

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

Chairman Shiloh Ramos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Fourth Floor, Courthouse, 415 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation by Supervisor Locke.

The following Supervisors were present: 33 - Konetzke, Brunn, Eisen, Borchart, Ramos, Defferding, Lenz, Smith, Hogan, Spellman, Albrecht, Binder, Schorse, Wojciechowski, Gordon, Wingren, Lautenschlager, Norton, Warnke, Robl, Singstock, Buck, Powers, Locke, Finch, Youngquist, Farrey, Rasmussen, Keller, Egan, Ellis, Snider and Joas. Excused: 3 – Wallin, Gabert and Wise.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt the agenda for tonight's meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC HEARING

Donald Burke, 820 Dove Street, Oshkosh; spoke in opposition of the county's purchase of the 20-acre parcel of land adjacent to the Sunnyview Exposition Center.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The following correspondence was presented to the board by Susan Ertmer, County Clerk:

- Resolutions from other counties:
 - Jackson County – “Resolution No. 50-10-2018: Requesting Increased Funding and Oversight Reforms for Wisconsin’s Child Protective Services System”, was referred to the Legislative Committee.
- Notices of Claim:
 - Notice of Claim received from AT&T for damages caused to their AT&T cable while the Winnebago County Highway Department was digging to replace a culvert was referred to the Personnel and Finance Committee.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

Supervisor Egan reported that there will not be a Legislative meeting in November or December. The next meeting will be January 28, 2019.

Supervisor Powers commended the Parks Department for the dog park. She talked to a resident that used the park and was very satisfied with it.

Supervisor Smith attended the railroad conference in Madison. Freight rail will be expanding in Wisconsin with ports in Green Bay and Milwaukee.

Supervisor Warnke encouraged Supervisors to read the report from the Veterans Department. The report will show numbers that benefit veterans and the economy.

Motion by Supervisor Finch and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to approve the proceedings from the October 16, 2018 county board meeting and the October 29 & 30, 2018 budget session. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Executive Mark Harris commented on the Veterans Service Office report. Winnebago County adds financially to this department more than other counties, but the benefits from that are outstanding.

Executive Harris spoke in favor of Resolution No. 082-112018: “Authorize the Transfer of \$186,900 from the Winnebago County Undesignated General Fund Account to the Winnebago County Sheriff’s Department Capital Outlay Account for the Purpose of Upgrading the Commander Control Stations and PLC Processors”.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S APPOINTMENTS

GRIEVANCE REVIEW BOARD

County Executive Mark Harris asked for the Board’s approval of his re-appointments of John Nichols, 2821 Stoney Beach St., Oshkosh; and Brenda Keller, 975 E. County Road Z, Oshkosh; to the Grievance Review Board. These are five year terms which will expire December 31, 2023.

Motion by Supervisor Ellis and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

County Executive Mark Harris asked for the Board's approval of his re-appointments of James Koziczowski, 104 Lexington Court, Neenah; and Supervisors Jerry Finch, Larry Lautenschlager and Karen Powers to the Human Services Board. These are three year terms which will expire December 31, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMISSION

County Executive Mark Harris asked for the Board's approval of his re-appointments of Michael Erdman, 3400 N. Executive Dr., Appleton; Emily Springstroh, 215 Church St., Oshkosh; Doug Gieryn, Director of Public Health; Supervisor Larry Smith; Allison Vaccaro, 2450 Badger Avenue, Oshkosh; and Representative Mike Rohrkaste to the Local Emergency Planning Commission. These are three year terms which will expire December 31, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Konetzke and seconded by Supervisor Finch to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

County Executive Mark Harris asked for the Board's approval of his re-appointments of Supervisors Robert Warnke and Tom Snider to the Veterans Service Commission. These are three year terms which will expire December 31, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Finch to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

WINNEFOX LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

County Executive Mark Harris asked for the Board's approval of his appointment and re-appointment of Elizabeth Eisen, 1807 Brighton Beach Road, Menasha; and Di-Anne Rengstorf, 1010 N. Westfield, Unit 513, Oshkosh; to the Winnefox Library System Board of Trustees. Ms. Eisen is replacing the unexpired term of Jill Enos whose term expires December 31, 2019. Ms. Rengstorf will serve a three year term which will expire on December 31, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor Ellis and seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ABSTAIN: 1 - Eisen

COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Ramos reported that Supervisors Wise and Gabert are excused from tonight's meeting.

Chairman Ramos reported that Supervisor Wallin will be stepping down from the Information Systems Committee. He will appoint a new member to that committee in December.

Chairman Ramos reminded everyone that the Christmas Party will be held on December 17, 2018 at Primos Restaurant. Invitations were placed on the Supervisor's desks.

Chairman Ramos extended a Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Chairman Ramos extend thanks to all of our County Board veterans and to all veterans everywhere.

UPDATE ON THE NETZER PROPERTY

Rob Way, Director of Parks, provided an update on the Netzer property. The offer that the Parks Department had submitted was turned down. Mr. Way pointed out the advantages for the Expo Center grounds if the land was purchased: Access in and out of the grounds for emergency medical service and law enforcement during events held at the grounds; avoiding conflict with residents that might purchase the property during loud events held at the grounds; provide additional parking for events; allowing community gardens in the front of the property; and additional area to allow parking, camping when the grounds are wet. He told the board that if the grounds were sold, he would report that to the board.

Mr. Way then took questions from the board.

UPDATE REGARDING COUNTY EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY

Mary Anne Mueller, Corporation Counsel, reported to the board regarding the County Executive's authority. Wisconsin State Statute 59.17 states that "the County Executive shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the County." This gives the executive significant authority. Ms. Mueller contacted her predecessor and he told her the county board passes legislation and the executive decides when to spend the money. She also contacted the Wisconsin Counties Association and has not heard back from them to date.

ZONING REPORTS & ORDINANCES

Report No. 01 – A report from the Planning and Zoning Committee regarding a requested zoning change from Susan Marks; Town of Winneconne; for tax parcel nos. 030-0204-05 & 030-0204-06. Motion by Supervisor Snider and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to accept. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/01/2018 – A requested zoning change from A-2 General Agriculture to R-1 Rural Residential for tax parcel nos. 030-0204-05 & 030-0204-06. Motion by Supervisor Snider and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Report No. 02 – A report from the Planning and Zoning Committee regarding a requested zoning change from Tony Welnicke; Town of Poygan; for tax parcel no. 020-0138-02. Motion by Supervisor Joas and seconded by Supervisor Finch to accept. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/02/18 – A requested zoning change from B-2 Community Business to R-1 Rural Residential for tax parcel no. 020-0138-02. Motion by Supervisor Joas and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/03/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Clayton on behalf of Mike and Joni Heinz; to rezone from A-2 General Agriculture to R-1 Rural Residential for tax parcel no. 006-0531-03-02. Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/04/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Winchester on behalf of Thomas & Ruth Zellmer; to rezone from A-2 General Agriculture to I-1 Light Industrial for tax parcel no. 028-0671. Motion by Supervisor Joas and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/05/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Winchester on behalf of Richard Hansen, Revocable Trust; to rezone from A-2 General Agriculture to I-1 Light Industrial for tax parcel no. 028-0663-05. Motion by Supervisor Joas and seconded by Supervisor Norton to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/06/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Oshkosh on behalf of Dan Dowling; to rezone from R-1 Single Family Residential to M-1 Industrial for tax parcel nos. 018-0083-01 & 018-0083-03. Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/07/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Oshkosh on behalf of Don Herman; to rezone from M-1 Industrial to B-1 Business for tax parcel no. 018-0083-03. Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

Amendatory Ordinance No. 11/08/2018 – A requested zoning change from the Town of Clayton on behalf of Chris Lichtenberg; to rezone from R-1 Rural Residential District to A-2 General Agriculture District for tax parcel no. 006-0331-04. Motion by Supervisor Youngquist and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. (Effective Date: November 29, 2018)

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION NO. 078-112018: Commendation for Gerald Wolfram

WHEREAS, Gerald Wolfram has been employed with the Winnebago County Highway Department as a Bridgetender for the past 20 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Wolfram has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge his years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Gerald Wolfram for the fine services he has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Gerald Wolfram.

Submitted by:
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 079-112018: Commendation for Linda Stoeckert

WHEREAS, Linda Stoeckert has been employed with the Winnebago County Facilities and Property Management Department for the past 38 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Linda Stoeckert has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Linda Stoeckert for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Linda Stoeckert.

Submitted by:
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 080-112018: Commendation for Eileen Buchanan

WHEREAS, Eileen Buchanan has been employed with Park View Health Center for the past 27 years, and during that time has been a most conscientious and devoted County employee; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Buchanan has now retired from those duties, and it is appropriate for the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to acknowledge her years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that sincere appreciation and commendation be and is hereby extended to Eileen Buchanan for the fine services she has rendered to Winnebago County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnebago County Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to Eileen Buchanan.

Submitted by:
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Ellis to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 081-112018: Disallow Claim of Adam Kuborn and Joseph and Nancy Kuborn

WHEREAS, your Personnel and Finance Committee has had the claim of Adam Kuborn and Joseph and Nancy Kuborn referred to it for attention; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has investigated the claim and recommends disallowance of same by Winnebago County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the claim of Adam Kuborn and Joseph and Nancy Kuborn, filed with the County Clerk on October 8, 2018, be and the same is hereby disallowed for the reason that there is no basis for liability on the part of Winnebago County.

Submitted by:
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Rasmussen and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 082-112018: Authorize the Transfer of \$186,900 from the Winnebago County Undesignated General Fund Account to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department Capital Outlay Account for the Purpose of Upgrading the Commander Control Stations and PLC Processors

WHEREAS the original Integrator system was installed in 2003 during the jail construction; and

WHEREAS, many of the necessary security components are controlled by the integrator system; and

WHEREAS, the integrator system has completely failed on two (2) different occasions and partially failed on eight (8) additional occasions causing doors to be opened/closed manually requiring more on-duty staff; and

WHEREAS, the integrator system controls ingress and egress to all parts of the jail and camera call ups, maintains records of all ingress and egress door usage, and controls housing utilities; and

WHEREAS, the upgrade includes individual control stations located in the jail pods.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the transfer of \$186,900 from the Winnebago County Undesignated General Fund Account to the Winnebago County Sheriff Department's Capital Outlay Account for the purpose of upgrading the Commander Control Stations and PLC Processors.

Submitted by:
JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Wingren and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 083-112018: Authorize Execution of Airport Agricultural Permit Between the Experimental Aircraft Association and Winnebago County

WHEREAS, the Experimental Aircraft Association desires to lease certain parcels of land for agricultural cultivation purposes at Wittman Regional Airport for a three (3)-year period, with rent to be established at \$14,175 annually during the term of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, said permit to lease the parcels would be in effect from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Aviation Committee believes that said permit is in the best interests of Winnebago County and has approved said permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Winnebago County Executive and the Winnebago County Clerk to execute a three (3)-year Airport Agricultural Permit between Winnebago County and the Experimental Aircraft Association to lease certain parcels of land at Wittman Regional Airport for agricultural purposes pursuant to those terms stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a complete copy of said permit is attached hereto and is made a part of this Resolution and incorporated herein by reference.

Submitted by:
AVIATION COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Singstock and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 084-112018: Authorize Five (5)-Year Cooperative Service Agreement Between Winnebago County and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services

WHEREAS, the black bear, Canada goose, white-tailed deer, and wild turkey populations in portions of Winnebago County are at levels that may cause damage to agricultural and forest crops; and

WHEREAS, the producers' costs of production of agricultural and forest crops have increased substantially over time; and

WHEREAS, §29.889, Wis Stats, and NR12, Wis Admin Code, provide for a state-funded Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP) to reimburse participating producers for crop losses caused by certain wildlife; and

WHEREAS, administrative participation is required of Winnebago County to make its land eligible for the WDACP; and

WHEREAS, Winnebago County will be reimbursed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) for all associated costs incurred in the administration and implementation of the WDACP; and

WHEREAS, Winnebago County may, through formal agreement, cooperate with the Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services (APHIS WS) and WDNR to make the WDACP available to eligible producers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Winnebago County Land and Water Conservation Department/Land Conservation Committee to enter into a five (5)-year Cooperative Services Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services, for the administration and implementation of the Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the Revenue and Expenses associated with this program continue to be included within the appropriate accounts in the Land and Water Conservation Department's Annual Budget.

Submitted by:
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Farrey and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 085-112018: Authorize Winnebago County to Request Increased Funding and Oversight Reforms for Wisconsin's Child Protective Services System

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin child welfare system is county-operated and state-supervised, except Milwaukee County, where the system is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF), Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services (DMCPS); and

WHEREAS, DCF provides insufficient funding to counties for the provision of child abuse and neglect services including prevention, investigation, treatment, and out-of-home placement costs, though the state has primary responsibility for compliance with federal requirements and shares liability for ensuring the system is meeting its obligations to children and families in all 72 counties; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the State of Wisconsin added numerous mandates and practice expectations which increased county child protective services (CPS) workload and costs; and

WHEREAS, the opioid and methamphetamine epidemics have brought Wisconsin's child welfare system to a point of crisis, with increasing concern about the system's ability to meet its obligations to children and families; and

WHEREAS, the capacity for counties to continue to bear the lion's share of financial responsibility to address this crisis has been exhausted, as rising county contributions to the CPS system have far outpaced increases to the DCF Children and Family Aids allocation, and counties have used reserve funding to cover CPS expenses and increase staffing; and

WHEREAS, maintaining sufficient resources for Wisconsin's child welfare system is critical to secure the safety and future of our most vulnerable children; and

WHEREAS, without a proportional increase in the DCF Children and Family Services allocation, the CPS system has been stressed for over a decade causing caseloads for CPS workers to grow to unreasonable levels, and contributing to high levels of staff turnover in some counties and an overrun of out-of-home care costs above what counties can sustain within available resources; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's CPS system leaves significant gaps in state-level oversight for all counties except Milwaukee County, including the absence of caseload standards, no process for regular legislative evaluation and prioritization of CPS needs, and the absence of a legislative committee that provides regular policy guidance concerning CPS system issues such as adequate funding, performance, cost sharing, and long-term stability; and

WHEREAS, along with DMCPs; all eleven of Wisconsin's peer states with county-administered CPS systems have either adopted caseload standards for CPS caseworkers, completed thorough workload studies as a basis of determining funding needs, or otherwise made significant recommendations for keeping CPS workloads manageable; and

WHEREAS, the children within Wisconsin's CPS system are too important to allow the current level of under resourcing, oversight gaps, and disparity of attention while shifting the burden to property taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby requests that the State of Wisconsin increase the Children and Family Aids Allocation to counties in the 2019-2021 state biennial budget by \$30 million annually in order to cover a greater share of out-of-home care costs and increase staffing levels based on the caseload standards developed by the Wisconsin County Human Services Association (WCHSA) so Wisconsin's CPS system can meet its obligations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the Wisconsin Counties Association urges the State of Wisconsin to close critical oversight gaps by creating legislative mechanisms to review the CPS resource needs of all counties as part of the biennial budget process and ensure an appropriate committee provide ongoing policy guidance to respond to emerging CPS trends and ongoing system needs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Office of the Governor for the State of Wisconsin, Department of Children and Families Secretary Eloise Anderson, Department of Administration Secretary Ellen Nowak, and all state legislators and assembly members representing Winnebago County constituents.

Submitted by:
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Motion by Supervisor Norton and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 086-112018: Support HR Bill 54-29, SIREN Act of 2018

WHEREAS, the sustainability of rural emergency medical services has been a concern of Emergency Medical Service (EMS) professionals, policymakers, and citizens for many years; and

WHEREAS, most rural EMS agencies who provide basic life support services to relatively small populations spread across large geographical areas with low daily call volumes have difficulty recruiting and retaining qualified ambulance personnel; and

WHEREAS, rural EMS agencies have the same training requirements and equipment needs as those in suburban and urban areas; and

WHEREAS, EMS is a vital link in the healthcare continuum and, without it, community members in need will suffer unnecessary disability or death.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby supports HR Bill 54-29, the SIREN Act of 2018, which is intended to provide grant funding to rural Emergency Medical Service providers for recruitment and training of EMS personnel, and the purchase of EMS equipment and to acquire personal protective equipment, as required by Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Submitted by:
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.
NAYES: 1 – Defferding.

RESOLUTION NO. 087-112018: Support HR Bill 6986, The Nursing Home Workforce Quality Act

WHEREAS, nursing homes that are assessed penalties above a certain level automatically lose their authority to train certified nursing assistants (CNAs) for two years as mandated by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (OBRA); and

WHEREAS, HR Bill 6986 has been introduced in the House of Representatives to modify the mandatory CNA “training lockout” penalty mandated by OBRA by giving the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the states the discretion to impose a lockout under certain conditions. Any lockout imposed would end once the deficiencies cited were corrected; and

WHEREAS, because nursing homes and other long-term care providers are dealing with a severe workforce shortage, the ability to train CNAs is crucial to building and maintaining qualified staff, and with the modification, CMS and the states would have greater flexibility in reinstating providers’ valuable CNA training programs, according to Katie Smith Sloan, president of LeadingAge, a charitable organization focused on education, advocacy, and applied research; and

WHEREAS, with this legislation, allowing nursing homes to regain their CNA training authority as soon as deficiencies have been corrected, the quality of our nation’s nursing homes and other long-term care facilities will be greatly improved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby supports HR Bill 6986, the Nursing Home Workforce Quality Act, which is intended to modify the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987’s (OBRA) mandate of strict penalties assessed against nursing homes and long-term care facilities by automatically suspending their authority to train certified nursing assistants (CNAs) for a two years, by allowing facilities to reinstate CNA training once the deficiencies are corrected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Office of the Governor for the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all state legislators and assembly members representing Winnebago County constituents.

Submitted by:
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Motion by Supervisor Egan and seconded by Supervisor Konetzke to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 088-112018: Designate November 2018 as “Veterans and Military Families Month” in Winnebago County

WHEREAS, during National Veterans and Military Families Month we honor the significant contributions made by American service members, their families, and their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all Winnebago County communities to set aside November 2018 to observe, honor, and thank those whose service and sacrifice represent the very best of America, and we renew our commitment to support veterans and military families; and

WHEREAS, our Armed Forces have preserved the security and freedom that allow us to flourish as a nation; they have braved bitter winters, treacherous jungles, barren deserts, and stormy waters to defend our nation; they have left their families to face danger and uncertainty; and they have endured the wounds of war to protect our nation’s interests and ideals established during the founding; and

WHEREAS, the families of our military heroes endure hardships and worry as their loved ones serve our nation, ensuring our freedom and way of life, and these families move across the country and around the world so that all Americans can enjoy the freedoms granted to them through the service of their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate our military veterans, service members, and families for all of their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby designates the month of November 2018 as “Veterans and Military Families Month” in Winnebago County.

Submitted by:
ROBERT WARNKE, District 21
TOM SNIDER, District 35

Motion by Supervisor Warnke and seconded by Supervisor Snider to adopt. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion by Supervisor Robl and seconded by Supervisor Finch to adjourn until the December 18, 2018 meeting at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Submitted by:
Julie A. Barthels
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

State of Wisconsin)
County of Winnebago) ss

I, Julie A. Barthels, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors for their regular meeting held November 20, 2018.

Julie A. Barthels
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk