

Monday, June 11, 2018 – 6:00 P.M.
City of La Crosse – City Hall
20613 N. SR 121
La Crosse, FL 32658

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met for the Special Meeting.

PRESENT: Chair Lee Pinkoson, Vice-Chair Charles “Chuck” Chestnut, Commissioners Robert “Hutch” Hutchinson, Mike Byerly and Ken Cornell

City of La Crosse

City of La Crosse Mayor Dianne Dubberly, Vice Mayor Barbara Thomas,
City Commissioners Jishnu Dasa Fitch, Sheila Dubberly and Johnny Ho

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Michele Lieberman, County Attorney Sylvia Torres
and Deputy Clerk Stephanie Sisney

City of La Crosse

Attorney John Maines, Fire Chief Buddy Harris and Clerk Lee Forzly

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M.

WELCOME INTRODUCTION:

1. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor, Town of La Crosse
Fiscal Consideration: N/A
Recommended Action: N/A

The City of La Crosse Commission introduced themselves.

2. Lee Pinkoson, Chair, Alachua County Commission
Fiscal Consideration: N/A
Recommended Action: N/A

The Alachua County Commission introduced themselves.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. Approve the agenda

Commissioner Chestnut moved the approval of the agenda. The motion carried 3-0 with Commissioners Hutchinson and Byerly out of the room.

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: A motion to Approve the Agenda: (a) approve any amendments to the agenda; and (b) adopt the Agenda.

Vice-Chair Chestnut moved to adopt the agenda. The motion carried 3-0 with Commissioners Hutchinson and Byerly out of the room.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4. Landscape Irrigation Efficiency Design Code

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear staff presentation.

Alachua County Water Conservation Coordinator Stacie Greco presented the above item to the Boards.

Commissioner Hutchinson entered the room at 6:04 P.M.

Commissioner Byerly entered the room at 6:09 P.M.

La Crosse Mayor Dianne Dubberly, City Commissioner Jishnu Desa Fitch, Chair Pinkoson and Mayor Dubberly presented comments.

5. Fire Services

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Discuss fire services with La Crosse. Specifically a potential pay increase and first response vehicles for District 22.

Mayor Dubberly presented the above item to the Boards.

Commissioner Hutchinson, Alachua County Fire Chief Northcutt, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Mayor Dubberly, Chair Cornell and Mayor Dubberly presented comments.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved the following:

1. City of La Crosse City Commission refer the requested change in personnel cost to the Alachua County Manager as an option to include in the Alachua County budget.
2. Request that Fire Chief Northcutt and Staff collaborate with City of La Crosse to search for used vehicles that may be available and what the cost of purchase would be for the La Crosse Fire Department.

Mayor Dubberly, Commissioner Cornell and Mayor Dubberly presented comments.

Public Comments:

Charles Kelly presented comments to the Boards.

La Crosse Fire Chief Buddy Harris, Alachua County Fire Chief Northcutt and Mayor Dubberly presented comments.

The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

6. Public comments
Fiscal Consideration: N/A
Recommended Action: Hear public comments.

Charles Kelly, Mayor Dubberly and Charles Kelly provided comments to the Boards.

COMMISSION GENERAL COMMENTS AND INFORMAL DISCUSSION

7. City Commission comments
Fiscal Consideration: N/A
Recommended Action: Hear City Commission comments.

City Commissioner Sheila Dubberly discussed the roads and road repairs that have been made.

La Crosse Fire Chief Harris discussed the bridge on North East 21st that was destroyed during the hurricane and asked if there was an update.
County Manager Michele Lieberman provided comments.

City Commissioner Barbara Thomas discussed if La Crosse would be able to work out a deal with the County to receive help with maintenance on the La Crosse fire truck. Perhaps La Crosse could supply the parts and Alachua County could provide the labor which would be of great help.

La Crosse Fire Chief Harris, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Hutchinson, Alachua County Fire Chief Northcutt, La Crosse Fire Chief Harris, City Commissioner Thomas, Mayor Dubberly, La Crosse Fire Chief Harris, Chair Pinkoson, City Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Cornell, City Commissioner Thomas, City Attorney John Maines, Alachua County Fire Chief Northcutt, Commissioner Hutchinson and Chair Pinkoson provided comments.

City Commissioner Thomas discussed that the City of La Crosse has no experienced Grant writer and that the City could use help with that for the County if possible.

Mayor Dubberly presented comments.

Commissioner Hutchinson asked what projects that the City of La Crosse has for Public Places Wild Spaces and what they are.

Mayor Dubberly and Commissioner Hutchinson provided comments.

8. County Commission comments

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear County Commission comments.

There being no further business before the Boards, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 P.M.