

**COUNTY BOARD STAFF / GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEES**  
**Minutes – November 12, 2013**

**Call to Order.** Chair Podzilni called the meeting of the County Board Staff and General Services Committees to order at 8:00 A.M. in the Jury Deliberation Room on the fourth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

**Committee Members Present:** County Board Staff Committee: Supervisors Podzilni, Kraft, Arnold, Brill, Bussie, Mawhinney, Peer, Yankee and Jensen (8:05 A.M.); General Services Committee: Supervisors Owens, Brill, Collins, Heidenreich and Nash (8:20 A.M.).

**Committee Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Members Present:** Craig Knutson, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Jeff Kuglitsch, Corporation Counsel; Rob Leu, General Services Director.

**Others Present:** Supervisors Gustina, Richard, and Wiedenfeld; Larry Barton, Cindy Zaharias, Diana Shadel and Scott Bordwell, UW Rock Foundation.

**Approval of Agenda.** Supervisor Arnold moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Bussie. ADOPTED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements.** None.

**Presentation and Discussion on Residential Housing at UW - Rock County.** Dean Wilson explained that UW – Rock County Foundation would be the owners of the residence hall.

Mr. Barton handed out copies of the site plan and said they interviewed six architects for the 120 bed, \$5-\$6 million project. He said the Foundation is requesting the County deed two acres of land to the Foundation. The deed would include a provision that if the residence hall project is not started within two years the land would revert back to the County. He said this is a wonderful opportunity for the students, campus and the county.

Mr. Knutson said he met a few days ago with Dean Wilson and Mr. Barton, discussed the timing of the project. They will need the Board of Regents approval, which meets December 5-6, 2013, so a resolution will need to go to the County Board November 21, 2013.

Chair Podzilni said the only thing the Foundation is asking for is the donation of land. Mr. Knutson said the two acres they are requesting are already part of the campus.

Supervisor Brill stated he would be in favor of the donation of land as long as the County is not responsible for repairs, snowplowing and that the building does not come back to the County. Mr. Barton said Capstone would be managing the building for the Foundation. Capstone has been managing campus housing for 25 years.

Supervisor Kraft asked if the site is acceptable to the City of Janesville. Mr. Barton said the City is happy with the site and is very excited about the project and is on board with the timeline.

Dean Wilson said the proposed site is next to a subdivision and they are planning on having an open forum with the neighbors. They are also going to do their best with landscaping, etc. to help with noise and light from the dorms.

Supervisor Heidenreich asked how this change will affect the Master Plan. Dean Wilson said the location of the residence hall will work better than the previous location.

Supervisor Mawhinney asked if the management company would be taking care of all the maintenance. Mr. Barton said he is not sure and that they are still working on details, but the County would not be responsible. The Foundation would be the owner and maintenance would be their responsibility.

Supervisor Jensen said the parking lot seems awfully small. Mr. Barton said the parking lot is not correct on the drawing, and that they are looking at having about 50 parking stalls.

Supervisor Arnold asked what would happen if the Foundation Board changes. Mr. Barton said the bylaws are such that the main Foundation Board would not lose control.

Supervisor Mawhinney asked about meal plans. Dean Wilson said there are kitchenettes in each unit as well as a few full kitchens and they have been looking at local restaurants for meal vouchers.

Supervisor Kraft asked if the street is the County's responsibility. Dean Wilson said the road is included in the two acres.

Supervisor Brill said he would like to see in writing that if nothing happens regarding the residence hall that the land would revert back to the County.

Supervisor Yankee suggested renaming Kellogg Ave. to University Ave.

Chair Podzilni said the County Board will need to act on a resolution at the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Mr. Knutson added that General Services and County Board Staff Committees would also need to act on the resolution prior to County Board.

Supervisor Owens requested copies of the agreement be available to the Supervisors prior to the meeting.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Arnold moved adjournment at 8:58 A.M., second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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