

2014 RES-456 APPROVING LEASE OF FORMER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT THE BADGER PRAIRIE HEALTH CARE CENTER

In early 2011, the county opened the new Badger Prairie Health Care Center in the Town of Verona. While the former health care center was demolished, the newer administration building that served the former health care center was retained. Since that time, the building has remained mostly vacant.

Since there was current or planned future use of this facility by the county, RFP #114098 was issued to solicit interest from potential private or other public uses of the facility. The Verona Area Needs Network (VANN) submitted the only response to this RFP.

For 28 years, VANN has served a critical need in the area by operating a food pantry. VANN is currently operating in the basement of the former Verona Library. VANN's plan for reuse of the BP administration building includes an expanded food pantry, an demonstration kitchen, its own administration offices, and potential colocation with complimentary service providers in the building.

The county has negotiated a lease with VANN with an initial term of 15 years and two five year extensions. The lease includes annual rent of \$20, but provides that VANN will be responsible for utilities and some of the ongoing maintenance of the building.

VANN will be allowed to make modifications to the building at its cost such as expansion of the parking areas, installation of walk-in coolers, installation of the demonstration kitchen and other items.

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a lease between the Verona Area Needs Network and Dane County be approved for the former administration building at the Badger Prairie Health Care Center in Verona and that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute the lease agreement.