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Minutes

Barron County Strategic Planning Work Group

Friday, February 16th, 2024, 1pm

Barron County Government Center, RM 2151

335 East Monroe Avenue, Barron, WI 54812

Minutes take by CA French

Committee/County Board Members Present: Cook, Okey, P. Anderson, Turcott, Bartlett, Banks

Staff Present: French, Frolik, Fitzgerald,

Virtual Attendance: HR Director Richie

Others Present: None

#1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1.01pm by Chair Okey

#2. Public Meeting Notification:

Public Meeting Notice was read by CA French

#3. Public Comment:

None

#4. Approve Minutes 4-5-2023 Meeting:

Motion to approve 4-5-2023 minutes, P. Anderson/Turcott, Carried

#5. Review Strategic Plan Update:

Extensive discussion on preventative or alternative programs, how to implement, manage and communicate to taxpayers the costs the County is avoiding.

Preventative Examples: Breakfast meals and Lona's cafe, new Aging/ADRC Kitchen, Drug Court, Diversion Court.

Alternative Approaches - Examples: Workforce reentry

Discussed events "thrust" upon the County such as HSHS/Prevea closing and effect on costs and costs to County operations

Recommended Plan Update Changes by Category:

Threats: Unfunded Services [Prevention efforts]

Threats: Increase in need of Mental Health Resources

Threats: Underfunded Mandates

Opportunities - Strike - Controlled managed recycling sites

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Also discussed, no changes recommended: Weaknesses: "Outreach of Barron County's achievements, successes and tell "our" story."

#6. Review Goals Accomplished:

Future Agenda Item

#7. Review What Needs to be Accomplished:

Future Agenda Item

#8. Staff Updates:

None

#9. Future Agenda Items:

Jen and/or Darby to discuss "duplicating" Lona's in Cumberland at Louie's on the Lake.
New State Policy on 6 to 20 foot bridges, possible work by Hwy Commissioner and Engineering Technician
Project design and project scope new Sally Port
Ashland Hospital Services moving into Area

#10. Set Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday 3-13 1pm

#11. Adjourn:

2.16 adjourned by unanimous consent.

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