



RESOLUTION # 21-11  
JOINTLY UNDERTAKING LIBRARY AND CHURCH PROJECTS  
WITH CITY OF LADYSMITH

**RUSK COUNTY**

TO THE RUSK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ROLL CALL Board Members	AYE (Yes)	NAY (No)	Abstain / Excused
1. TERRY DUSELL		✓	
2. JERRY BILLER			✓
3. ALAN RATHSACK		✓	
4. TONY HAUSER		✓	
5. TIMOTHY MILLER		✓	
6. ROBERT STOUT	✓		
7. RANDY TATUR			✓
8. LYLE LIEFFRING	✓		
9. BILL MCBAIN	✓		
10. KEN PEDERSEN	✓		
11. PHIL SCHNEIDER	✓		
12. JIM MEYER		✓	
13. MARK SCHMITT	✓		
14. LISA DOBROWOLSKI	✓		
15. TOM HANSON	✓		
16. JOSH UNTERSCHUETZ		✓	
17. DAVE WILLINGHAM	✓		
18. MICHAEL HRABAN	✓		
19. KEN BROWN	✓		
YB ABBIGAIL KNOLL			
YB SARAH RANDS			
TOTAL	11	6	2

**BOARD ACTION**

Vote Required: Majority Vote of a Quorum

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Motion to Approve Adopted  Defeated

1st Hraban Defeated

2nd Brown

No: 6 Yes: 11 Exc: 2

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_, Corp. Counsel

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_, Finance Director

**FISCAL IMPACT:** (Note if there is any fiscal impact or not)

**Certification:**

I, Connie Meyer, Clerk of Rusk County, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution that was adopted on the 23 day of March, 2021 by the Rusk County Board of Supervisors.

Connie Meyer  
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County Clerk, Rusk County

1 **WHEREAS**, Rusk County jointly operates and fund the Rusk County Community  
2 Library under a joint library agreement, and  
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4 **WHEREAS**, the library facility has had ongoing building deficiencies related to water  
5 damage and inadequate HVAC systems, and  
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7 **WHEREAS**, cost estimates are \$300,000 to address these issues, and  
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9 **WHEREAS**, Rusk County acquired the former Ladysmith Methodist Church on tax deed  
10 a number of years ago, and  
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12 **WHEREAS**, the former Church has sat empty, not had any buyers through the tax deed  
13 process and continues to deteriorate in condition, and  
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15 **WHEREAS**, the City is desirous of seeing the church building demolished and the most  
16 recent estimated cost for demolition and related costs are \$90,000, and  
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18 **WHEREAS**, discussions with the City have resulted in a tentative agreement to address  
19 both of these projects in 2021.  
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21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Rusk County will proceed with  
22 demolition of the former Methodist Church ("Church Project") and the City of Ladysmith  
23 will reimburse the County for the demolition and related costs of the Church Project.  
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25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Rusk County and City of Ladysmith will proceed  
26 with needed and identified building and HVAC improvements at the Rusk County  
27 Community Library ("Library Project"). All costs of the Library Project will be paid by  
28 the parties 50/50.  
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30 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Rusk County will be the fiscal agent for the  
31 Library Project and will front all of the costs for the Library Project costs from 2021  
32 Rusk County bond proceeds.  
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34 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that at the completion of the Library Project and the  
35 Church Project the costs incurred by the City for the Church project will reduce the  
36 City's obligation towards the Library Project dollar for dollar.  
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38 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in the event the City is unable to pay County in full for  
39 the amount it is obligated to pay under this agreement, the County agrees to allow the  
40 City to repay the debt, with the applicable bond interest rate, to exceed 3.5  
41 %, over a period not to exceed 10 years.  
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**SUBMITTED BY:**

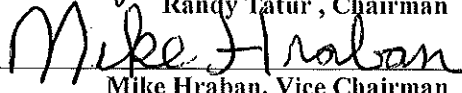
Rusk County Finance Committee

  
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Randy Tatur, Chairman

  
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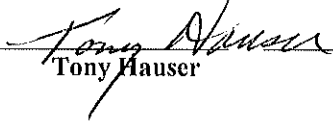
Dave Willingham

  
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Mike Hraban, Vice Chairman

  
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Thomas Hanson

  
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Tony Hauser