

**MARATHON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING  
Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 7:00 p.m.  
Marathon County Courthouse and Via WebEx

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair McEwen at 7:00 p.m., the agenda being duly signed and posted.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited and the Board stood for a moment of silence/reflection.

**3. Reading of Notice**

The Clerk read the meeting notice, as follows:

**A. OPENING OF SESSION:**

1. Meeting called to order by Vice Chair McEwen at 7:00 p.m., the agenda being duly signed and posted.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; Followed by a Moment of Silence/Reflection.
3. Reading of Notice.
4. Request for silencing of cellphones and other electronic devices.
5. Roll Call.
6. Acknowledgment of visitors.

**B. EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS/REPORT**

7. ~~Update on Progress of the NCHC Campus Renovation—Chair Gibbs and Administrator Lance Leonhard~~ Pulled

**C. CONSENT AGENDA:**

8. Approval of minutes from the February 18 & 25, 2021 meeting.
9. Referral of bills and communications to respective committees.
10. Authorizing the Clerk to issue orders, bills and claims from the last session through this session.
11. Enactment of Ordinances
  - a) Environmental Resources Committee:
    1. Town of Plover Rezone – Galen & Kathleen Schoepke #O-9-21
  - b) Infrastructure Committee
    1. To Amend Sec. 2.05(14)(F), Gen. Code Ord. Broadband Task Force #O-10-21
    2. County Road Y Speed Zone Village of Hatley #O-11-21
    3. Authorizing the Infrastructure Committee to Approve Fees for Permits and Other Charges for Service Established by the Highway Commissioner #O-12-21
12. Adoption of Resolutions
  - a) Health & Human Service Committee:
    1. Resolution in Support of Increased County Child Support Funding #R-20-21
  - b) County Board of Supervisors:
    1. Changes in Supervisory District Boundaries Resulting from Village of Marathon City Annexation #R-21-21
  - c) Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee:
    1. Acceptance of the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Disease Grant Funds #R-24-21

**D. MEMORIAL:**

13. Life and Public Service of Don Christianson

**E. APPOINTMENTS:**

14. ~~Diversity Affairs Commission—Patrick Bacher~~ WITHDRAWN
15. Diversity Affairs Commission – Thomas Wendt

RESOLUTIONS

F. HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE, & PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

- 16. Approve 2020 Budget Transfers for Marathon County Department of Appropriations #R-22-21
- 17. Reorganization of the Conservation, Planning and Zoning (CPZ) Management Structure #R-23-21

G. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- 18. Amend the 2018-2022 Marathon County Strategic Plan to Include Comprehensive Plan Objective 3.8 #R-25-21

H. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- 19. Announcements and Requests.
- 20. Motion to Adjourn.

4. **Request for Silencing of Cellphones and Other Electronic Devices**

Vice Chair McEwen stated the request.

5. **Roll Call**

The Clerk initiated the roll. Supervisors were present as shown:

<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>District</u>
Michelle Van Krey.....(excused).....	1	Sara Guild.....	20
Jenifer Bizzotto.....	2	Thomas Rosenberg.....	21
William Harris.....	3	Alan Christensen.....	22
John Robinson.....	4	Chris Voll.....(excused).....	23
Ka Lo.....	5	Jean Maszk.....	24
Jeff Johnson.....	6	Sandi Cihlar.....	25
Rebecca Buch.....	7	Brent Jacobson.....	26
Kelley Gabor.....	8	Thomas Seubert.....	27
David Oberbeck.....	9	Dennis Gonnering.....	28
Donna Krause.....	10	Chris Dickinson.....	29
Alyson Leahy.....	11	Richard Gumz.....	30
Arnold Schlei.....	12	Allen Drabek.....	31
Matthew Bootz.....	13	Kurt Gibbs.....(excused).....	32
Rick Seefeldt.....	14	Tim Buttke.....	33
Randy Fifrick.....(excused).....	15	Gary Beastro.....	34
William Conway.....	16	Jacob Langenhahn.....	35
E.J. Stark.....	17	Bruce Lamont.....	36
Craig McEwen.....	18	Allen Opall.....	37
Yee Leng Xiong.....	19	Jonathan Fisher.....	38

6. **Acknowledgement of Visitors**

Vice Chair McEwen acknowledged and welcomed visitors to the meeting.

C. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Discussion: None.

**Action: MOTION BY SUPERVISOR LANGENHAHN, SECOND BY SUPERVISOR ROSENBERG TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS C8-12(C)(1) AS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUS.** As part of the consent agenda, minutes of the February 18 & 25, 2021 meetings were approved. The bills and communications were referred to respective committees. The Clerk was authorized to issue orders, bills and claims from the last session through this session. The following appointments were confirmed.

Follow Through: None.

**ORDINANCE # O – 09 – 21  
TOWN OF PLOVER REZONE**

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Board of Supervisors has been petitioned to amend the General Code of Ordinances for Marathon County Chapter 17 Zoning Code by Galen & Kathleen Schoepke to rezone lands from R-R Rural Residential to L-D-R Low Density Residential described as being part of the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 22, Township 29 North, Range 10 East, Town of Plover. The area proposed to be rezoned is described as Lot #2 (1.52 acres) on the Preliminary Certified Survey Map (CSM) submitted as a part of the rezone petition. Area to be rezoned is identified as part of Parcel PIN# 062-2910-222-0987; Address 233488 South Pole Road, Birnamwood, WI 54414

WHEREAS, the petition was referred to the Marathon County Environmental Resources Committee (the Committee) for public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Committee, on due notice, conducted a public hearing thereon, pursuant to Section 59.69, Wisconsin Statutes on March 2, 2021 to consider the petition to amend Chapter 17; and

WHEREAS, the Committee being duly informed of the facts pertinent to the changes proposed, having reviewed the staff report, and duly advised of the recommendations of the Town of Plover hereby recommends the petition be GRANTED AS APPLIED FOR

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does ordain as follows: The General Code of Ordinances for Marathon County Chapter 17 Zoning Code (and accompanying Zoning Map) is amended as stated above.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2021

**ORDINANCE # O – 10 – 21  
TO AMEND SEC. 2.05 (14)(F), GEN. CODE ORD. BROADBAND TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2020, the Marathon County Board of Supervisors adopted Sec. 2.05 (14) of the General Code of Ordinances creating the Broadband Task Force; and

WHEREAS, THE Broadband Task Force was appointed in May 2020 and has been meeting regularly working on the duties and responsibilities outlined in the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Broadband Task Force has worked with Internet Service Providers to meet the needs of unserved and underserved areas in Marathon County and the work of the Broadband Task Force is not complete; and

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Infrastructure Committee met on March 4, 2021 and recommended that the Broadband Task Force be given until April 12, 2022 to complete its duties and responsibilities.

WHEREAS, Sec. 2.01(intro) of the Marathon County Rules of Procedure provides that rules may be amended upon appropriate notice and a two-thirds vote of a quorum of the County Board members in attendance of a County board meeting.

NOW, THEREFOE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Marathon County that Sec. 2.05 (14) (f) be amended to extend the deadline for completing its duties and responsibilities to April 12, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of March 2021.

**ORDINANCE # O – 11 – 21  
COUNTY ROAD “Y” SPEED ZONE VILLAGE OF HATLEY**

WHEREAS, modifications are warranted for the speed limits on County Road “Y” in the Village of Hatley and

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Highway Commissioner and the Marathon County Infrastructure Committee have resolved this issue and concur with the recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does hereby ordain as follows:

1. To Amend Section 7.03(2) of the Marathon County General Code to amend the following speed zone; County Road “Y”, Village of Hatley, for all vehicles beginning at a point 300 feet south of CTH "DD" southerly a distance of 3,400 feet along the alignment shown on Plan #WI-011503

To read; County Road "Y", Village of Hatley, beginning at CTH "DD" southerly a distance of 3,700 feet along the alignment shown on Plan #WI-011503

2. To Amend Section 7.03(5), delete CTH "Y". Village of Hatley, from its intersection with STH 29, northerly to its intersection with CTH "DD"

3. To Amend Section 7.03(6) of the Marathon County General Code to amend the following speed zone;

County Road "Y", The Town of Norrie, beginning at CTH "DD" northerly a distance of 0.30 miles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; A traffic and engineering investigation having been made on the described highway, the maximum permissible speed at which vehicles may be operated on said highways, which speed is herewith established as reasonable and safe pursuant to Section 349.11, Wisconsin Statutes, shall be as set forth herein subject to passage of this ordinance, publication as required by law and upon the erection of standard signs giving notice thereof:

Note: A copy of this ordinance shall be forwarded to the Marathon County Sheriff's Department, Village of Hatley and the Town of Norrie

Dated the 4th day of March 2021.

#### **ORDINANCE # O – 12 – 21**

#### **AUTHORIZING THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE TO APPROVE FEES FOR PERMITS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR SERVICE ESTABLISHED BY THE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER**

WHEREAS, Marathon County Highway Commissioner has the authority under Wisconsin Statutes to issue several different kinds of permits and to establish applicable fees associated with such permits; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on June 11, 2019, the Marathon County Executive Committee discussed the importance of establishing fees that ought to reflect cost recovery; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stats., §66.0628(1)(b), requires that fees imposed county agencies "bear reasonable relationship to the service for which the fee is imposed;" and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon hereby creates Section 12.07 of the Marathon County Code of Ordinances as follows:

Sec. 12.07 Highway Commissioner: User Fees, Charges for Service and Permitting fees

(1) User fees, charges for service, and permit fees established by the Marathon County Highway Commissioner, or designee, pursuant to authority granted by the State of Wisconsin, shall conform to the requirements of Wis. Stats., 66.0628, or its successor statutes, and bear a reasonable relationship to the service for which the fee is imposed.

(2) The Infrastructure Committee shall have the authority to review and determine whether said fees or charges meet the requirements of sec. (1), above.

(3) The Committee designated above shall complete a comprehensive review of fees and charges at least every five (5) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Dated the 4th day of March 2021.

#### **RESOLUTION # R – 20 – 21**

#### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING**

WHEREAS: Marathon County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to 8,083 Marathon County residents including paternity establishment, obtaining child support and health insurance orders for children, and enforcing and modifying those orders; and

WHEREAS: Our children's well-being, economic security and success in life are enhanced by parents who provide financial and emotional support; and

WHEREAS: County child support agencies collected \$935 Million in child support during 2019 and established 98,405 health insurance orders for Wisconsin children; and

WHEREAS: Marathon County's Child Support Agency provides services to children as well as custodial and non-custodial parents that reduce childhood poverty rates, establish parental rights and promote the involvement of both parents in the lives of their children; and

WHEREAS: The economic security and social service programs provided by Marathon County Child Support Agency are needed by Wisconsin children and families now more than ever due to the economic downturn caused by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: State funding for county child support services has failed to keep up with county agency costs, which have steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation and new federal regulations; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program has fallen from 2nd in the nation for collecting current support to 5th; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin's decreased performance has led to the state losing out on an estimated \$70,000 in potential federal incentive payments between Calendar Year 2019 and 2020; and

WHEREAS: An abrupt federal interpretation change in June 2019 eliminated \$4.2 million in federal birth cost recovery matching funds for Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Further drops in performance would result in additional reductions to federal funding for Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS: Decreased federal funding results in less funding for Marathon County's child support agency. This could lead to reductions in child support enforcement staff and services and reduced child support collections; and

WHEREAS: New state investments in child support are amplified by a generous federal match. Every \$1 of state GPR invested in the Child Support Program generates roughly \$2 in federal matching funds; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is incredibly cost-effective, collecting an average of \$6.20 in support for every dollar invested in the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marathon County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$4 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2021-23 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$7.7 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that Wisconsin counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and State Representatives representing Marathon County, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2021

**RESOLUTION # R – 21 – 21**  
**CHANGES IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES RESULTING FROM VILLAGE OF MARATHON CITY ANNEXATION**

WHEREAS, the revised reapportionment statutes 59.10(3)© allow the County Board to consider changes in the boundaries of supervisory districts based on City Annexations which occur after passage of the 10-year county reapportionment plan; and

WHEREAS, duly annexed property describes as that part of the Town of Marathon: the following described territory located within the Town of Marathon, Marathon County, Wisconsin, is hereby annexed to the Village of Marathon City, Wisconsin:

A parcel of land being part of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ and part of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼, Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 6 East, Town of Marathon, Marathon County, Wisconsin, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 8; thence South 00°54'01" East, coincident with the West line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of said Section 8, 31.41 feet to the centerline of the former railroad and the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00°54'01" East, coincident with said West line, 318.04 feet to the North right-of-way line of County Road "NN"; thence continuing South 00°54'01" East, coincident with said West line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼, 236.98 feet to the intersection of said West line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ and the centerline of the right-of-way of said County Road "NN"; thence South 03°08'27" East coincident with said centerline of the right-of-way of County Road "NN" 181.03 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the Northeast; thence 869.76 feet, coincident with said centerline of the right-of-way of County Road "NN" and the arc of said curve, said curve having a radius length of 573.02 feet, a central angle of 86°58'00", and a chord that bears South 46°37'27" East for 788.64 feet; thence North 89°27'29" East, coincident with said centerline of the right-of-way of County Road "NN", 423.75 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the Southwest; thence 118.00 feet, coincident with said centerline of the right-of-way of County Road "NN" and the arc of said curve, said curve having a radius length of 1910.20 feet, a central angle of 3°32'22", and a chord that bears South 88°46'19" East for 117.98 feet; thence North 00°56'31" West, 1007.08 feet to said centerline of the former railroad and the beginning of a curve concave to the Northeast; thence 272.01 feet, coincident with said centerline of the former railroad and the arc of said curve, said curve having a radius length of 1909.86 feet, a central angle of 8°09'37", and a chord that bears North 79°34'49" West for 271.78 feet; thence North 75°30'01" West, coincident with said

centerline of the former railroad, 877.66 feet to said West line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ and the point of beginning.

That the above described parcel of land contains 1,189,370 square feet, 27.304 acres, more or less, should be included in Supervisory District #33, there being zero electors residing therein; and

WHEREAS, exact maps of the above-described parcel, along with a certified copy of the Village of Marathon City ordinance, have been duly filed with the Clerk of Marathon County; and

WHEREAS, changes in said supervisory district boundaries are allowed by law, provided that the total number of supervisory districts is left unchanged; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does ordain as follows:

That the above-described duly annexed property, now within the Village of Marathon City, is hereby included in the supervisory district enumerated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marathon County Clerk is hereby directed to forward all notices required under Chapter 59, Wisconsin Statutes, to the Secretary of State for the purpose of advising that office of said boundary changes.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2021.

**RESOLUTION # R – 24 – 21**  
**ACCEPTANCE OF EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES**  
**GRANT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Wis. Stats., §65.90(5)(a), dictates that appropriations in the Marathon County budget may not be modified unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the County Board of Supervisors, and

WHEREAS, Marathon County Health Department will receive additional grant funding for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases in their annual consolidated contract, issued by the WI Department of Health Services and under the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services; and

WHEREAS, Local health departments are statutorily mandated, pursuant to Wis. Stats., Chap. 252, to prevent, suppress, and control communicable diseases; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant is to support Marathon County Health Department's COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, the grants allow for payment of costs, including but not limited to, personnel conducting disease investigation and contact tracing and costs associated with subsequent isolation and quarantine, disease surveillance, facilitate testing and vaccine planning among health care providers, administer vaccinations, and provide timely and accurate information to residents which are essential components in controlling the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2021; the WI Department of Health Services notified Marathon County of the availability of additional grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Finance and Property Committee has approved acceptance of the additional grant funding; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Marathon does hereby ordain and resolve to accept two payments for additional grant funding in the amounts of \$940,900 and \$675,000 for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Disease expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Marathon County Officials are hereby directed and authorized to administer the terms of said Grant.

Submitted this 23rd day of March, 2021.

*As part of the Consent Agenda, the above Ordinances #O-09-21-#O-12-21, were enacted and Resolutions #R-20-21, #R-21-21, #R-24-21, were adopted.*

**MEMORIAL**  
**Life and Public Service of**  
**Don Christianson**

Don Christianson, 84, died at home on March 8, 2021 after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

He was born March 2, 1937 in Eau Claire to Orville and Alberta Christianson. He is survived by his wife, Jane and his son Jay.

Don was an educator for over 35 years, teaching 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades at Longfellow and Central Washington Schools,

and as principal at Stettin, Hewitt-Texas, G.D. Jones and Hawthorne Hills Elementary Schools. He also built and directed the district's audio-visual and elementary library programs. Don also served as a member and president of the Wausau Noon Optimist Club and volunteered for the Granite Peak Ski Patrol, where he was the patrol director for several years.

Don served the residents of District 2 in the City of Wausau on the Marathon County Board of Supervisors from 1981-1986. During that time, he was a member of the Relief Committee, Planning Commission, and Park Commission. He continued to serve on the Park Commission until 2013.

In the passing of Don Christianson, we have lost a leader who was dedicated to serving his community in numerous ways. He is hereby honored and remembered for his faithful public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Marathon County Board of Supervisors that they enter this Memorial into the proceedings of the Board out of respect for the memory of Don Christianson. A copy of this memorial shall be sent to his family with the sympathies of the Board.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.

Kurt Gibbs, Chairperson

Discussion: None.

**Action: MOTION BY CHRISTENSEN, SECOND BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

#### **APPOINTMENT DIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

I, Lance Leonhard, Marathon County Administrator, do hereby upon approval of the Board of Supervisors, appoint the following to the Diversity Affairs Commission, to complete a term to expire at the April Organizational County Board meeting in 2022, replacing Julia Stavran:

Thomas Wendt, 228902 N. 120<sup>th</sup> Ave, Marathon, WI

Mileage/expense reimbursement is allowed for meeting attendance, paid upon request. Per diem will be paid to citizen members of the Commission.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.

Lance Leonard, Administrator

Discussion: Comment in favor of the nominee made.

**Action: MOTION BY XIONG, SECOND BY HARRIS TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT.**

**Action: MOTION BY LAMONT, SECOND BY GUMZ TO POSTPONE THE APPOINTMENT AND LAMONT ASLO REQUESTED A ROLL CALL VOTE.**

Discussion: Comments made regarding the opposition to the nominations for the Diversity Affairs Commission and the need to include a more diverse commission including different religions and disabled individuals. Question regarding board size asked and addressed by Corporation Counsel Scott Corbett. Question asked regarding the remaining vacancy and addressed by Administrator Leonhard. It was asked that the number of resumes for the remaining vacancy be brought forward before the new nomination. Comment made that the current rules be followed when nominating for the remaining vacancy.

Call the question by Jacobson.

**Action: MOTION ON THE AMENDMENT DEFEATED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, YES: 10, NO: 24.**

Yes: Buch, Cihlar, Gonnering, Gumz, Lamont, Opall, Schlei, Seefeldt, Seubert, Stark

No: Beastron, Bizzotto, Bootz, Buttke, Christensen, Conway, Dickinson, Drabek, Fisher, Gabor, Guild, Harris, Jacobson, Johnson, Krause, Langenhahn, Leahy, Lo, Maszk, McEwen, Oberbeck, Robinson, Rosenberg, Xiong

**Action: MOTION ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION TO APPOINT CARRIED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Yes: 25, No: 8**

Yes: Beastron, Bizzotto, Bootz, Buttke, Christensen, Cihlar, Conway, Dickinson, Drabek, Fisher, Guild, Harris, Jacobson, Johnson, Krause, Langenhahn, Leahy, Lo, Maszk, McEwen, Oberbeck, Robinson, Rosenberg, Stark, Xiong

No: Buch, Gabor, Gumz, Lamont, Opall, Schlei, Seefeldt, Seubert

Point of personal privilege by Johnson to reinstate appointment of Patrick Bacher.  
Corporation Counsel, Scott Corbett stated this is a matter of open meetings, the issue of that appointment has been withdrawn from the agenda so it is not before the board to be discussed at this time.

Follow through: Administrator Leonhard will make known the number of applicants for the remaining vacancy, in April.

## RESOLUTIONS

### **RESOLUTION #R-22-21 APPROVE 2020 BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR MARATHON COUNTY DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 65.90(5)(a) dictates that appropriations in the Marathon County budget may not be modified unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the County Board of Supervisors, and WHEREAS, the Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee has reviewed and does recommend the 2021 transfers listed below, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Marathon County Board of Supervisors authorize and direct the budget transfers as listed below:

Transfer from: Health-BAA-XXX Other Health State Grant  
Transfer to: Health-BAA-XXX 9 2990/31 Contractual Service and Supplies  
Amount: \$675,100  
Re: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for infectious Diseases for COVID related activities

Transfer from: Health-BAA-XXX 82446 Other Health State Grant  
Transfer to: Health-350-377-9 various  
Salaries, contractual, supplies, mileage, indirect, telephone  
Amount: \$940,900  
Re: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for infectious Diseases for COVID response testing, contact tracing and vaccine administration

Transfer from: Sheriff BAA-BAK 82320 Public Safety Federal Grant  
Transfer to: Sheriff BAA-BAK 993490 Supplies  
Amount: \$1,910  
Re: COVID Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) for preventing and responding to COVID

Transfer from: Sheriff 487-244 82420 Public Safety State Grant  
Transfer to: Sheriff 487-244 91220/7170 Overtime and Direct Payments  
Amount: \$40,000  
Re: Marathon County Speed Task Force

Transfer from: Sheriff 288-299 82320 Public Safety Federal Grant  
Transfer to: Sheriff 288-299 91220/7998 Overtime and reimbursement  
Amount: \$26,269  
Re: Federal CEADeg grant-Drug Task Force

Transfer from: Sheriff 361-235 82420 Public Safety State Grant  
Transfer to: Sheriff 361-235-91220/7998 Overtime and Reimbursement  
Amount: \$18,177  
Re: State CEADeg grant-Drug Task Force



That a Class 1 Notice of this transaction be published within (10) days of its adoption;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Marathon County Clerk to issue checks pursuant to this resolution and the Marathon County Treasurer to honor said checks.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of Marathon County are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to effect this policy.  
Respectfully submitted this 23rd day of March 2021.  
HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Discussion: None.

**Action: MOTION BY STARK, SECOND BY DRABEK TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

**RESOLUTION #R-23-21  
REORGANIZATION OF THE CONSERVATION, PLANNING AND ZONING (CPZ) MANAGEMENT  
STRUCTURE**

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Department (CPZ) has identified an opportunity to reorganize the department's management structure as a result of realigning certain responsibilities after the retirement of the Director in September 2020.

WHEREAS, County Administration and Employee Resources deemed it prudent to evaluate all the management positions due to changes in responsibilities across the entire management team; and

WHEREAS, County Administration and the Employee Resources department submitted a proposal to:

1. Abolish 1.0 FTE Planning Analyst (Environmental Resource Specialist), Pay Grade C42 and Create 1.0 FTE CPZ Manager (Land Resources Manager), Pay Grade C52
2. Abolish 1.0 FTE Senior CPZ Manager (Land and Water Director), Pay Grade D61 and Create 1.0 FTE CPZ Manager (Conservation Manager), Pay Grade C52
3. Abolish 1.0 FTE Accounting Professional (CPZ Administrative Manager), Pay Grade C41 and Create 1.0 FTE Financial Supervisor (CPZ Administrative Manager), C51

WHEREAS, the request for reorganization of the CPZ Department was referred to the Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee for review, pursuant to §4.20 of the General Code of Ordinances for Marathon County; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee has reviewed the proposed new structure at their meetings on 3/9/2021 and 3/23/2021, and recommends its adoption; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2021, the Environmental Resources Committee has reviewed the proposed new structure and recommends its adoption; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does ordain the following and approves the implementation of the reorganization as follows:

- (1) A. Abolish 1.0 FTE Planning Analyst (Environmental Resource Specialist), Pay Grade C42  
and Create 1.0 FTE CPZ Manager (Land Resources Manager), Pay Grade C52
- B. Abolish 1.0 FTE Senior CPZ Manager (Land and Water Director), Pay Grade D61 and Create 1.0 FTE CPZ Manager (Conservation Manager), Pay Grade C52
- C. Abolish 1.0 FTE Accounting Professional (CPZ Administrative Manager), Pay Grade C41 and Create 1.0 FTE Financial Supervisor (CPZ Administrative Manager), C51
- (2) Effective 04/04/2021 or the beginning of the first pay period following the approval of this resolution.

DATED: March 23, 2021

HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Discussion: Explanation of the resolution was stated.

**Action: MOTION BY LANGENHAN, SECOND BY FISHER TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

**RESOLUTION #R-25-21**  
**AMEND THE 2018-2022 MARATHON COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN TO INCLUDE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OBJECTIVE 3.8**

WHEREAS, the County Board engaged in a facilitated process and selected priorities based on the health, safety, and prosperity goals/objectives from the 2016 Marathon County Comprehensive Plan in order to derive a five-year Strategic Plan (the “Plan”); and

WHEREAS, other community leaders from Marathon County were also engaged in a facilitated process to assure alignment with community needs and values; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2018, the Marathon County Board of Supervisors reviewed the Plan and found it to be forward thinking, integrated, and of value; and voted to adopt the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan is a roadmap for organizational development. It answers questions of what our County does (services), who we do it for (customers) and how we excel at what we do (accomplishments); and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan has a short term horizon (3-5 years) it is in need of periodic updating and revision; and

WHEREAS, Comprehensive Plan Objective 3.8—to ensure Marathon County is an open, inclusive, and diverse place to live and work—was identified as a priority by the community leader focus group during the original strategic planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Marathon County: a Next Generation Talent Magnet study conducted in 2010, the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Strategic Plan completed in 2019 by TIP Strategies, and the 2019-2020 Marathon County LIFE Report, speak to the importance of directing efforts toward Comprehensive Plan Objective 3.8; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the Marathon County Executive Committee reviewed Comprehensive Plan Objective 3.8 and emphasized its importance and voted to recommend to the County Board for approval the amendment of the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan to provide for the inclusion of Objective 3.8; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marathon County Board of Supervisors does hereby amend the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan to include Comprehensive Plan Objective 3.8—Ensure Marathon County is an open, inclusive, and diverse place to live and work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that consistent with our County Board rules the Vice-Chair of the County Board will provide oversight and leadership for the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2021.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Discussion: Statement made regarding what the objectives are to be voted on. Statement made that we are voting on something that is already part of the plan, specifically regarding the wording to hire the best talent available. Supervisor Robinson addressed the statement regarding hiring and attracting the best talent and explained the purpose of moving from comprehensive plan to the strategic plan.

**Action: MOTION BY XIONG, SECOND BY CONWAY TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.**

**Action: MOTION BY LAMONT, SECOND BY OPALL TO AMEND THE PLAN BY CHANGING THE WORDS HEALTH EQUITY TO HEALTH EQUALITY.**

Discussion: Comments made in favor and against the resolution to include public input that has been received. Clarification of the amendment was stated. Comments made regarding the use of equity vs equality and that it is fair for people to question. The reporting structure of committees and the possible conflict with the current structure was expressed. Statement made regarding the outcome measures and the vagueness of the plan having no details. Statement made that the board is to focus on budget and policy. Call the question by Johnson. Roll call vote requested.

**Action: POINT OF ORDER BY JOHNSON ON MOTION TO AMEND. MOTION TO AMEND WAS WITHDRAWN BY LAMONT AND OPALL.**

**Action: MOTION ON THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION DEFEATED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, Yes: 14, No: 20.**

Yes: Beastrom, Bizzotto, Buttke, Conway, Fisher, Guild, Harris, Johnson, Krause, Leahy, Lo, Robinson, Rosenberg, Xiong

No: Bootz, Buch, Christensen, Cihlar, Dickinson, Drabek, Gabor, Gonnering, Gumz, Jacobson, Lamont, Langenhahn, Maszk, McEwen, Oberbeck, Opall, Schlei, Seefeldt, Seubert, Stark

Follow through: None.

#### **Announcements or Requests**

- Supervisor Robinson recognized Frank Matel's retirement.
- Supervisor Krause spoke on women's history month.
- Supervisor Opall announced that Rib Mountain is hosting public information on the Rib Mountain Dr. future development, on Thursday at 5:00pm in the old Gordman's building.
- Supervisor Gumz stated the need to stagger starting points for roll call vote.
- Supervisor Jacobson requested an update on the feasibility of recording the committee meetings for public viewing.
- County Clerk requested board members to please check mailboxes in clerk's office.
- Vice Chair McEwen informed that the 2021 first quarter mileage reimbursement that runs Jan 31 – March 31, needs to be submitted by April 15, 2021. Current insurance declaration needs to be submitted as well.
- Alan Christensen stated that the annual township meeting is on the same night as the board meeting on April 20, 2021.

#### **Adjournment**

**MOTION BY LANGENHAN, SECOND BY ROSENBERG TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.** Meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.

- Minutes prepared by Patricia Hornung, Administrative Specialist.