

AGENDA

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 28, 2008 7:00 p.m.

Jefferson County Courthouse
320 South Main Street, Room 205
Jefferson, WI 53549

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
 2. **ROLL CALL**
 3. **CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW**
 4. **REVIEW OF THE AGENDA**
 5. **COMMUNICATIONS**
 - a. Resolution – Town of Watertown Board regarding UW Extension (Page 1)
 6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** Note: Public Comment on Non-Budget items
 7. **REPORTS**
 - a. Presentation of the 2009 Recommended County Budget – Gary R. Petre, County Administrator
 8. **PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2009 RECOMMENDED BUDGET**
(Tabled on October 14, 2008)
- COMMITTEE REPORTS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES**
9. **INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**
 - a. Report – Courthouse Security Entrance (Page 2)
 - b. Possible Resolution to award bid on security entrance
 10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 11. **ADJOURN**

**PLEASE BRING PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED
2009 RECOMMENDED BUDGET TO MEETING**

**NEXT COUNTY BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2008 7:00 P.M. ROOM 205
(ADOPTION OF THE 2009 COUNTY BUDGET IS SCHEDULED FOR THIS MEETING)**

Resolution for UW-Extension

The Town of Watertown Board and its constituents oppose the proposed budget cuts to the Jefferson County UW-Extension budget. The budget cuts to the Jefferson County UW-Extension would have adverse effects to the youth and residents of the Town of Watertown and Jefferson County.

Richard Simler 10-13-08

Town Chairman

Ed Kulski 10-13-08

Town Supervisor

Mary S. Horack

Town Supervisor 10-13-08

*Attest: James Shardt / Clerk
10/13/08*

Item 9a

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Jefferson County Courthouse Security and Facilities Committee, created by Supreme Court rule, consists of various members of the local judiciary, the County Administrator, Clerk of Court, District Attorney, Sheriff, various members of the county staff and citizens. This Committee has worked over the past several years to improve courthouse security and has previously recommended creating one secure entrance for the Courthouse to be staffed for purposes of screening for weapons. The single entrance issue has been reviewed by various county committees over the years. An initial estimate to build a secure entrance was obtained in September 2005 in the amount of \$344,000. Later, as part of the Space Needs Study, a second estimate of approximately \$400,000 was obtained.

In the County Board's adopted 2008 Budget, \$400,000 was designated in the General Fund for courthouse improvements including the secure entrance described above. Resolution 2008-35 directed the Infrastructure Committee to take bids to construct the secure entrance and review the bids and a staffing plan to be provided by the Sheriff's Department and report its recommendations to the County Board.

The Committee met on October 9 to review bids from two vendors and staffing costs. Maas Brothers Construction Co., Inc. bid \$312,700. JP Cullen & Sons, Inc. bid \$361,506. During the time the project was out for bid, the Finance Committee met to discuss and make recommendations concerning the 2009 budget. One recommendation made by the Finance Committee was to reduce the Sheriff's staff by four deputies. In addition, the Finance Committee recommended utilizing the \$400,000 designated in the General Fund in 2008 for courthouse improvements for different purposes in 2009. The Sheriff's Department, anticipating the probability that its staff would be reduced by four full-time deputies in 2009, estimated a cost of \$54,230 to hire part-time deputies to staff the security entrance.

Given the overall financial condition of the County and the Finance Committee's recommendations concerning the 2008 designated funds and the 2009 budget, the Infrastructure Committee recommends not proceeding at this time to award a contract for this project.

(An item is listed on the County Board agenda in the event a supervisor wishes to propose a resolution to award a contract for this project. Twenty affirmative votes would be required, as a budget amendment would be necessary to transfer money from the designated general fund location to an appropriate account to pay for the construction project.)

Respectfully submitted,

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

By
John Kannard, Chair
Jim Braughler
Richard C. Jones
Carol Ward Knox
Donald Reese