

# WASHBURN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA

March 21, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Board Room, Washburn County Services Center, Shell Lake, Wisconsin

1. Call Meeting to Order – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Wilson
2. Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance – Supv. L. Featherly
3. Notice of Meeting - County Clerk Swearingen
4. Roll Call – County Clerk Swearingen
5. Approval of February 21, 2023 County Board Proceedings
6. Recognition of Transition Plan for County Board Chair
7. District 3 Supervisor Resignation
8. Chair Appointments
9. Ratify New District 3 Supervisor and Administer Oath
10. Ratify New District 5 Supervisor and Administer Oath
11. Election of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair
12. Election of Highway Committee Member
13. Presentation by Brightspeed
14. Chair Comments
15. Concerned Citizens
16. Presentation of Certificates to Youth Representatives
17. **Consent Agenda Resolutions:**
  - A. Rezone Petition and Amendatory Ordinance – February 2023
  - B. Resolution Authorizing Washburn County to Enter Into the Settlement Agreements with Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., Allegan Finance, LLC, Walgreen Co., Walmart, Inc., CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc., Agree to the Terms of the Addendum to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds, and Authorize Entry Into the MOU with the Attorney General
  - C. Resolution Designating the Week of April 17, 2023 Through April 21, 2023 as “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” in Washburn County
18. **Resolutions and Ordinances:**
  - A. Resolution to Accept Grant Funds From the Office of Emergency Communications, Department of Military Affairs Into the 2023 Land Information/County Surveyors Budget – Supv. S. Smith
  - B. Resolution to Accept Healthy Lakes and Rivers Grant Funds into the 2023 DNR Surface Water Budget – Supv. S. Smith
19. Committee Reports
20. Citizen Comments
21. Next Meeting Date and Possible Future Agenda Items
22. Audit Per Diems
23. Adjourn

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# WASHBURN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

February 21, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Board Room, Washburn County Services Center, Shell Lake, Wisconsin

1. Call Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Mackie
2. Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Supv. D. Wilson
3. Notice of Meeting was read by County Clerk Olson
4. Roll Call was done by County Clerk Olson. Board members present: (14); Excused: (6) Linda Featherly, Mark Radzak, Sandy Johnson, Louis Villella, Cristina Masterjohn, Jocelyn Ford; Absent (1) Paul Johnson; Youth: (1) Aaron Anderson. Paul Johnson arrived at 6:10 p.m. as noted below.
5. Approval of January 17, 2023 County Board Proceedings on motion by Supv. S. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. S. Roppe; MC.
6. Recognition of Service for Kerri Adams – this will be postponed.
7. Concerned Citizens – Colleen Cook, Spooner WI, asked that the senior building on Oak Street not be put up for sale and that this be reconsidered/repurposed for the HHS kids.
8. **Consent Agenda Resolutions** on motion to approve by Supv. D. Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. G. Cusick; MC.
  - A. **Resolution 2023-11 for Approval of 2023 DNR Emergency Fire Warden List**
  - B. **Resolution 2023-12 Approving Letter of Support for Mosaic**
9. **Other Resolutions and Ordinances:**
  - A. **Resolution 2023-13 to Increase the 2023 Surface Water Budget with Remaining 2022 Healthy Lakes Grant Funds** on motion to approve by Supv. S. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. G. Cusick. Roll Vote: Yes (14), No (0), Excused (6) L. Featherly, M. Radzak, S. Johnson, L. Villella, C. Masterjohn, J. Ford, Absent (1) P. Johnson; Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - B. **Resolution 2023-14 to Accept Funds from the Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) into the 2023 Soil & Water Conservation Budget** on motion to approve by Supv. S. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. C. Stariha. Supv. Paul Johnson arrived at 6:10 p.m. Roll Vote: Yes (15), No (0), Excused (6) L. Featherly, M. Radzak, S. Johnson, L. Villella, C. Masterjohn, J. Ford; Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - C. **Resolution 2023-15 to Increase the Soil & Water Conservation Budget with Remaining 2022 SWRM Grant Funds** on motion to approve by Supv. D. Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. J. Hoy. Roll Vote: Yes (15), No (0), Excused (6) L. Featherly, M. Radzak, S. Johnson, L. Villella, C. Masterjohn, J. Ford; Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - D. **Resolution 2023-16 to Increase the 2023 Soil and Water Conservation Budget, with Remaining 2022 Producer LED Grant Funds** on motion to approve by Supv. S. Roppe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. G. Cusick. Roll Vote: Yes (15), No (0), Excused (6); Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - E. **Resolution 2023-17 to Increase the Register of Deeds 2023 Budget for Purchase of Fidler Program** on motion to approve by Supv. S. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. B. Olsgard. As this is a budget amendment, motion requires 2/3 of board. Roll Vote: Yes (15), No (0), Excused (6) L. Featherly, M. Radzak, S. Johnson, L. Villella, C. Masterjohn, J. Ford; Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - F. **Resolution 2023-18 to Carry Over 2022 Wisconsin Land Information Program (WLIP) Grant Dollars to the 2023 Land Information/Surveyor Budget and Register of Deeds Budget** on motion to approve by Supv. S. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. D. Wilson. Roll Vote: Yes (15), No (0), Excused (6) L. Featherly, M. Radzak, S. Johnson, L. Villella, C. Masterjohn, J. Ford; Youth: Yes (1); MC.
  - G. **Resolution 2023-19 to Approve Washburn County Forest Species and Habitat Conservation Agreement** on motion to approve by Supv. J. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. H. Graber. Forest Administrator Mike Peterson responded to questions regarding incidental take permits, conservation measures, minimal implementation costs. We have already adopted many of these habitat conservation programs. There will be no fee to join. Unknown if forest plan has to be

amended for language that would stipulate protecting maternity roosts in particular; those are already listed on the database; just need to ratify commitment. Voice vote carries unanimously.

10. Committee Reports – Jeanne Bruce pointed out spelling error in resolution 2023-19. FINANCE – financial advisors PMA were asked to advise us as to what consequences of defaulting on federal debt would be; doesn't matter where you have your funds there will be an impact, advised not having a lot of obligations coming due July/Aug/Sept; in Wisconsin we were one of 2 counties that asked for their advice; federal government has never defaulted to date. HHS – positions filled; implemented Fentanyl testing; closest year to a zero balance for budget; have additional high cost/high need resident. IT – hardware/software continues to be updated, going to FIDLAR for the ROD will be good; have to do things with fiber hubs in Spooner. PERSONNEL – recently updated handbook, will be looking at emergency closure policy in more depth. AG/LCC – reviewed grant dollars carried over, LIO will provide signs/posts in City of Shell Lake, V of Minong. FORESTRY – saving bats, working on updating the scout camp, logging is slow this month, Mr. Pettingill will be retiring, campground is ready to go with concrete to pour in one building, no dollars in carbon project yet. HIGHWAY – fully staffed with very good crew, equipment/vehicle shortage, new DEF system will be installed to reduce fuel costs, new snowblower for skidster for interchange in Trego/bridge decks, committee is looking at 14 new ATV/UTV routes. LAW ENFORCEMENT – jail study has been postponed until March 9<sup>th</sup> due to the weather forecast. PUBLIC PROPERTY – structures at fairground have been determined to be structurally sound, working on easement for Town of Evergreen. UWEXT – almost at full staff – community youth educator brought in. SOLID WASTE – nothing. VETERANS – fully staffed and hope to get caught up now. AGING – good start this year with standalone ADRC, staff are happy, hiring positions (Admin Asst, I&A), started agreement with Ventures which allows the SL Senior Center to be open more days of the week, work has started on the Annex (new Spooner Senior Center), still haven't received the van. ZONING – meeting coming up at the 28<sup>th</sup> looking at a campground, making progress with the Ad Hoc group re the campground ordinance revision. TRANSIT COMM – a crossing over one of the snowmobile trails affecting the Wild Rivers Trail was installed for which authorization from the OCR will need to be obtained.
11. Chair Appointments – none at this time.
12. Citizen Comments – none at this time.
13. Chair Comments – giving everyone a homework assignment that will be due in 2 months: Where do you believe the county should be in 5-10-15-20 years; what should we be doing differently in that time period, doing the same; are there new things out there that could take place – board members were asked to start thinking about this. Looking at the weather, a decision will be made tomorrow evening and the courthouse will be closed if the weather is bad; people's lives are more important than getting the work done. Read letter of resignation from Lolita Olson.
14. Next Meeting Date and Possible Future Agenda Items – March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023
15. Audit Per Diems on motion by Supv. D. Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. J. Smith; MC.
16. Adjourn at 7:05 p.m on motion by Supv. D. Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supv. J. Smith; MC.

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**REZONING PETITIONS**

Washburn County Board of Supervisors

Rezoning petitions were filed with the Washburn County Zoning Office for changes in the Zoning districts. Notices were sent that a public hearing would be held on February 28, 2023.

The Zoning Committee did conduct the public hearings, considered the following and recommend as:

**Long Lake Township: Jeff Rubin, Sarona WI.** Property: Tax ID#17646-9.18 acres, E1/2 E1/2 NE SW, in Section 26-37-11, Town of Long Lake, to rezone 9.18 acres from Agricultural to Residential Agricultural to bring into compliance, split 5 acres off and sell. The remaining acres will be attached to his other parcel.

The Zoning Committee recommends APPROVAL of the request to rezone 9.18 acres of Agricultural to Residential Agricultural.

**Beaverbrook Township: K&B Construction/Justin Bluse Spooner WI:** Property: Tax ID#3698-.51 acres Agricultural, PT GOV LOT 4 L1, Tax Id#3870-3.50 acres, Agricultural, PT NW SE, Tax Id#3697-29.49 acres, Agricultural, PT GOV LOT 4 all in Section 06-38-12, Town of Beaverbrook from Agricultural to Residential Agricultural to be able to create two lots, bringing the dwelling into compliance with the correct amount of acreage and the other parcel created to be able to apply for a Conditional Use Permit for a Campground.

The Zoning Committee recommends APPROVAL of the request to rezone 33.5 acres of Agricultural to Residential Agricultural.

Interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard.

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Dated

Jocelyn Ford, Chairman  
Washburn County Zoning Committee

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**AMENDATORY ORDINANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the Washburn County Board of Supervisors has heretofore been petitioned to amend the Washburn County Zoning Ordinance and Maps; and

**WHEREAS**, the rezoning petitions have been referred to the zoning district boundaries, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chapter 59.69, and;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washburn County Zoning Ordinance and maps, adopted in 1977 are hereby amended and designated as;

**Long Lake Township: Jeff Rubin, Sarona WI.** Property: Tax ID#17646-9.18 acres, E1/2 E1/2 NE SW, in Section 26-37-11, Town of Long Lake, to rezone 9.18 acres from Agricultural to Residential Agricultural to bring into compliance, split 5 acres off and sell. The remaining acres will be attached to his other parcel.

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Interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard.

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ move to \_\_\_\_\_ rezonings,  
second by \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, motion carried.

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_ David Wilson, Chairman

Washburn County Board of Supervisors

Rezonepetitions022823

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

*Authorizing Washburn County to Enter Into the Settlement Agreements with Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., Allergan Finance, LLC, Walgreen Co., Walmart, Inc., CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc., Agree to the Terms of the Addendum to the MOU Allocating Settlement Proceeds, and Authorize Entry Into the MOU with the Attorney General*

**WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors previously authorized the County to enter into an engagement agreement with von Briesen & Roper, s.c., Crueger Dickinson LLC and Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC (the "Law Firms") to pursue litigation against certain manufacturers, distributors, and retailers of opioid pharmaceuticals (the "Opioid Defendants") in an effort to hold the Opioid Defendants financially responsible for the County's expenditure of vast money and resources to combat the opioid epidemic;

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the County, the Law Firms filed a lawsuit against the Opioid Defendants;

**WHEREAS**, the Law Firms filed similar lawsuits on behalf of 66 other Wisconsin counties and all Wisconsin cases were coordinated with thousands of other lawsuits filed against the same or substantially similar parties as the Opioid Defendants in the Northern District of Ohio, captioned *In re: Opioid Litigation*, MDL 2804 (the "Litigation");

**WHEREAS**, four (4) additional Wisconsin counties (Milwaukee, Dane, Waukesha, and Walworth) hired separate counsel and joined the Litigation;

**WHEREAS**, since the inception of the Litigation, the Law Firms have coordinated with counsel from around the country (including counsel for Milwaukee, Dane, Waukesha, and Walworth Counties) to prepare the County's case for trial and engage in extensive settlement discussions with the Opioid Defendants;

**WHEREAS**, the settlement discussions with Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., Allergan Finance, LLC, Walgreen Co., Walmart, Inc., CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc. (the "Settling Defendants") resulted in a tentative agreement as to settlement terms pending agreement from the County and other plaintiffs involved in the Litigation;

**WHEREAS**, copies of the various settlement agreements relating to the Settling Defendants (collectively "Settlement Agreements") representing the terms of the tentative settlement agreements with the Settling Defendants have been provided with this Resolution;

**WHEREAS**, the Settlement Agreements provide, among other things, for the payment of certain sums to Participating Subdivisions (as defined in the Settlement Agreements) upon the occurrence of certain events detailed in the Settlement Agreements;

**WHEREAS**, the County is a Participating Subdivision in the Settlement Agreements and has the opportunity to participate in the benefits associated with the Settlement Agreement provided the County (a) approves the Settlement Agreements; (b) approves the Memorandum of

Understanding allocating proceeds from the Settlement Agreements among the various Wisconsin Participating Subdivisions, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution (the "Allocation MOU"); (c) approves the Memorandum of Understanding with the Wisconsin Attorney General regarding allocation of settlement proceeds, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution (the "AG MOU"); and (d) the Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance approves the terms of the Settlement Agreements and the AG MOU;

**WHEREAS**, 2021 Wisconsin Act 57 created Section 165.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes relating to the settlement of all or part of the Litigation;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 165.12(2), the Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance is required to approve the Settlement Agreements and the AG MOU;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 165.12(2), the proceeds from any settlement of all or part of the Litigation are distributed 70% to local governments in Wisconsin that are parties to the Litigation and 30% to the State;

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. § 165.12(4)(b)2. provides the proceeds from the Settlement Agreement must be deposited in a segregated account (the "Opioid Abatement Account") and may be expended only for approved uses for opioid abatement as provided in the Settlement Agreements;

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. § 165.12(7) bars claims from any Wisconsin local government against the Opioid Defendants filed after June 1, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the definition of Participating Subdivisions in the Settlement Agreements recognizes a statutory bar on claims such as that set forth in Wis. Stat. § 165.12(7) and, as a result, the only Participating Subdivisions in Wisconsin are those counties and municipalities that were parties to the Litigation (or otherwise actively litigating a claim against one, some, or all of the Opioid Defendants) as of June 1, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance is not statutorily authorized or required to approve the allocation of proceeds of the Settlement Agreements among Wisconsin Participating Subdivisions;

**WHEREAS**, the Law Firms have engaged in extensive discussions with counsel for all other Wisconsin Participating Subdivisions resulting in the proposed Allocation MOU, which is an agreement between all of the entities identified in the Allocation MOU as to how the proceeds payable to those entities under the Settlement Agreements will be allocated;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Addendum to the MOU ("Addendum") provided with this Resolution provides for allocation of settlement proceeds among the Wisconsin Participating Subdivisions according to the same percentages as that provided in the previously-approved MOU allocating the settlement proceeds of the settlements involving McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Johnson & Johnson, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc.;

**WHEREAS**, there is provided with this Resolution a summary of the essential terms of the Settlement Agreements, the deadlines related to the effective dates of the Settlement Agreements, the ramifications associated with the County's refusal to enter into the Settlement Agreements, the form of the Addendum, the form of the AG MOU, and an overview of the process for finalizing the Settlement Agreements;

**WHEREAS**, the County, by this Resolution, shall deposit the proceeds of the Settlement Agreements consistent with the terms of this Resolution and Wis. Stat. § 165.12(4)(b);

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the County's engagement agreement with the Law Firms, the County shall pay up to an amount equal to 25% of the proceeds from successful resolution of all or part of the Litigation, whether through settlement or otherwise, plus the Law Firms' costs and disbursements, to the Law Firms as compensation for the Law Firms' efforts in the Litigation and any settlement;

**WHEREAS**, the Law Firms anticipate making application to the national fee fund established in the Settlement Agreements seeking payment, in whole or part, of the fees, costs, and disbursements owed the Law Firms pursuant to the engagement agreement with the County;

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated the amount of any award from the fee fund established in the Settlement Agreements will be insufficient to satisfy the County's obligations under the engagement agreement with the Law Firms;

**WHEREAS**, the County, by this Resolution, and pursuant to the authority granted the County in the applicable Order emanating from the Litigation in relation to the Settlement Agreements and payment of attorney fees, shall authorize and direct the escrow agent responsible for the receipt and distribution of the proceeds from the Settlement Agreements to establish an account for the purpose of segregating funds to pay the fees, costs, and disbursements of the Law Firms owed by the County (the "Attorney Fees Account") in order to fund a local "backstop" for payment of the fees, costs, and disbursements of the Law Firms;

**WHEREAS**, in no event shall payments to the Law Firms out of the Attorney Fees Account and the fee fund established in the Settlement Agreements exceed an amount equal to 25% of the amounts allocated to the County in the Addendum;

**WHEREAS**, the intent of this Resolution is to authorize the County to enter into the Settlement Agreements, the Addendum, and the AG MOU, establish the County's Opioid Abatement Account, and establish the Attorney Fees Account; and

**WHEREAS**, the County, by this Resolution, shall authorize the County's corporation counsel to finalize and execute any escrow agreement and other document or agreement necessary to effectuate the Settlement Agreements and the other agreements referenced herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** the County Board of Supervisors hereby approves:



1. The execution of the Settlement Agreements and any and all documents ancillary thereto and authorizes the Board Chair or designee to execute same.
2. The final negotiation and execution of the Addendum in form substantially similar to that presented with this Resolution and any and all documents ancillary thereto and authorizes the Board Chair or designee to execute same upon finalization provided the percentage share identified as allocated to the County is substantially similar to that identified in the Addendum provided to the Board with this Resolution.
3. The final negotiation and execution of the AG MOU in form substantially similar to that presented with this Resolution and any and all documents ancillary thereto and authorizes the Board Chair or designee to execute same.
4. The execution by the Board Chair or designee of any additional documents or agreements for the receipt and disbursement of the proceeds of the Settlement Agreements as referenced in the Addendum.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** all proceeds from the Settlement Agreements not otherwise directed to the Attorney Fees Account shall be deposited in the County's Opioid Abatement Account. The Opioid Abatement Account shall be administered consistent with the terms of this Resolution, Wis. Stat. § 165.12(4), and the Settlement Agreements.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** the County hereby authorizes the establishment of an account separate and distinct from any account containing funds allocated or allocable to the County which shall be referred to by the County as the "Attorney Fees Account." An escrow agent shall deposit a sum equal to up to, but in no event exceeding, an amount equal to 20% of the County's proceeds from the Settlement Agreements into the Attorney Fees Account. If the payments to the County are not enough to fully fund the Attorney Fees Account as provided herein because such payments are made over time, the Attorney Fees Account shall be funded by placing up to, but in no event exceeding, an amount equal to 20% of the proceeds from the Settlement Agreements attributable to Local Governments (as that term is defined in the Allocation MOU) into the Attorney Fees Account for each payment. Funds in the Attorney Fees Account shall be utilized to pay the fees, costs, and disbursements owed to the Law Firms pursuant to the engagement agreement between the County and the Law Firms provided, however, the Law Firms shall receive no more than that to which they are entitled under their fee contract when considering the amounts paid the Law Firms from the fee fund established in the Settlement Agreements and allocable to the County. The Law Firms may make application for payment from the Attorney Fees Account at any time and the County shall cooperate with the Law Firms in executing any documents necessary for the escrow agent to make payments out of the Attorney Fees Account.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all actions heretofore taken by the Board of Supervisors and other appropriate public officers and agents of the County with respect to the matters contemplated under this Resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

----- Adopted by the Washburn County Board of Supervisors this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023.

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Chair Designee

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ATTEST: County Clerk

**Resolution # \_\_\_ - \_\_\_**  
**Washburn County Board of Supervisors**  
**2023 Work Zone Safety Awareness Week in Washburn County**

TO: THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE WASHBURN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

RE: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2023 THROUGH APRIL 21, 2023 AS "WORK ZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK" IN WASHBURN COUNTY.

WHEREAS: In 1999, the Federal Highway Administration partnered with the American Association of State Highway Officials and more recently the American Traffic Safety Services Association to create the National Work Zone Safety Awareness campaign which is held annually in April prior to the construction season in much of the nation and;

WHEREAS: The Wisconsin County Highway Association is asking all seventy-two counties in the state to unite and kick-off "Work Zone Safety Awareness Week" with a resolution and campaign to raise awareness for its workers, the travelling public, public safety workers, and those of various highway contractors performing work for the counties; and

WHEREAS: Between 2017 and 2022, there were 70 fatalities recorded as a result of more than 14,473 work zone crashes and injuring more than 5,449 people in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS: Construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways periodically require that work zones be established; and

WHEREAS: there has been over 1,805 work zone crashes in Wisconsin in each of the last five years; and

WHEREAS: In 2020, Wisconsin suffered from nearly 2,186 crashes in road construction and maintenance zones, resulting in over 859 injuries and 13 fatalities; and

WHEREAS: Through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Washburn County Sheriff's Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and Washburn County Highway Department will work to make Work Zone Safety Awareness Week a success; and

WHEREAS: The Federal Highway Administration has designated April 17 through April 21, 2023 as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week with this year's theme "You play a role in work zone safety. Work with us", which emphasized the importance of motorists driving safely to ensure that we all work together to save lives in work zones;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Washburn County Board of Supervisors that the week of April 17 through April 21, 2023 be designated as Work Zone Safety Awareness Week in Washburn County.

Recommended for adoption by the Washburn County Highway and Dam Committee this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023 and approved by the Washburn County Board of Supervisors this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023.

**Highway Committee**

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Tim Kessler, Chairperson

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Hank Graber, Vice-Chair

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Sandy Johnson

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Mark Radzak

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Clint Stariha

**RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS INTO THE 2023 LAND INFORMATION/COUNTY SURVEYORS BUDGET.**

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Washburn County Land Information Office applied for a NextGen9-1-1 grant through the Office of Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs and was awarded a grant in the amount of \$22,646.00; and

WHEREAS, this grant runs from December 22, 2022 through June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the grant is to perform remediation steps on the County's GIS data to ensure the data can meet requirements necessary for NG 911 call routing; and

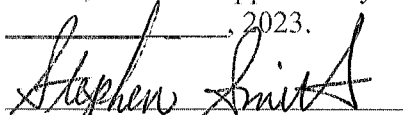
WHEREAS, this is a matching fund grant where the match must equal 5% of the grant fund amount, with the 5% match begin composed of Wisconsin Land Information Program retained fees in the amount of \$1,132.30; and

WHEREAS, the Washburn County Land Information/Surveyor Office will be the fiscal managers of this grant and will distribute the grant dollars to the vender used to perform the work per the grant requirements; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; as the Grant Recipient that \$22,646.00 be added to the Land Information/Surveyors Office 2023 budget in revenue account 100.51720-43512 & Expense account 100.51720-50290


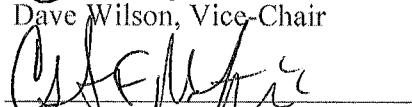
**FISCAL IMPACT: State funded \$22,646.00**

Recommended for adoption by the Washburn County AG/LCC Committee on the 16th day of February, 2023 and approved by the Washburn County Finance Committee this 2nd day of March, 2023 and approved by the Washburn County Board of Supervisors this \_\_\_\_\_ day

\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.  
  
Stephen Smith, Chair

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Linda Featherly, Member

  
Scott Roppe, Member

  
Dave Wilson, Vice-Chair  
  
Cristina Masterjohn, Member

RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT HEALTHY LAKES AND RIVERS GRANT FUNDS INTO THE  
2023 DNR SURFACE WATER BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Departments of Natural Resources has awarded grant funds to Washburn County to protect surface waters in the state; the grant is called the Surface Water Grant –Healthy Lakes and Rivers ;and,

**WHEREAS**, this grant that runs from March 15, 2023 and terminates December 31, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the grant is to protect the surface waters of the state by paying up to \$1000 per shoreline owner to establish a shoreline restoration composted of native plants ; and,

**WHEREAS**, this is a matching fund grant where the landowner pays the 25% with labor costs to install the restoration and the costs beyond the grant will be encumbered by the landowners and have no fiscal impact on the County; and,

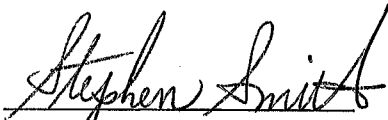
**WHEREAS**, the Washburn County Land Conservation Department will be the fiscal managers of this grant; and,

**WHEREAS**, a grant agreement will be been created to carry out the project;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 2023 DNR Surface Water Budget, accounts 100.56973-50290 (expense) and 100.56973-43585 (revenue), be increased by \$9,000.

**Fiscal Impact: \$9000**

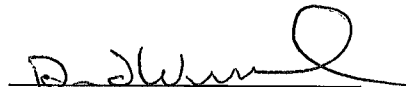
Recommended for adoption by the Washburn County AG/LCC Committee on the 16th day of February, 2023 and approved by the Washburn County Finance Committee on this 2nd day of March, 2023 and approved by the Washburn County Board of Supervisors on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.




Stephen Smith, Chair



Cristina Masterjohn, member



David Wilson, Vice Chair



Scott Roppe, member

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