WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM(S) REQUEST FORM

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Date: February 6, 2018 Weekly Agenda Date: February 13, 2018
ELECTED OFFICIAL / DEPARTMENT HEAD / CITIZEN: Supervisor Jeremy Taylor WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM:
Utilization of \$65,000 in Local Option Sales Tax (L.O.S.T.) in order to fund a conservation
position and provide fiber to Woodbury County Conservation
ACTION REQUIRED:
Approve Ordinance □ Approve Resolution □ Approve Motion ☑
Public Hearing □ Other: Informational □ Attachments □
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
Woodbury County has the opportunity to enhance conservation in a way that meets a long-requested need for fiber optic and can utilize LOST funds to meet this need and an equivalent FTE.
BACKGROUND:
Outgoing Director Rick Schneider and new Director Dan Heissel have spoken at length of the need for connectivity of fiber with labor hours, efficiency, etc. delayed. This has a direct impact on the economic development that conservation brings in booking and enhancing reservations, quality of life, and the educative effect so critical in conservation.
FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Savings of \$65,000 to local property taxpayers by utilization of local option sales tax
IF THERE IS A CONTRACT INVOLVED IN THE AGENDA ITEM, HAS THE CONTRACT BEEN SUBMITTED AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR AND ANSWERED WITH A REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE?
Yes □ No □
RECOMMENDATION:
Approve utilizing \$15,000 for a part-time clerk from local option sales tax
Approve utilizing \$50,000 for fiber from local option sales tax
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