RESOLUTION #12-2016

INTRODUCED BY: PUBLIC SAFETY, FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

INTENT: CONTRACT FOR INMATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AT THE LANGLADE COUNTY JAIL

WHEREAS, the Langlade County Board has previously entered into a contract with Correctional Healthcare Companies (CHC) to provide medical services to inmates in the Langlade County jail and CHC also has the ability to also provide inmate mental health services; and

WHEREAS, CHC currently provides mental health services in other County jails, including Lincoln County and is making arrangements to provide similar services in the Marathon County jail; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and the Public Safety Committee recommend expanding the existing contract for medical services to include inmate mental health services, outlined as follows:
> additional 4 hours per week of access to a mental health professional
> increase contract by $918 per month ($11,016 annual) for mental health services
> contract includes the cost of medications up to $7,500 per year
> upon approval of this proposal by the County Board, CHC will draft an addendum to the existing contract; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and the Committees strongly support funding for inmate mental health services on a trial basis in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Finance Committee has approved funding these services by utilizing the savings of not refilling the Jail Administrator position in January and February 2016 and that this item be added in the 2017 Jail budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by a majority vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to contract with CHC for inmate mental health services in 2016.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

[Signatures]

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

[Signatures]

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

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FISCAL NOTE: The total cost for contracted inmate mental health services for 2016 will be $11,016, excluding any medication expenses exceeding $7,500 in 2016. The Finance Committee approved utilizing the savings from not refilling the Jail Administrator position to fund these services in 2016.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LANGLADE COUNTY THIS 16th day of FEBRUARY, 2016.

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Judy Nagel, Langlade County Clerk