

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

January 17, 2022

The Regular Session of the Jackson County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 5:30 P.M., on Monday, January 17, 2022, at the Health and Human Services Building in the Black River Room by Chairman Ransom.

County Clerk, Cindy Altman, took roll call with 17 members present, 1 member absent (Supervisor Blaken) and 1 vacant (District 11).

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Ransom asked for confirmation of the appointment of Garth Rolbiecki to Supervisory District 11. Supervisor Jensen made a motion to confirm the appointment to District 11 and this was seconded by Supervisor Carney. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

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

Chairman Ransom introduced Molly McCormick with 7 Rivers Cardiac Arrest Preparedness and Education Association, to present Life Saving Award Certificates to the following Jackson County Dispatchers: Sarah Wruck, Christopher Wruck, Christopher Underwood, Matt Payne, Ryann Dobson, Wyatt Sachen and Megan Kohnert.

Chairman Ransom introduced Tammy Handly, Public Health Manager/Health Officer, who was present to give an update on COVID-19.

RESOLUTION 01-01-2022

Recognition of Retirement of Public Health Manager/Health Officer Ellen Moldenhauer

WHEREAS, Ellen Moldenhauer will be retiring from Jackson County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as the Public Health Manager/Health Officer, with her last day designated as December 31, 2021 and;

WHEREAS, Ellen has provided service for Jackson County for the past 29 years in a variety of venues and,

WHEREAS, her service has included:

- Working for Jackson County owned, Pine View Home Health, from February 19, 1992 to February 29, 1999 as a Staff Nurse, Director of Nursing, and Agency Director
- Public Health Manager/Health Officer/Aging Director from February 29, 1999 to July 6, 2007
- Member of the DHHS Board from May 21, 2008 to August 31, 2016
- Public Health Manager/Health Officer from October 3, 2016 to December 31, 2021

WHEREAS, Ellen’s dedication, excellent and professional leadership and clear communication have been an asset to Jackson County Citizens, Community agencies, Schools and Businesses across Jackson County and beyond and;

WHEREAS, Ellen has provided Public Health leadership for the Western Region and the State of Wisconsin in her role within the Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB) and has spent countless hours providing education, community support and guidance in her role as Public Health Manager/Health Officer over these past many years and throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the DHHS Board and the County Board of Supervisors wish Ellen congratulations in her retirement and thank her for her 29 years of service.

DHHS Committee

s/Ron Carney, Chairman

s/Tom Clark

s/Michelle Greendeer Rave

s/Lori Chown

s/Roger Stevens

s/John Higgins

s/Terri Boardman

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

RESOLUTION 02-01-2022

RE: AUTHORIZING BROADBAND MATCHING FUNDS FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION IN TOWNS/VILLAGES LOCATED IN JACKSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, Various providers desire to commence projects consisting of the construction and operation of certain wireless and fiber optic communications services to provide the most advanced infrastructure to unserved and underserved residents in multiple Towns/Villages in Jackson County; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board in recognition of the broadband underserved areas of its community, seeks to enter into a quasi-public/private venture to obtain,

maintain and increase broadband coverage for the support of education, health care, growth of business, retention of existing business, tourism promotion, and overall economic vitality and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board desires to support Broadband Grants offered by and through the State of Wisconsin and Federal Entities; and

WHEREAS, Various providers are willing and able to partner with the Jackson County Board, Jackson County Towns and Jackson County Villages to provide the latest advancements in broadband coverage and to seek all available grants to provide and subsidize the cost of necessary broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board desires to pursue and make application for any and all grant money available for broadband coverage with the assistance of these providers; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board had previously approved providing matching funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 for an ARPA Broadband Access Grant in partnership with Bug Tussel Wireless which was not approved;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board authorizes and supports the application by Towns/Villages to the State of Wisconsin and Federal entities for Broadband grants in partnership with various providers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board will return the \$1,000,000 previously earmarked for the ARPA Broadband Access Grant, which was not approved, to the ARPA restricted fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board will, upon approval of any grant application greater than \$1,000,000, provide matching funds in the amount of \$100,000 to said Town/Village, up to \$1,000,000.

Executive & Finance Committee

s/Ray Ransom

s/Ron Carney

s/Jeff Amo

s/Karen Thayer

s/Roger Stevens

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

RESOLUTION 03-01-2022

RE: Jackson County Wolf Resolution

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources established a wolf population goal of 350 animals in 1999 based on prey availability and human population

density, and nothing has happened to increase prey availability or decrease human density in the intervening years, and

WHEREAS, the WI-DNR has not provided for meaningful wolf population control in any of its management efforts, and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves, and

WHEREAS, the high predator population, in particular wolves, has resulted in the reduction of the deer population, reduced hunting opportunities, curtailed livestock and horses, and danger to pets and people,

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has not entered as a litigant to the current case in federal court which is delaying delisting and the transfer of wolf management to WI-DNR,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board advises the Wisconsin DNR continue the wolf population goal of 350 or less in the next revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board request that the WI-DNR and other partners implement meaningful population controls in the next Wisconsin Wolf Plan to bring the wolf population to goal level, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board requests the State of Wisconsin to enter into litigation on the side of delisting of wolves from Endangered and Threatened Species status in order for the state to take over management of wolves.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board requests the US DOI, US FWS and WI DNR move ahead to delist the grey wolf in Wisconsin, as petitioned by the WI DNR, transferring management of the wolf population in Wisconsin to the State of Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board requests the WI DNR not relocate wolves that have caused problems in Wisconsin or other areas into any county in Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Evers, Secretary of the DNR Preston Cole, State Legislators, as well as wildlife management staff including Keith Warnke, Eric Lobner and Randy Johnson.

Respectfully Submitted:

Executive & Finance
s/Ray Ransom
s/Ron Carney
s/Jeff Amo

s/Karen Thayer
s/Roger Stevens

Supervisor Higgins made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Strandberg. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 11 present voting Aye (Supervisor Thayer, Supervisor Strandberg, Supervisor Stevens, Supervisor Jensen, Supervisor Chamberlain, Supervisor Carney, Supervisor Stoker, Supervisor Higgins, Supervisor Farnsworth, Supervisor Amo and Supervisor Ransom) and 7 present voting No (Supervisor Staff, Supervisor Clark, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Greendeer-Rave, Supervisor Rolbiecki, Supervisor Gearing-Lancaster, and Supervisor Schmidt). Motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-01-2022

TO: **HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

RE: Adopt the Wage Study Recommendations and Implement New Pay Schedule

WHEREAS, Jackson County is committed to providing salary ranges responsive to the external market and this is also internally equitable; and,

WHEREAS, job pricing is the process of matching our jobs at Jackson County to that of the external market and placing them in the appropriate pay group; and,

WHEREAS, the Personnel and Bargaining Committee received a wage comparability analysis and pay group recommendations from Carlson Dettmann Consulting that job priced the positions taken to market based on salary movement trends of the external market; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Honorable Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Personnel and Bargaining recommendations for the implementation of the updated pay groups and approves the updated step schedule, option 4, as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the effective date of implemented will be the first full pay period in April 2022 and will be reviewed annually for budgetary purposes.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jackson County Personnel
Bargaining Committee
s/Ray Ransom
s/Jeff Amo
s/Karen Thayer

Jackson County Executive and
Finance Committee
s/Ray Ransom
s/Jeff Amo
s/Karen Thayer

s/Roger Stevens
s/Chuck Jensen

s/Roger Stevens

Supervisor Thayer made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Stevens. Susie Meinerz, Human Resources Director was present for questions. Discussion took place. Voice vote was taken with 18 present voting Aye.

Supervisor Hart left at 6:40 P.M.

RESOLUTION 05-01-2022

TO: The Honorable Jackson County Board of Supervisors

RE: Addition of one (1.0) FTE Environmental Health Sanitarian I/II

WHEREAS, the Public Health Unit currently employs one environmental Health Sanitarian and;

WHEREAS, the Environmental Health Sanitarian is responsible for the Public Health Unit's Environmental Health Services Program in which the Unit operates as an Agent of the State of Wisconsin to assure compliance with Wisconsin State Statute chapter 97 Food, Lodging, Recreation and chapter NR 809 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code, the Safe drinking Water code, as it applies to the public transient non-community water systems and;

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Division of Health Service (DHS) and Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) discourages single Sanitarian Agent Programs and encourages appropriate levels of program redundancy to assure programmatic and statutory requirements are met and to meet the needs of growth within these programs and;

WHEREAS, an additional EHS would assist in assuring back up and continuity of services and;

WHEREAS, this additional position has been budgeted and approved within the 2022 budget and;

WHEREAS, the financial analysis of this resolution is attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the addition of one (1.0) FTE Environmental Health Sanitarian and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution will become effective upon passage by the Jackson County Board of Supervisors and is subject to the recruitment process outlined in the County's Personnel Policy – Chapter 4.

Respectfully submitted:

DHHS Committee

s/Ron Carney, Chairman
s/Tom Clark
s/Michelle Greendeer-Rave
s/Lori Chown
s/Roger Stevens
s/John Higgins
s/Terri Boardman

Personnel/Bargaining
Committee

s/Ray Ransom, Chairman
s/Jeff Amo
s/Karen Thayer
s/Roger Stevens
s/Chuck Jensen

Executive/Finance
Committee

s/Ray Ransom, Chairman
s/Ron Carney
s/Jeff Amo
s/Karen Thayer
s/Roger Stevens

Supervisor Stevens made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Higgins. Chris Hovell, DHHS Director was present for questions. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Resolution 06-01-2022

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC DEPOSITORY FOR MISCELLANEOUS
PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL OF PUBLIC MONEYS**

COUNTY OF JACKSON, Wisconsin.

RESOLVED, that Black River Country Bank (the "Bank"), qualified as a public depository under Ch. 34, Wis. Stats., is hereby designated as a depository in which the funds of this Municipality may from time to time be deposited; that the following described account(s) be opened and maintained in the name of this Municipality with the Bank subject to the rules and regulations of the Bank from time to time in effect; that the person(s) and the number thereof designated by title opposite the following designation of account(s) is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of this Municipality, to sign order checks as provided in §66.0607(6), Wisconsin Statutes, for payment or withdrawal of money from said account(s) and to issue instructions regarding the same and to endorse for deposit, negotiation, collection or discount by Bank any and all checks, drafts, notes, bills, certificates of deposit or other instruments or orders for the payment of money owned or held by said Municipality; that the endorsement for deposit may be in writing, by stamp, or otherwise, with or without designation of signature of the person so endorsing; and that any officer, agent or employee of this Municipality is hereby authorized to make oral or written requests of the Bank for the transfer of funds or money between accounts maintained by this Municipality at the Bank.

Name or Type of Account	Number of Signatures Required	Type or Print Titles of Authorized Persons
1. Jail Account		<u>Sheriff</u> <u>Chief Deputy</u> <u>Jail Administrator/Captain</u>

Patrol Captain

Lieutenant

This Resolution includes all of the provisions on the reverse side.

This is to Certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of resolutions duly and legally adopted by the governing body of the Municipality at an open legal meeting held on January 17, 2022, and said resolutions are now in full force and effect.

Signed and sealed this 17th day of
January 2022.

s/Cindy Altman, County Clerk

The undersigned member of the
governing body not authorized to sign
order checks certifies that the foregoing
is a correct copy of a resolution passed
as therein set forth.

s/Ray Ransom

County Board Chairman

Supervisor Amo made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by
Supervisor Chamberlain. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION 07-01-2022

TO: THE HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**RE: RESOLUTION TO CREATE A DIVERSION CASE MANAGER/HOME VISITATION
MONITOR POSITION OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, in order to provide responsible case management to individuals in the
Post-Charge Diversion Program by utilizing evidence-based screening
tools, effectuating referrals for services and monitoring compliance with
established diversion conditions; and

WHEREAS, to provide home visitation services to the Jackson County Adult Treatment
Court

WHEREAS, over the last four years Jackson County has employed a contracted Case
Manager performing 400 hours per year of case management that could
be converted to a project position whereby the hours could be increased in
order to grow the number of individuals under a diversion agreement; and
provide home visitation monitoring services to the Adult Treatment Court;
and

WHEREAS, the Executive and Finance Committee has reviewed and approved the creation of a part-time project position in the District Attorney's Office to work on the TAD Post Charge Diversion project and Adult Treatment Court; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE JACKSON County Board of Supervisors that with effective passage of this resolution, a part-time case manager is created in the District Attorney's office to work on the TAD Post Charge Diversion project and Adult Treatment Court; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this position shall be funded by using Treatment and Alternative Diversion funding commencing in 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if funding is not be available for 2022, or subsequent years, the position shall be eliminated as it is not the intent of this Board to provide levy funding for this position.

EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE	PERSONNEL & BARGAINING COMMITTEE
s/Ray Ransom	s/Ray Ransom
s/Ron Carney	s/Jeff Amo
s/Jeff Amo	s/Karen Thayer
s/Karen Thayer	s/Roger Stevens
s/Roger Stevens	s/Chuck Jensen

Supervisor Jensen made a motion to adopt this resolution. This was seconded by Supervisor Thayer. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Supervisor Carney made a motion to read the following zone petitions only one time. This was seconded by Supervisor Strandberg. Voice vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

**PETITION #2022-01
TOWN OF CLEVELAND**

REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

TO THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Jackson County Zoning Committee, having considered Petition #2022-01 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by James and Pamela Smetana on the day of November 29, 2021 to change the Official Zoning Map from the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R-2 (Residential) District on the following described lands:

On property located in the NW1/4-NW1/4, Section 10, T24N, R5W, Town of Cleveland, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 4.0 acres of

the Official Zoning Map from the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R-2 (Residential) District for the construction of a replacement single-family home and a duplex for family members.

Located in the Town of Cleveland, 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 pending the support from the township.

Dated this 10th day of January 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 Strandberg. Voice Vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

**PETITION #2022-02
TOWN OF MANCHESTER**

REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

TO THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Jackson County Zoning Committee, having considered Petition #2022-02 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by Becky & Randall Johnson on the day of December 7, 2021 to change the Official Zoning Map from the A-1 (Agriculture) District to the R-2 (Residential) District on the following described lands:

On property known as Lot 8 of CSM 4272 located in the NE1/4-NW1/4, Section 36, T20N, R4W, Town of Manchester, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 2.15 acres of the Official Zoning Map from the A-1 (Agriculture) District to the R-2 (Residential) District for the existing home to be in compliance with the ordinance

Located in the Town of Manchester, 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 pending township support.

Dated this 10th day of January 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 Staff. Voice Vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

**PETITION #2022-03
TOWN OF KNAPP**

REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

TO THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The Jackson County Zoning Committee, having considered Petition #2022-03 to amend the Jackson County Zoning Ordinance filed by Lori & Ric Boelkes on the day of December 7, 2021 to change the Official Zoning Map from the R-4 (Residential) District to the R-2 (Residential) District on the following described lands:

On property located in the SE1/4-SW1/4, Section 27, T20N, R1W, Town of Knapp, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 2.0 acres of the Official Zoning Map from the R-4 (Residential) District to the R-2 (Residential) District for the replacement of the existing manufactured home ⁽²⁾ (mobile home) with the construction of a single-family home.

Located in the Town of Knapp, 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 pending township approval.

Dated this 10th day of January 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 Strandberg. Voice Vote was taken with 17 present voting Aye.

Chairman Ransom noted the Jackson County Fair Annual Report was included in the packets. Discussion took place.

Supervisor Jensen made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Supervisor Higgins. All present voted Aye by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

