

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

**July 19, 2016**

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.11, the July 19, 2016 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Thomas Wegner at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Wegner noted that the notice of meeting was posted on July 15, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

The roll call was taken and recorded with 25 Supervisors present.

**Supervisor Winkel moved for approval of the June 21, 2016 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.

**PRESENTATIONS - NONE**

**PUBLIC ADDRESS**

1. Charles Born, W3224 State Highway 28, Sheboygan Falls – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
2. Dave Aldag, 4904 Baronwood Way, Sheboygan – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
3. Alan Rudnick, 611 Otto Way, Elkhart Lake – One-half Percent County Sales Tax.
4. Agnes Jackson, 3416 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Sheboygan – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
5. Kayla Gabrielse, N7867 Rangeline Road, Sheboygan – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
6. Briana Hesselink, 1163 Michigan Avenue, Oostburg – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
7. Micah Pearce, N4899 Linwood Lane, Sheboygan Falls – One-half Percent County Sales Tax (Cancelled request to speak 7/18/16)
8. Donald Pohlman, 130 North Bruns Avenue, Plymouth – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
9. Jay Hoogstra, N6133 Resource Drive, Sheboygan Falls – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
10. Glenn Lemmenes, N3567 State Road 32, Sheboygan Falls – One-half Percent County Sales Tax
11. John Belanger, 2622 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sheboygan – One-half Percent County Sales Tax

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Clerk presented a copy of a letter from the Town of Holland Chairman in support of the proposed one-half percent county sales tax. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a copy of a letter from Barbara Crosser, Plymouth in support of the proposed one-half percent county sales tax. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors urging the Governor and Legislature to agree upon sustainable funding for Wisconsin's transportation system. By Chairperson referred to the Transportation Committee.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Polk County Board of Supervisors authorizing a request to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue for a waiver from state mandated process concerning Act 261 (2015) and absentee ballots. By Chairperson referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors regarding Act 261 (2015) dealing with absentee ballots. By Chairperson referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors regarding Act 261 (2015) dealing with election night returns. By Chairperson referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk noted on the supervisors desks is a copy of the County's Comprehensive Annual Finance Report which will be presented by Schenck & Associates at the August 16, 2016 County Board meeting.

### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

County Administrator Adam Payne thanked and acknowledged all law enforcement officials, emergency responders and dispatchers for their bravery and public service. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the victims and their families in Dallas and Baton Rouge and those involved in the recent drowning's at the South Pier. Mr. Payne also addressed the County's Transportation Proposal and thanked staff for their role in gathering information, and the Transportation, Finance and Executive Committees' for their essential input and support. Mr. Payne also thanked the Heads of Local Government and the Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation for their support.

During County Administrator Payne's report, Supervisor Uraynar called a point of order on the grounds that the content of the report was outside of the scope of the agenda description. Chairperson Wegner denied her point. Supervisor Uraynar then appealed his decision but did not receive a second and Mr. Payne finished his report.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding Resolution No. 10 (2016/17) **Approving Easement for Sheboygan Water Utility at Esslingen Park** recommending adoption.

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

The Clerk read the report of the Joint Executive/Finance Committees regarding Ordinance No. 02 (2016/17) **Enacting One-half Percent County Sales Tax to Maintain Sheboygan County's Transportation Infrastructure** recommending amending as follows:

New Section 7.10 to be created as follows:

7.10 SEVEN-YEAR REVIEW. After January 1, 2024, at which time the sales and use tax will have been in place for seven (7) years, the County Administrator, together with the Finance Director and the Transportation Director, shall prepare a report to the County Board as to the amount of revenue received through the tax since its inception, the amount of debt service reduction realized since its inception, the impact that the tax revenue has had on the stated goal to maintain the County transportation system, the projected future transportation infrastructure needs after 2024, and such other aspects as may be deemed relevant. The report shall contain a recommendation as to whether this Chapter shall be continued and be presented to the County Board no later than June 1, 2024, so that the Board may act on the report's recommendations as it determines may be appropriate for implementation prior to the enactment of the budget for 2025.

The current Sections 7.10 and 7.11 are renumbered to 7.11 and 7.12.

And as so amended recommend the ordinance be enacted.

**Supervisor Koch moved to enact the ordinance as amended per the committee report.** Supervisor Te Stroete seconded the motion.

**Supervisor Otten moved to amend the ordinance as follows:** Lines 137 through 147 are amended to read as follows:

(2) The balance shall be assigned as revenue to the Transportation Department Highway Division in its annual budgets, for its use for **repair and reconstruction of roads and bridges** ~~maintaining and improving its transportation system and capital equipment.~~

**7.08 HIGHWAY CAPITAL BORROWING.** In consideration of receiving the sales and use tax revenues, no annual budget of the Transportation Department Highway Division shall include bonding capital projects ~~or capital equipment~~ related to road and bridge repairs, maintenance, or road and bridge reconstruction unless authorized by the County Board.

The motion was seconded by Supervisor Epping and was defeated on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 2, Supervisors Bauer, and Otten; Noes: 23.

**Ordinance No. 02 was enacted as amended on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 18; Noes: 7, Supervisors Bauer, Damp, Hilbelink, Marthenze, Ogea, Otten, and Uraynar.**

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 07 (2016/17) Approving Sale of .68-acre Parcel from Taylor Park Complex to Adjacent Property Owners** recommending adoption.

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

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 08 (2016/17) Authorizing Purchase of Properties at 616, 618, and 622 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Winkel moved to adopt the resolution.** Supervisor Damp seconded the motion which carried on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 22; Noes: 3, Supervisors Hoffmann, Otten, and Uraynar.

The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee regarding **Resolution No. 09 (2016/17) Authorizing Sale of Elkhart Lake Shed Property** recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Winkel moved to adopt the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 21; Noes: 4, Supervisors Bauer, Baumgart, Otten, and Uraynar.

(Vice-Chairperson Marthenze 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. 11 (2016/17) Re: Dissolving Loss Prevention Committee** referred to the Human Resources Committee.

**Resolution No. 12 (2016/17) Re: Authorizing Application for Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation Projects** referred to the Executive Committee.

**Resolution No. 13 (2016/17) Re: Authorizing Sheboygan County to Become a Member of the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Commission** referred to the Finance Committee.

**Resolution No. 14 (2016/17) Re: Approving Merger of Eastern Shores Library System with Mid-Wisconsin Library System** referred to the Executive Committee.

**Ordinance No. 03 (2016/17) Re: Changing Supervisory District Boundaries to Reflect Annexation** referred to the Executive Committee.

**Ordinance No. 04 (2016/17) Re: Amending Shoreland Ordinance in Section 30, Town of Wilson (.15 Acres of Property – Replacement of Existing Three-span Bridge on Marine Drive Over Barr Creek)** referred to the Executive Committee.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Supervisor Bemis moved to adjourn.** Supervisor Winkel seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.



**Resolution No. 32 (2016)  
RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT "JUST FIX IT" FOR  
STATEWIDE ROAD MAINTENANCE**

1           WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road  
2 miles in the state; and

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4           WHEREAS, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads as  
5 well as city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and

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7           WHEREAS, according to "Filling Potholes: A New Look at Funding Local  
8 Transportation in Wisconsin," commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin  
9 (LGI) the condition of Wisconsin's highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and

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11           WHEREAS, state funding for local roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with costs  
12 over the past several decades which has adversely affected local transportation finances.  
13 According to "Filling Potholes," municipal transportation spending has declined from \$275 per  
14 capita in 2000 to \$227 in 2012; and

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16           WHEREAS, Mass Transit Operating Aids and County Elderly and Disabled  
17 Transportation assistance programs are funded through the state gas tax and vehicle registration  
18 user fee systems. These programs are critical to ensuring that transportation services are  
19 delivered to vulnerable citizens. Proper funding for these programs helps ensure that all citizens  
20 have an opportunity to access the workplace as well as the marketplace; and

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22           WHEREAS, levy limits do not allow local governments to make up for the deterioration  
23 of state funding; and

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25           WHEREAS, Wisconsin's over-reliance on borrowing eats away at the state's segregated  
26 funding sources - the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees - which increasingly pay debt  
27 service rather than fund transportation needs; and

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29           WHEREAS, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across  
30 Wisconsin. Unfortunately, according to TRIP, a national non-profit transportation research  
31 group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and

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33           WHEREAS, the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors recognizes that our state highway  
34 and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role  
35 in the economy of Wisconsin. Both local *and* state roads need to be properly maintained in order  
36 for our economy to grow; and

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38           WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less  
39 than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle  
40 registration fees; and

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42 WHEREAS, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the  
43 Governor and Legislature clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the  
44 condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade.  
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46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Croix County Board of  
47 Supervisors urges the Governor and Legislature to "Just Fix It" and to agree upon a sustainable  
48 solution: one that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately  
49 and sustainably fund all of Wisconsin's transportation system, including a targeted fund increase  
50 for local units of Government. Furthermore, the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors directs  
51 the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators, Governor Scott Walker,  
52 Wisconsin Counties Association and the State of Wisconsin County Clerks.

**Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:**

**Legal Note:**

**Fiscal Impact:** This resolution lays the foundation for a positive future financial impact for most Wisconsin units of government.

  
Scott L. Cox, Corporation Counsel 6/16/2016

  
Robert Mittet, Finance Director 6/16/2016

  
Patrick Thompson, County Administrator 6/17/2016

06/13/16 Adopted  
06/13/16 Transportation Committee APPROVED AS AMENDED

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>	<b>Next: 7/5/2016 5:00 PM</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ryan S. Sicard, Supervisor	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	David Peterson, Supervisor	
<b>AYES:</b>	Sicard, Nelson, Ostness, Peterson, Peavey	

Vote Confirmation.

1 Polk County Board of Supervisors  
2 Resolution No. 25-16  
3 Resolution Authorizing Application for County Waiver from  
4 State Mandated Process Concerning Absentee Ballots

5 TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

6 Ladies and Gentlemen:

7 WHEREAS, on March 16, 2016, the Wisconsin Legislature enacted 2015 Wisconsin Act  
8 261, which amongst its provisions established a state mandate upon local municipal clerks to  
9 process absentee ballots pursuant to Sections 6.33(5)(a) and 6.36(1)(a) 13. and 14., which said  
10 sections read as follows:

11 Section 6. 33(5)(a) 2. :

12 "Except as provided in par. (b) and this paragraph, whenever a municipal  
13 clerk mails an absentee ballot to an elector or receives an in-person  
14 absentee ballot application or an absentee ballot the municipal clerk  
15 shall, no later than 48 hours after mailing an absentee ballot or receiving  
16 an in-person absentee ballot application or an absentee ballot, enter  
17 electronically on the list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1)  
18 the information required under that subsection or submit the  
19 information to the clerk's designee who shall, no later than 24 hours  
20 after receiving the information from the clerk, enter electronically on  
21 the list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1) the information  
22 required under that subsection. If a deadline under this subdivision falls  
23 on a Saturday or Sunday, the deadline is extended to the next business  
24 day."

25 Section 6.36 (1) (a) 13. and 14.:

26 "Official registration list. (1)(a) The commission shall compile and maintain  
27 electronically an official registration list." relief from sections:

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29 "13. A separate column indicating the date on which an elector applied to vote by  
30 in-person absentee ballot.

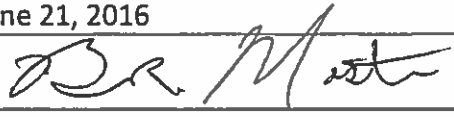
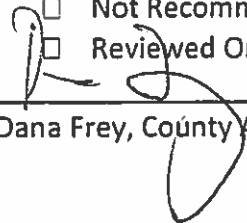

31 14. Separate columns indicating the date on which the clerk mailed an absentee ballot  
32 to an elector and the date on which the elector returned the absentee ballot."

33 WHEREAS the newly created mandate imposes unrealistic time constraints upon the  
 34 County Clerk in processing absentee ballots in that during the April 2016 election one quarter of  
 35 the 1100 absentee ballots were processed within statutory time constraints and absentee  
 36 ballots for the general election to be held in November 2016 are likely to increase three fold.

37 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 66.0143,  
 38 the Polk County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize on behalf of Polk County a request  
 39 to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue for a waiver from the state mandated process  
 40 concerning absentee as set forth in Wisconsin Statute Sections 6.35(5)(a)2., 6.36 (1)(a) 13., and  
 41 14.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to, as follows:

- 43 1. Prepare and Submit to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue the application for  
 44 local appeals for exemption from state mandate as authorized herein.
  
- 45 2. Distribute a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Government Accountability  
 46 Board, Wisconsin county clerks, the Wisconsin Legislators representing constituents  
 47 residing in Polk County, the Wisconsin County Clerks Association, the Wisconsin  
 48 Municipal Clerks Association, Wisconsin Towns Association, League of Wisconsin  
 49 Municipalities, and Wisconsin Counties Association.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	Upon passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	June 21, 2016
Submitted By:	 6/9/16
Review By County Administrator: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel



Acknowledgement of County Board Action

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2016, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. 25-16, Resolution Authorizing Application for County Waiver from State Mandated Process Concerning Absentee Ballots, as follows:

- Adopted by simple majority of the board of supervisors by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Adopted by unanimous vote.
- Defeated by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Defeated by voice vote.
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED BY:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dean Johansen, County Board Chairperson

Attest:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

CERTIFIED COPY OF POLK COUNTY RESOLUTION

STATE OF WISCONSIN

COUNTY OF POLK

I Carole T. Wondra, Polk County Clerk due hereby certify that the attached hereto and incorporated herein is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 25-16, adopted by the Polk County Board of supervisors at its regular business meeting held on June 21, 2016.

Carole T. Wondra      6-23-16

Carole T. Wondra, Polk County Clerk

Date

# ***RESOLUTION NO.: 14—2016-17***

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

***MAJORITY***

1 2015 Act 261 (2015 Senate Bill 295) was enacted March 16, 2016, and published  
2 March 17, 2016. 2015 Act 261 made changes to include electronic voter registration,  
3 verification of registrations, proof of residence for voting, electronic poll lists, election  
4 equipment approval, counting of absentee ballots, and other elections and campaign  
5 finance items. 2015 Act requires additional categories of information in the official  
6 registration list (WisVote System), which largely relate to absentee voting activity.  
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8 Under the Act, the official registration list must have separate columns indicating each of  
9 the following: (1) the date on which a voter applied to vote by in-person absentee ballot;  
10 (2) the date on which the clerk mailed an absentee ballot to a voter; (3) the date on which  
11 a voter returned the absentee ballot; (4) the polling location associated with each voter's  
12 address and ward or aldermanic district, if any; and (5) the mailing address for the  
13 municipal clerk associated with the polling location identified for a voter.  
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15 The Act also requires clerks to input the required absentee voting information into the  
16 official registration list within a specified period of time. A clerk must enter or submit to  
17 the clerk's designee the information identified in (1), (2), and (3) above, as well as other  
18 required information about the voter, within 48 hours after mailing the absentee ballot,  
19 receiving the in-person absentee ballot application, or receiving the returned absentee  
20 ballot. If the information is submitted by the clerk to a designee, the clerk's designee  
21 must enter the information within 24 hours after receiving it from the clerk. If the deadline  
22 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then the deadline is extended to the next business day.  
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24 The Outagamie County Clerk is a provider of WisVote System services for 19  
25 municipalities within Outagamie County. WisVote Memorandum of Understanding  
26 (MOU) with the 19 municipalities was approved for the 2016-2017 election cycle by  
27 Resolution No. 108—2015-2016. The WisVote MOUs were signed by all 19  
28 municipalities. As part of the WisVote MOUs for services, the agreements state the  
29 following: "This Memorandum of Understanding will not require the County Clerk to  
30 track the absentee voting process through SVRS/WisVote, in the event such is required  
31 by the State of Wisconsin."  
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33 With the enactment of 2015 Act 261, immediately prior to the April 5, 2016, election, the  
34 Wisconsin Government Accountability Board (GAB) urged providers of WisVote  
35 services to enable fulfillment of the absentee tracking service for the April 5, 2016,  
36 despite that MOUs might not require the service for those municipalities (reliers).  
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38 The Outagamie County Clerk met with administration, reporting anticipated county clerk  
39 labor costs, difficulties with enablement of timely communication between  
40 provider/reliers, relier clerk issues with enablement of WisVote training/self-provision of  
41 absentee tracking in the compressed timeframe, issues relative to relier  
42 broadband/internet service, relier hardware/software challenges, and relier issues with

1 staffing. From the meeting, a decision was reached to comply with GAB's request to  
2 enter in absentee data into WisVote for the April 5, 2016, election. However, the timing  
3 deadline of 24 hour data entry from receipt of relier absentee information was not met  
4 approximately 30% of the time in entering in the data by the Outagamie County Clerk's  
5 staff for the 19 municipalities.  
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7 Outagamie County municipal clerks, who provide their own WisVote services within  
8 their municipalities, were surveyed by the Outagamie County Clerk about the challenges  
9 with Act 261 absentee tracking with the fall partisan elections, most notably the  
10 November 8, 2016, General Election, when voter turnout will be closer to 100% of  
11 registered voters and absentee voters will be approximately five times what was  
12 experienced in the April 5, 2016 election. The survey respondents reported staffing  
13 challenges faced by provider clerks with other required deadlines.  
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15 The Outagamie County Clerk reported estimated costs associated with providing  
16 WisVote absentee tracking services for the remaining 2016 elections for the 19 reliers.  
17 The estimate is approximately \$12,000 to enable sufficient labor to meet the 24 hour data  
18 entry requirement for a providing entity to enter absentee activity within WisVote. The  
19 estimate may not be sufficient and feasibility to provide deadline required service for the  
20 November 8, 2016, is being reported by the Outagamie County Clerk.  
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22 Previous to the required tracking of absentee information in WisVote, clerks not utilizing  
23 WisVote, were required to keep a paper log of the absentee voter request, when the  
24 absentee ballot was mailed to the absentee voter, and when the ballot was received from  
25 the absentee voter by the municipal clerk. Additionally, clerks were required to make  
26 notations on the poll lists of voters who were mailed an absentee ballot. The required  
27 data entry of absentee ballot information into WisVote enables some efficiency with the  
28 data being entered prior to the printing of poll books and enables efficiency with  
29 reconciling voter participation. However, the deadlines required in the new legislation do  
30 not allow for batching information, are especially problematic for rural municipalities  
31 with no sufficient internet/broadband service, and requires additional labor for all  
32 municipal clerks to ensure compliance with the law.  
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34 This resolution supports repealing 2015 Act 261 requirement that absentee voter/ballot  
35 tracking activity be entered into WisVote within a certain time frame. The WisVote  
36 absentee ballot tracking deadline, for both provider and relier clerks, is not feasible with  
37 current staffing and in some municipalities with infrastructure (no reliable  
38 broadband/internet service), will cost all election administration entities additional  
39 labor/funding, and requires an additional election deadline during a timeframe when other  
40 election activity is vitally more important for elections.  
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42 NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Finance Committee and Legislative/Audit  
43 and Human Resources Committee recommend adoption of the following resolution.

44 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does support the repealing  
45 of Wisconsin Statutes 6.33(5)(a) 2. language that reads, "no later than 48 hours after mailing an absentee

1 ballot or receiving an in-person absentee ballot application or an absentee ballot,” and “no later than 24  
2 hours after receiving the information from the clerk,” and

3 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy  
4 of this resolution to the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, Wisconsin county clerks,  
5 Lobbyist Mark Wadium, Outagamie County state legislators, and municipal clerks within Outagamie  
6 County.

7 Dated this 14~~th~~ day of June, 2016.

8 Respectfully submitted,

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10 FINANCE COMMITTEE &  
11 LEGISLATIVE/AUDIT & HUMAN RESOURCES  
12 COMMITTEE  
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16 Kevin Sturn

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18 Kathy Groat

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20 James Pfeuss

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22 Nadine Miller

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24 Peter Stueck

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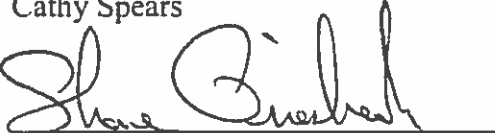
26 Travis Thyssen

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28 Cathy Spears

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30 Matthew Strenn

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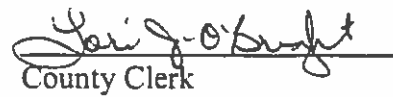
32 Shane Griesbach

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34 Justin Krueger

35 Duly and officially adopted by the County Board on: June 14, 2016

36 Signed:   
37 Board Chairperson

38 Signed:   
39 County Clerk

40 Approved: 6/16/16

41 Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

42 Signed:   
43 County Executive

## *RESOLUTION NO.: 15—2016-17*

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

*MAJORITY*

1        2015 Act 261 (2015 Senate Bill 295) was enacted March 16, 2016, and published  
2        March 17, 2016. 2015 Act 261 made changes to include electronic voter registration,  
3        verification of registrations, proof of residence for voting, electronic poll lists, election  
4        equipment approval, counting of absentee ballots, and other elections and campaign  
5        finance items. 2015 Act 261 requires that “on election night the [county] clerk shall post  
6        all returns, by ward or reporting unit, on an Internet site maintained by the county no later  
7        than 2 hours after receiving the returns.” The Wisconsin Statutes had previously required  
8        county clerks to post all returns, but the new provision has raised questions regarding the  
9        interpretation of “all returns.”

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11        Outagamie County is one of several counties whose election night returns are called in  
12        from the election inspectors/clerks. Outagamie County election equipment throughout  
13        the county, except for the Village of Wrightstown, is not capable of modeming in  
14        unofficial election returns, which would enable returns of all races/referenda being  
15        counted to be reported. Outagamie County utilizes the Planning Department’s staff and  
16        the Esri GIS program to report election night returns, which enables written reports and  
17        individual maps for each contest race/referenda. If “all returns” is interpreted as “all”  
18        school and municipal contests/local referenda, staffing requirements for both the county  
19        clerk’s office on election night and Planning Department labor to enter in additional  
20        municipal/school contests/referenda will in some cases double the requirements. The  
21        costs would especially be larger in the Spring elections when municipal and school races  
22        normally occur.

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24        Reporting school/municipal races within one county does not provide sufficient data for  
25        the determination of unofficial results. Numerous school districts and municipalities  
26        cross county lines in Outagamie County and other counties across Wisconsin. Finally,  
27        municipal and school official results are determined by those entities’ canvasses, not via  
28        the county canvass. Therefore, reporting unofficial results will not provide results of the  
29        final outcome of those contests/referenda.

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31        This resolution supports the definition of the election night returns to be reported at the  
32        county level to include county unofficial election returns relative to those races/referenda  
33        that the county canvass will review.

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35        NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Finance Committee and Legislative/Audit  
36        and Human Resources Committee recommend adoption of the following resolution.

37        BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does support definition in  
38        Wisconsin Statutes of reporting election night returns at the county level to include only county  
39        unofficial election returns relative to those races/referenda that the county canvass will review, and

1 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy  
2 of this resolution to the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, Wisconsin county clerks,  
3 Lobbyist Mark Wadium, Outagamie County state legislators, and municipal clerks within Outagamie  
4 County.

5 Dated this 14~~th~~ day of June, 2016

6 Respectfully submitted,

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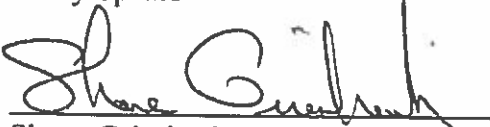
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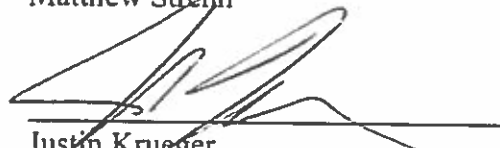
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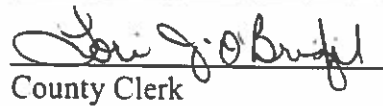
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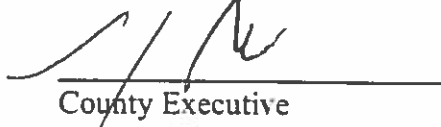
50 Duly and officially adopted by the County Board on: June 14, 2016

51 Signed:   
52 Board Chairperson

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54 County Clerk

55 Approved: 6.16.16

56 Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

57 Signed:   
58 County Executive