

**REGULAR SESSION
of the
JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

June 20, 2022

The Regular Session of the Jackson County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 5:30 P.M., on Monday, June 20, 2022, at the Jackson County Courthouse in the County Board Room by Chairman Amo.

County Clerk, Cindy Altman, took roll call with 18 members present and 1 excused (Supervisor Jensen).

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Amo asked for a moment of reflection for former board member Len Kostohryz who recently passed away.

Chairman Amo asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the previous meeting. Supervisor Chamberlain made a motion to approve the minutes. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. Voice vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION 21-06-2022

TO: The Honorable Jackson County Board of Supervisors

RE: Addition of the Behavioral Health Social Worker III position(s) and subsequent changes to the Behavioral Health Social Worker Job Description

WHEREAS, the Behavioral Health Unit within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) continues to expand services and adjust to changes to requirements within the licensed and unlicensed programs they administer to Jackson County residents; and,

WHEREAS, in order to meet State and Federal statutory and licensing requirements for the programs administered by the Behavioral Health Division; and,

WHEREAS, it has been difficult to recruit and retain staff due to the competitive job market, availability of Social Workers in rural Jackson County, and little opportunity for Social Work staff to grow within the division and agency; and,

WHEREAS, it has been difficult to recruit licensed Mental Health Professionals to the supervisory positions (Mental Health Professional/Clinic Coordinator and Children's Supportive Services Supervisor); and,

WHEREAS, the creation of a Social Worker III position under the Behavioral Health Social Worker Job Description would allow for experienced staff to assist in the program management and training of new Social Work staff while other positions cover the tasks of Mental Health Professionals; and,

WHEREAS, 2022 Budget would allow for the additional cost and future budgets would be adjusted to ensure continued coverage of costs; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the DHHS Director, Behavioral Health Manager and the Jackson County Human Resources Director that the Behavioral Health Social Worker III will position be placed on the Jackson County Wage Scale within Grade 13; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the addition of a Behavioral Health Social Worker III position within the Jackson County Behavioral Health Unit and places this position within the Jackson County Wage Scale at Grade 13; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the addition of the Social Worker III to the Behavioral Health Social Worker Job Description; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that current staff who meet criteria for the Behavioral Health Social Worker III position may be appointed to the Behavioral Health Social Worker III position according to the process outlined in the Behavioral Health Social Worker Job Description upon the passing of the resolution.

Respectfully Submitted,

DHHS Committee ,Chairman s/John Higgins s/Tom Clark s/Roger Stevens s/Michelle Greendeer-Rave s/Lori Chown s/Desiree Gearing-Lancaster	Personnel & Bargaining Committee s/Jeff Amo, Chairman s/John Higgins s/Roger Stevens s/Ed Chamberlain	Executive and Finance Committee s/Jeff Amo, Chairman s/John Higgins s/Ron Carney s/Michelle Greendeer-Rave s/Roger Stevens
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Supervisor Carney made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Greendeer-Rave. DHHS Director, Chris Hovell spoke and was present for questions. Voice vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-06-2022

RE: American Rescue Plan Act Funds for Community Development Project Grants

WHEREAS, the 117th US Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (COVID-19 Stimulus Package), a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill, and President Biden signed this act into law on March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County has received and will receive funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County is desirous of setting up grants for community development projects; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that not for profit organizations can request reimbursement for up to \$5,000 for community development grants to be used to create an activity/program or improve their community within Jackson County; and

WHEREAS, it is further proposed that up to \$100,000 be set aside for these community development grants;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors authorizes up to \$100,000 be used to reimburse not for profit organizations up to \$5,000 for approved projects that create an activity/program or improve their community within Jackson County. Said awards to be spent by December 31, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted:
Executive & Finance
s/John Higgins
s/Ron Carney
s/Michelle Greendeer-Rave
s/Jeff Amo
s/Roger Stevens

Supervisor Hart made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Stevens. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-06-2022

TO: **HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

RE: **Resolution to Request Ho-Chunk Funding for a Community Communications Plan**

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Jackson County Sheriff's Office that our current jail has outlived its linear function and the Sheriff's Office is no longer able to get approval from the Jail Inspector to improve the facility without expansion; and,

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has partnered with the Samuels Group and Venture Architects and a jail study was completed showing the current conditions and needs of

the Jackson County Jail. This study shows solutions such as remodels, rebuilds and moving from the current location based on space requirements.

WHEREAS, after the completion of the jail study, it was presented to the Jackson County Law Enforcement Committee and the Jackson County Board. The Jackson County Law Enforcement Committee passed a motion to partner with the Samuels Group on a Community Communications Plan which would include building a website, setting up townhall meetings and sending out informational mailers to county taxpayers.

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement Committee believes in transparency and believes that a Communication Plan will help inform Jackson County residents of the information obtained and presented during the jail study. The Law Enforcement Committee believes that the public needs to be given accurate information and to have the opportunity to ask questions voicing their own concerns.

WHEREAS, the Samuels Group having utilized a Community Communications Plan in surrounding counties, will partner with the Jackson County Sheriff's Office to begin and maintain this plan. The Samuels Group will include Venture Architects into this plan and continue to keep members of the Law Enforcement Committee and Jackson County Board up to date on citizen concerns.

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office comes before the Jackson County Board of Supervisors asking to utilize Ho-Chunk funds to pay for the Community Communications Plan to not exceed \$150,000.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Honorable Jackson County Board of Supervisors authorizes that funding from the Ho-Chunk Funds will be utilized for the cost of the Community Communications Plan, partnering with the Samuels Group, to not exceed \$150,000.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jackson County Law
Enforcement Committee
s/Chuck Jensen
s/Garth Rolbiecki
s/William Laurent
s/Max Hart
s/Ron Carney

Jackson County Executive and
Finance Committee
s/ Michelle Greendeer-Rave
s/Ron Carney
s/Jeff Amo
s/Roger Stevens

Supervisor Rolbiecki made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Hart. Sheriff Waldera, Chief Deputy Olson and Jail Administrator Rich were present. Sheriff Waldera, Kurt Berner from the Samuels Group, Cory Beyer from Venture Architects, and Chief Deputy Olson spoke. Discussion took place. Roll Call vote was taken with 15 present voting Aye and 3 voting No (Supervisor Kunes, Supervisor Higgins and Supervisor Chamberlain). Motion passed.

Supervisor Strandberg made a motion to read the following zone petitions only one time. This was seconded by Supervisor Staff. Voice vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

County Clerk, Cindy Altman stated that Zone Petition 2022-11 was postponed for one month.

**PETITION #2022-13
TOWN OF Millston**

REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

TO THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Jackson County Zoning Committee, having considered Petition #2022-13 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by Roger Bible on the day of March 24, 2022 to change the Official Zoning Map from the R-2 (Residential) District to the B-2 (Outlying Business) District on the following described lands:

On property located in the NW1/4-SW1/4, Section 20, T20N, R2W, Town of Millston, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 1.12 acres of the Official Zoning Map from the R-2 (Residential) District to the B-2 (Outlying Business) District for a resale and printing shop.

Located in the Town of Millston, and having held public hearing thereon pursuant to Sec. 59.97(5)(e), Wis. Stats., notice thereof having been sent as provided by law, and being duly informed of the facts pertinent to the changes proposed, and duly advised of the wishes of the people in the area affected, hereby recommends as follows:

That the zone change be approved.

Dated this 16th day of May 2022.

JACKSON COUNTY ZONING COMMITTEE
BY: s/Hoyt Strandberg, Chairman

Supervisor Staff made a motion to accept this zone change. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. Voice Vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

**PETITION #2022-22
TOWN OF Melrose**

REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

TO THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Jackson County Zoning Committee, having considered Petition #2022-22 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by David Butz on the day of May 4, 2022 to change the Official Zoning Map from the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R-3 (Residential-Cabin/Cottage) District on the following described lands:

On property located in the NW1/4-SW1/4, Section 28, T19N, R5W, Town of Melrose, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 1.5 acres of the Official Zoning Map from the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R-3 (Residential-Cabin/Cottage) District for the construction of a seasonal cabin.

Located in the Town of Melrose, and having held public hearing thereon pursuant to Sec. 59.97(5)(e), Wis. Stats., notice thereof having been sent as provided by law, and being duly informed of the facts pertinent to the changes proposed, and duly advised of the wishes of the people in the area affected, hereby recommends as follows:

That the zone change be approved.

Dated this 20th day of June 2022.

JACKSON COUNTY ZONING COMMITTEE
BY: s/Hoyt Strandberg, Chairman

Supervisor Chamberlain made a motion to accept this zone change. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. Voice Vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

Chairman Amo stated that the Department of Health and Human Services Annual Report was included in the packets. Health and Human Services Director, Chris Hovell spoke and was present for questions.

Chairman Amo asked for committee reports. Chairpersons of the various committees reported on the activities in their committees.

Supervisor Hart made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Supervisor Peloquin. All present voted Aye by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

