## Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee

**Tuesday, January 9, 2018 – 5:00 pm**  
**Health & Human Services Center – Community Room**  
**303 W. Chapel Street**  
**Dodgeville, Wisconsin**

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| **1** | Call to order.  
The January 9, 2018 Executive Committee was called to order by Chair John Meyers at 5:00 p.m. |
| **2** | Present at roll call: Carol Anderson, Ron Benish, Jeremy Meek, John Meyers, Dan Nankee, Greg Parman and Curt Peterson.  
Others present: Larry Bierke, Roxie Hamilton, Tyler Horton, Tim Burbach owner of ComElec, and Keith Brimeyer Chief Engineer of ComElec |
| **3** | Approve the agenda for this January 9, 2018 meeting.  
Motion by Sup. Benish seconded by Sup. Parman to approve the January 9, 2018 agenda. Motion Carried. |
| **4** | Approve the minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting.  
Motion by Sup. Anderson seconded by Sup. Benish to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting. Motion Carried. |
| **5** | Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken.  
Sup. Nankee stated the County has quality Departments and recently the Dodgeville Chronicle has had articles on the Highway Department and Bloomfield HealthCare and Rehabilitation Center.  
Sup. Benish asked if there was an update of the Winnebago Court Case and there is no update at this time.  
Sup. Parman gave an update on the wheel tax issue and it appears this is issue will not be moving forward but it has not been finalized yet. |
| **6** | ComElec partnership for Broadband Grant.  
Tim Burbach owner of ComElec and Keith Brimeyer chief engineer of ComElec explained the type of broadband project they would like to do in Iowa County and how this would be reflected in the grant application to the State. |
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| **Discussion followed.**  
Motion by Sup. Anderson seconded by Sup. Meek to approve and move this forward to the County Board. **Motion Carried.** | **Digital Counties Participation Request.**  
Skyped with Oliver Buechse of My Strategy Source.com to give an explanation of digital counties participation request.  
He started Advancing A.I. Wisconsin (i.e., Advancing artificial intelligence in Wisconsin) and digital counties participation is a project under that umbrella.  
List of current technologies and how can these be reimagined into providing better services.  
The money that would be raised would go to pay experts to assist with this project. Looking to raise money by sponsors and conference fees but would need some seed money as sponsorship to get started.  
He explained artificial intelligence. He explained how to serve customers better. One example is how much road salt should be used that is currently made by the driver of the plow truck and there is technology available where sensors would be on the truck that reads the road temperature, the type of precipitation on the road currently and the weather forecast and the sensor would determine how much salt to use and there could be a savings in salt and cost. Farmers fertilize farm fields currently using this technology.  
He feels that each county that pledges funds may not even need to disburse these funds, as it would depend on sponsorships and donations collected to pay for the contract with the experts to speak at the symposiums in May.  
**Motion by Sup. Peterson seconded by Sup. Nankee to pledge a commitment of $2,000 toward this project. Motion Carried.** |
| **Consider filling committee vacancies due to the resignation of Sup. Kenneth Palzkill.**  
Chair Meyers these should be filled due to the resignation of Sup. Kenneth. He feels the General Government, ADRC and the Bloomfield Committee should be filled for sure. Chair Meyers plans on bringing names to next week’s County Board meeting. | **Consider Iowa County Policy Manual Section 100.**  
Larry Bierke reported the policy committee, the department heads, has vetted these policies and standing committee and this committee would review and forward to the County Board for approval once all sections of the policy manual have been approved by this committee. The Committee requested Larry to write up a summary of each policy section noting if they have been modified from the original resolution, no changes or if it is a new policy and bring this to a future meeting. |
|   | **Chair’s report.**  
Chair Meyers reported he has been working on the January County Board agenda and he said the Birch |
Lake Group would be back on the agenda next week’s County Board meeting. Marty Krueger, Sauk County Chair, contacted him and asked Chair Meyers to attend a meeting between Sauk, Richland and Iowa County to discuss funding for the Tri County Airport. The meeting did not happen but it was reported that Iowa and Sauk County’s contribution would decrease to match Richland County’s 2018 budget amount.

| 11 | Set date and time for next meeting. (2/13/18) The next meeting is set for February 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. |
| 12 | Adjournment. Motion by Sup. Parman seconded by Sup. Meek to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Motion Carried. |