

BARRON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 2

Resolution Authorizing an Expenditure not to Exceed, \$1.5 Million for the purpose of Installation and Upgrades of New Equipment Purchases for the Barron County Sheriff’s Department County Wide Communications System

TO THE BARRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

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2 **WHEREAS**, the analog Communications System currently in-service by the
3 Barron County Sheriff’s Department has equipment that ranges from fifteen, (15) to twenty
4 (20) years in age; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, replacement parts for the current system are difficult to obtain, if
7 available; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the equipment currently in-service has met or exceed its’ useful life;
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12 **WHEREAS**, approximately over the past two years, Mr. Mike Judy, Barron
13 County Emergency Management Director has been analyzing, needs and costs to replace
14 the existing Communications System; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, at this time there is \$396,670.87 of Assigned Fund Balance, in the
17 General Fund, or dollars reserved in the Capital Improvement Capital Outlay Fund, to help
18 pay for this Expenditure; and

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20 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Mike Judy, Barron County Emergency Management Director has
21 applied for a grant to the Wisconsin Department of Administration, in the amount of
22 \$697,992.52, 50% of total projected costs, \$1,395,985.04; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, on Friday, January 5, 2024, the Barron County Law Enforcement
25 Committee met and reviewed the costs and benefits of replacing the said system; and

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27 **WHEREAS**, after careful consideration it is the recommendation of the Law
28 Enforcement Committee to purchase the Simulcast System from General Communications,
29 Inc., Eau Claire, Wisconsin, at a cost of:

30 Total System Price of:	\$ 1,466,232.61
31 Spares Requested	\$ 34,826.57
32 System Discount, order placed by 2-1-24	\$ (102,636.28)
33 Spares Requested Discount	\$ (2,437.86)
34 Total Bid Price:	\$ 1,395,985.04
35 Contingency:	\$ 104,014.96
36 Total Allowable Expenditure:	\$ 1,500,000.00,

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39 **WHEREAS**, at the above referenced meeting Supervisors, Buchanan, Turcott,
40 Okey and B. Anderson were present, with Supervisor Turcott, Second by B. Anderson, “to

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41 approve the radio communications project as presented to not exceed, \$1.5m and forward
42 to the Barron County Board of Supervisors.” Carried.

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44 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that with passage of this resolution
45 the Barron County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize an expenditure in an
46 amount, not to exceed, \$ 1,500,000.00; and

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48 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this expenditure be taken from the
49 Unassigned Fund Balance of the General Fund; and

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51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any expenditure in an amount that exceeds,
52 \$1,395,985.04 that-is contingency dollars, may only be expended with the permission of
53 the Barron County Law Enforcement Committee; and

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55 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that at the completion of this project any funds
56 not expended are immediately returned to the General Fund; and

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58 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any grant funds received, reduce the amount
59 taken from the Unassigned Fund Balance, of the General Fund, as deemed appropriate by
60 the Barron County Finance Director/County Auditor; and

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62 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if in the future; the Barron County Board of
63 Supervisors, chooses to complete a debt issuance, any funds expended in accordance with
64 this resolution may be replenished with such borrowings; and

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66 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Barron County Sheriff is authorized to
67 sign contracts and other necessary documents to completed this project; and

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69 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Barron County Finance Director is
70 allowed to amend the 2024 or 2025 Budget, as necessary, to properly reflect this
71 appropriation; and

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73 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that publication of this resolution may occur
74 through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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OFFERED THIS 22nd day of January 2024

<p>Number of readings required: One (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Two (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) 2/3 Entire Board (20) (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted (<input type="checkbox"/>) General Fund (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Grant (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Contingency (<input type="checkbox"/>) Other (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Fiscal impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current year total amount: \$ 1,500,000.00- Future years total amount: \$ NA- Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ NA- Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ NA <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Stan Buchanan, Law Enforcement Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Failed (<input type="checkbox"/>) Tabled (<input type="checkbox"/>)</p> <p>Motion: (Hanson/Gores) to approve. Discussion. Motion to Amend: (Taxdahl/Wenzel) to change Line #66 of the resolution to read “Administrator” and strike the word “Sheriff.” Administrator French answered questions from the Board. A representative from GenComm and Emergency Management Director Judy also answered questions from the Board. Carried with 28 Yes and 1 Absent (Thompson).</p>
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