

GREEN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Arthur Carter, Chair

Jerry Guth, First Vice-Chair · Harvey Mandel, Second Vice-Chair

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

County Boardroom · Green County Courthouse · 1016 16th Ave · Monroe, WI

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AMENDED - COUNTY BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approve the Minutes of March 9, 2020
5. Consider Ordinance 21-0401 (Repeal and Recreation of Private Water Systems Ordinance)
6. Consider Resolution 4-1-21 (Resolution Awarding Sheriff's Contract over \$75,000)
7. Consider Resolution 4-2-21 (Resolution Awarding Property Contract over \$75,000)
8. Consider Resolution 4-3-21 (Resolution Approving Human Services Contracts over \$75,000)
9. Consider Resolution 4-4-21 (Resolution Approving Fund Transfer to Information Technology Department)
10. *Consider Resolution 4-5-21 (Resolution Approving IT Contract over \$75,000)
11. Discussion and possible action on keeping the Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in effect
12. Annual Report(s): County Clerk
13. Out-of-State Travel Request(s)
14. Announcements
 - a. Distributions: Memo on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Land and Water Conservation Annual Report
 - b. Announcements: Braver Angels Invitation
15. Appointments
16. Adjourn

*indicates amended agenda items

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

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ORDINANCE 21-0401
Repeal and Recreation of Private Water Systems Ordinance

WHEREAS, the Green County Land and Water Conservation Committee is charged with the study and development of private water systems for Green County; and

WHEREAS, the Green County Land and Water Conservation Committee and the Green County Land and Water Conservationist have reviewed the Green County Code and determined that it is in need of updating; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Green County Land and Water Conservationist, the Land and Water Conservation Committee has requested that Title 9, Chapter 3 be repealed and recreated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that Title 9, Chapter 3 of the Green County Code be repealed and recreated as shown on the attachment to this Ordinance.

SIGNED: LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:

Kristi Leonard, Chair

Nick Hartwig

Oscar Olson

Erica Roth

Dudley Timm

Jeff Williams

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact. ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Approved as to form. BDB

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 21-0401, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

**CHAPTER 3
PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS ORDINANCE**

SECTION:

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- 9-3-14-1: Field Directive**
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- 9-3-14-3: Correction Order**
- 9-3-15: Enforcement Actions**
- 9-3-16: Fee Schedule**

9-3-1: AUTHORITY AND ADOPTION

1. This ordinance is adopted under the authority granted to the County by §§59.70(6) and 280.21, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 845, Wis. Adm. Code.
2. This ordinance is subject to the provisions of §§59.70(6) and 280.21, Wis. Stats., and all rules promulgated thereunder regulating private water systems.
3. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of such regulations shall constitute a violation of this ordinance, actionable according to the penalties provided herein.
4. This ordinance applies to the entire county and includes cities, towns, villages and sanitary districts in the county.

9-3-2: JURISDICTION

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all private water systems within Green County including well abandonment and drill hole abandonment.

9-3-3: PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the drinking water and groundwater resources of the County by governing access to groundwater through regulating private water systems, well abandonment and drill hole abandonment. This ordinance does not pertain to ground water monitoring wells or any community water system.

9-3-4: INTENT

The intent of this ordinance is to regulate private water systems, well abandonment, drill hole abandonment and to provide for administration and enforcement of this ordinance.

9-3-5: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption by the Green County Board of Supervisors.

9-3-6: SEVERABILITY AND NON-LIABILITY

If any section, provision or portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected. The County asserts that there is no liability on the part of the Board of Supervisors, its agencies, or employees for any health hazards or damages that may occur as a result of reliance upon, and compliance with, this ordinance.

9-3-7: REPEAL

All other County ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with this ordinance, to the extent of the inconsistency only, are repealed.

9-3-8: DEFINITIONS

ADMINISTRATOR: The County employee designated by the County Board of Supervisors to administer ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code pertinent to well abandonment and drill hole abandonment in the county as authorized by the Department.

COMMITTEE: The Green County Land and Water Conservation Committee.

COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM: Has the meaning designated in ch. NR 811.02(9), Wis. Adm. Code.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT: The Green County Land and Water Conservation Department.

DELEGATION LEVEL: The program level, as set forth in ch. NR 845.05, Wis. Adm. Code, at which a county is authorized to administer and enforce ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code.

DEPARTMENT: The Department of Natural Resources.

EXISTING INSTALLATIONS: Has the meaning designated in ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code.

HEALTH HAZARD: A condition which constitutes:

1. A violation of ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, regarding the installation, construction, operation or maintenance of a private well; or
2. Confirmed bacteriologically-unsafe well water quality.

NON-COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM: A public water supply system that is not a community water system. It serves at least 25 people per day at least 60 days each year. A non-community water system commonly serves a transient population rather than permanent year-round residents. This is typically an individual well serving a restaurant, industry, service station, tavern, motel, campground or church.

NON-COMPLYING WELL OR PUMP INSTALLATION: A private water system not in compliance with all provisions of ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, in effect at the time the well was constructed or the pump was installed.

PERSON: An individual, corporation, company, association, cooperative, trust, institution, partnership, state, public utility, sanitary district, municipality or federal agency.

PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS: Those maximum contaminant levels which represent minimum public health standards set forth in ch. NR 809, Wis. Adm. Code.

PRIVATE WATER SYSTEM: The water collection, storage and treatment facilities and all structures, piping and appurtenances by which water is provided for human consumption by other than community water systems.

PRIVATE WELL: For the purpose of this ordinance, any drilled, driven point, dug, bored or jetted well constructed for the purpose of obtaining groundwater for potable use, including wells constructed in special well casing depth areas and non-community wells. It does not include springs, or private or public wells that require written plan approval from the Department.

PUMP INSTALLER/PLUMBER: Any person that works on a new or existing well or water system.

VARIANCE: An approval issued by the Department under ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, allowing a private water system to vary from ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code requirements if Department approved conditions are met.

WATER SYSTEM: The water collection, storage, treatment facilities and all structure, piping and appurtenances by which water is provided.

WELL: Has the meaning designated in ch. 280, Wis. Stats.

WELL CONSTRUCTION: The procedures, methods, materials and equipment used during the construction or reconstruction of a private well.

WELL DRILLER: Any person who constructs a well and is licensed in the state of Wisconsin.

WELL LOCATION PERMIT: A permit or comparable registration system, issued by the County, which allows the construction or reconstruction of a private well.

9-3-9: COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

9-3-9-1: WELL AND DRILL HOLE ABANDONMENT

The permanent abandonment of unused or contaminated wells or drill holes in noncomplying water systems is an important step of the protection of local ground water quality. Wells, especially those with structural defects, may act as conduits for the vertical movement of contamination from or near the ground surface to the ground water or from one aquifer to another.

The County requires the proper abandonment of wells not in service, or that will be taken out of service, if the well is abandoned, or non-complying in accordance with §NR 812.26, Wis. Adm. Code. The County may require abandonment of a well with water exceeding a primary drinking water standard listed in ch. NR 809, Wis. Adm. Code, or other chemical compounds for which state health advisory limits have been issued including inorganic and organic compounds, after consultation with and approval by the Department.

The County shall cooperate with all other governmental units and agencies in the enforcement of all state and local laws and regulations pertaining to matters in this ordinance.

9-3-9-2: PRIVATE WELL LOCATION PERMITS

The County requires the issuance of a permit authorizing the location of new and replacement private wells, including drilled, driven point, dug, bored or jetted wells, or the reconstruction or rehabilitation of existing private wells.

9-3-10: ADMINISTRATOR

The County Conservationist shall act as the Administrator and is assigned the duties of administering the private water system program in accordance with Department rules.

The Administrator and his/her designee shall have the power and duty to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and all other ordinance, laws and orders of the County and of the State of Wisconsin which relate to the abandonment of all private water systems within the County at the County's authorized delegation level.

9-3-10-1: QUALIFICATIONS OF ADMINISTRATOR

The Administrator shall be informed on the principles and practices of well abandonment and drill hole abandonment.

9-3-10-2: POWERS

The Administrator and his/her designee shall have all the powers necessary to enforce the provisions of this ordinance commensurate with the level or levels of the County's delegated authority including the following:

- A. In the performance of his or her duties, the Administrator and his/her designee may enter any building or property upon presentation of the proper credential, during reasonable hours for the purpose of inspecting the private water system for purposes pertinent to well abandonment and drill hole abandonment. No person may interfere with the Administrator or an authorized assistant in the performance of his or her duties. Any person interfering shall be in violation of this ordinance and subject to penalty as provided by this ordinance. If consent to enter property for inspection purposes is denied, the Administrator may obtain a special inspection warrant under §§66.0119(1)&(2) and 66.0119(3), Wis. Stats.
- B. Order any person owning, operating or installing a private water system to abandon, repair or place it in a complying safe or sanitary condition if the system is found to be abandoned, or if not in compliance with ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, or this ordinance.

9-3-10-3: DUTIES OF ADMINISTRATOR

It shall be the duty of the Administrator and his/her designee to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and perform the following duties commensurate with the level or levels of the County's delegated authority.

- A. Provide the Department with copies of all abandonment inspection forms and correspondence as required by ch. NR 845, Wis. Adm. Code.
- B. Investigate and record all private water system complaints.
- C. Investigate cases of noncompliance with this ordinance, ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, and ch. 280, Wis. Stats., issue orders to abate the noncompliance and submit violations to the Corporation Counsel for enforcement.
- D. Refer complaints and cases of noncompliance believed to be or known to be beyond the scope of the County's delegation level to the Department.
- E. Cooperate with all other government units and agencies in the enforcement of all state and local laws and regulations of matters related to this ordinance.
- F. Assist the Department as specified in ch. NR 845, Wis. Adm. Code.
- G. Refer variance requests and actions which require Department approval to the Department.
- H. Advise owners not to drink or use water from private water systems under conditions specified in ch. NR 845, Wis. Adm. Code.
- I. Record all permits, fees, inspections and other actions, and make an annual report thereon to the County Board of Supervisors.
- J. Review and approve or deny permit applications.
- K. Inspect the location of new private water systems upon completion.

9-3-11: REQUIREMENTS AND PERMITS

1. No person may install a private water system unless the owner of the property on which the private water system is to be installed holds a valid well location permit issued by the County. Permits shall be issued by the County Conservationist, or his/her designee and shall be issued to the property owner.
2. No private water system may be located, installed or operated within the jurisdictional limits of the county without the appropriate permit being obtained in compliance with sub. (1) above and without being in full compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and all other applicable state and local laws and regulations. Permit applications shall be submitted and signed by the property owner on forms provided by the County Conservationist, or his/her designee.
3. The permit application shall include the following:
 - a. A site plan diagram. The plan diagram shall be submitted on paper not less than 8½ by 11 inches and shall include the location of all structures, all other wells (used or unused) or sources of water, septic tanks, septic absorption fields, underground fuel storage tanks, animal yards and other sources of contamination; at least one property line, the property access road and nearest public road. Distances shall be provided by dimension or to scale. For large parcels the plan must include a small scale diagram showing all property lines and adjacent roads in addition to the large scale diagram showing site details.
 - b. A copy of any variance granted by the Department including proof that the variance has been properly recorded.
4. The well driller shall be responsible for maintaining full compliance with all provisions of ch. NR 812, Wis. Admin. Code.
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 - a. The County Conservationist, or his/her designee, shall assist applicants by answering questions and providing forms, reviewing applications and approve, disapprove or notify an applicant of the need to seek a variance or special approval from the Department or return the permit application due to incompleteness for all private water systems to be constructed or modified in the county within 7 working days following submission of the permit application. The County Conservationist, or his/her designee, may reserve final approval or disapproval of a permit which requires Department action until the variance or special approval request has been acted on by the Department.
 - b. If a permit is disapproved because an applicant submits an incomplete or inaccurate application, one-half of the application fee shall be retained by the County. Any reapplication shall require the same fee as a new application.
6. The County Conservationist, or his/her designee, shall issue written notice to each applicant whose permit application is disapproved. An application shall be disapproved if the well construction would result in noncompliance with ch. NR 812, Wis. Admin. Code, or if a well construction variance or special approval request was denied by the Department. Each notice shall:
 - a. State the specific reason for denial.

- b. Inform the applicant of the right to request a special approval or a variance from the Department and the procedures for making such a request.
7. All unused wells on the property shall be properly permanently abandoned within 30 days of construction of the new or replacement well. In accordance to ch. NR 12, Wis. Admin. Code, the County shall be informed of well abandonment.
8. A permit transfer application shall be submitted to the County when there is a change of property owner after the application is submitted but before well construction is completed. Failure to submit a transfer application to the County shall invalidate a previously issued permit. The application shall be on a form made available by the County Conservationist, or his/her designee.
9. As soon as the well location permit is received, it shall be displayed conspicuously at the well site during construction, for a minimum of seven days following completion of construction.
10. A well location permit shall be valid for a period of one year or until construction is completed, whichever comes first. If the permit expires, a new application shall be submitted to the County Conservationist, or his/her designee. Reapplications shall be evaluated so that construction will comply with the provisions of ch. NR 812, Wis. Admin. Code, in effect at the time of the reapplication. The County Conservationist, or his/her designee, may require additional inspection and fees for reapplications.
11. A well location permit is not required nor shall be issued by the County for private water systems requiring written plan approval from the Department.
12. Any permit issued under this section shall be void if any false or inaccurate statement is made or if any inaccuracy is shown on any application for a permit.
13. No permit may be issued to any property owner or designated agent of the property owner who is in violation of this ordinance until the violation has been corrected.

9-3-12: APPEALS

Persons seeking to appeal decisions of the Administrator under this ordinance shall file written letters of appeal with the Administrator. The Administrator shall place the appeal on the agenda of the Committee. The Committee shall decide whether to uphold, uphold with modifications or reverse the Administrator's decision based upon the terms and intent of this ordinance and the relevant state laws and administrative rules. No appellate decision of the Committee shall have the effect of approving an existing or proposed condition that would violate this ordinance or state law or administrative rule. Appeals that may only be approved by the granting of a variance to ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, shall be referred to the Department pursuant to ch. NR 845.09(11)(b), Wis. Adm. Code. Committee decisions under this section shall be made in writing and shall be filed in the Administrator's office. Appeals of decisions made by authorized agents on behalf of the Administrator shall be made first to the Administrator and then be appealable as provided herein.

9-3-13: VIOLATIONS

The Administrator shall investigate violations of the Private Water System Ordinance and ch. NR 812, Wis. Adm. Code, relating to the County's authorized delegation level(s), issue orders to abate the violations and submit orders to the Corporation Counsel for enforcement.

9-3-13-1: NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE

- A. A well driller or pump installer/plumber shall submit a notice of noncompliance to the County Department of known unused or improperly abandoned wells located on properties where work was completed on wells or existing water systems.
- B. The notice shall include the landowner's name, address, and location of the unused well with a site diagram on paper not less than 8½ x 11 inches.

9-3-14: ADMINISTRATOR DIRECTIVES AND ORDERS

9-3-14-1: FIELD DIRECTIVE

The Administrator, after investigation and a determination that a violation exists, may issue a written field directive. This field directive may consist of a handwritten note on an inspection report, or similar paper, identifying the violation that has occurred and assigning a date by which the violation must be corrected, and shall include the inspector's telephone number and office address.

9-3-14-2: FORMAL DIRECTIVE

A formal letter may be issued, which states the violation, the ordinance (administrative rule or statutory) section violated, the date the violation was noted, the inspector who noted the violation and assigns a date by which the correction must be made.

9-3-14-3: CORRECTION ORDER

Upon discovery and after documentation of a violation, the Administrator may issue a corrective order. The Administrator may use a stepped enforcement procedure by issuing a directive before an order, or may proceed directly to issuing a correction order. An order shall include the following:

- A. The location of the violation (site).
- B. The name of the parties involved, owner, permittee, well constructor, or pump installer.
- C. The section of the ordinance and Wisconsin Administrative Code section violated.
- D. The date of inspection of the site where the violation occurred.
- E. The name of the person who conducted the inspection which revealed the violation.
- F. The date by which the correction must be completed.
- G. The name of the person who must be contacted regarding subsequent inspection of the site.
- H. A statement that, if the order is not complied with, the Administrator will refer the violation to the Corporation Counsel with a recommendation to seek injunctive relief and/or forfeitures from the Circuit Court of Green County. Orders must be signed by the Administrator of the private water system ordinance.

- I. The Administrator shall report all orders that have not been complied with to the Corporation Counsel for enforcement.

9-3-15: ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

- A. An enforcement action may be brought by the Corporation Counsel against a person or persons for any of the following violations:
 - 1. Failure to comply with any provision of this ordinance.
 - 2. Failure to comply with any directive or order issued by the Administrator.
 - 3. Resisting, obstructing or interfering with the Administrator's, or an authorized assistant's, actions undertaken pursuant to this ordinance.
- B. The Corporation Counsel may, for any violation, seek:
 - 1. Injunctive relief.
 - 2. Forfeitures of not less than \$50.00 but not more than \$200.00.
 - 3. Each day of violation is a separate offense.
 - 4. Failure to obtain a permit as required under this ordinance shall be assessed a forfeiture of \$500.00.

9-3-16: FEE SCHEDULE

- A. The fees for any permit under this ordinance shall be established by the Committee.
- B. A fee shall be doubled whenever work has been started prior to the issuance of a permit.

RESOLUTION 4-1-21

Resolution Awarding Sheriff Contract in Excess of \$75,000

WHEREAS, County Code Section 1-11-2, entitled COUNTY PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, provides for review, approval and execution of all county contracts and purchases necessary to carry out approved budget operations; and

WHEREAS, Section 1-11-2(A)(4) states: Cost or price in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), recommendation by the appropriate department head and the supervisory committee to the full County Board and approval by the full Board before the purchase is made. Execution of the contract documents shall be by the Green County Board Chair and the appropriate committee chair, after the document has been reviewed by the Green County Corporation Counsel; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Green County Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee for the contracting of civil work:

TBD at April 14, 2021 Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee Meeting

SIGNED: GREEN COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Richard Thoman, Chair

Joe Snow, Vice-Chair

John Bernstein

Alex Lonien

Aaron Withee

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

Richard Thoman, Chair
Law Enforcement and Public
Safety Committee

Arthur Carter
County Board Chair

Brian Bucholtz
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE: Funding provided from within the Sheriff's Dept. budget. ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Approved as to form. BDB

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)SS
COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 4-1-21, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

RESOLUTION 4-2-21

Resolution Awarding Property Contract in Excess of \$75,000

WHEREAS, County Code Section 1-11-2, entitled COUNTY PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, provides for review, approval and execution of all county contracts and purchases necessary to carry out approved budget operations; and

WHEREAS, Section 1-11-2(A)(4) states: Cost or price in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), recommendation by the appropriate department head and the supervisory committee to the full County Board and approval by the full Board before the purchase is made. Execution of the contract documents shall be by the Green County Board Chair and the appropriate committee chair, after the document has been reviewed by the Green County Corporation Counsel; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Green County Property, Parks, and Insurance Committee for the contracting of a sprinkler system installation:

J.F. Ahern Co. Green County Courthouse Sprinkler Addition \$397,829

SIGNED: GREEN COUNTY PROPERTY, PARKS, AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Roger Truttmann, Chair

Barb Krattiger, Vice-Chair

Dennis Schwartz

Steve Borowski

Jody Hoesly

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

Roger Truttmann, Chair
Property, Parks, and Insurance
Committee

Arthur Carter
County Board Chair

Brian Bucholtz
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE: Funding provided from
bond funds. ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Approved as to
form. BDB

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 4-2-21, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

RESOLUTION 4-3-21

Resolution Approving Human Services Contracts (Over \$75,000)

WHEREAS, County Code Section 1-11-2, entitled COUNTY PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, provides for review, approval and execution of all County contracts and purchases necessary to carry out approved budget operations; and

WHEREAS, Section 1-11-2(A)(4) STATES: Cost or price in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), recommendation by the appropriate department head and the supervisory committee to the full County Board with approval by the full Board before the purchase is made. Execution of the contract documents shall be by the Green County Board Chair and the appropriate Committee Chairperson, after the document has been reviewed by the Green County Corporation Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Human Services Board for the contracting of services with the following agencies for the contract year 2021:

Barbara Kolb, MS	CCS Mental Health Therapist	\$195,540
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SIGNED: GREEN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD:

Herb Hanson, Chair

Beth Luchsinger

Russ Torkelson, Vice-Chair

Michael Furgal

Jerry Guth

Kate Maresch

Sandy Horn

Emily Zarling

Anita Huffman

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

Herb Hanson, Chair
Human Services Board

Arthur Carter
County Board Chair

Brian Bucholtz
Corporation Counsel

Resolution 4-3-21
Resolution Approving Human
Services Contracts (Over \$75,000)
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FISCAL NOTE: Funding provided in the
2021 budget. ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Execution by 2021 budget.
Committee Chair, County Board Chair and
review by Corporation Counsel is necessary.
County Code Section 1-11-2(A)(4). BDB

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COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 4-3-21, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli
Green County Clerk

RESOLUTION 4-4-21

***Resolution Approving Fund Transfer to
Information Technology Department***

WHEREAS, the Green County Information Technology Department has determined that the county is out of compliance with Microsoft Licensing, and the Green County Finance and Accounting Committee has determined that mitigation measures should be taken to bring the county into compliance; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this compliance mitigation is determined to be \$127,364.15.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Finance and Accounting Committee for the fund transfer from the General Fund to Information Technology Department in the amount of \$127,364.15.

SIGNED: FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE:

Jerry Guth, Chair

Steve Borowski, Vice-Chair

Arthur Carter

Jody Hoesly

Dawn Sass

FISCAL NOTE: Would deplete the General Fund by \$127,364.15 in 2021.
ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Approval of two-thirds of the entire membership of the County Board required when appropriating amounts not previously budgeted.
Sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats. BDB

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I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 4-4-21, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli,
Green County Clerk

RESOLUTION 4-5-21

Resolution Approving IT Contract in Excess of \$75,000

WHEREAS, County Code Section 1-11-2, entitled COUNTY PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, provides for review, approval and execution of all county contracts and purchases necessary to carry out approved budget operations; and

WHEREAS, Section 1-11-2(A)(4) states: Cost or price in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), recommendation by the appropriate department head and the supervisory committee to the full County Board and approval by the full Board before the purchase is made. Execution of the contract documents shall be by the Green County Board Chair and the appropriate committee chair, after the document has been reviewed by the Green County Corporation Counsel; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Green County Finance and Accounting Committee for the following contract:

CDW-G Microsoft Office, Windows, and Exchange Server Licensing \$127,364.15

SIGNED: GREEN COUNTY FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE

Jerry Guth, Chair

Steve Borowski, Vice-Chair

Art Carter

Dawn Sass

Jody Hoesly

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

Jerry Guth, Chair
Finance and Accounting Committee

Arthur Carter
County Board Chair

Brian Bucholtz
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE: Funding provided from within the 2021 budget. ALV

LEGAL NOTE: Approved as to form. BDB

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COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Arianna L. Voegeli, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 4-5-21, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 20, 2021.

Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2021.

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

2020

ANNUAL REPORT

GREEN COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION

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THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT has three staff members: Todd Jenson, Tonya Gratz, and Austin Loeffelholz

The county staff in conjunction with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) federal staff of Jason Thomas, Tony Strenz, and Sarah Strathman (who left and was replaced by Dana Wedig) are located within the same office space. Each agency has some programs they strictly handle; however, most of the programs are shared between each to some degree.

THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE is the policy making body of the Green County Board of Supervisors responsible for oversight of the Land and Water Conservation Department. The Committee consists of Kristi Leonard, Oscar Olson, Jeff Williams, Nick Hartwig, Erica Roth, and Dudley Timm, FSA Representative.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES for the Land and Water Conservation Department were \$384,654.

TOTAL REVENUES for the Land and Water Conservation Department were \$275,568.

PROGRAM NARRATIVES

Land and Water Resource Management

Green County received money for the installation of conservation practices through this program. \$63,611 was received in bonding revenue for structural practices. The majority of the practices installed were well abandonment, grassed waterways, stream crossings, streambank improvement, and roof runoff. We received \$20,000 from DATCP for the use of writing nutrient management plans. All that DATCP money was used to cost-share 500 acres of nutrient management plans. We also received \$11,471 in transfer funds from Jefferson County to cost-share an additional 287 acres of nutrient management.

Nutrient Management Planning

The department has educated landowners on the importance of nutrient management planning. Once written, the farmer received cost-sharing of \$40.00 per acre. Three farmers were trained to write their NMP, then Covid hit and training stopped.

Tree Planter, Sprayer Rental, and Tree Sales

Tree planter and sprayer rental was coordinated with the DNR forester along with forestry management plans and planting recommendations. The LWCD owns two tree planters that landowners may rent for a nominal fee. The LWCD also owns a dozen tree spuds that are loaned out for the hand planting of trees and shrubs. A tank sprayer and a backpack sprayer are available for grass and weed control when establishing tree and wildlife plantings. We held our annual tree sale. Trees that were sold include: bur oak, red oak, white oak, swamp white oak, sugar maple, white pine, Norway spruce, American plum, black current, shagbark hickory, and serviceberry. Trees were either 1 – 2 feet tall, 2 – 3 feet tall, or 3 – 4 feet tall. 7000 trees were sold plus tree tubes, root gel, and fertilizer packs. Due to Covid, we had the customers drive up to the Pleasant View barn and stay in their vehicle while we placed their order in the back of their vehicle.

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program and CRP

This program has a \$200 million budget of federal money and \$40 million of state money. This program is designed to improve water quality and wildlife habitat. Riparian buffers and filter strips are the two main practices installed. Targeted areas are cropland or pasture within 150 feet on either side of streams. For every \$1 of state money, the federal government pays out \$5. In 2020, twenty-one landowners enrolled in the program with 279 acres. Department staff stake out the buffers and filter strips, GPS them if necessary, write the fifteen year or perpetual contract with the landowner, and do status reviews on the fields after the practice is implemented. Staff wrote 115 CRP and/or CREP contracts and did field verifications for current cover. The department also entered into a new contribution agreement with NRCS for work done on CRP and CREP contracts. This contract lasts for three years and pays up to \$50,000 for the life of the contract.

Invasive Species Control

This year we found eleven more patches of phragmites throughout the county. In working with the Upper Sugar River Watershed Association, a grant was received from the DNR to work on eradication of this wetland invasive plant. Applied Ecological Services was contracted for applying herbicide to the phragmites in the fall. We continue to find patches here and there throughout the county.

Drainage Board

The Land and Water Conservation Department has been working with the Green County Drainage Board. The Drainage Board oversees four districts within the county: District #1 (Juda Branch) developed in 1914, District #2 (Little Sugar River) developed in 1951, Broughton District (Norwegian Creek) developed in 1914, and the Decatur District (Sylvester Creek) developed in 1914. The purpose of creating these districts was to straighten the streams to improve drainage, improve agricultural cropland, and to disperse water as quickly as possible. Currently the Drainage Board is working to have each landowner clear and maintain trees that are on or in the streambank corridor. By rule there is to be a 20-foot-wide grass buffer along the top of the streambank, with no trees growing. This is for access to the drainage district if work needs to be done. A minimal amount of work was done in the districts this year.

Livestock Siting Ordinance

This ordinance was adopted by the County Board in November 2006. This ordinance regulates farms with 500 or more animal units or farms that expand by 20% or more. There are six farms that have gone through the process and received a permit.

Youth Poster Contest

There is an annual poster contest for youth to participate in. Forty-two posters were submitted in four of the five age categories. The top poster in each category was sent to the Southern Area Association for judging in the area event. One poster received first at the area contest and was sent on to the state competition. This poster also won the state contest and was sent on to the national contest.

Manure Storage Inspection

This program was implemented for the inspection of all manure storage structures in Green County. There are approximately 110 storage structures in the county, with 44 of them never having gotten a permit, meaning they are more than twenty years old. The goal is to inspect approximately twenty per year and be on a five-year cycle. We inspected eight pits.

Private Water Systems Ordinance

This ordinance requires the owner of a private water well that has not been used in three years to properly abandon it. 29 wells were properly abandoned in 2020. The Land and Water Conservation office has developed a tracking system and has records of 1314 wells that have been properly abandoned to date. Every fall, landowners who have old, unused wells that are discovered, are sent a letter offering cost-sharing to fill in the well. After three years and three letters, if the landowner has still not done anything to remedy the situation, the matter is then turned over to Corporation Counsel for legal action. This is probably the most cost effective and beneficial practice we have for water quality. In 2008 the County Board adopted a change to the ordinance to include new wells. This would ensure the proper placement of these wells. Permits were issued for 114 new wells in 2020. New wells are located by GPS and inspected by staff.

Wildlife Damage Abatement

This program is funded by the DNR's \$12 bonus deer permit system, as well as, \$2 from every hunting license sold, and is administered by USDA-WS (Wildlife Services). Landowners can file for crop damages from deer, turkey, geese, and bear. Fencing and/or pyrotechnics are available through this program to keep the identified species away from crops. If that does not work, hunting of the species may be recommended. Three landowners were issued a total of 35 tags for deer hunting based on excessive damage. For the first time ever in Green County, a bear damage claim was paid out for damage done to beehives.

Groundwater Awareness Week

This program was cancelled for this year due to Covid

Youth Conservation Days

This program was cancelled for this year due to Covid. The staff made and requested other cooperating agency staff to create video resources for teacher/students in lieu of conservation days. The videos were posted on our you tube channel and website.

Farmland Preservation/Working Lands Initiative

This program is administered by Green County for DATCP. Landowners collect income tax credits for agreeing not to develop their land, to limit soil erosion, meet manure handling standards, and to develop a nutrient management plan. In 2020, there were 28 landowners in Green County that participated in the program. Approximately 4300 acres are enrolled. Four landowners have modified their contract to get a base tax credit of \$5 per acre per year. The Working Lands Initiative replaced the Farmland Preservation Program on July 1, 2009. Landowners who have an existing contract will continue to get tax credits until the contract's expiration date. If they wish to participate in this program, landowners will need to be in an Ag Enterprise Area or the township to be exclusive ag zoned. To create an Ag Enterprise Area landowners would need to submit an application to DATCP. This application needs to be from at least five contiguous landowners with control of at least 1000 acres. Once the Ag Enterprise Area is approved, the individual landowners could enter a 15-year contract and receive a \$5/acre tax credit each year

Farmers of the Sugar River

This is a producer led watershed organized by local farmers. Our department is a collaborator with the group and manage their funds. In January they held a roundtable meeting. In February, some of the members attended the Wisconsin Cover Crop Conference. Also, in February was their annual meeting at the Albany Lions Club. The shop talk meeting scheduled in March was cancelled due to Covid. In June they held two pop-up soil health testing gatherings at Dennis Miller's and Alvin Francis's farms. In July they held a pop-up gathering at Jerry and Barb Daniels for cover crops. In August Bob Zurfluh held a farm tour. Incentive payments were given out to ten farmers for soil health testing, thirty famers for cover crops or planting green, and three farmers for grassed waterways. Fifteen new farmers participated in the group.

Land Judging Contest

Contests were cancelled this year, due to Covid.

HISTORY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

	2020	2019	2018	2017
Feet of Grassed Waterways	6989	13,092	4105	7419
Feet of Streambank Improvement	13,225	21,887	9101	8864
Rock Crossings	4	5	2	4
Roof Runoff Systems	1	2	1	4
Fence	13,491	8870	8461	23,148
Feet of Animal Trails	0	1650	0	1867
Well Decommissioning	29	26	35	17
Well Permits	114	86	79	64
Manure Storage Structures	1	1	2	1
Shallow Wildlife Ponds	0	1	5	4
CREP contracts	21	18	17	23
Acres of Filter Strips	279	198	103	303
Acres of Cover Crops cost-shared	5927	5010	6815	4575
Acres of Trees and Shrubs	33	25	25	30
Trees Sold	7000	9390	7290	7410
Acres of Nutrient Management	29,613	32,972	30,712	25,245
Radio Programs	51	52	52	26

If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Jenson
Green County Conservationist