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**WASHINGTON COUNTY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Government Center - Room 1020
West Bend WI

January 28, 2013
8:30 a.m.

Present: Herbert Tennes, Mark McCune, Paul Ustruck, Rick Gundrum, and Daniel Stoffel.

Also Present: Administrative Coordinator Doug Johnson, County Attorney Kim Nass, County Clerk Brenda Jaszewski, Chief Deputy County Clerk Linda Doro, and Richard Bertram.

Legislators present: Representative Mark Born, Representative Daniel Knodl, and Representative Duey Stroebel (arrived at 8:50 a.m.).

County Board Supervisors present: Leslie Borman, John Bulawa, Daniel Goetz, Joseph Gonnering, Raymond Heidtke, Ralph Hensel, Donald Kriefall, Robert Milich, Michael Miller, Dennis Myers, Gerald Schulz, and Peter Sorce.

Department Staff present: Finance Director Susan Haag, Health Director Linda Walter, Assistant Health Director Joni Whitehouse, Register of Deeds Sharon Martin, Samaritan Campus Administrator Edward Somers, Sheriff Dale Schmidt, and Treasurer Jane Merten.

Chairperson Tennes called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and read the affidavit of posting.

LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE TOPIC

The Legislators presented their committee assignments and schedules for the current Legislative session. The Legislators, Committee members, and individuals present discussed county concerns regarding the following:

- Cell Phone Emergency Response Funding: Restore 911 surcharge funds (currently called the Police and Fire Protection Fee) to be used to update and maintain equipment and services to 911 callers.
- Circuit Court Support and Guardian Ad Litem Funding: Fulfill the purpose of Court Support Services Surcharge collections by using program revenues to reverse the reduction in Staff funding for mandated court costs by counties. Support an increase in the filing fees for small claims cases to correspond with the higher thresholds established in 2011 Act 32, with all of the increase directed to counties.
- National Mortgage Settlement Payment to States: Use the proceeds from the \$31 million payment to Wisconsin for foreclosure relief, housing programs, and community blight remediation, as provided for in the national settlement with five large mortgage lenders.
- State Trunk Highway Maintenance Activities and Funding: Support the implementation and funding of the Memorandum of Understanding developed between the Wisconsin

1 DOT, Wisconsin Highway Association, and the Wisconsin Transportation Builders
2 Association.

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- 4 • Amend the Interlibrary Loan Payments between Counties: Streamline and create a more
5 equitable method of dealing with the inter-county library payments.
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- 7 • Proposed Regional Arena Tax: Washington County is opposed to a regional tax to pay for
8 a new NBA arena in Milwaukee.

9 Representative Knodl reported that the State is in a better financial position and additional cell
10 phone emergency response funding to the Counties should be explored. Representative Knodl
11 reported there is legislation being proposed for a \$10 increase to the filing fee for small claims
12 cases.

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14 Representative Stroebel and Representative Knodl both agreed with Washington County's stance
15 that the State should discontinue raiding segregated funds.

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17 The Legislative Exchange concluded at 9:50 a.m. The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and
18 reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

19 20 **GOALS FOR 2013-2015, FOLLOW-UP TO WORKING SESSION**

21 *Participants: UW-Washington County Director of Continuing Education Dan Anhalt,*
22 *Supervisors Herbert Tennes, Mark McCune, Paul Ustruck, Rick Gundrum, Daniel*
23 *Stoffel, Leslie Borman, Daniel Goetz, Joseph Gonnering, Ralph Hensel, Robert Milich, Michael*
24 *Miller, and Peter Sorce, Administrative Coordinator Doug Johnson, County Attorney Kim Nass,*
25 *County Clerk Brenda Jaszewski, Sheriff Dale Schmidt, and Samaritan Campus Administrator Ed*
26 *Somers.*

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28 The participants voted on the 2013-2015 Strategic issues and initiatives for Washington County.
29 Mr. Anhalt will prepare a report on the goals selected and distribute them to the participants.

30 31 **CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR REPORTS**

32 Ambassador Participants

33 Chairperson Tennes reported County Attorney Kim Nass, Human Services Director Jim
34 Strachota, and Supervisors Dennis Myers, Peter Sorce, and Tim Michalak are the ambassador
35 representatives for Washington County that will be meeting with the Legislators. Ms. Nass
36 reported on the Ambassador meeting she and the representatives attended on January 23, 2013.

37 38 Status of Pay Plan Appeals

39 Mr. Johnson, Consultant Charlie Carlson, Human Resources Director Peter German, and
40 Employee Benefits Manager Michelle Hoey reviewed the Pay Plan appeals and developed
41 recommendations that were brought to the Administrative Services Committee. The
42 Administrative Services Committee met three times to hear the appeals of Washington County
43 employees. Approximately 40% of the appeals are being recommended for adjustments and the
44 savings from the delaying implementation of the Pay Plan for two months will more than cover
45 the costs of the recommended adjustments. On January 31, 2013, the Administrative Services

1 Committee will take formal action on the Pay Plan appeal recommendations, and will forward
2 those recommendations to the County Board for consideration on February 12, 2013.
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4 Proposed Transfer from the General Fund for Projects

5 Mr. Johnson reported the Finance Committee is considering two projects they would like to
6 advance in 2013 funded by the General Fund. The first project is a single, uniform billing
7 system that would satisfy all of the Human Services Department software needs, including
8 operating licenses, training, data importing and customization as needed in the future, and the
9 second project is a software system for tax bills. The General Fund request for these two
10 projects will be submitted to the County Board for consideration sometime in the first half of
11 2013.
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13 EDWC Annual Meeting on February 12, 2013

14 Mr. Johnson reported Chairperson Tennes and he are attending the EDWC annual meeting on
15 February 12, 2013. Washington County has three additional free registrations, if any Executive
16 Committee member is interested in attending.
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18 WCA Legislative Meeting in Waukesha on March 18, 2013

19 Mr. Johnson reported the WCA Legislative meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, 2013, in
20 Waukesha.
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22 **NEXT TENTATIVE MEETING DATES**

23 The Executive Committee will tentatively meet on Tuesday, March 19, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.
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25 **ADJOURNMENT**

26 Moved by Mr. McCune, seconded by Mr. Stoffel to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 a.m. Motion
27 carried.
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31 Brenda J. Jaszewski, County Clerk