

# **JOURNAL OF THE MEETING OF THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**December 15, 2015**

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.11, the December 15, 2015 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Roger L. Te Stroete at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Te Stroete noted that the notice of meeting was posted on December 11, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. in compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all present led by Troop 801 from Grace Episcopal Church.

The roll call was taken and recorded with 23 Supervisors present; Absent: 2, Supervisors Abler, and Ogea.

**Supervisor Winkel moved for approval of the November 15, 2015 Journal, which was distributed to all supervisors prior to the meeting.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business was the consideration of the appointment by the Chairperson of **Konrad Kaczkowski** to the Veterans Service Commission.

**Supervisor Winkel moved to concur with the appointment.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Epping and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business was the consideration of the following appointments by the County Administrator.

**Jane Brill** – Airport Advisory Committee

**Dennis Frederick** - Board of Adjustments

**Jane Dederling & Wendy Schobert** - Eastern Shores Library System

**Derek Muench** – Sheboygan County Transportation Coordinating Committee

**Supervisor Bemis moved to concur with the appointments from the County Administrator.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

## **PRESENTATION**

Supervisor Mark Winkel – Update on East Wisconsin Railroad Consortium

## **LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Clerk presented resolutions from the Douglas and St. Croix County Boards of Supervisors supporting the repeal of statutory provisions enacted in the State's 2015-2017 budget concerning shoreland zoning standards. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors opposing Senate Bill 294 which would dismantle the Government Accountability Board. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Wood County Board of Supervisors supporting the implementation of the ABLE Act to reform SSI asset limits in Wisconsin. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a letter from the City of Plymouth Administrator requesting a change to supervisory district boundaries to reflect an annexation. By Chairperson received for information.

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

County Administrator Adam Payne wished everyone in attendance a Happy Holiday. Mr. Payne briefly spoke about the current board members and the upcoming election for them. Mr. Payne reviewed the resolutions and ordinances that were being considered at the meeting and thanked the Finance, Human Resources, and Law Committees for all their work on them. Finally, Mr. Payne along with Chairperson Te Stroete and Vice Chairperson Wegner presented a plaque to Deputy Finance Director, Mary Wegmann for her 22 years of dedicated service to Sheboygan County.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding **Resolution No. 19 (2015/16) Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$9,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Goehring moved to adopt the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Weggeman.

**Supervisor Weggeman moved to amend the resolution by replacing the original resolution with the revised resolution presented.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Uraynar and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

**Resolution No. 19 was adopted as amended on unanimous roll call vote of the board.**

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding **Resolution No. 22 (2015/16) Petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Winkel moved to adopt the resolution.** Supervisor Glavan seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 20 (2015/16) Request for Waiver from State Mandate for Auditing Care and Service Contracts Required by Wis. Stat. §§46.036(4)(c) and 49.34(4)(c)** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Goehring moved to adopt the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Weggeman and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 21 (2015/16) Approving WCA Group Health Trust as Mechanism for Sheboygan County Self-insurance** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Weggeman moved to adopt the resolution.** Supervisor Damp seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Ordinance No. 10 (2015/16) Lifting Cap on Daily Supervisor Payments** recommending enactment.

**Supervisor Marthenze moved to enact the ordinance.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 22; Noes: 1, Supervisor Baumgart; Absent: 2, Supervisors Abler, and Ogea.

The Clerk read the report of the Human Resources Committee regarding **Ordinance No. 11 (2015/16) Designating Correctional Officers as Protective Occupation Participants** recommending filing with the clerk.

**Supervisor Winkel moved to enact the ordinance.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Koch and was defeated on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 8, Supervisors

Conrardy, Glavan, Hoffmann, Koch, Procek, Van Dixhorn, Winkel, and Ziegelbauer; Noes: 15; Absent: 2, Supervisors Abler, and Ogea.

(Vice-Chairperson Wegner presiding)

Pursuant to Rule IV of the Rules of Order, the following resolutions and ordinances were introduced by the Clerk and referred by the Vice-Chairperson as indicated:

**Resolution No. 23 (2015/16)** Re: Disallowance of Calkins Claim Against Sheboygan County referred to the Executive Committee.

**Resolution No. 24 (2015/16)** Re: Election to Withdraw from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund (LGPIF) referred to the Executive Committee.

**Resolution No. 25 (2015/16)** Re: Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$3,265,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds referred to the Executive Committee.

**Resolution No. 26 (2015/16)** Re: Supporting Rules for Packaging Liquid Nicotine referred to the Law Committee.

**Ordinance No. 12 (2015/16)** Re: Changing Supervisory District Boundaries to Reflect Annexation referred to the Executive Committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Supervisor Bemis moved to adjourn to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.** Supervisor Winkel seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call		
District Number	Yes	No
1. Pomush		
2. White		
3. Finn		
4. Clark		
5. Baker		
6. Paine		
7. Glazman		
8. Robinson		
9. Jaques		
10. Quam		
11. Finendale		
12. Lear		
13. Allen		
14. Ryan		
15. Hendrickson		
16. Johnson		
17. Liebaert		
18. Anderson		
19. Mock		
20. Conley		
21. Bergman		

Roll: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ayes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Noes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Absent \_\_\_\_\_  
 Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Passed \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lost \_\_\_\_\_  
 Refer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amend \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION #88-15**  
**RESOLUTION BY THE DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF**  
**SUPERVISORS**

Subject: Repeal Certain Provisions Enacted in the State of  
 Wisconsin 2015-2017 Budget Concerning Shoreland  
 Zoning Standards

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has adopted NR 115 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code relating to Shoreland Zoning Standards, and Douglas County has adopted and administered the minimum requirements of said standards since Amendments to Douglas County Zoning Ordinance 8.0 effective on January 20, 1971 and Douglas County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance 8.4 adopted on October 3, 1985; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County's water resources include both Outstanding and Impaired ratings and existing regulations are in place to protect the Outstanding Resources and restore the impaired resources; and

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Zoning and Land and Water Conservation Departments, along with other county and state agencies, are charged with administering and enforcing State and County regulations to protect water resources and to educate the public in best management practices, stormwater and erosion control, land conservation, shoreland and wetland zoning, and long-range planning; and

WHEREAS, when acting on the 2015-17 State Biennial Budget, enacted as 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, the Wisconsin Legislature adopted into law Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 of the Joint Finance Committee, resulting in significant changes of the standards for regulation of existing non-conforming structures in Shoreland areas, contrary to the adopted standards of NR 115; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County has a substantial number of nonconforming structures existing in its Shoreland areas that no longer will be subject to any oversight which will cause development near County waterways to go completely unchecked relative to its compliance with other state and county regulations, such as sanitary zoning, storm water/erosion control, and floodplain/wetland standards; and

WHEREAS, with no oversight, property owners that rebuild or remodel nonconforming structures in Shoreland areas may unknowingly be in violation with the aforementioned state and county regulations causing after-the-fact enforcement by the County and therefore potentially placing a significant burden

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21. Bergman		

Roll:	
Ayes	_____
Noes	_____
Absent	_____
Abstain	_____
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Amend	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____
Other	_____

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(financial, development delays, etc.) on Shoreland property owners to come into compliance; and

WHEREAS, with no oversight, neighboring property owners and the general public may be negatively impacted, specifically as it relates to property values, erosion and runoff from the site, substandard sanitary impacts, increased flooding issues, and overall enjoyment of the County's waterways; and

WHEREAS, the statutory provisions resulting from Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 also removes the ability of the DNR to appeal any action of a County Board of Adjustment decision which diminishes state support for the Shoreland program and its goals of protecting the waterways of the state; and

WHEREAS, State organizations including the Wisconsin Counties Association, Wisconsin County Code Administrators, Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association and Wisconsin County Planning and Zoning Directors have gone on record supporting the repeal of the statutory provisions created in the 2015-17 budget bill that concern the regulation of shorelands, specifically found in Sections 1922am through 1922L of 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 and request that these issues be addressed through the normal legislative process to allow for important input from the general public regarding managing development activity around our state waterways.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Douglas County Board of Supervisors that it hereby requests the State of Wisconsin to repeal the statutory provisions of Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.69 and 59.692 created or amended pursuant to Sections 1922am through 1922L of 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, commonly known as the 2015-17 State Budget Bill (SB 33 21 and AB 21), and requests the State of Wisconsin to discuss any changes to the Shoreland Zoning Provisions of Wisconsin Statutes through the normal legislative process to allow for open public discussion and input on such issue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Douglas County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to members of the State's Joint Finance Committee, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and Representatives serving Douglas County constituents, the Wisconsin Counties Association and each County in the State of Wisconsin.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)  
(Fiscal Note: None)

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Roll:  
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 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**ACTION:** Motion by Bergman, second Robinson, to adopt. Rannenberg explained concern with new provisions in relation to losing local control of land use regulations. Motion by Hendrickson, second Baker, to amend and sponsor by County Board. Motion carried. Motion to adopt resolution as amended, carried.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)  
 )SS:  
 COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

I hereby certify that this resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Douglas County Board of Supervisors on

11-19-15  
*Susan T. Sandvick*  
 Susan T. Sandvick, County Clerk



**Resolution No. 22 (2015)**  
**RESOLUTION TO REPEAL PARAGRAPH 23 OF MOTION #520**  
**TO THE STATE OF WISCONSIN 2015-2017 BUDGET BILL**  
**RELATIVE TO SHORELAND ZONING STANDARDS**

1       **WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin has adopted NR 115 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code relating to  
2 Shoreland Zoning Standards, and St. Croix County has adopted and administered the minimum requirements of said  
3 standards since 1968; and

4       **WHEREAS**, St. Croix County's water resources include both Outstanding and Impaired ratings and  
5 existing regulations are in place to protect the Outstanding Resources and restore the impaired resources; and

6       **WHEREAS**, St. Croix County's Community Development Department, along with other county and state  
7 agencies is charged with administering and enforcing State and County regulations to protect water resources and  
8 educate the public in best management practices, stormwater and erosion control, land conservation, shoreland and  
9 wetland zoning, and long-range planning; and

10       **WHEREAS**, the Joint Finance Committee for the State's 2015-17 biennial budget process has passed  
11 Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 (attached hereto) which significantly changes the standards for regulation of  
12 existing non-conforming structures in Shoreland areas contrary to the adopted standards of NR 115; and

13       **WHEREAS**, St. Croix County has a substantial number of nonconforming structures existing in its  
14 Shoreland areas that no longer will be subject to any oversight which will cause development near County  
15 waterways to go completely unchecked relative to its compliance with other state and county regulations, such as  
16 sanitary zoning, stormwater/erosion control, and floodplain/wetland standards; and

17       **WHEREAS**, with no oversight, property owners that rebuild or remodel nonconforming structures in  
18 Shoreland areas may unknowingly be in violation with the aforementioned state and county regulations causing  
19 after-the-fact enforcement by the County and therefore potentially placing a significant burden (financial,  
20 development delays, etc.) on Shoreland property owners to come into compliance; and

21       **WHEREAS**, with no oversight, neighboring property owners and the general public may be negatively  
22 impacted, specifically as it relates to property values, erosion & runoff from the site, substandard sanitary impacts,  
23 increased flooding issues, and overall enjoyment of the County's waterways; and

24       **WHEREAS**, Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 also removes the ability of the DNR to appeal any  
25 action of a County Board of Adjustment decision which diminishes state support for the Shoreland program and its  
26 goals of protecting the waterways of the state; and

27       **WHEREAS**, State organizations including the Wisconsin Counties Association, Wisconsin County Code  
28 Administrators, Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association, and Wisconsin County Planning and Zoning  
29 Directors (attached hereto) have gone on record supporting the repeal of Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 of the  
30 2015-17 budget bill, and request that these issues be addressed through the normal legislative process to allow for  
31 important input from the general public regarding managing development activity around our state waterways.

32       **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors that it hereby  
33 requests the State of Wisconsin to repeal Paragraph 23 of Motion Number 520 of the 2015-17 State Budget bill (SB  
34 21 and AB 21), and requests the State of Wisconsin to discuss any changes to NR 115 through the normal legislative  
35 process to allow for open public discussion and input on this issue.

36       **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the St. Croix County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this  
37 Resolution to members of the State's Joint Finance Committee, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators  
38 and Representatives serving St. Croix County constituents, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and each County in  
39 the State of Wisconsin.

**Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:**

**Legal Note:**

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact to St. Croix County.

  
Patrick Thompson, County Administrator 6/16/2015

06/18/15 Community Development Committee RECOMMENDED

**RESULT:** RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Daniel Hansen, Vice Chair  
**SECONDER:** Agnes Ring, Chair  
**AYES:** Agnes Ring, Daniel Hansen, Judy Achterhof, Shaela Leibfried  
**EXCUSED:** Jill Ann Berke

**Vote Confirmation.**

  
Agnes Ring, Supervisor 6/29/2015

**St. Croix County Board of Supervisors Action:**

Roll Call - Vote Requirement – Majority of Supervisors Present

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Daniel Hansen, Supervisor  
**SECONDER:** Agnes Ring, Supervisor  
**AYES:** Schachtner, Ring, Babbitt, Novotny, Sjoberg, Nelson, Berke, Ostness, Larson, Hansen, Kiesler, Brinkman, Peterson, Anderson, Achterhof, Leibfried, Peavey, Koch  
**ABSENT:** Chris Kilber

This Resolution was Adopted by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors on July 7, 2015

Cindy Campbell, County Clerk





**Resolution No. 43 (2015)**  
**RESOLUTION TO REPEAL STATUTORY PROVISIONS IN**  
**THE STATE OF WISCONSIN 2015-2017 BUDGET RELATING**  
**TO SHORELAND ZONING STANDARDS (SECTIONS 1922AM-**  
**1922L OF 2015 WISCONSIN ACT 55)**

1       WHEREAS, The State of Wisconsin has adopted NR 115 of the Wisconsin  
2 Administrative Code relating to Shoreland Zoning Standards, and St. Croix County has adopted  
3 and administered the minimum requirements of said standards since 1968; and  
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5       WHEREAS, St. Croix County has considerable experience with the implementation of  
6 NR 115 in its various incarnations, including the 2010 version which was incorporated into the  
7 County Code in April of 2014 after extensive public input and review; and  
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9       WHEREAS, St. Croix County's water resources include a wide range from Exceptional  
10 Resource waters to Impaired Waters, and the previous regulations were in place to protect the  
11 Exceptional and Outstanding Resource Waters while providing provisions to restore those  
12 Resources listed as Impaired; and  
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14       WHEREAS, St. Croix County has administered these codes with the support of its  
15 citizens and local governmental units, and has done so by enforcing state and county regulations  
16 adopted after public review, and has educated the public and shoreland property owners in best  
17 management practices, as well as stormwater and erosion control measures, and proven  
18 environmentally protective development standards; and  
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20       WHEREAS, the adoption of Sections 1922AM-1922L of 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 resulted  
21 in significant changes of the standards for regulation of existing non-conforming structures in  
22 shoreland areas, in direct contradiction of the previously adopted standards of NR 115; and  
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24       WHEREAS, St. Croix County has a significant number of existing non-conforming  
25 structures existing on its waterways, currently listed from Impaired to Exceptional or  
26 Outstanding Resources, that will no longer be subject to oversight with the goal of improving or  
27 preserving water quality; and  
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29       WHEREAS, St. Croix County foresees that neighboring property owners, the general  
30 public, and the water resources will be negatively impacted as it relates to property values,  
31 erosion and stormwater runoff issues, and overall enjoyment of the natural scenic beauty,  
32 recreational value, and habitat of the County's waterways; and  
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34       WHEREAS, the adoption of Sections 1922AM-1922L of 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 resulted  
35 in significant changes in the ability of St. Croix County to protect its Outstanding and  
36 Exceptional Resource waters, many of which are trout streams which are more directly impacted  
37 by development pressure and associated stormwater runoff which bring sediments and raise  
38 water temperature in the stream; and  
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40       WHEREAS, the statutory provisions of Act 55 also removes the ability of the DNR to  
41 appeal any action of a County Board of Adjustment decision, which diminishes state support for

the shoreland program and its goal of protecting waterways of the state, as well as protection of the public trust doctrine, and providing support for citizen's rights and investment in our waterways; and

WHEREAS, many citizens and organizations, including the Wisconsin Counties Association, Wisconsin County Code Administrators, Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association, and Wisconsin County Planning and Zoning Directors have gone on record supporting the repeal of the statutory provisions created in the 2015-2017 budget bill that concern the regulation of shorelands as noted above, and this support was echoed by the County Board of Supervisors of St. Croix County in a previous resolution (copy attached).


THEREFORE be it resolved, by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors that it hereby requests that the State of Wisconsin repeal the statutory provisions of Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.69 and 59.692 created or amended pursuant to Sections 1922AM through 1922L of 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, commonly known as the 2015-2017 State Budget Bill (SB21 and AB 21), and requests the State of Wisconsin legislative body discuss any changes to the Shoreland Zoning provisions of Wisconsin Statutes through the normal legislative process, to allow for open public discussions and input on the issue.

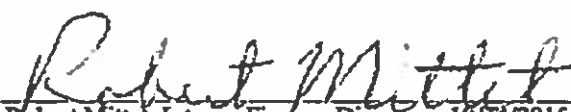
FURTHER be it resolved that the St. Croix County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to all members of the Wisconsin Legislature, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, each county clerk in the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Wisconsin County Code Administrators, the Wisconsin Land and Water Association, the Wisconsin County Planning and Zoning Directors, the Secretary of the DNR of the State of Wisconsin.

**Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:**

Legal Note:

Fiscal Impact: None

  
Scott L. Cox, Corporation Counsel 10/14/2015

  
Robert Mittel, Interim Finance Director 10/14/2015

  
Patrick Thompson, County Administrator 10/14/2015

10/15/15

Community Development Committee

RECOMMENDED

**RESULT:** RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Judy Achterhof, Supervisor  
**SECONDER:** Jill Ann Berke, Supervisor  
**AYES:** Ring, Berke, Hansen, Achterhof, Leibfried

Vote Confirmation.

  
Agnes Ring, Supervisor 10/19/2015

**St. Croix County Board of Supervisors Action:**

Roll Call - Vote Requirement – Majority of Supervisors Present

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [14 TO 3]  
**MOVER:** Agnes Ring, Supervisor  
**SECONDER:** Travis Schachtner, Supervisor  
**AYES:** Schachtner, Ring, Babbitt, Novotny, Sjoberg, Nelson, Berke, Larson, Hansen, Kiesler, Peterson, Anderson, Achterhof, Leibfried  
**NAYS:** Chris Kilber, Andy Brinkman, William Peavey  
**ABSENT:** Carah Koch, Dave Ostness

This Resolution was Adopted by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors on November 3, 2015

Cindy Campbell, County Clerk



**Resolution No. 45 (2015)**  
**RESOLUTION OPPOSING 2015 SENATE BILL 294,**  
**DISMANTLING THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY**  
**BOARD**

1           WHEREAS, the Government Accountability Board was established in the State of  
2   Wisconsin in 2007; and

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4           WHEREAS, the Government Accountability Board is a non-partisan body that  
5   administers and supervises elections, ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying regulation; and

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7           WHEREAS, currently the Government Accountability Board is under the direction and  
8   supervision of a board of six members who are former judges who serve staggered, six year  
9   terms; and

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11          WHEREAS, 2015 Senate Bill 294 proposes to eliminate the Government Accountability  
12   Board and replace it with an Elections Commission, which would administer and supervise  
13   elections, and an Ethics Commission, which would administer and supervise ethics, campaign  
14   financing, and lobbying regulation; and

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16          WHEREAS, the proposed Elections Commission would consist of partisan leaders from  
17   the senate and assembly in addition to former municipal or county clerks; and

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19          WHEREAS, the proposed Ethics Commission would consist of partisan leaders from the  
20   senate and assembly; and

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22          WHEREAS, the dismantling of the Government Accountability Board could lead to  
23   corruption in elections, ethics, campaign financing, and lobby regulation based on the partisan  
24   make-up of the proposed Elections Commission and Ethics Commission.


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26          THEREFORE, be it resolved that the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors opposes  
27   2015 Senate Bill 294, which would dismantle the Government Accountability Board.


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29          FURTHER be it resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to all area legislators and  
30   all county clerks in Wisconsin.

**Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:**

Legal Note: None

Fiscal Impact: None.

  
Scott L. Cox, Corporation Counsel 10/16/2015

  
Robert Mittet, Interim Finance Director 10/16/2015

  
Patrick Thompson, County Administrator 10/16/2015

10/21/15 Administration Committee APPROVED

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Roy Sjoberg, Supervisor  
**SECONDER:** Jill Ann Berke, Supervisor  
**AYES:** Travis Schachtner, Roy Sjoberg, Jill Ann Berke, Judy Achterhof  
**EXCUSED:** Ron Kiesler

Vote Confirmation.

  
Travis Schachtner, Supervisor 10/22/2015

**St. Croix County Board of Supervisors Action:**

Roll Call - Vote Requirement – Majority of Supervisors Present

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [15 TO 2]  
**MOVER:** Travis Schachtner, Supervisor  
**SECONDER:** Christopher Babbitt, Supervisor  
**AYES:** Schachtner, Ring, Babbitt, Novotny, Sjoberg, Nelson, Berke, Larson, Hansen, Kiesler, Peterson, Anderson, Achterhof, Leibfried, Peavey  
**NAYS:** Chris Kilber, Andy Brinkman

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RESOLUTION# 15-11-9

Introduced by Judicial & Legislative Committee  
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ITEM# 5-1'

DATE November 10, 2015

Effective Date November 10, 2015

Motion:	Adopted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1 <sup>st</sup> <u>Hamilton</u>	Lost: <input type="checkbox"/>
2 <sup>nd</sup> <u>Leichtnam</u>	Tabled: <input type="checkbox"/>
No: <u>0</u> Yes: <u>19</u> Absent: <u>0</u>	
Number of votes required:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> Two-thirds
Reviewed by: <u>PAK</u> , Corp Counsel	
Reviewed by: _____, Finance Dir.	

LAD

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To support the implementation of the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act to reform the SSI asset limits in Wisconsin.

FISCAL NOTE: n/a

WHEREAS, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a Federal and State income supplement program funded by general tax revenues (not Social Security taxes); and

WHEREAS, the SSI program is designed to help aged, blind, and disabled people, who have little or no income; and

WHEREAS, the SSI program provides cash to meet basic needs for food, clothing and shelter; and

WHEREAS, the SSI program eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Anyone who is 65 and over, blind or disabled.
- Has limited income, resources, and is a US citizen or national; and

WHEREAS, the SSI program asset limits are as follows:

- Individual/Child is \$2,000/month.
- Couple is \$3,000/month; and

WHEREAS, the SSI asset limit was set in 1989 and has never been adjusted; and

WHEREAS, the asset level limits employment and savings options for recipients due to risk of losing Medicaid for health care coverage; and

WHEREAS, the SSI asset limits can prevent SSI recipients from saving for post-secondary education, home ownership, and retirement; and

WHEREAS, in December 2014 the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act was passed at the Federal level; and

WHEREAS, the ABLE Act allows individuals whose disability manifest before the age of 26 to be eligible to set up ABLE accounts that are tax-advantaged savings accounts where they can save \$14,000 per year and \$100,000 in total which will not affect eligibility for Medicaid, Wisconsin Long Term Programs and other public benefits; and

WHEREAS, each state is responsible for establishing and operating an ABLE program.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to support the implementation of the ABLE Act to reform the SSI asset limits in Wisconsin as soon as practicable.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS directs the County Clerk to forward this resolution to the office of the governor, assembly members and senators representing Wood County, Disability Rights Wisconsin, all Wisconsin counties, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

William & Clendenning  
Gerald Nelson  
Ed Wagner  
Bill Leichtnam  
Joseph Zurfluh  
Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 20 15  
Cynthia Copress  
County Clerk

BILL CLENDENNING (Chairman)

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November 5, 2015

Jon Dolson, County Clerk  
COUNTY OF SHEBOYGAN  
508 New York Avenue  
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Re: City of Plymouth--Changing Supervisory District Boundaries to Reflect the Annexation

Dear Mr. Dolson:

The City of Plymouth respectfully requests that the Sheboygan County Board amend its current Supervisory District Boundaries. On August 11, 2015, the City of Plymouth Common Council adopted an ordinance annexing territory from the Town of Plymouth to the City of Plymouth. I have attached a copy of Ordinance No. 2 of 2015 for your information.

As you will note, the annexed property was made part of election Ward 6 of the City of Plymouth. To accommodate this change, we are requesting that the Sheboygan County Board adopt an ordinance amending Supervisory District No. 15 to exclude the property annexed to the City of Plymouth and that Supervisory District No. 16 include the annexed property.

Please refer this request to the appropriate officials or committees for consideration. If there is any further information I may provide you, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Brian E. Yerges  
City of Plymouth Administrator/Utilities Manager

Enclosure

c: Roger Te Stroete, Sheboygan County Board Chair

