

SEPTEMBER MEETING

September 21, 2021

Chair Brewer called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Roll call found all members present except Williamson and McGuire. McGuire joined the meeting after roll call was taken.

County Clerk Kalish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Manning, second by McKee for approval of the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Kaul, second by Rudersdorf for approval of the August 17th minutes. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 21-24 Amendment No. 533 to Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 relating to a parcel belonging to Mike & Brenda Gillingham in the Town of Marshall was presented to the Board. Motion by Cosgrove, second by McKee that Ordinance No. 21-24 be enacted. Zoning Administrator Mike Bindl reviewed the rezoning request. Motion carried and ordinance declared enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 21- 24

Amendment No. 533 To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Mike & Brenda Gillingham In The Town Of Marshall.

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. The County Board, having considered the following factors, hereby finds that the following rezoning is in the best interests of the citizens of Richland County:

- (a) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
- (b) Provision of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
- (c) The land to be rezoned is suitable for development and development will not cause unreasonable water or air pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- (d) Non-farm development will be directed to non-agricultural soils or less productive soils.
- (e) Non-farm development will be directed to areas where it will cause minimum disruption of established farm operations or damage to environmentally sensitive areas.
- (f) Non-farm development will be encouraged to locate so as to leave a maximum amount of farmland in farmable size parcels.
- (g) Non-farm residential development will be directed to existing platted subdivisions and sanitary districts.

2. Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5, which was adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors on May 20, 2003, as amended to date, is hereby further amended as follows:

That the official maps designating district boundaries, as adopted by Richland County Ordinance 1985 No. 1 (also known as Amendment No. 1 to the Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 3), which was adopted on March 19, 1985, are hereby amended as follows:

That the following described 5.6-acre parcel belonging to Mike & Brenda Gillingham and in the Town of Marshall is hereby rezoned from the General Agricultural and Forestry District (A-F) to the Agricultural Residential (A-R) District:

Part of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 11 North, Range 1 West, Town of Marshall, Richland County, Wisconsin more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 12;
 Thence North 86°52'09" East, along the South line of the Southeast quarter, 713.61 feet;
 Thence North 03°08'11" West, 774.25 feet to the point of beginning of the lands hereinafter described;
 Thence North 29°30'17" West, 319.82 feet to a point on the centerline of Rosses Road;
 Thence North 60°29'43" East, along said centerline, 469.83 feet to the point of curvature of a 6000-foot radius curve concave to the South;
 Thence Easterly along said centerline and curve, 120.91 feet with a central angle of 01°09'17" and a chord bearing North 61°04'21" East, 120.91 feet to the point of tangency of said curve;
 Thence North 61°38'59" East, along said centerline, 133.32 feet to the point of curvature of a 646.06-foot radius curve concave to the South;
 Thence Easterly along said centerline and curve, 55.63 feet with a central angle of 04°56'01" and a chord bearing North 64°07'00" East, 55.61 feet;
 Thence South 28°21'01" East, 301.81 feet;
 Thence South 59°42'22" West, 773.52 feet to the point of beginning.

3. This Ordinance shall be effective on September 21st, 2021.

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
 PASSED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
 PUBLISHED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND
 LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

		FOR	AGAINST
MARTY BREWER, CHAIR	MARC COUEY	X	
RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	STEVE WILLIAMSON	X	
	CHAD COSGROVE	X	
ATTEST:	LINDA GENTES	X	
	INGRID GLASBRENNER	X	
DEREK S. KALISH			
RICHLAND COUNTY CLERK			

Ordinance No. 21-25 Amendment No. 534 to Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 relating to a parcel belonging to Shane & Cheri Wilkinson in the Town of Orion was presented to the Board. Motion by Cosgrove, second by Gentes that Ordinance No. 21-25 be enacted. Zoning Administrator Mike Bindl reviewed the rezoning request. Motion carried and ordinance declared enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 21- 25

Amendment No. 534 To Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5 Relating To A Parcel Belonging To Shane & Cheri Wilkinson In The Town Of Orion

The Richland County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows:

1. The County Board, having considered the following factors, hereby finds that the following rezoning is in the best interests of the citizens of Richland County:

- (h) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
- (i) Provision of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
- (j) The land to be rezoned is suitable for development and development will not cause unreasonable water or air pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
- (k) Non-farm development will be directed to non-agricultural soils or less productive soils.
- (l) Non-farm development will be directed to areas where it will cause minimum disruption of established farm operations or damage to environmentally sensitive areas.
- (m) Non-farm development will be encouraged to locate so as to leave a maximum amount of farmland in farmable size parcels.
- (n) Non-farm residential development will be directed to existing platted subdivisions and sanitary districts.

2. Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 5, which was adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors on May 20, 2003, as amended to date, is hereby further amended as follows:

That the official maps designating district boundaries, as adopted by Richland County Ordinance 1985 No. 1 (also known as Amendment No. 1 to the Richland County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 3), which was adopted on March 19, 1985, are hereby amended as follows:

That the following described 5.0-acre parcel belonging to Shane & Cheri Wilkinson and in the Town of Orion is hereby rezoned from the General Agricultural and Forestry District (A-F) to the Agriculture and Residential (A-R) District:

Being Lots 1 through 4 of Block 7 and Lot 4 of Block 8 of Smith and Mathews addition to the Village of Orion all located in part of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 31, Township 9 North, Range 1 East, and part of Government lot 5 of Section 6, Township 8 North, Range 1 East, Town of Orion, Richland County, Wisconsin more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the South quarter corner of said Section 31;
Thence South 89°10'13" West, along the South line of the Southwest quarter, 87.02 feet;
Thence South 37°00'17" West, 43.57 feet;
Thence South 77°24'42" West, 255.77 feet;
Thence South 81°46'48" West, 252.86 feet to the Southeast corner of said Block 7;
Thence South 81°48'21" West, along the South line of Block 7, 264.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Block 7;
Thence North 08°02'27" West, along the West line of Block 7, 132.00 feet to the Northwest corner of Block 7;
Thence South 81°48'25" West, 66.00 feet to the Northeast corner of Block 8;
Thence South 08°02'27" East, along the East line of Block 8, 132.00 feet to the Southeast corner of Block 8;
Thence South 81°48'21" West, along the South line of Block 8, 66.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Lot 4 of Block 8;
Thence North 08°02'27" West, along the West line of Lot 4, 132.00 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot 4;
Thence North 08°19'08" West, 356.06 feet;
Thence North 89°50'07" East, 290.58 feet;
Thence South 18°52'58" East, 285.15 feet;
Thence North 89°16'48" East, 628.14 feet;
Thence North 89°13'00" East, 64.16 feet to a point on the East line of the Southwest quarter;
Thence South 00°04'42" West, along said East line, 38.43 feet to the point of beginning.

3. This Ordinance shall be effective on September 21st, 2021.

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
PASSED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
PUBLISHED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

ORDINANCE OFFERED BY THE ZONING AND
LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

		FOR	AGAINST
MARTY BREWER, CHAIR	MARC COUEY	X	
RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	STEVE WILLIAMSON	X	
	CHAD COSGROVE	X	
ATTEST:	LINDA GENTES	X	
	INGRID GLASBRENNER	X	
DEREK S. KALISH			
RICHLAND COUNTY CLERK			

Zoning Administrator Bindl reported the receipt of the following rezoning petitions: Bruce Wheelock & Stephanie Shivaya to rezone .18 acres from Residential 1 to Commercial in the Town of Buena; Stephanie Griffin & David Hammond to rezone 13.00 acres from Agriculture/Forestry to Agriculture/Residential in the Town of Akan; Ronald & Mary Ewing to rezone 3.00 acres from Agriculture/Forestry to Residential 2 in the Town of Orion. Chair Brewer referred the petitions to the Zoning and Land Information Committee for action.

Zoning Administrator Bindl reported that there were no rezoning petitions being recommended for denial by the Zoning and Land Information Committee.

A resolution approving a municipal advisory agreement with Wisconsin Public Finance Professionals, LLC was read aloud by County Clerk Kalish. McKee makes motion to approve resolution, Turk seconds and the discussion continued. McKee makes motion to table approval of resolution regarding the municipal advisory agreement until the agenda item #11 is addressed, Turk seconds and the motion to table carried.

Resolution No. 21-119 authorizing not to exceed \$1,050,000 taxable General Obligation Promissory Notes for capital improvement projects was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Seep, second by McKee that Resolution No. 21-119 be adopted. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes: Carrow, Murphy-Lopez, Van Landuyt, Seep, McKee, Brewer, Luck, Manning, Gottschall, Glasbrenner, Rudersdorf, Gentes, Turk, Cosgrove, Frank, Severson, Couey, Nelson and Kaul; Nays: none. With 19 ayes, the motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 119

Resolution Authorizing Not To Exceed \$1,050,000 Taxable General Obligation Promissory Notes For Capital Improvement Projects.

WHEREAS, Richland County, Wisconsin (the "County") is in need of an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 for the public purpose of financing capital improvement projects, including County trunk road improvements, a salt shed for the Highway Department, acquisition of equipment for the Sheriff's Department and information system projects;

WHEREAS, it is desirable to authorize the issuance of general obligation promissory notes for such purpose pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the County to issue such notes on a taxable rather than a tax-exempt basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County borrow an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 by issuing its general obligation promissory notes for the public purpose of financing capital improvement projects, including County trunk road improvements, a salt shed for the Highway Department, acquisition of equipment for the Sheriff's Department and information system projects. There be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the County a direct, annual tax in such years and in such amounts as are sufficient to pay when due the principal and interest on such notes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____	FOR	AGAINST
RESOLUTION ADOPTED			
		SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
		DAVID TURK	X
DEREK S. KALISH		MELISSA LUCK	X
COUNTY CLERK		MARTY BREWER	X
		LINDA GENTES	X
DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021		MARC COUEY	X
		DONALD SEEP	X

Resolution No. 21-120 approving a municipal advisory agreement with Wisconsin Public Finance Professionals, LLC was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Turk, second by Brewer to pick up Resolution 21-120 from the table. Motion carried and discussion continued. Motion by McKee, seconded by Turk that Resolution No. 21-120 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 120

A Resolution Approving A Municipal Advisory Agreement With Wisconsin Public Finance Professionals, LLC.

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee and the County Administrator, Clinton Langreck, have recommended that the County Board approve the County issuing not to exceed \$1,050,000 taxable general obligation promissory notes for capital improvement projects, and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the issuance of these promissory notes, it is necessary for the County to employ public finance professionals and the Finance and Personnel Committee is recommending that the County Board approve a Municipal Advisory Agreement with Wisconsin Public Finance Professionals, LLC for this purpose, and

WHEREAS Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board requires nearly all contracts involving \$10,000 or more to be approved by the County Board and the Finance and Personnel Committee is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the Municipal Advisory Agreement with Wisconsin Public Finance Professionals, LLC, a copy of which is on file in the County Clerk's office and which is accessible on the County's website, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair, Marty Brewer and the County Administrator, Clinton Langreck, are hereby authorized to sign the Municipal Advisory Agreement on behalf of the County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

	FOR	AGAINST
SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X	
DAVID TURK	X	
MELISSA LUCK	X	
MARTY BREWER	X	
LINDA GENTES	X	
MARC COUEY	X	
DONALD SEEP	X	

Resolution No. 21-121 authorizing the purchase of 26 new computers (24 laptops and 2 desktops) and associated software licensing and warranties for the department of Health & Human Services was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Van Landuyt, seconded by Rudersdorf that Resolution No. 21-121 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 121

A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase of 26 New Computers (24 laptops and 2 desktops) And Associated Software Licensing And Warranties For The Department Of Health And Human Services.

WHEREAS the Health and Human Services Board and the Director of Health and Human Services Department, Ms. Tracy Thorsen, have recommended that the Department be authorized to purchase 26 new computers, associated software licensing, and warranties in order to replace aging devices, and

WHEREAS Rule 14 of the Rules of the Board requires County Board approval for most purchases of \$10,000 or more by a department of County government.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the Health and Human Services Department to purchase 26 new computers (24 laptops and 2 desktops) along with the associated software licensing and warranties for each at a total cost not to exceed \$60,000.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding or reimbursement for these purchases will be obtained as follows:

- a. \$11,538 from computer replacement funding that was included in the 2021 budget;
- b. \$11,538 from Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID funding;
- c. \$20,769 from CCS reimbursement funding;
- d. \$2,308 from Crisis reimbursement funding;
- e. \$2,308 from the State Opioid Response Grant;
- f. \$2,308 from the Treatment Alternatives and Diversion Grant;
- i. \$9,231.00 from 2020 Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Allocation carry-over funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY
BOARD SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE
HUMAN AND SERVICES BOARD

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

FOR AGAINST

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

KERRY SEVERSON	X
INGRID GLASBRENNER	X
VAN NELSON	X
TIMOTHY GOTTSCHALL	X

DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-122 establishing a Tentative Plan for redistricting was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Cosgrove, seconded by McKee that Resolution No. 21-122 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 122

A Resolution Establishing A Tentative Plan For Redistricting.

WHEREAS the Redistricting Committee was appointed to develop a redistricting plan for Richland County after the 2020 Census, and

WHEREAS the Redistricting Committee met on August 26th, September 9th and September 16th, 2021 to develop Richland County's Tentative Plan for redistricting, and

WHEREAS the Committee developed a Tentative Plan and held a Public Hearing on September 20th, 2021, and

WHEREAS it is the recommendation of the Richland County Redistricting Committee to accept the Tentative Plan for redistricting that is attached to this Resolution, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Richland County Board of Supervisors accepts the Tentative Plan for redistricting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY
BOARD SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE
REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

	FOR	AGAINST
BOB FRANK	X	
SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X	
CHAD COSGROVE	X	

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-123 approving the purchase of a new truck and body build including snow plow by the Highway Department was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Cosgrove, seconded by Severson and discussion continued. Administrator Langreck suggested an edit in the proposed resolution to strike the language of "whereas the highway department is seeking approval for the following purchases" and replace with "now therefore be it resolved that approval is for the following purchases to ensure consistency within the resolution language. Turk makes motion, seconded by McKee to amend resolution to include Langreck's suggested edits and the motion carried. Motion to adopt amended Resolution No. 21-123 carried and the resolution is declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 123

A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of A New Truck And Body Build Including Snow Plow By The Hwy Department.

WHEREAS the Highway and Transportation Committee and the County Hwy Commissioner, at the time, Roger Petrick, but now Joshua Elder; have recommended that the Department be authorized to purchase three new tandem-axle plow trucks and plow equipment with the funds already available in the 2021 budget, and

WHEREAS Rule 14 of the Board requires County Board approval for any purchase by the Highway Department in excess of \$50,000, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that approval is for the following purchases:

1. Two L9 tandem-axle trucks with the awarded bid of \$194,027.24 from Lakeside international and one L13 tandem-axle truck for \$106,024.70 also with the awarded bid to Lakeside International.
2. The body and snow plow equipment for the three new trucks from Monroe Truck Equipment of Monroe, Wisconsin. The successful bidder, in the amount of \$255,888, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds for these purchases are in the County Highway Department's account in the 2021 County Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE HIGHWAY AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

FOR AGAINST

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

STEVE WILLIAMSON	X
GARY MANNING	X
KERRY SEVERSON	X
CHAD M. COSGROVE	X
MARC COUEY	X

DATED: SETEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-124 approving the purchase of a replacement squad car with insurance money and budgeted funds was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Severson, seconded by Glasbrenner that Resolution No. 21-124 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 – 124

A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of A Replacement Squad Car With Insurance Money And Budgeted Funds.

WHEREAS Rule 18 of the Rules of the Board requires that any expenditure in excess of \$10,000 must be approved by the County Board, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee has carefully considered this matter and is now recommending that the County Board approve the purchase a replacement squad car using insurance money deposited in line 17.5212.0000.5811 in the amount of \$30,196.14 and funds from 10.5211.0000.5262 Sheriff Insurance Claim Repairs to the amount of \$4,769.36.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee and the Sheriff to purchase 1 2021 Ford Interceptor Utility Body to replace the totaled squad 9 from Fillback Ford in the amount of \$34,969.50, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total cost of carrying out this Resolution in the amount of shall be paid from the funds listed above, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LAW
ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

	FOR	AGAINST
Melissa Luck	X	
David Turk		
Chad Cosgrove	X	
Daniel McGuire	X	
Kerry Severson	X	

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-125 approving a grant application by the Richland County Veterans Service office was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Van Landuyt, seconded by Kaul that the resolution be adopted and the discussion continued. Seep noted his findings regarding the possibility of an increase in funding for the grant discussed in the resolution. Seep makes motion to modify resolution to include the language of accepting a grant of no less than \$8,500 in addition to the possible increase of \$850.00, Severson seconds and the discussion continued. CVSO Karen Knock stated although the increased amount was approved, there was no timeline as to when the additional funds would be released to recipients. Corporation Counsel Michael Windle gave preference to a separate resolution that addresses use of additional funds when they are released but also noted that the proposed amendment does not change the subject of the matter. Roll call vote was taken to approve amended motion: Ayes: Seep, Brewer, Severson and Nelson; Nays: Carrow, Murphy-Lopez, Van Landuyt, McKee, Luck, Manning, Gottschall, Glasbrenner, Rudersdorf, Gentes, Turk, Cosgrove, Frank, Couey, Kaul and McGuire. With 16 nays and 4 ayes, the motion to amend fails. Motion to approve Resolution No. 21-125 as originally presented carries and the resolution is declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 125

A Resolution Approving A Grant Application By The Richland County Veterans Service Office.

WHEREAS it is provided in section 45.82 (2) of the Wisconsin Statutes that the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs may provide grants not exceeding \$8,500.00 per year for counties in Wisconsin with qualified veterans service offices, and

WHEREAS the Richland County Veterans Service Office qualifies for an \$8,500.00 grant. A contract whereby Richland County agrees that it will comply with the requirements of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs during the term of the grant, which is for calendar year 2022, and Veterans Services Commission, which advises the County Veterans Service Office, has recommended that the County Board approve applying for the grant application and accompanying contract, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Rule 19 of the Board, all grant applications by departments of County government must be approved by the County Board and the Veterans Service Commission is presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the Richland County Veterans Service Officer to apply for a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs under sec. 45.82 (2) of the Wisconsin Statutes for calendar year 2022 and approval is also granted for the Richland County Veterans Service Office to enter into the contract required by the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs in order to obtain this grant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to sign on behalf of Richland County the grant application and such contract documents which are necessary to obtain this grant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage and

publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY BOARD
SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE VETERANS
SERVICE COMMISSION

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

FOR AGAINST

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

LEE D. VAN LANDUYT
DONALD SEEP
VAN NELSON

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

A resolution granting an easement to cross the Pine River Recreation Trail was read aloud by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Rudersdorf, seconded by Gottschall that the resolution be adopted and the discussion continued. Concerns were expressed by several Board Supervisors that more information regarding the granting of the easement was needed before a decision to approve could be made. Motion by McKee, seconded by Van Landuyt to postpone consideration of a resolution granting an easement to cross the Pine River Recreation Trail to the October County Board meeting scheduled for October 26, 2021. The motion carried and consideration to approve the resolution granting an easement to cross the Pine River Recreation Trail was declared postponed.

Resolution No. 21-126 amending Resolution No. 19-135 regarding Pine Valley Wage Plan amendments was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Kaul, seconded by McKee that Resolution No. 21-126 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 126

A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 19-135 Regarding Pine Valley Wage Plan Amendments.

WHEREAS resolution 19-135 changed the ‘top’ step for the Pine Valley RN manager position from step 5 to step 8, and

WHEREAS resolution 19-135 was silent regarding what the ‘starting’ step for the RN manager position should have been changed to, and

WHEREAS both the Pine Valley Trustees and the Finance & Personnel Committee have carefully considered this proposal and are now presenting it to the County Board for its consideration,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution 19-135 is hereby amended by adopting the following underlined language.

“...the Pay Plan is further amended by way of a market adjustment by moving the starting step from step 3 to step 6, and the top step from 5 to 8 for the following position:

1. Registered Nurse Manager;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective on 7/18/21.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

	SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
	DAVID TURK	
DEREK S. KALISH	MELISSA LUCK	
COUNTY CLERK	MARTY BREWER	X
	LINDA GENTES	X
DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021	MARC COUEY	X
	DONALD SEEP	X

Resolution No. 21-127 amending the Pine Valley Pay Plan was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Gentes, seconded by McKee that Resolution No. 21-127 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 127

A Resolution Amending The Pine Valley Pay Plan.

WHEREAS Pine Valley is currently facing a staffing crisis, in addition to facing further regulatory mandates which may worsen the crisis, and

WHEREAS the staffing situation has already impacted Pine Valley's occupancy, and might possibly bring about the closing of one of its wings, and

WHEREAS Pine Valley currently has fourteen open C.N.A. positions, and

WHEREAS overtime hours are averaging in excess of 400 hours per pay period, and

WHEREAS the Wisconsin State legislators recognized the nursing home staffing crisis and passed the largest Medicaid rate increase ever, retroactive to 07/01/21, to help nursing homes address the crisis, and, Whereas the Medicaid rate increase will provide Pine Valley with an estimated influx of new unbudgeted revenues of between \$170,000 and \$230,000 for the remainder of 2021, and

WHEREAS both the Pine Valley Trustees and the Finance & Personnel Committee have carefully considered this proposal and are now presenting it to the County Board for its consideration,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in order to combat the staffing crisis, that Pine Valley be allowed an early implementation date of all its pay plan changes that are included in its 2022 budget; with an effective date of 09/26/2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the estimated \$110,000 cost of this proposal for the remainder of 2021, be funded entirely by the new unbudgeted Medicaid rate increase, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the details to the pay plan changes included in Pine Valley's 2022 budget proposal which would be implemented effective 09/26/2021 include the following:

1. The attached Pine Valley Wage Schedule would replace the current PV Wage Schedule (from page 26 of the County's Compensation Policy) (also amends resolution 19-89)
2. C.N.A. premium call-in rate will change from \$18.50 to \$19.69 (amends resolution 20-13)
3. LPN call-in rate will change from \$26.15 to \$28.22 (amends resolution 20-12)
4. RN call-in rate will change from \$34.04 to \$36.74 (amends resolution 20-12)
5. On-call Medication Aides will receive \$2.00/hour, to be added on top of their current hourly rate

6. On-call Personal Care Workers, who agree to work every other weekend, will receive \$2.00/hour, to be added on top of their current hourly rate. Would qualify for shift and weekend differential pay
7. On-call Housekeepers, Laundry Workers, Food Service II and Activity aides, who agree to work every other weekend will receive \$2.00/hour, to be added on top of their current hourly rate. Would qualify for weekend differential pay
8. Since PV's 2022 budget proposal includes PV employees moving up a step on the wage schedule, the following section (#6-#10) will replace the current (#6-#10) on page 7 of the County's Compensation Policy (also amends resolution 19-89)

[#6. Employees with two or more years of employment as of 09-26-2021 will be placed at step 6*]

[#7. Employees whose wages were above step 5 prior to 09-26-2021 will be placed at the next step that provides an increase; except for those already at the top step]

[#8. Employees with less than two years of continuous employment as of 09-26-2021 and new hires will be placed at step 4*]

[#9. After an employee passes probation, the employee will be placed at step 5*]

[#10. After two years from the date of hire, the employee will be placed at step 6*]

*exception being RN managers who as new hires will start at step 6, and after passing probation will go to step 7, and after two years from date of hire, will be placed at step 8. (see res.19-135)

9. General provision #11 on page 7 of the County's Compensation Plan would have the following underlined language added: "County department heads, beginning on the Effective Date, may authorize a new hire to start one to two-steps above the new hire step, based on qualifications and experience. The Department must be able to absorb the increased cost in its budget. Such new hires would move up a step upon successful completion of their probationary period – and at other designated intervals, unless they are already at the highest step for that position (step 4 for general government; step 5 6 for Pine Valley)" (this amends resolution 19-89)
10. Pine Valley's administrator is to have the discretion to adjust bonus pays and wage 'modifiers' with notification given to the County Administrator and Finance & Personnel Committee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective 09/26/2021.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DAVID TURK	
MELISSA LUCK	
MARTY BREWER	X
LINDA GENTES	X
MARC COUEY	X
DONALD SEEP	X

FOR AGAINST

Resolution No. 21-128 establishing premium pay rates for Pine Valley employees was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Kaul, seconded by McKee that Resolution No. 21-128 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 128

A Resolution Establishing Premium Pay Rates For Pine Valley Employees.

WHEREAS the American Rescue Plan identified 'Premium Pay for Essential Workers' as one of its six main intended uses, and

WHEREAS the Rescue Plan specifically identified ‘staff at Nursing Homes’ as qualifying, and

WHEREAS Pine Valley staff have endured 18 months of heightened safety precautions and the wearing of extensive personal protective equipment during the pandemic, and

WHEREAS the vast majority of Pine Valley’s staff have not had the option to work from home, and

WHEREAS Pine Valley has had more than thirty-five (35) staff and twelve (12) residents contract the Covid-19 virus since the pandemic began, while experiencing only one (1) death (a resident who came to PV on hospice, having already contracted the virus), and

WHEREAS Pine Valley is currently facing a staffing crisis, in addition to facing further regulatory mandates which may worsen the staffing crisis, and

WHEREAS the Finance & Personnel Committee has earmarked \$300,000 of American Rescue Plan funds for Premium Pay, and

WHEREAS both the Pine Valley Trustees and the Finance & Personnel Committee have carefully considered this proposal and are now presenting it to the County Board for its consideration,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all Pine Valley employees be paid premium pay of \$1.00/hour for all hours worked from 01/03/2021 through 08/28/2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to be eligible, employees must be on the payroll as of 10/23/2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pine Valley administrator be excluded from receiving the premium pay, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Premium Pay will be paid on the pay date of 10/29/2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the estimated \$150,000 cost of this proposal, will be funded using \$112,500 of American Rescue Funds, and \$37,500 from Pine Valley operations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective on its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

FOR AGAINST

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DAVID TURK	
MELISSA LUCK	
MARTY BREWER	X
LINDA GENTES	X
MARC COUEY	X
DONALD SEEP	X

Resolution No. 21-129 amending and reissuing the relocation order for the Tri-County Airport was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by McGuire, seconded by Rudersdorf that Resolution No. 21-129 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 129

A Resolution Amending And Reissuing the Relocation Order For The Tri-County Airport.

WHEREAS this Resolution is required as part of the Tri-County Airport drainage ditch project; and

WHEREAS this Relocation Order is required pursuant to Wis stat. § 32.05(1) to properly establish, lay out, widen, extend, construct, reconstruct, improve, or maintain a portion of land designated in the Relocation Order attached to relocate or change and acquire certain lands or interests in lands shown on the right of way plat for the project listed on the order; and

WHEREAS Richland County Board Resolution No. 21-106 originally ordered the relocation of intended right of way for the drainage project; and

WHEREAS the original drainage ditch design plan has been altered to utilize properties in which the owners are willing to grant permanent easement for the project; and

WHEREAS to effect this change, pursuant to authority granted under Wis. Stat § 32.05(1), Richland County orders that:

1. That said drainage way is laid out and established to the lines and widths as shown on the plat.
2. The required lands or interests in lands as shown on the plat shall be acquired by Richland County. (see the attached Exhibit A.)
3. This order supersedes and amends any previous order issued by Richland County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Richland County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Administrator to sign and issue the attached Relocation Order (see the attached Exhibit B) for the Tri-County Airport drainage ditch project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication and shall supersede actions taken in Resolution No. 21-106.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DAVID TURK	X
MELISSA LUCK	X
MARTY BREWER	X
LINDA GENTES	X
MARC COUEY	X
DONALD SEEP	X

FOR AGAINST

Resolution No. 21-130 amending Resolution No. 21-83 regarding a petition to the Secretary of Transportation for airport improvement aid was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Van Landuyt,

seconded by Rudersdorf that Resolution No. 21-130 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 130

A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 21 – 83 Regarding A Petition To The Secretary Of Transportation For Airport Improvement Aid

WHEREAS, the Richland County, Wisconsin hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, being a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin, is authorized by Wis. Stat. §114.11, to acquire, establish, construct, own, control, lease, equip, improve, maintain, and operate an airport, and, and

WHEREAS the sponsor desires to develop or improve the Tri-County Regional Airport, Sauk County, Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS the Richland County Board has made previous petition under Resolution No. 21-83 to the Secretary but wishes to amended to include below additions as indicated by underlined:

"PETITION FOR AIRPORT PROJECT"

WHEREAS airport users have been consulted in formulation of the improvements included in this resolution, and

WHEREAS a public hearing was held prior to the adoption of this petition in accordance with Wis. Stat. §114.33(2) as amended, and a transcript of the hearing is transmitted with this petition.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the sponsor that a petition for federal and (or) state aid in the following form is hereby approved:

The petitioner, desiring to sponsor an airport development project with federal and state aid or state aid only, in accordance with the applicable state and federal laws, respectfully represents and states:

1. That the airport, which it is desired to develop, should generally conform to the requirements for a local general aviation type airport as defined by the Federal Aviation Administration.
2. The character, extent, and kind of improvements desired under the project are as follows: drainage improvements from Tri-County Airport to Bear Creek; airport drainage improvements; conduct airport master plan and update airport layout plan; crack fill and seal coat airport pavements; rehabilitate/reconstruct taxiways; clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, and any necessary related work, and install Precision Approach Path Indicators (PAPI's) on Runway 9/27, clear obstructions, and any necessary related work.
3. That the airport project, which your petitioner desires to sponsor, is necessary for the following reasons: to meet the existing and future needs of the airport.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the improvements petitioned for as listed will be funded individually or collectively as funds are available, with specific project costs to be approved as work is authorized, the proportionate cost of the airport development projects described above which are to be paid by the sponsor to the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary) to be held in trust for the purposes of the project; any unneeded and unspent balance after the project is completed is to be returned to the sponsor by the Secretary; the sponsor will make available any additional monies that may be found necessary, upon request of the Secretary, to complete the project as described above; the Secretary shall

have the right to suspend or discontinue the project at any time additional monies are found to be necessary by the Secretary, and the sponsor does not provide the same; in the event the sponsor unilaterally terminates the project, all reasonable federal and state expenditures related to the project shall be paid by the sponsor; and WHEREAS, the sponsor is required by Wis. Stat. §114.32(5) to designate the Secretary as its agent to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse any funds granted by the United States under the Federal Airport and Airway Improvement Act, and is authorized by law to designate the Secretary as its agent for other purposes.

"DESIGNATION OF SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION AS SPONSOR'S AGENT"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the sponsor that the Secretary is hereby designated as its agent and is requested to agree to act as such, in matters relating to the airport development project described above, and is hereby authorized as its agent to make all arrangements for the development and final acceptance of the completed project whether by contract, agreement, force account or otherwise; and particularly, to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse federal monies or other monies, either public or private, for the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance and operation of the airport; and, to acquire property or interests in property by purchase, gift, lease, or eminent domain under Wis. Stat. §32 .02; and, to supervise the work of any engineer, appraiser, negotiator, contractor or other person employed by the Secretary; and, to execute any assurances or other documents required or requested by any agency of the federal government and to comply with all federal and state laws, rules, and regulations relating to airport development projects.

FURTHER, the sponsor requests that the Secretary provide, per Wis. Stat. §114.33(8)(a), that the sponsor may acquire certain parts of the required land or interests in land that the Secretary shall find necessary to complete the aforesaid project.

"AIRPORT OWNER ASSURANCES"

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sponsor agrees to maintain and operate the airport in accordance with certain conditions established in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, or in accordance with sponsor assurances enumerated in a federal grant agreement.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE Tri-County Airport Commission Chairman and Secretary be authorized to sign and execute the agency agreement and federal block grant owner assurances authorized by this resolution.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION		RESOLUTION OFFERED BY FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	
AYES _____	NOES _____	FOR	AGAINST
RESOLUTION ADOPTED			
		SHAWN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DEREK S. KALISH		MARC COUEY	X
COUNTY CLERK		MARTY BREWER	X
		DAVID TURK	X
DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021		DONALD SEEP	X
		LINDA GENTES	X
		MELISSA LUCK	X

Resolution No. 21-131 approving a roof replacement project of the historic courthouse was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Cosgrove, seconded by McGuire that Resolution No. 21-131 be adopted. The motion carried with one opposed and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 131

A Resolution Approving A Roof Replacement Project Of The Historic Courthouse.

WHEREAS the roof of the historic courthouse displays multiple leaks that are impacting the building's structural integrity, department's service operations; and citizen and employee health and safety; and

WHEREAS bids for this project have been solicited in compliance with state statutes and county board rules; and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has taken action to authorize utilization of American Rescue Plan funds and 2021 Short-term borrowing funds for the incurred costs of the project; and

WHEREAS the Property Buildings and Grounds Committee has reviewed bids and has taken action to recommend a bid award.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby given for a project consisting of replacing the historic courthouse roof to the bid of Interstate Roofing and Waterproofing, Inc of Onalaska WI, in the following amount of \$272,000 for necessary roof deck repairs and complete replacement of existing tiles with asphalt shingles, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding for the project shall be covered through American Rescue Plan funds and 2021 Short-term borrowing funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator shall have authority to enter into a contract with Interstate Roofing and Waterproofing, Inc of Onalaska WI and has authorization of up to \$15,000 to cover contingencies expenses for the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE PROPERTY,
BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

FOR AGAINST

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

RICHARD MCKEE	X
CHAD COSGROVE	X
STEVE CARROW	X
DANIEL MCGUIRE	X
STEVE WILLIAMSON	

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-132 approving the purchase of two Buffalo TeraStation 51210RH storage devices was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Turk, seconded by Seep that Resolution No. 21-132 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 132

A Resolution Approving the purchase of two Buffalo TeraStation 51210 RH Storage Devices.

WHEREAS the Sheriff Departments wearable and car video was stored on an aging device that became unusable and required replacement, and

WHEREAS the video data is required for ongoing investigations and prosecutions, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has carefully considered this matter and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that approval is hereby granted for the purchase of two Buffalo TeraStation 51210RH SAN/NAS Storage-48TB Devices with Redundant Power supplies and enhanced warranty from JComp Technologies, Baraboo at a cost of \$15,293.70, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to carry out this Resolution shall come from the Capital Borrowing Fund (Fund #75) and approval is hereby granted for the MIS Director to sign the purchase agreement for these items, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

FOR AGAINST

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DAVID TURK	X
MELISSA LUCK	X
MARTY BREWER	X
LINDA GENTES	X
MARC COUEY	X
DONALD SEEP	X

Resolution No. 21-133 approving request for proposal guidance regarding specification design for an emergency radio and tower project was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Cosgrove, seconded by Kaul that Resolution No. 21-133 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 133

A Resolution Approving Request For Proposal Guidance Regarding Specification Design For An Emergency Radio And Tower Project

WHEREAS the County's emergency and radio tower infrastructure is aging and significant improvements need to be done to it to improve the County's communication with patrol, emergency response and firefighting units in order to ensure public safety at all times, and

WHEREAS previous County Board Resolution has authorized the completion of a Phase 1 "Evaluation" and the advancement of a Phase 2 "Design Development," and

WHEREAS a decision point on coverage expectation is needed in establishing guidance to our consultant in setting specifications for contractor bids of "95/95 coverage" (95% coverage of the service area, 95% of the time with a handheld portable radio), and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee understands the potential need for future debt services in order to finance the project and has made recommendation to the Finance and Personnel Committee regarding the proposed coverage expectation, and

WHEREAS the Finance and Personnel Committee has considered this matter in context of higher expectations requiring higher costs and that future budget and capital expenditure impacts may result, and is now presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the specification design for the radio tower project shall meet the 95/95 coverage recommended by True North Consulting and Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board understands that initiating the release of this request for proposals is a commitment to future debt service in order to complete the project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AYES _____ NOES _____

FOR AGAINST

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X
DAVID TURK	X
MELISSA LUCK	X
MARTY BREWER	X
LINDA GENTES	X
MARC COUEY	X
DONALD SEEP	X

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Resolution No. 21-134 celebrating Hispanic American Heritage month was read by County Clerk Kalish. Motion by Gentes, seconded by Van Landuyt that Resolution No. 21-134 be adopted. The motion carried and resolution declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 134

A Resolution Celebrating Hispanic American Heritage Month

WHEREAS Hispanic American Heritage Month has been celebrated across the country since the 1988, when President Ronald Reagan signed into law a bill that recognized September 15 to October 15 as National Hispanic American Heritage Month, and

WHEREAS Hispanic Americans have struggled with adversity to achieve full citizenship in American society, and

WHEREAS people of Hispanic descent make up Richland County's largest racial minority group, with 526 out of 17,304 residents (3%) identifying as Hispanic in the 2020 Census, and

WHEREAS people of Hispanic descent are critical to the economy, culture, and history of Richland County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the County Board hereby celebrates Hispanic American Heritage History Month, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board encourages residents to learn about and embrace the historical and cultural contributions of Hispanic Americans in Richland County, and

