske) Director Fenske gave her report and answered questions.
 - B. Finance & Insurance Committee: 2024 Budget – Finance Director (Samantha Fenske) Director Fenske gave her report and answered questions. Chair Friske reiterated the 2024 Budget Timeline.
8. Public Comment – Four members of the public offered comment on this month's agenda and are listed in the order they spoke: Dora Gorski, Judy Woller, Michael Southcombe, and Irene Mehlos.
9. Resolutions and Ordinances

A. 1) Resolution 2023-07-45

Amendment to Resolution 2023-05-33

Approval of ARPA Funding in the Amount of ~~\$101,000~~ \$148,500 for Electronic Timekeeping

WHEREAS, Lincoln County currently operates on paper timesheets; and

WHEREAS, the external auditors (CLA) brought to the attention of the Finance Committee the need to implement electronic timesheets; and

WHEREAS, the current scheduled upgrade to MUNIS has the capability to meeting this need and allowed the elimination of a previously approved human resources software, BAMBOO; and

WHEREAS, the upfront purchase is expensive but the annual costs are covered through the removal of BAMBOO. Furthermore, the implementation of the electronic timesheets through MUNIS provides benefits to include elimination/reducing of double entry, employee access to enroll in their own benefits and update personal information, eliminate most manual entry of time for 250 employees, reducing workload and human error of human resources and payroll specialists, increase telecommuting opportunities, and oversight of real time supervision; and

WHEREAS, using the ARPA funding for electronic timekeeping has the potential to reduce expenditures/tax levy obligations, create a more attractive organization for recruitment by modernizing the way we work which could potentially increase revenues through relocations; and

WHEREAS, the electronic time keeping will also help create efficiencies within our organization that reduce the county's liability as well as allow management more effective supervision tools.

WHEREAS, during the implementation process, additional features were also identified as required due to the lack of compatible features within the existing, scaled-down MUNIS software platform.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors, based on the recommendation of the Administrative and Legislative Committee who was charged with vetting all ARPA requests, order the Director of Finance to allocate ~~\$101,000~~ \$148,500 from the County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation for the purpose of purchasing software to implement electronic timekeeping.

Dated: June 18, 2023

Authored by: Don Friske, Supervisor, District 9

Co-Sponsored by: Administrative and Legislative Committee

Committee: Administrative and Legislative

Committee Vote: 6-0 Date Passed: June 28, 2023

Fiscal Impact: ARPA funds ~~\$101,000~~ \$148,500

Drafted by: Renee Krueger, Administrative Coordinator

Finance Director Fenske explained the resolution and why the additional software piece was needed. M/S Cummings/Detert to approve Resolution 2023-07-45. Discussion followed. Motion carried by voice vote.

2) Resolution 2023-07-46

Resolution accepting \$18,171.15 in Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Grant Funds from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission to Support Lincoln County Broadband Planning

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Public Service Commission established funding allocations for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Local Planning Grant program through the Commission's Order of February 1, 2023, in docket 5-BP-2023, to assist Wisconsin counties and federally recognized Tribes to define the need, vision, and strategy for deployment of broadband in communities; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution 2023-02-09 on February 20, 2023 which declared Lincoln County's intent to participate in BEAD Local Planning Grants and authorized the County to submit a letter of intent to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission certifying Lincoln County's intent to participate in BEAD Local Planning Grants; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County submitted a letter of intent to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission on March 6, 2023 certifying the County's intent to participate collaboratively with Centergy, Incorporated, the local Regional Economic Development Office, in the BEAD Local Planning Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Public Service Commission awarded a total of \$100,855.75 on a reimbursable basis to Centergy, Incorporated, for Adams, Lincoln, Marathon, Portage, and Wood Counties to support local broadband planning efforts and build local capacity that will be needed throughout the BEAD planning and initial implementation period. Funds will support planning activities that include but are not limited to outreach initiatives, conducting local needs assessments, and developing local plans for broadband development; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County's total share of the \$100,855.75 BEAD Local Planning Grant funding amounts to \$18,171.15 on a reimbursable basis for the period February 1, 2023 through May 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County is committed to using these funds to support the creation of the Lincoln County Broadband Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors accepts and expresses gratitude for the \$18,171.15 Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Grant funds for use on a reimbursable basis for eligible Lincoln County broadband planning expenses.

Dated: July 18, 2023

Authored by: Kenneth L. Wickham, District 18 Supervisor

Co-Sponsored by: Broadband Committee members

Committee: Broadband Committee

Committee Vote: 3-0 Date Passed: June 5, 2023

Fiscal Impact: Receiving up to \$18,171.15 for Broadband Planning

Drafted by: Kenneth L. Wickham, District 18 Supervisor

Supervisor Wickham explained the resolution and grant procedure. M/S Detert/Hartwig to approve resolution 2023-07-46. Discussion followed. Motion carried by a voice vote.

3) Resolution 2023-07-47

Resolution to Support Establishment of a Broadband Commission and Supporting Broadband Expansion to Provide High Speed Internet Service to all Residents of Lincoln County

WHEREAS, large areas within Lincoln County lack internet service or have internet service data upload and download speeds lower than those required for reliable data processing and data transmission; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service and infrastructure related to internet service are critical components in providing police, fire, rescue communication services and access to internet application which increase efficiency of these services and therefore improve public safety; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes is an essential need for students of all area school districts which now require utilization of technology including tablets and laptops for daily assignments, and without internet services some students are left behind in required classes and classwork; and

WHEREAS, Merrill Public Schools administers *Bridges Virtual Academy* that has 742 total students enrolled, 80 students who are resident students and 662 which are non-resident students, which provides for additional funding to the school district; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes allows for Colleges, Universities and other higher forms of advance education for provision of remote instruction and learning, and without internet services some Lincoln County residents do not have opportunities for advanced education without relocation from Lincoln County addresses; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes and facilities is a critical need for health care providers that can monitor patient health remotely (also known as Telemedicine) and without that ability many people, including aging and disabled, must relocate their homes to areas with appropriate Telemedicine opportunities; and

WHEREAS, businesses of all varieties now require Reliable High-Speed Internet service to provide access to financial transactions, and regional and worldwide markets and areas within Lincoln County without Reliable High-Speed Internet service fail to retain and attract businesses and industry which sustain the local work force; and

WHEREAS, having reliable High-Speed Internet service allows residents to live and work in Lincoln County for employers who allow telework options in other areas of the country; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic accentuated the need for Reliable High-Speed Internet service in all homes, businesses and industry locations as a primary utility; and

WHEREAS, based on the above facts, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors believes that provision of Reliable High-Speed Internet service for all locations within Lincoln County is extremely important to the residents, businesses, industry and economy of Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, based on the above facts, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors believes that provision of Reliable High-Speed Internet service for all locations within Lincoln County will improve efficiency of emergency and medical services and improve the safety of all residents and visitors of Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Broadband Committee recommends the establishment of a Broadband Commission organized under the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation, and further recommends the Commission include the following members:

1. One Member from the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation as designated by action of the Corporation
2. One member of the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors as appointed by the County Board Chair
3. The Lincoln County Administrative Coordinator
4. One Member from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department or dispatch center as designated by the County Sheriff
5. A representative of all fire departments within the County as determined by nomination from the departments
6. The Lincoln County Emergency Management Director
7. The Lincoln County Informational Technology Director
8. The Lincoln County Land Information Program Manager
9. One Member from each major medical provider to Lincoln County residents as designated by those organizations.
10. One member from each of the Merrill and Tomahawk school districts as appointed by the respective School Board.
11. One member from each municipality within Lincoln County as appointed by the appropriate Board or Council.

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors requests that at its earliest convenience, the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors establish a Broadband Commission and approve the members of the Broadband Commission at a scheduled and posted public meeting of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recommends that the Broadband Commission, at its first meeting, appoint a Broadband Commission Chairman by a majority vote of its members; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recommends that the Broadband Commission Chairman act as the single point contact for broadband opportunities in Lincoln County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors hereby requests and supports the creation of a Broadband Commission organized under the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors agrees to consider recommendations of the Broadband Commission and may authorize County sponsorship of grant funding requests and County budget funding for Broadband based activities with future approvals by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recognizes the authority for Broadband Commission activities. Broadband Commission requests for County support should be forwarded to the Lincoln County Administrative and Legislative Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors supports Broadband Commission activities to make Reliable High-Speed Internet service, at Federal minimum service standards, available to all areas of Lincoln County, with priority given to projects based on areas that are unserved or underserved. Actual speeds will be determined by the Broadband Commission.

Dated: July 18, 2023

Authored by: Randal Detert, District 11 Supervisor

Co-Sponsored by: Broadband Committee members

Committee: Broadband Committee

Committee Vote: 3-0

Date Passed: June 5, 2023

Fiscal Impact: None

Drafted by: Renee Krueger, Lincoln County Administrative Coordinator

M/S: Wickham/Bialecki to postpone resolution 2023-07-47 to next month's county board meeting citing there would be additional information available at that time. Motion carried by a voice vote.

B. 1) Ordinance 2023-07-741

An Ordinance Amending the General Code of the County of Lincoln Chapter 1
(Revising 1.29 – County Board of Health)

The County Board of Supervisors of Lincoln County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain that Chapter 1, Section 1.29 be amended as indicated in the attachment.

This ordinance shall take effect following its passage and posting.

Authored by: Angela Cummings

Co-Sponsored by: Board of Health Member: Michael Clark, MD, Julie Allen, Brenda Mueller, and Laurie Thiel

Committee: Board of Health

Committee Vote: 5-0

Date Passed: July 10, 2023

Fiscal Impact: None

Drafted by: Karry A. Johnson, Corporation Counsel

Corp. Counsel Johnson explained the ordinance. M/S Detert/Thiel to approve ordinance 2023-07-741. Discussion followed. Motion carried by a voice vote.

10. Report of Claims - None.

11. M/S Bialecki/Boyd to approve the mileage and per diem for this meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote. 12. Next County Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N Sales Street, Room 257, Merrill, WI 54452.

13. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

JULY EXPENDITURE REPORT

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| | ORIGINAL APPROP | REVISED BUDGET | YTD EXPENDED | MTD EXPENDED | ENCUMBRANCES | AVAILABLE BUDGET | PCT USED |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 0010 GENERAL FUND | | | | | | | |
| 00 NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 1,331,514 | 1,331,514 | 682,000.56 | -3,093.72 | .00 | 649,513.44 | 51.2% |
| 10 COUNTY BOARD | 2,424,559 | 2,424,559 | 1,425,988.43 | 51,537.05 | .00 | 998,570.57 | 58.8% |
| 20 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL | 234,585 | 234,585 | 102,943.08 | 16,051.72 | .00 | 131,641.92 | 43.9% |
| 21 CORPORATION COUNSEL | 203,595 | 203,595 | 106,914.95 | 11,114.60 | .00 | 96,680.05 | 52.5% |
| 22 FINANCE DEPARTMENT | 535,111 | 535,111 | 304,664.22 | 33,924.31 | .00 | 230,446.78 | 56.9% |
| 23 COUNTY CLERK | 208,795 | 208,795 | 149,284.95 | 17,383.64 | .00 | 59,510.05 | 71.5% |
| 24 TREASURERS DEPARTMENT | 178,580 | 178,580 | 95,881.12 | 12,857.99 | .00 | 82,698.88 | 53.7% |
| 25 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 874,001 | 874,001 | 558,297.76 | 54,449.06 | .00 | 315,703.24 | 63.9% |
| 26 MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT | 1,800,683 | 1,800,683 | 938,216.59 | 82,806.16 | .00 | 862,466.41 | 52.1% |
| 27 VETERANS DEPARTMENT | 172,946 | 172,946 | 97,007.39 | 12,056.07 | .00 | 75,938.61 | 56.1% |
| 30 CLERK OF COURTS | 563,697 | 563,697 | 292,903.01 | 34,531.42 | .00 | 270,793.99 | 52.0% |
| 31 CIRCUIT COURT (PROBATE) | 354,806 | 354,806 | 197,769.94 | 25,890.96 | .00 | 157,036.06 | 55.7% |
| 32 FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER | 47,050 | 47,050 | 19,588.95 | .00 | .00 | 27,461.05 | 41.6% |
| 33 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE | 334,702 | 334,702 | 191,396.15 | 25,827.07 | .00 | 143,305.85 | 57.2% |
| 41 LAND SERVICES DEPARTMENT | 1,221,575 | 1,221,575 | 566,347.51 | 77,611.95 | .00 | 655,227.49 | 46.4% |
| 43 REGISTER OF DEEDS | 257,301 | 257,301 | 128,450.43 | 13,069.44 | .00 | 128,850.57 | 49.9% |
| 44 UW EXTENSION | 45,000 | 45,000 | 19,442.14 | 141.01 | .00 | 25,557.86 | 43.2% |
| 50 SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT | 8,217,413 | 8,217,413 | 4,603,959.21 | 511,415.22 | .00 | 3,613,453.79 | 56.0% |
| 51 CORONERS DEPARTMENT | 135,390 | 135,390 | 44,136.16 | 2,474.28 | .00 | 91,253.84 | 32.6% |
| 52 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT | 67,807 | 67,807 | 22,604.84 | 4,879.75 | .00 | 45,202.16 | 33.3% |
| 60 CHILD SUPPORT | 300,391 | 300,391 | 154,592.74 | 19,237.69 | .00 | 145,798.26 | 51.5% |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND | 19,509,501 | 19,509,501 | 10,702,390.13 | 1,004,165.67 | .00 | 8,807,110.87 | 54.9% |
| 0020 COUNTY ROADS FUND | | | | | | | |
| 00 NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 4,233,331 | 4,262,549 | 1,820,509.94 | .00 | .00 | 2,442,039.06 | 42.7% |
| TOTAL COUNTY ROADS FUND | 4,233,331 | 4,262,549 | 1,820,509.94 | .00 | .00 | 2,442,039.06 | 42.7% |
| 0021 JAIL ASSESSMENT FUND | | | | | | | |
| 00 NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 35,000 | 35,000 | .00 | .00 | .00 | 35,000.00 | .0% |
| TOTAL JAIL ASSESSMENT FUND | 35,000 | 35,000 | .00 | .00 | .00 | 35,000.00 | .0% |
| 0022 EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND | | | | | | | |

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| 0022 | EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND | ORIGINAL APPROP | REVISED BUDGET | YTD EXPENDED | MTD EXPENDED | ENCUMBRANCES | AVAILABLE BUDGET | PCT USED |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 2,241,919 | 2,241,919 | 971,095.10 | 5,556.66 | .00 | 1,270,823.90 | 43.3% |
| | TOTAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND | 2,241,919 | 2,241,919 | 971,095.10 | 5,556.66 | .00 | 1,270,823.90 | 43.3% |
| 0023 HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 1,203,177 | 1,203,177 | 571,954.75 | 75,463.80 | .00 | 631,222.25 | 47.5% |
| | TOTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUND | 1,203,177 | 1,203,177 | 571,954.75 | 75,463.80 | .00 | 631,222.25 | 47.5% |
| 0024 SOCIAL SERVICES FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 3,513,236 | 3,513,236 | 1,796,312.23 | 162,104.13 | .00 | 1,716,923.77 | 51.1% |
| | TOTAL SOCIAL SERVICES FUND | 3,513,236 | 3,513,236 | 1,796,312.23 | 162,104.13 | .00 | 1,716,923.77 | 51.1% |
| 0029 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 0 | 0 | 1,066,840.89 | 1,019,039.89 | .00 | -1,066,840.89 | 100.0% |
| | TOTAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND | 0 | 0 | 1,066,840.89 | 1,019,039.89 | .00 | -1,066,840.89 | 100.0% |
| 0030 DEBT SERVICE FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 1,637,860 | 1,637,860 | 1,068,405.00 | .00 | .00 | 569,455.00 | 65.2% |
| | TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND | 1,637,860 | 1,637,860 | 1,068,405.00 | .00 | .00 | 569,455.00 | 65.2% |
| 0050 DOG LICENSE FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 29,500 | 29,500 | 635.14 | .00 | .00 | 28,864.86 | 2.2% |
| | TOTAL DOG LICENSE FUND | 29,500 | 29,500 | 635.14 | .00 | .00 | 28,864.86 | 2.2% |
| 0051 SEC 125 BENEFIT FUND | | | | | | | | |

JULY EXPENDITURE REPORT

FOR 2023 07

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| 0051 | SEC 125 BENEFIT FUND | ORIGINAL APPROP | REVISED BUDGET | YTD EXPENDED | MTD EXPENDED | ENCUMBRANCES | AVAILABLE BUDGET | PCT USED |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 0 | 0 | 485.10 | .00 | .00 | -485.10 | 100.0% |
| | TOTAL SEC 125 BENEFIT FUND | 0 | 0 | 485.10 | .00 | .00 | -485.10 | 100.0% |
| 0060 SOLID WASTE FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 2,086,955 | 2,086,955 | 787,637.95 | 145,252.17 | .00 | 1,299,317.05 | 37.7% |
| | TOTAL SOLID WASTE FUND | 2,086,955 | 2,086,955 | 787,637.95 | 145,252.17 | .00 | 1,299,317.05 | 37.7% |
| 0062 FORESTRY | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 1,510,601 | 1,510,601 | 705,119.52 | 68,201.92 | .00 | 805,481.48 | 46.7% |
| | TOTAL FORESTRY | 1,510,601 | 1,510,601 | 705,119.52 | 68,201.92 | .00 | 805,481.48 | 46.7% |
| 0070 HIGHWAY FUND | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 9,709,275 | 9,709,275 | 4,416,509.98 | 523,883.30 | .00 | 5,292,765.02 | 45.5% |
| | TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND | 9,709,275 | 9,709,275 | 4,416,509.98 | 523,883.30 | .00 | 5,292,765.02 | 45.5% |
| 0071 SELF FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | NON-DEPARTMENTAL | 0 | 0 | 1,954,484.01 | 3,386.64 | .00 | -1,954,484.01 | 100.0% |
| | TOTAL SELF FUNDED HEALTH INSURANC | 0 | 0 | 1,954,484.01 | 3,386.64 | .00 | -1,954,484.01 | 100.0% |
| | GRAND TOTAL | 45,710,355 | 45,739,573 | 25,862,379.74 | 3,007,054.18 | .00 | 19,877,193.26 | 56.5% |

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Motion By:
Second By:

Resolution 2023-07-47

Resolution to Support Establishment of a Broadband Commission and Supporting Broadband Expansion to Provide High Speed Internet Service to all Residents of Lincoln County

| Dist. | Supervisor | Y | N | Abs |
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| 1 | Bialecki | | | |
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| 3 | McCrank | | | |
| 4 | Osness | | | |
| 5 | Wendorf | | | |
| 6 | Ashbeck | | | |
| 7 | Rusch | | | |
| 8 | Thiel | | | |
| 9 | Friske | | | |
| 10 | Boyd | | | |
| 11 | Detert | | | |
| 12 | DePasse | | | |
| 13 | Callahan | | | |
| 14 | Hafeman | | | |
| 15 | Lemke | | | |
| 16 | | | | |
| 17 | Meunier | | | |
| 18 | Wickham | | | |
| 19 | Allen | | | |
| 20 | Cummings | | | |
| 21 | Simon | | | |
| 22 | Hartwig | | | |
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| Amended | | | | |
| Voice vote | | | | |
| Roll call | | | | |

WHEREAS, large areas within Lincoln County lack internet service or have internet service data upload and download speeds lower than those required for reliable data processing and data transmission; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service and infrastructure related to internet service are critical components in providing police, fire, rescue communication services and access to internet application which increase efficiency of these services and therefore improve public safety; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes is an essential need for students of all area school districts which now require utilization of technology including tablets and laptops for daily assignments, and without internet services some students are left behind in required classes and classwork; and

WHEREAS, Merrill Public Schools administers *Bridges Virtual Academy* that has 742 total students enrolled, 80 students who are resident students and 662 which are non-resident students, which provides for additional funding to the school district; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes allows for Colleges, Universities and other higher forms of advance education for provision of remote instruction and learning, and without internet services some Lincoln County residents do not have opportunities for advanced education without relocation from Lincoln County addresses; and

WHEREAS, reliable High-Speed Internet service at homes and facilities is a critical need for health care providers that can monitor patient health remotely (also known as Telemedicine) and without that ability many people, including aging and disabled, must relocate their homes to areas with appropriate Telemedicine opportunities; and

WHEREAS, businesses of all varieties now require Reliable High-Speed Internet service to provide access to financial transactions, and regional and worldwide markets and areas within Lincoln County without Reliable High-Speed Internet service fail to retain and attract businesses and industry which sustain the local work force; and

WHEREAS, having reliable High-Speed Internet service allows residents to live and work in Lincoln County for employers who allow telework options in other areas of the country; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic accentuated the need for Reliable High-Speed Internet service in all homes, businesses and industry locations as a primary utility; and

WHEREAS, based on the above facts, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors believes that provision of Reliable High-Speed Internet service for all locations within Lincoln County is extremely important to the residents, businesses, industry and economy of Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, based on the above facts, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors believes that provision of Reliable High-Speed Internet service for all locations within Lincoln County will improve efficiency of emergency and medical services and improve the safety of all residents and visitors of Lincoln County; and

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss
COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I hereby certify that this resolution/ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors on:

Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Broadband Committee recommends the establishment of a Broadband Commission organized under the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation, and further recommends the Commission include the following members:

1. One Member from the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation as designated by action of the Corporation
2. One member of the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors as appointed by the County Board Chair
3. The Lincoln County Administrative Coordinator
4. One Member from the Lincoln County Sherriff's Department or dispatch center as designated by the County Sherriff
5. A representative of all fire departments within the County as determined by nomination from the departments
6. The Lincoln County Emergency Management Director
7. The Lincoln County Informational Technology Director
8. The Lincoln County Land Information Program Manager
9. One Member from each major medical provider to Lincoln County residents as designated by those organizations.
10. One member from each of the Merrill and Tomahawk school districts as appointed by the respective School Board.
11. One member from each municipality within Lincoln County as appointed by the appropriate Board or Council.

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors requests that at its earliest convenience, the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors establish a Broadband Commission and approve the members of the Broadband Commission at a scheduled and posted public meeting of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recommends that the Broadband Commission, at its first meeting, appoint a Broadband Commission Chairman by a majority vote of its members; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recommends that the Broadband Commission Chairman act as the single point contact for broadband opportunities in Lincoln County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors hereby requests and supports the creation of a Broadband Commission organized under the Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors agrees to consider recommendations of the Broadband Commission and may authorize County sponsorship of grant funding requests and County budget funding for Broadband based activities with future approvals by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors recognizes the authority for Broadband Commission activities. Broadband Commission requests for County support should be forwarded to the Lincoln County Administrative and Legislative Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors supports Broadband Commission activities to make Reliable High-Speed Internet service, at Federal minimum service standards, available to all areas of Lincoln County, with priority given to projects based on areas that are unserved or underserved. Actual speeds will be determined by the Broadband Commission.

Dated: July 18, 2023

Authored by: Randal Detert, District 11 Supervisor

Co-Sponsored by: Broadband Committee members

Committee: Broadband Committee

Committee Vote: 3-0

Date Passed: June 5, 2023

Fiscal Impact: None

Drafted by: Renee Krueger, Lincoln County Administrative Coordinator

Motion By:
Second By:

Resolution 2023-08-48

Resolution Authorizing a Binding Referendum and Approving Official Referendum Language To Exceed Levy Limits by \$3,000,000 for each year for 10 Years to Fund Pine Crest Nursing Home Operations and Maintenance

| Dist. | Supervisor | Y | N | Abs |
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| 1 | Bialecki | | | |
| 2 | Anderson-Malm | | | |
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| Roll call | | | | |

WHEREAS, Pine Crest Nursing Home Ad Hoc Committee has studied Pine Crest for the last two years which has resulted in a need for Lincoln County to either sell the Nursing Home or to increase tax levy to fund the needed operations and maintenance sufficiently to continue operations; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive facility assessment has been provided and the Maintenance Director has estimated that there is a \$2,000,000 need annually to address building needs; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County is responsible for payment of approximately \$400,000 for maintenance staff costs associated with maintenance activities at Pine Crest as well as payment of \$440,815 to North Central Health Care for its services for the management of Pine Crest Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, the operational losses of Pine Crest in 2022 was approximately \$1,000,000 and is currently operating at a loss; and

WHEREAS, North Central Health Care is responsible for the administration of Pine Crest and through the administration of the Nursing Home covers the annual debt service owed by Lincoln County in the amount of \$630,000; and

WHEREAS, the County Board Supervisors has approved contracting a Broker to determine if there is a viable market for the sale of Pine Crest; and

WHEREAS, numerous community members have stated that they would like the option to show their support for continuing Lincoln County ownership and operations of the nursing home through a referendum.

WHEREAS, as representatives of our community members, it is our responsibility to advocate for their voices to be heard through a binding referendum to determine whether the people of Lincoln County support raising additional funding outside the levy limits.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors does resolve to conduct a county wide binding referendum, to be held with the Spring Election on April 2, 2024; and directs the following question be placed on the ballot:

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Lincoln for the tax to be imposed for the next tax year (2024) is limited to 1.058%, which results in a levy estimated at \$13,256,783. Shall the County of Lincoln be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy by \$3,000,000 for EACH YEAR 2024-2033, (10 years) for the purpose of funding and/or subsidizing Pine Crest Nursing Home operations, maintenance, repairs, updates, and debt service?

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I hereby certify that this resolution/ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors on:

Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

Explanatory Statement

Under state law, no political subdivision may increase its' levy in any year by a percentage that exceeds the political subdivision's valuation factor. This has severely limited the County's ability to fund ongoing operation, maintenance, building needs, repairs, updates and debt service for Pine Crest Nursing Home. The additional \$3,000,000/year levy has an estimated \$85.14 tax impact per \$100,000 of the equalized value of private property.

A "yes" vote indicates you agree with exceeding this limit by \$3,000,000 each year (2024- 2033) to fund and/or subsidize Pine Crest Nursing Home operations, maintenance, repairs, updates, and debt service.

A "no" vote indicates you disagree with exceeding the levy limits.

Dated: August 15, 2023

Authored by: Norbert Ashbeck, Supervisor, District 6

Co-Sponsored by: Greg Hartwig, Supervisor, District 22

Committee: None

Committee Vote: N/A

Date Passed: N/A

Fiscal Impact: Nominal cost of advertising referendum question as part of Spring election

Drafted by: Norbert Ashbeck, Supervisor, District 6

Motion By:
Second By:

Resolution Accepting and Expressing Gratitude to the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc for the Grant of \$421,000 for Purchasing Ambulance Equipment

| Dist. | Supervisor | Y | N | Abs |
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WHEREAS, Lincoln County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Merrill and Tomahawk divisions were in collective need of replacement and upgrades of five cardiac monitors, five Lucas devices, and three power stair chairs ; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the replacement and upgrade of this equipment and associated costs would have come from Lincoln County funds, and

WHEREAS, a letter was sent to the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. requesting grant funds to aid in the purchase of the equipment and associated costs; and

WHEREAS, the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. responded with a grant award of \$421,000 to assist in the purchase and upgrade of the equipment and associated costs for the Lincoln County EMS Merrill and Tomahawk divisions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on the behalf of the Citizens of Lincoln County, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors accepts and expresses sincere gratitude for the \$421,000 grant award from the Bierman Family Foundation, Inc. to be used to purchase five cardiac monitors, five Lucas devices, three power stair chairs and associated costs for the Lincoln County EMS Merrill and Tomahawk divisions.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I hereby certify that this resolution/ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors on:

Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

Dated: August 15, 2023

Authored by: Jesse Boyd

Co-Sponsored by: Law Enforcement, EMS, Judicial, and Emergency Management Committee

Committee: Law Enforcement, EMS, Judicial, and Emergency Management

Committee Vote: 4-0

Date Passed: 8/10/2023

Fiscal Impact: Receiving \$421,000

Drafted by: Samantha Fenske, Finance Director

Resolution 2023-08-50

Motion By:
Second By:

Resolution to Designate Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Lincoln County and Participate in the State of Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs Next Generation 911 (NG911) Initiative

Table with columns: Dist., Supervisor, Y, N, Abs. Rows include supervisors like Bialecki, Anderson-Malm, McCrank, Osness, Wendorf, Ashbeck, Rusch, Thiel, Friske, Boyd, Detert, DePasse, Callahan, Hafeman, Lemke, Loka, Meunier, Wickham, Allen, Cummings, Simon, Hartwig, and a Totals section.

WHEREAS, 2019 Wisconsin Act 26 requires the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs to provide grants to one public safety answering point in each county that meet the eligibility criteria and grant purposes identified in Wis. Admin. Code § DMA 2.05; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Admin. Code § DMA 2.03 requires that each county designate a public safety answering point as the “designated public safety answering point” to be eligible to apply for grants in that county; and

WHEREAS, the designated public safety answering point for Lincoln County is the only public safety answering point eligible to apply for grants for the life of the grant program in Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County’s PSAP is currently operating on antiquated and analog technology which has resulted in the interruption of vital emergency communications leaving Lincoln County residents and visitors vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, under Wisconsin State Statute 256.35(3s) the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs (DMA), Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) is providing the network necessary for public safety answering point to implement and upgrade to NG911 services; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County PSAP Working Group (WG) which is made of an interagency effort between Lincoln County’s Emergency Management, Sheriff’s Office, Information Technology, and Land Services has identified the need to participate in NG911 initiative to upgrade the infrastructure and technology needed to provide secure and reliable emergent communications to Lincoln County; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors, that the Lincoln County Sheriff Office Communications Center is hereby selected as the designated public service answering point for Lincoln County; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors approves the Lincoln County Public Services Answering Point Working Group to Enter into the NG911 Participation Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs, Office of Emergency Communications to improve public safety for Lincoln County residents and visitors

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
COUNTY OF LINCOLN) SS

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Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

Dated: 15 August 2023

Authored by:
Co-Sponsored by:
Committee: Law Enforcement, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management, Judicial, Corner Committee
Committee Vote:
Fiscal Impact: None

Date Passed:

Drafted by: Tyler Verhasselt, Director of Emergency Management

Motion By:
Second By:

| Dist. | Supervisor | Y | N | Abs |
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Resolution 2023-08-51

Resolution to Authorize the Application of the
Public Service Answering Point Grant

WHEREAS, Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office operates Lincoln County’s only Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) which is responsible for receiving all 911 calls and dispatching the nearest and most appropriate police, fire, or medical services to emergencies or disorder; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County’s Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) Working Group (WG) has identified and declared their intention to participate in the NG911 Participation Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs and Office of Emergency Communications to increase the network and infrastructure at no cost to Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs, Office of Emergency Communications has released grant funding in association with NG911 called the *PSAP Grant Program* which allows counties and municipal governments to upgrade and improve software, hardware, and peripherals utilized in 911 dispatch centers to provide flawless emergency service to prevent the loss of life, limb, and property; and

WHEREAS, the *PSAP Grant Program* would afford Lincoln County to refit their Public Service Answering Point with advanced computers, monitors, IP-based phones, base station radios, battery back-ups, and the peripherals associated. Furthermore, allowing Lincoln County to meet the communication needs and services of the public; deliver reliable, resilient, and redundant services to its 18 municipalities; and enable seamless integration with NG911 creating a unified digital public safety communications ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the participation in the *PSAP Grant Program* requires a 10% cost share/match requirement which the Public Service Answering Point Working Group has estimated the entire proposed project to cost \$409,359.04; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors, based on the recommendation of the Public Service Answering Point Working Group authorizes for the application of the *Public Service Answering Point Grant* not to exceed a cost share/match of \$40,935.90 and receive an award no greater than \$368,423.14. The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of Emergency Management to report of the *Public Service Answering Point Grant*.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS

COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I hereby certify that this resolution/ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors on:

Dated: 4 August 2023

Authored by:
Co-Sponsored by:
Committee: Finance and Insurance
Committee Vote:

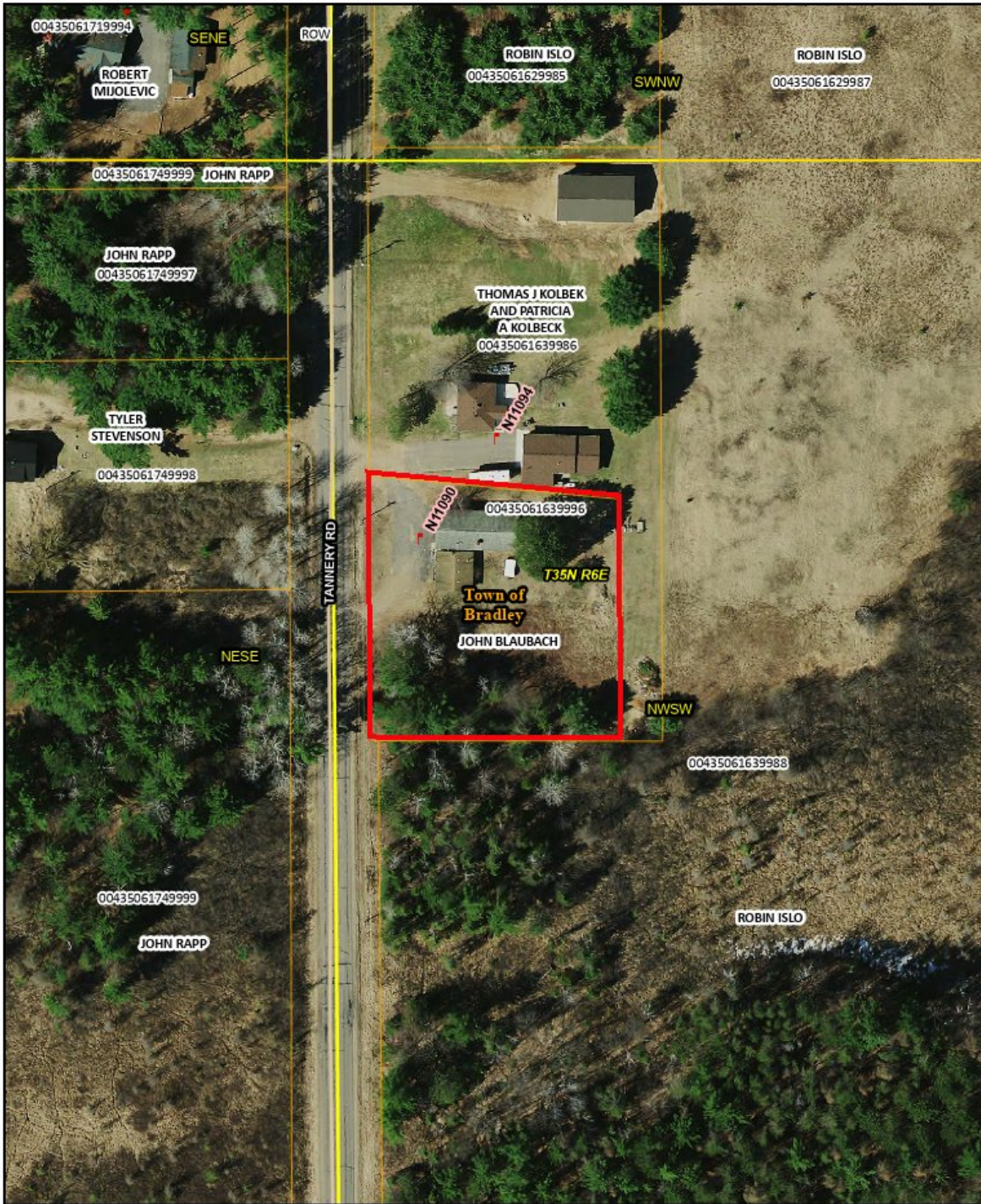
Date Passed:

Fiscal Impact: \$40,935.90 in cost share/match; receive no greater than \$368,423.14

Drafted by: Tyler Verhasselt, Director of Emergency Management

Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

Property Overview



Lincoln County, WI
Author: Public
Date Printed: 5/8/2023

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Zoning District Map - Existing



Lincoln County, WI

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Planned Land Use Map - Existing



Lincoln County, WI
Author: Public
Date Printed: 5/8/2023



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