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**WASHINGTON COUNTY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Government Center - Room 1020
West Bend WI

January 30, 2012
8:30 a.m.

Present: Herbert Tennes, William Meyers, Mark McCune, John Stern, and Daniel Stoffel.

Also present: Administrative Coordinator Doug Johnson, County Attorney Kim Nass, County Clerk Brenda Jaszewski, and County Clerk Administrative Assistant Linda Doro.

Legislators present: Senator Glenn Grothman, Representative Daniel Knodl, Representative Daniel LeMahieu, Representative Donald Pridemore, Representative Patricia Strachota, and Representative Duey Stroebel.

County Board Supervisors present: Michael Bassill, Brian Bausch, Richard Bertram, Leslie Borman, James Core, Mel Ewert, Daniel Goetz, Joseph Gonnering, Rick Gundrum, Raymond Heidtke, Ralph Hensel, Lee Krueger, Dennis Myers, Gerald Schulz, Peter Sorce, and Paul Ustruck.

Department Staff present: ADRC Director Linda Olson, ADRC Supervisor Janel Hetzel, Finance Director Susan Haag, Health Director Linda Walter, Health Assistant Director Joni Whitehouse, Human Resources Director Peter German, Human Resources Employee Benefits Manager Michelle Hoey, Human Services Director Jim Strachota, Register of Deeds Sharon Martin, Samaritan Campus Administrator Edward Somers, Sheriff Dale Schmidt, Treasurer Janice Gettelman, and Veterans Service Officer Mark Baldwin.

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

LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE TOPIC

The Legislators, Committee members, and individuals present discussed the following topics:

- what counties should expect from State government for 2012
- status of Family Care and lifting of the enrollment cap,
- the lapses pending for Child Support and Youth Aids and cuts to mandated services that are working
- clarification on the WRS eligibility for part-time employees,
- progress with the implementation of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

Representative Strachota reported there will not be any significant revenue increases in the State, and they have prepared for lapses in case there are some decreases. The Legislature is focusing on changes to the election process and promoting job growth. Representative Strachota reported an audit of Family Care indicated there are areas in Family Care that will not be sustainable. The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation private-public partnership was slow to start; however, it is now moving forward.

Representative LeMahieu reported he does not see any legislation affecting counties except for the lapses. The State has passed legislation to set up an environment that is conducive to job growth.

1 Representative Knodl and Senator Grothman both reported the manufacturing environment is
2 improving and jobs are available; however, the individuals applying do not have the skill sets to
3 fill those jobs. It is up to the educational system to provide the appropriate training.
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5 Representative Knodl reported Assembly Bill 447 relating to removing the cap on enrollment of
6 Family Care and other long-term care programs is being considered by the Aging and Long
7 Term Care Committee, which he chairs. He is fairly comfortable with lifting the caps, and the
8 Department of Health Services will find savings within to cover those costs; however, a state-
9 wide expansion of Family Care will be huge financial burden to the State in the future.
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11 Representative Stroebel reported a clarification as far WRS eligibility for part-time employees
12 i.e. 1,200 hour rule replacing 600 hour rule has been incorporated in Assembly Bill 318.
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14 The Legislative Exchange concluded at 10:05 a.m. The meeting recessed at 10:05 a.m. and
15 reconvened at 10:12 a.m.
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17 **MINUTES**

18 Moved by Mr. McCune, seconded by Mr. Meyers to amend the minutes of January 17, 2012, as
19 follows: Page 1, Line 31: **Ms. Haag stated there are no additional opportunities for**
20 **outsourcing in terms of staffing of the Finance Department.** And, Page 1, Line 35: **Mr.**
21 **German stated there are no additional opportunities for outsourcing in terms of staffing of**
22 **the Human Resources Department.** Moved by Mr. Stern, seconded by Mr. Meyers to
23 approve the minutes of January 17, 2012, as amended. Motion carried.
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25 **REQUEST TO NON-LAPSE COUNTY ATTORNEY 2011 FUNDS TO 2012**

26 Ms. Nass requested approval to non-lapse the balance of the 2011 Attorney account in the
27 County Attorney budget to 2012, and non-lapse the balance of the 2011 Unemployment account
28 in the Child Support budget to 2012. Moved by Mr. Stoffel, seconded by Mr. Meyers to divide
29 the question. Motion carried.
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31 Moved by Mr. Stoffel, seconded by Mr. Stern to approve non-lapsing the balance of the 2011
32 Attorney account in the County Attorney budget to 2012. Motion carried.
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34 Moved by Mr. Stoffel, seconded by Mr. Meyers to approve non-lapsing the balance of the 2011
35 Unemployment account in the Child Support budget to 2012. Motion defeated with Mr. Stoffel,
36 Mr. Tennes voting aye, and Mr. McCune, Mr. Meyers and Mr. Stern voting no.
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38 **NEXT TENTATIVE MEETING DATES**

39 The Executive Committee will tentatively meet on Thursday, February 21, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.
40 and Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.
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42 **ADJOURNMENT**

43 Moved by Mr. Stoffel, seconded by Mr. Stern to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Motion
44 carried.
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