

TUESDAY MAY 21th, 2013

State of
Wisconsin
County of
Iowa

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD
MONDAY, MAY 20th, 2013
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTER CR # 2001
303 WEST CHAPEL STREET
DODGEVILLE, WISCONSIN 53533**

2013-04

Item		
#1	The meeting was called to order by Chair Carol Anderson at 6:01 p.m.	Call to Order
#2	Roll Call – Members Present Eric Anderson, Carol Anderson, Steve Deal, Tom DeLain, and Jeremy Meek. Excused Dave Bauer and James Griffiths Also in attendance: Paul Ohlrogge, Extension Educator and Curt Kephart, County Administrator. Motion by Deal seconded by E. Anderson to approve the consent agenda including this meeting agenda and the minutes of the April 15 th , 2013 meeting. Motion carried.	Roll Call and Consent Agenda
3)	No one had any public comments.	Public Comments
4)	The County Administrator updated the Committee on the process outlined at Economic Development and Property Committee on negotiating a contract with Jewell Architects on developing concept plans for security of the Courthouse. The Architect has been asked about the scope of his Phase I of the project and what might be included. The Committee will continue to be updated.	Courtroom Security
5)	Mr. Ohlrogge briefed the Committee on the research that he conducted on re-districting mid-term. Under State law, a mid-term redistricting project must follow Ward boundaries as previously established on the Census redistricting map. He indicated that this could make it difficult aligning districts with relatively equal population and still follow Ward boundaries. After considerable discussion the Committee concluded that it would not be feasible to do for the 2014 election. Motion by E. Anderson seconded by Meek to take no further action on proposed downsizing of the Iowa County Board. Motion adopted, DeLain abstained.	County Board Size

6)	<p>The Committee took up the question of County Board Committee Structure. The following topics were addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Updating the structure ❖ Identifying purpose/statutory reference/reporting relationships of each committee. (Extension Committee has provided a template). ❖ Size of Committees ❖ Frequency of Meetings <p>Considerable discussion took place identifying what types of issues contribute to slowing down the legislative process, how to empower committees to take action, and using the Office of County Administrator more effectively.</p> <p>The County Administrator handed out an updated Committee Chart showing the present arrangement of five standing committees and a possible future arrangement of four. In both charts there are over fifty committees that Iowa County participates in. The question was asked whether County Board members are required to represent the County in each of the fifty committees or could more citizens be involved. It was identified that Committee representation and membership could be determined by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ State Statute ❖ Committee By-Laws ❖ County Board Rules or Resolutions <p>Not all Statutory Committees are required committees, and not all Statutory Committees spell how who may be a member. Changing Committee by-laws to allow other representation would be up to the agency or external Committee. Membership of internal Committees of the County not covered under Statute could be determined by the County Board Rules. Mr. Ohlrogge was asked to work with county staff to develop the purpose/statutory reference/reporting relationships of each Committee. Mr. Kephart was asked to identify which committees and their membership is governed by State Statute, Committee By-Laws, and/or County Board Rules or Resolutions while all of the above might apply. Both Mr. Ohlrogge and Mr. Kephart will report back to the Committee at the June meeting.</p>	Committee Structure
7)	<p>Future topics for further discussion will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Improving effectiveness of the County Board and Committees ❖ Identifying and clarifying roles for staff and Committees ❖ Updating the Strategic Plan. 	Future Topics
8)	<p>Motion by DeLain seconded by Meek to adjourn the meeting and set the next meeting date for June 17th. Motion adopted and meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.</p>	Adjourn