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2 **RESOLUTION: Authorize a Budget Transfer in Capital Funding to the Highway**
3 **Department in the Amount of \$55,000 for the CTH G Bridge Design**
4 **Project**

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6 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

7 **WHEREAS**, The CTH G Bridge Project was authorized by the Winnebago County Board and began design
8 in Spring 2012 with a budget of \$70,000; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Winnebago County is self funding the design portion of this project. The construction of the
10 project will be funded by Federal funding in the amount of \$410,000 under the 80/20 cost share Local Bridge
11 Program; and

12 **WHEREAS**, several months ago, the consulting engineering firm, Graef Engineering, completed
13 approximately 85% of the design work, including submitting a sidewalk/pedestrian accommodation exception as a
14 part of the design process; and

15 **WHEREAS**, historically, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) has allowed rural bridges such
16 as CTH G to be excepted from the bicycle pedestrian accommodation requirements; and

17 **WHEREAS**, very recently, the DOT has begun interpreting the Federal bicycle and pedestrian requirements
18 much more strictly and have been reviewing many exception requests on rural bridge projects; and

19 **WHEREAS**, due to this new interpretation of the bike and pedestrian accommodation requirements,
20 Winnebago County will have to build a sidewalk or other bike/pedestrian accommodation on the CTH G bridge. This
21 will require the structure to be redesigned, and many of the soils, right of way, and DNR reports will need to be
22 revised and resubmitted.

23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
24 authorizes a budget transfer in the amount of \$55,000 from unused Capital Bond Funds from other Highway
25 Department Capital Project Funds to the CTH G Bridge project to cover additional costs in design to accommodate a
26 change in DOT bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

27 **Fiscal Impact:** This resolution is cost neutral. Funds to cover the cost are being transferred from a different project
28 that had funds available.

29 Respectfully submitted by:
30 **HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

31 Committee Vote: **5-0**

32 Respectfully submitted by:
33 **PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

34 Committee Vote: **5-0**

35 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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37 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2014.

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40 Mark L Harris
41 Winnebago County Executive