

**MARATHON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING  
Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 7:00 p.m.  
Marathon County Courthouse and Via WebEx

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gibbs 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 Chair Gibbs 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: None.

**B. EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:**

7. Educational Presentation on the 2022 Budget Assumptions

**C. CONSENT AGENDA:**

8. Approval of minutes from the August 19 and 24, 2021 meetings.
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 Guenther Rezone – Tim Vreeland on behalf of George Harvanek #O-33-21
    2. Town of Knowlton Rezone – Tim Vreeland on behalf of Carl Schilling #O-34-21
    3. Town of Knowlton Rezone – Daniel and Anna Judd #-35-21

12. Adoption of Resolutions

a) Human Resources Finance and Property Committee:

1. Restructure the Highway Department to Address Changes in Highway Operations #R-60-21
2. Salary Range Adjustment for Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager #R-64-21
3. Salary Range Adjustment for Maintenance Supervisor #R-65-21

b) Health and Human Services Committee:

1. Resolution Declaring October Domestic Violence Awareness Month #R-67-21
2. Cooperation Agreement for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program #R-68-21

**D. MEMORIAL:**

13. Life and Public Service of William “Bill” Miller

**RESOLUTIONS**

**E. Human Resources, Finance & Property Committee:**

14. Amending the 2021 CIP for the Enterprise Resources Planning System (ERP), Create it as a Priority CIP Project and Provide a Multi-Year CIP Project Budget and Funding of the Project #R-61-21
15. Consideration of Initial Resolution Approving Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC. #R-62-21  
(Information with respect to the job impact of the project will be available at the time of consideration of the Resolution.)

- 16. A Resolution Approving the 2022 Capital Improvement Program Projects #R-63-21
- 17. Approve 2021 Budget Transfers for Marathon County Department Appropriations #R-66-21

- F. Executive Committee/Redistricting Committee:
  - 18. Approval of Tentative Redistricting Plan #R-69-21

- G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:
  - 19. Announcements and Requests.
  - 20. Motion to Adjourn.

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

Chairperson Gibbs stated the request.

**5. Roll Call**

The Clerk initiated the roll. 35 Supervisors were present as shown 1 vacancy:

<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>District</u>
Michelle Van Krey.....	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.....(excused).....	13	Kurt Gibbs.....	32
Rick Seefeldt.....	14	Tim Buttke.....	33
Vacant.....	15	Gary Beastro.....	34
William Conway.....	16	Jacob Langenhahn.....	35
Jennifer Aarrestad.....	17	Bruce Lamont.....	36
Craig McEwen.....	18	Allen Opall.....	37
Yee Leng Xiong.....	19	Jonathan Fisher.....	38

**6. Acknowledgement of Visitors**

Chairperson Gibbs acknowledged and welcomed visitors to the meeting.

**B. EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS**

2021 Budget Assumptions presented by Administrator Leonhard and Kristi Palmer, Marathon County Finance Director. The process of creating the budget assumptions was explained. The following budget assumptions were reviewed: Salaries/Wages, Health Insurance, WI Retirement System, Dental, Workers Comp, Unemployment, Other Insurance and Total Personnel.

Discussion: Questions asked and addressed by Chair Gibbs.

**Action:** None.

Follow Up: None.

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Discussion:** None.

**Action:** **MOTION BY BUTTKE, SECOND BY SUPERVISOR SEEFELDT TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS C8-C12B2 AS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUS.** As part of the consent agenda, minutes of the August 19 & 24, 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-33-21**  
**Town of Guenther 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 Tim Vreeland on behalf of George Harvanek to rezone lands from G-A General Agriculture to R-E Rural Estate and lands from R-E Rural Estate to R-R Rural Residential described as part of the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 08 of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 17 Township 26 North, Range 08 East, Town of Guenther. Area proposed to be rezoned to R-E is shown as part of Lot #1 (7.472 acres) on the preliminary Certified Survey Map (CSM) submitted with the rezone petition, whereas the area proposed to be rezoned to R-R (3.152 acres) is shown as Lot #2 on the preliminary CSM. The areas proposed to be rezoned have the parcel PIN#'s 032.2608.172.0995 and 032.2608.083.0997; Address 157386 Camp Road, Mosinee WI 54455 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 August 31, 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 Guenther 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 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2021

**ORDINANCE # O-34-21**  
**Town of Knowlton 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 Tim Vreeland on behalf of Carl Schilling to rezone lands from G-A General Agriculture to R-E Rural Estate described as part of the NE ¼ of the Fractional NE ¼ of Section 05, Township 26 North, Range 07 East, Town of Knowlton. The existing parcel proposed to be rezoned has the parcel PIN#'s 048.2607.051.0991; Address 149295 Bird Lane, Mosinee WI 54455

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 August 31, 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 Knowlton 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 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2021

**ORDINANCE # O-35-21**  
**Town of Knowlton 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 Daniel and Anna Judd to amend the Marathon County Zoning Ordinance to rezone lands from U-R Urban Residential to L-D-R Low Density Residential described as part Govt. Lot #2 of Section 28, Township 26 North, Range 07 East, Town of Knowlton. The existing parcel proposed to be rezoned has the parcel PIN# 048.2607.285.0009; Address 202555 Dubay Drive, Mosinee WI 54455

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 August 31, 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 Knowlton 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 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2021

### **RESOLUTION #R-60-2021**

#### **Restructure the Highway Department to Address Changes in Highway Operations**

WHEREAS, the overarching goal of Marathon County is to be the healthiest, safest, and most prosperous county in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Marathon County Highway Department is to strive to maintain all State and County highways in a safe and reasonable condition at all times; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has identified internal structural changes that would provide safer infrastructure, ensure consistency in both on the field and management duties, ensure the best field practices are applied; and provide the department additional financial support services; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish the preceding goals, the Highway Department has identified the following reorganization that would better meet the needs of the Department and the County:

1. Abolish the current 1.0 FTE Maintenance Manager
2. Create a 1.0 FTE Deputy Highway Director
3. Create a .60 FTE Accounting Specialist

WHEREAS, the proposed changes would result in an increase of \$6,308.63 in the 2021 budget. This increase would be funded through savings from recent vacancies within the Highway Department.

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2021, the Infrastructure Committee voted to recommend the department reorganization as stated above; and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2021, the Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee also voted to recommend the department reorganization as stated above to the County Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon hereby reorganizes the Marathon County Highway Department as follows:

1. Abolishes the current 1.0 FTE Maintenance Manager
2. Creates a 1.0 FTE Deputy Highway Director
3. Creates a .60 FTE Accounting Specialist

Respectfully submitted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of, September 2021.

Human Resources Finance and Property Committee

### **RESOLUTION #R-64-2021**

#### **Salary Range Adjustment for Law Enforcement and Corrections Manager**

WHEREAS, four existing positions within the Marathon County Sheriff's Office, the Administration Captain, Investigations Captain, Jail Administrator, and Patrol Captain, are all currently compensated pursuant to the compensation range for a position class entitled Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Captain of Communications within the Marathon County Sheriff's Office is currently compensated pursuant to the compensation range for a position class entitled Communications Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager and Communications Manager classifications are both compensated at a rate identified as C52, which has the following minimum and maximum rates:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager	Administration Captain	C52	\$31.59	\$65,707	\$45.55	\$94,744
	Investigations Captain					
	Jail Administrator					
	Patrol Captain					
Communications Manager	Captain of Communications					

WHEREAS, a review of wages of Sheriff Captain positions across similar Counties reveals that the minimum and maximum hourly rates currently utilized by Marathon County are below the average pay rate for Captains; and WHEREAS, the Human Resources, Finance, and Property Committee approved classifying the Administration Captain, Investigations Captain, Jail Administrator, Patrol Captain, and Captain of Communications as Law Enforcement & Corrections Managers, and further approved setting the compensation range for these positions at a rate more closely aligned with the average rate for this position across similar counties. That compensation range is as follows:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager	Administration Captain	C52 - Market	\$35.00	\$72,800	\$48.50	\$100,880
	Investigations Captain					
	Jail Administrator					
	Patrol Captain					
	Captain of Communications					

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon hereby approves the following changes:

1. Classification of the Administration Captain, Investigations Captain, Jail Administrator, Patrol Captain, and Captain of Communications as Law Enforcement & Corrections Managers.
2. Adoption of the following compensation range for the Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Law Enforcement & Corrections Manager	Administration Captain	C52 - Market	\$35.00	\$72,800	\$48.50	\$100,880
	Investigations Captain					
	Jail Administrator					
	Patrol Captain					
	Captain of Communications					

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of, September 2021.  
Human Resources Finance and Property Committee

### RESOLUTION #R-65-2021 Salary Range Adjustment for Maintenance Supervisor

WHEREAS, three existing positions within the Highway Department, the Bridge/State Assistant Superintendent, the Equipment and Facilities Supervisor, and the Highway Operations Supervisor, are all currently compensated pursuant to the compensation range for a position class Maintenance Supervisor; and WHEREAS, the Maintenance Supervisor position is currently compensated at a rate identified as B32, which has the following minimum and maximum rates:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Maintenance Supervisor	Bridge/State Assistant Superintendent	B32	\$23.27	\$48,408	\$32.36	\$67,311
	Equipment & Facilities Supervisor					
	Highway Operations Supervisor					

WHEREAS, a review of wages of Maintenance Supervisors across similar Counties reveals that the minimum and maximum hourly rates currently utilized by Marathon County are below the average pay rate for Maintenance Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources, Finance, and Property Committee approved setting the compensation range for the Maintenance Supervisor at a rate more closely aligned with the average rate for this position across similar counties. That compensation range is as follows:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Maintenance Supervisor	Bridge/State Assistant Superintendent	B32 - Market	\$28.00	\$58,240	\$37.00	\$76,960
	Equipment & Facilities Supervisor					
	Highway Operations Supervisor					

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon hereby adopts the following compensation range for the Maintenance Supervisor:

Class Title	Working Titles	DBM	Minimum Hourly	Minimum Annual	Maximum Hourly	Maximum Annual
Maintenance Supervisor	Bridge/State Assistant Superintendent	B32 - Market	\$28.00	\$58,240	\$37.00	\$76,960
	Equipment & Facilities Supervisor					
	Highway Operations Supervisor					

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of, September 2021.  
Human Resources Finance and Property Committee

**RESOLUTION #R- 67 - 21**  
**Resolution Declaring October Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a complex and ongoing problem that violates an individual's safety, dignity, and humanity, by a systematic and coercive pattern of physical, emotional, sexual, physiological, and economic control and abuse; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence causes severe and lasting harm to people of every age, religion, identity, race, culture, and economic and social status; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is often the common denominator in many types of criminal behavior and is linked directly to all forms of violence, making anti-violence efforts that address discrimination of any kind vital to the work of ending domestic abuse; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, individuals died in Wisconsin due to domestic violence at a rate of 1 death every 5 days; and it is extremely challenging to fully illustrate the scope and impact of domestic violence as the consequences extend far beyond the cases that meet criteria for data collection; and

WHEREAS, by observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we seek to increase awareness of abuse in intimate partner relationships, and to implement preventative strategies and support for those experiencing domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, with the unwavering support of Marathon County, The Women's Community, and victim service providers in our community, Survivors will be empowered to face their grief, loss, anxiety, injuries, anger, and hope without fear of judgement, and will be understood, heard, and respected; and

WHEREAS, through the inspiration, courage, and persistence of domestic violence Survivors, their children, family members, and advocates, legislation and local community collaborations have enacted protections and services for future victims and their children;

WHEREAS, consistent with our goal of being the healthiest and safest County in Wisconsin, we encourage all residents to learn more about domestic violence and the resources available in our community and nationally to assist victims of domestic violence;

NOW THEREFORE, the Marathon County Board declares October 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marathon County Board of Supervisors hereby calls upon our citizens to stand together against domestic violence, and to offer compassion, support, and understanding to Survivors.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, 2021

Health and Human Services Committee

**RESOLUTION #R- 68 - 21**  
**Cooperation Agreement for**  
**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program**

This agreement entered into on the 21st day of September, 2021 by and between Marathon County and the Central Wisconsin Housing Region.

WHEREAS, Marathon County has an identified need and interest in joining the Central Wisconsin Housing Region, which includes the counties of Adams, Green Lake, Juneau, Marathon, Marquette, Portage, Waupaca, Waushara, and Wood, to provide decent housing, and

WHEREAS, Marathon County contemplates submitting jointly with the Central Wisconsin Housing Region an application for funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) housing program of the Wisconsin Division of Housing (DOH) for the purpose of meeting those needs, and

WHEREAS, Marathon County and the Central Wisconsin Housing Region desire to and are required to, enter into a written cooperative agreement with each other to participate in such CDBG program, and

WHEREAS, Marathon County and the Central Wisconsin Housing Region understand that Juneau County will act as the applicant (Lead), and will have the ultimate responsibility to assume all obligations under the terms of the grant including assuring compliance with all applicable laws and program regulations and performance of all work in accordance with the grant contract, and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the Department of Housing and Urban Development and DOH have access to all participants' grant records and authority to monitor all activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 66.0301, Marathon County and the Central Wisconsin Housing Region agree to cooperate in the submission of an application for such funds, and agree to cooperate in the implementation of the submitted CDBG program, as approved by the Department of Administration.

Nothing contained in this agreement shall deprive any municipality of any power or zoning, development control or other lawful authority which it presently possesses.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2021.

Health and Human Services Committee

**As part of the Consent Agenda, the above Ordinance #'s O-33-21 - O-35-21 were enacted and Resolution #'s, R-60-21, R-64-21, R-65-21, R-67-21 & R-68-21 were adopted.**

**MEMORIAL  
Life and Public Service of  
William "Bill" Miller**

Bill Miller, 78, passed away on September 5, 2021 at his home in Rib Mountain.

He was born July 14, 1943 in Beaver Dam to George and Ruth Miller. He attended UW-Whitewater, where he majored in Accounting and Economics. Bill is survived by his wife Cindy, a sister and brother, three children, and five grandchildren.

Bill faithfully served his community, the Town of Rib Mountain, for many years, serving as Town Chair and auditor. He lent his skills as a CPA to many local communities and non-profits. He helped to establish the Rib Mountain Sanitary District and served on its Board of Commissioners until his death. Bill was also an active volunteer throughout his life, giving of his time and resources to the Rib Mountain Community Festival, Badger State Winter Games, Rib Mountain Lions Club, Evening Optimists, and the Montessori School of Wausau.

Bill served the residents of District 36 in the Town of Rib Mountain on the County Board for 12 years, retiring in 2020. During that time, he served on the Human Resources, Finance, and Property Committee, Health and Human Services Committee, and the Executive Committee. He also served the North Central Health Care Board on the Finance and Nursing Home Committees.

In the passing of Bill Miller, 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 William "Bill" Miller. A copy of this memorial shall be sent to his family with the sympathies of the Board.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2021.

Discussion: Chair Gibbs asked Clerk Trueblood to read the memorial.

**Action: MOTION BY VICE CHAIR MCEWEN, SECOND BY ROBINSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

**RESOLUTION # R-61-21**

**A Resolution Amending the 2021 CIP for the Enterprise Resources Planning System (ERP), Create it as a Priority CIP Project and Provide a Multi-Year CIP Project Budget and Funding of the Project**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Marathon County has previously approved the 2021 Finance and ER Department Enterprise Resources Planning System requests; and

WHEREAS, the County's current financial system is 27 years old and there is no current comprehensive Human Resources software application or learning management system in place at the County; and

WHEREAS, since the original project was approved in the 2021 Capital Improvement Project (CIP), a thorough RFP process has been completed, and the cost of the software, consulting and additional expenses associated with the project have been developed and are ready for final approval; and

WHEREAS, the final estimated project costs will be more expensive than the 2021 CIP requests that were previously approved; and

WHEREAS, the total County costs for software, start up and additional expenses to implement the new ERP system is currently estimated to be \$4,059,524; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to prioritize this project and provide for the implementation of the project with a target date start date of January 2023; and

WHEREAS, there is currently an encumbered balance in the 2021 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Fund for the ERP System of \$1,500,000; and

WHEREAS, there will be additional costs to complete the implementation of the ERP system in 2022 and 2023 in the amount of \$2,559,524; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee has reviewed the request and has recommended to amend the 2021 CIP ERP Project to reflect the actual estimated implementation cost of \$4,059,524; and

WHEREAS, the additional costs to fund the ERP system will be funded through the 2022 and 2023 CIP Program; and

WHEREAS, § 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats., 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 the funding for the project and understands that other funding sources may be available for the project. The Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee recommends the Marathon County Board approve the project with the updated estimated cost and classify the ERP system as the highest priority CIP project for the next year, notwithstanding the County's current CIP policy. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does hereby resolve and ordain to amend the 2021 CIP Budget to do the following:

1. The County Board of Supervisors hereby amends the 2021 CIP fund for the Finance/HR Management Enterprise Resource Planning System to reflect an estimated implementation cost of \$4,059,524.

2. The County Board of Supervisors identifies this project as the highest priority project for next year's CIP.

3. The County Board of Supervisors authorizes the acceptance of ERP Project with the Application Software, Consultants, Equipment and additional County startup costs associated with the plan included with the resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Enterprise Resource Planning System is hereby identified in the 2021 CIP, and included in the 2022 CIP, as the highest priority for CIP funding, notwithstanding the County's current policy on ranking projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize County Administration, the City-County Information Technology Commission, and appropriate County staff as identified by the County Administrator, to complete all necessary negotiations, finalize, and accept the ERP project, and to initiate implementation of the project consistent with the costs identified herein.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2021.

Human Resources, Finance and Property Committee

**Action: MOTION BY ROBINSON, SECOND BY FISHER TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.**

Discussion: Robinson explained increased cost was omitted from resolution and moved to amend the resolution where the amount \$4,059,524 appears and change to \$4,202,888.

**Action: MOTION BY ROBINSON, SECOND BY ROSENBERG TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION CHANGING THE DOLLAR AMOUNT FROM \$4,059,524 TO \$4,202,888. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Action: MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

**RESOLUTION #R-62-21**  
**Initial Resolution Approving**  
**Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC**

**INTENT & SYNOPSIS:** To provide approval of an Initial Resolution of Marathon County to participate with other counties in accordance with an Intergovernmental Agreement pursuant to which Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin will serve as the conduit bond issuer for Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC to finance a project for acquisition, construction and installation of certain telecommunications infrastructure, for the purpose of providing wireless internet and telephone communication services to businesses, governmental units and residents of rural communities where such service is currently unavailable or prohibitively expensive (the "Project"), which includes Project costs located in Marathon County in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.

**FISCAL NOTE:** None.

WHEREAS, Section 66.1103 of the Wisconsin Statutes (the "Act") authorizes municipalities to authorize the issuance and sale of bonds to construct, equip, re-equip, acquire by gift, lease or purchase, install, reconstruct, rebuild, rehabilitate, improve, supplement, replace, maintain, repair, enlarge, extend or remodel industrial projects; and



WHEREAS, Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company (the “Company”), and/or one or more of its affiliates (including, without limitation, Hilbert Communications, LLC and Cloud 1, LLC), whether existing on the date hereof or to be formed and whether owned directly or indirectly by the Company, to finance a project consisting of the acquisition, construction and installation of certain telecommunications infrastructure that includes, among other things (i) acquisition of tower sites by purchase or lease of land and equipping such sites with towers and electronics to provide broadband, high speed cellular, emergency communications and point to point (P2P) data communications; (ii) constructing fiberoptic data transmission facilities (cable and electronics) between towers, key community facilities, businesses and residential aggregation points; (iii) where appropriate, connecting individual premises into the broadband network including the cost of Consumer Premise Equipment (CPE); (iv) payment of capitalized interest; (v) funding of a debt service reserve fund; (vi) payment of such project costs located in Marathon County in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000; and (vii) payment of professional fees (collectively, the “Project”), all of which will be for the purpose of providing wireless internet and telephone communications services to businesses, governmental units and residents of rural communities where such service is currently unavailable or is prohibitively expensive; and WHEREAS, Marathon County, Wisconsin is a political subdivision of the State within whose boundaries a portion of the Project is located; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 66.1103 and 66.0301 of the Wisconsin Statutes, individual counties or two or more counties, each a “Participating County”, acting pursuant to an Intergovernmental Agreement may serve as the conduit issuer for such financing; and

WHEREAS, (i) the aggregate cost of the Project in Marathon County and the Participating Counties is presently estimated to be not greater than \$240,000,000, (ii) the aggregate amount of the Project proposed to be financed with one or more issues or series of tax-exempt or taxable revenue bonds does not exceed \$240,000,000 (the “Bonds”) to be issued by Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin (the “Issuing County”) acting pursuant to intergovernmental powers, and (iii) the portion of the Project located in Marathon County does not exceed \$25,000,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 66.1103(3)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes provides that a municipality also may finance an industrial project which is located entirely outside the geographic limits of the municipality, but only if the revenue agreement for the project also relates to another project of the same eligible participant, part of which is located within the geographic limits of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Project includes necessary infrastructure for essential services by and for Marathon County and local units of government in Marathon County and is in furtherance of the public purposes set forth in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project is a multi-jurisdictional project which is located in multiple counties to be identified, and the Company has requested that each of the Participating Counties approve an initial resolution (the “Initial Resolution”) providing for the financing of the Project in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$240,000,000; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement, Fond du Lac County shall be the Issuing County of said revenue Bonds, and it shall be determined at a future date which county or counties shall be Participating Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that Marathon County and other Participating Counties who will directly benefit from the Project to each provide a limited guaranty to enhance the collateral position of the Company in an amount equal to the pro rata portion of the Project costs incurred and essential services benefits derived in such Participating County; and

WHEREAS, the Company will have the primary obligation to make all scheduled principal and interest payments when due on the Bonds, and Marathon County’s Guaranty will apply only in the event that the Company does not make the required payments due on the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, in return for Marathon County’s Guaranty, Marathon County shall receive an annual guaranty fee of 40 basis points (0.40%) (based upon the amount of its Guaranty), and the Company will pay all costs to Marathon County and all expenses by Marathon County related to the bond issue; and

WHEREAS, as further security for its Guaranty, Marathon County shall receive a first mortgage on all land, buildings, and improvements of the Company located in Marathon County which are financed with proceeds of the Bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Marathon County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. Marathon County hereby approves that Fond du Lac County, as the Issuing County, acting pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement, shall:

(a) Finance the Project in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$240,000,000 which includes Project costs located in Marathon County in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000; and

(b) Acting pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement by and among one or more Participating Counties, Fond du Lac County shall issue industrial development revenue bonds in one or more issues or series of tax-exempt or taxable bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$240,000,000 in order to finance costs of the Project located in the Participating Counties, pursuant to Section 66.1103(3)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

2. The aforesaid plan of financing contemplates, and is conditioned upon, the following:

- (a) The Bonds shall be limited obligations of the Issuing County, acting pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement, and are payable solely from revenues provided by the Company and are secured in part by the limited Guaranty of Marathon County;
- (b) The Bonds shall never constitute an indebtedness of Marathon County, the Issuing County or the Participating Counties within the meaning of any state constitutional provision or statutory limitation;
- (c) The Project shall be subject to property taxation in the same amount and to the same extent as though the Project were not financed with industrial development revenue bonds;
- (d) The Company shall find a purchaser for all of the Bonds; and
- (e) All out-of-pocket costs, including but not limited to legal fees, incurred by Marathon County in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds shall be paid by the Company, whether or not the Issuing County or another Participating County ultimately issues the Bonds; and
- (f) Marathon County shall be paid an annual guaranty fee of 40 basis points (0.40%) (based upon the amount of Marathon County's Guaranty).

3. The aforesaid plan of financing shall not be legally binding upon Marathon County nor be finally implemented unless and until:

- (a) The details and mechanics of the bond financing are authorized and approved by a further resolution of Fond du Lac County, as the Issuing County, by a vote of at least three-fourths of the members-elect (as defined in Section 59.001(2m) of the Wisconsin Statutes) of the Board of Supervisors. Such approval shall be solely within the discretion of the Issuing County, acting pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement and approval of the Board of Supervisors of the Issuing County;
- (b) Said approval and Guaranty are further conditioned upon terms and conditions of one or more written agreements between Marathon County and the various parties involved, ensuring that all of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds shall be administered by a duly appointed independent trustee, that the bond proceeds shall be used exclusively for the development of the Project and for no other purpose, and that the project funds shall be paid over to the Company by the trustee only as they become needed for completion of the Project;
- (c) The County Clerk of Marathon County shall cause notice of adoption of this Initial Resolution, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in Marathon County, and the electors of Marathon County shall have been given the opportunity to petition for a referendum on the matter of the aforesaid bond issue, all as required by law;
- (d) Either no such petition shall be timely filed or such petition shall have been filed and said referendum shall have approved the bond issue;
- (e) The county clerks of Marathon County and the Participating Counties shall each have received an employment impact estimate issued under Section 560.034 of the Wisconsin Statutes;
- (f) The Bonds shall be limited obligations of the Issuing County, acting pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement and are payable solely from revenues provided by the Company and secured in part by a limited guaranty of each Participating County;
- (g) All Participating Counties have entered into the Intergovernmental Agreement and identified Fond du Lac County as the Issuing County;
- (h) All Participating Counties shall approve their respective guaranties by a vote of at least three-fourths of the members-elect of their respective County Board of Supervisors; and
- (i) All documents required to consummate the financing have been duly authorized and delivered.

4. Pursuant to the Act, all requirements that the Project be subject to the contracting requirements contained in Section 66.1103 are waived, the Company having represented that it is able to negotiate satisfactory arrangements for completing the Project and that Marathon County's interests are not prejudiced thereby.

5. The County Clerk of Marathon County is directed following adoption of this Initial Resolution (i) to publish notice of such adoption not less than one time in the official newspaper of Marathon County, such notice to be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and (ii) to file a copy of this Initial Resolution, together with a statement indicating the date the Notice to Electors was published, with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation within twenty (20) days following the date of publication of such notice.

6. This Initial Resolution is an "initial resolution" within the meaning of the Act and official action toward issuance of the Bonds. Furthermore, it is the reasonable expectation of Marathon County that proceeds of the Bonds may be used to reimburse expenditures made on the Project prior to the issuance of the Bonds. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the Project on the date hereof is \$240,000,000.

7. Marathon County Officers and Corporation Counsel shall forthwith negotiate and confer with all interested parties, draft, edit, or approve and deliver the contracts or other documents necessary to carry out the provisions of this Initial Resolution; provided, however, that such Officers and Corporation Counsel shall present the same to the Board of

Supervisors for the Board's final review, ratification, and approval of all of the specific terms and conditions contained in said documents prior to the issuance of the Bonds on behalf of the Company.

Recommended for adoption this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Discussion: None.

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

Follow through: None.

#### **Resolution # R-63-21**

#### **A Resolution Approving the 2022 Capital Improvement Program Projects**

WHEREAS, the Human Resources and Finance and Property Committee of the Board of Supervisors of Marathon County received and reviewed the 2022 Capital Improvement Program Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Improvement Program is a dynamic process and subject, pursuant to Resolution R-89-91, to periodic review and/or amendment; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Resources and Finance and Property Committee of the Board of Supervisors of Marathon County recommends approval of the 2022 Capital Improvement Program Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does hereby resolve and ordain to approve the 2022 Capital Improvement Program Projects.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2021.

HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Discussion: Robinson explained resolution.

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

Discussion: Robinson moved to amend the amount on page 2, deleting the number on the first line and change to \$4,202, 888.

**Action: MOTION BY ROBINSON, SECOND BY MCEWEN TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION CHANGING THE DOLLAR AMOUNT ON THE ERP SYSTEM TO \$4,202,888. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Action: MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Follow through: None.

#### **RESOLUTION # R-66- 21**

#### **Approve 2021 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 TBD-TBD 82446 Other Health Care Services-State Grants

Transfer to: Health TBD-TBD 9 various expenditures

Amount: \$1,037,700

Re: COVID-19 Response American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Transfer from: Health TBD-TBD 82446 Other Health Care Services-State Grants

Transfer to: Health TBD-TBD 9 various expenditures

Amount: \$195,900

Re: COVID-19 Immunization and Vaccines

Transfer from: Health TBD-TBD 82446 Other Health Care Services-State Grants

Transfer to: Health TBD-TBD 9 various expenditures

Amount: \$180,300

Re: COVID-19 Public Health Crisis Response-Public Health Workforce

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 21st day of September 2021.

HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Discussion: Chair Gibbs stated resolution requires a 2/3 majority vote.

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

Follow through: None.

### **RESOLUTION #R-69-21 Approval of Tentative Redistricting Plan**

WHEREAS, the 2020 Census has been completed and population information distributed to the counties; and  
WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 16, 2021, and comments were reviewed and considered in the preparation of the tentative plan, and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin statutes mandate redistricting to comply with the constitutional requirements of one-person, one-vote, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee, acting as the Redistricting Committee, reviewed the tentative plan prepared by the Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Department along with North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning, and said Committee approved forwarding the attached Tentative Redistricting Plan to the County Board with the understanding that further public comment and modification by local municipalities will be actively sought prior to the formation of a final plan as required by law, and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Marathon does hereby ordain and resolve to approve the attached 2021 Tentative Supervisory District Plan and to submit said plan to all local municipalities as required by law.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2021

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE / REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

Discussion: Supervisor Robinson voiced concern regarding the standard deviation and hoped that we would come closer to the 10% standard deviation to have a more equal representation. Supervisor Cihlar asked Andy Faust from North Central WI Regional Planning to explain if the 14% deviation is acceptable and if boundaries and elections are taken into account when decisions are made with redistricting. Andy Faust addressed the questions.

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

Follow through: None.

### **Announcements or Requests**

-Supervisor Robinson: Special meeting of the Human Resources Finance and Property Committee September 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am for approving an Urban Forestry Grant request.

-Vice Chair McEwen: The Rules Review Committee meeting September 30<sup>th</sup>, 8am and October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, both in the assembly room.

-Supervisor Christensen: Eastern Towns Association meeting October 20<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, Town of Elderon with a lunch provided.

-Supervisor Harris: Walk in their Shoes is presenting the Freedom Riders October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm, UWSP Wausau Campus.

## **Adjournment**

**MOTION BY SEEFELDT SECOND BY HARRIS TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.** Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

- Minutes prepared by Patricia Hornung, Administrative Specialist.