

**COUNTY OF RACINE
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Janet Bernberg, Chairman
Thomas Roanhouse, Vice Chairman
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Secretary

Supervisor John A. Wisch
Supervisor Scott Maier
Supervisor Tom Kramer
Supervisor Eric Hillery

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**NOTICE OF MEETING
OF THE
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

DATE: TUESDAY, December 17, 2019

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: AUDITORIUM
IVES GROVE OFFICE COMPLEX
14200 WASHINGTON AVENUE
STURTEVANT, WI 53177

AGENDA

1. Public Comments
2. Chairman Comments
3. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s).
4. Old Business
5. New Business
 - a. Pam Larson: YIG Update
6. Referrals from The County Board
 - a. Resolution No. 2019-98 By Individual Supervisors To Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum On Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure For The Preparation Of Legislative And Congressional Redistricting Plans And Maps
 - b. Resolution (2019-23) Florence County (2nd Amendments Rights)
 - c. Resolution (2019-20) Sawyer County. (Nonpartisan Procedure for Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans)
 - d. Resolution Number (67-19) Washburn County: Clerk of Courts and Register in Probate Offices Charge for Court Costs, Fees and Surcharges
7. Reports
 - a. Report No. 2019-37 Lakeshores Library System (Appointment) Jane Brossard
8. Adjournment

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2019

AUDITORIUM
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Chairman Bernberg called the meeting of the Government Services Committee to order at 6:03p.m.

The meeting was attended by Supervisors: Roanhouse, Kaprelian-Becker, Wisch, Kramer, Youth Rep Dunk Chapman..

Excused: Maier

Absent: Morocco

Also Attending: Liam Doherty Project Manager, MT Boyle, Supervisor Trottier and County Board Chair Russell Clark

1 – Public Comments The following members of the community spoke in favor of Resolution No. 2019-xx By Individual Supervisors to Conduct a Countywide Advisory Referendum on Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans and Maps. Susan Sheldon, Mary Ann Staupe, Pat Hahn, Patricia Hoffman, John Scott, Timothy Daley, Michael Frontier, Sr. Jean Verber, Joel Jacobsen and Mr. Sullivan.

2 – Chairman Comments Chairman Bernberg announced that Resolution No. 2019-xx By Individual Supervisors to Conduct a Countywide Advisory Referendum on Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans and Maps would be sent back to the County Board. She explained that it fell out of order and needed to start in the County Board as a whole.

Supervisor Kaprelian-Becker with the assistance of Supervisor Kramer yielded the floor to Supervisor Trottier who spoke in support of the resolution for expungement of records.

Supervisor Wisch and Roanhouse expressed their concern about the timeliness and when the content of agendas is being released.

3 – Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)

Action: To approve the minutes from the September 17, 2019 meeting as printed. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Kaprelian-Becker Seconded: Supervisor Wisch Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth Vote: Aye.

4 - Old Business

None.

5 – New Business

- a. Presentation by Supervisor Kaprelian-Becker and Supervisor Trottier regarding Expungement of Criminal Records for People Under 25
Joe Peter Anthony from the Wisconsin Policy Forum gave background to how the Expungement of Criminal Records for People Under 25 came about. In speaking to groups about barriers to employment criminal records came up. It was decided for a clean path to employment anyone with low level, nonviolent class H and class I felonies would be eligible. Joe went over the five options of to expand eligibility for expungement. Mr. Anthony answered questions from the committee.
- b. Resolution No. 2019-xx By Individual Supervisors to Conduct a Countywide Advisory Referendum on Creation of Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans and Maps for anticipated 1st & 2nd Reading at the December 3, 2019 County Board meeting

Action: Approve appointment forward to County Board

Motion passed: Moved Supervisor

Seconded: Supervisor

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

Youth Vote: Aye.

6- Referrals from the County Board:

- a. RESOLUTION (2019-57) RESOLUTION BY THE INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 33 RELATING TO THE EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL

CONVICTION AND NON-CONVICTION RECORD. 1ST AND 2ND READING AT THE DECEMBER 3, 2019 COUNTY BOARD MEETING.

Supervisor Kramer asked that they attach Senate Bill 39 to the Assembly Bill 33 when forwarding the Resolution, to the County Board. It was agreed upon and the Resolution Passed 4-0 with Supervisor Wisch abstaining.

Action: Approve appointment forward to County Board.

Motion passed: Moved Supervisor Kaprelian-Becker Seconded: Supervisor Kramer
Vote: Ayes Bernberg, Kaprelian-Becker, Roanhouse and Kramer No Nays. Youth Vote: Aye.
Abstain: Wisch

- b. Resolution (72-2019-20) Outagamie County: Forward Analytics, population and workforce trends in Wisconsin.

Approved and Filed

Action: Approve appointment forward to County Board.

Motion passed: Moved Supervisor Wisch Seconded: Supervisor Kramer Vote: All Ayes,
No Nays. Youth Vote: Aye

- c. Resolution (84-2019-20) Outagamie County supporting requirement for Department of Revenue to post information related to determination of utility aid payments.

Approved and Filed

Action: Approve appointment forward to County Board.

Motion passed: Moved Supervisor Wisch Seconded: Supervisor Kramer Vote: All Ayes,
No Nays. Youth Vote: Aye

#8 Adjournment

Action: To adjourn the meeting at 7:30p.m. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Wisch Seconded:
Supervisor Kramer Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth Vote: Aye.

December 3, 2019

REPORT NO. 2019-37

**REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAKING A REAPPOINTMENT
TO THE LAKESHORES LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

The term of a member of the Lakeshores Library System Board of Trustees is due to expire on December 31, 2019. Ms. Brossard has been a valuable member of this board and has expressed an interest in continuing to serve. I hereby appoint, for a term to expire on December 31, 2022:

JANE BROSSARD
206 S. River Street
Waterford, WI 53185

I ask that you confirm this reappointment.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Delagrave
County Executive

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Resolution 2019 – 23

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms is guaranteed as an Individual Right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, Article 1, Section 25 – “The people have the right to keep and bear arms for security, defense, hunting, recreation or any other lawful purpose”

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms for defense of Life, Liberty, and Property is regarded as an Inalienable Right by the People of Florence County, Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, the People of Florence County, Wisconsin derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within Florence County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, Florence County Board, being elected to represent the People of Florence County and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin House of Representatives and the Wisconsin Senate, being elected by the People of the State of Wisconsin and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, any legislation considered by the Wisconsin State Legislature that would infringe the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and would ban the possession and use of any firearms, magazines, ammunition or body armor now employed by individual citizens of Florence County for defense of Life, Liberty and Property or would

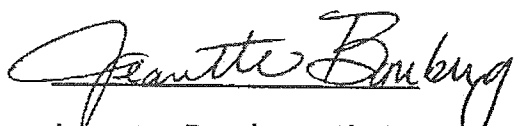
require a firearms owner I.D. card or tax the possession of firearms or ammunition within Florence County, Wisconsin;

Be it resolved the people of Florence County, Wisconsin hereby declare it to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.

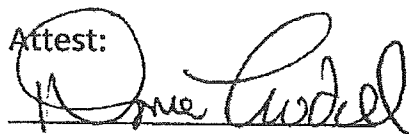
Be it further resolved the People of Florence County, Wisconsin affirms its support of the Sheriff to exercise sound discretion to not enforce against any citizen an unconstitutional firearms law.

Be it further resolved that the Florence County Board will not appropriate any funds for any enforcement of unconstitutional laws against the People of Florence County, Wisconsin.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the People of Florence County, Wisconsin, do hereby oppose the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the Right of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful legislative authority.


Jeanette Bomberg, Chairperson,

Attest:



Donna Trudell, County Clerk

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WENDY M. CHRISTENSEN
RACINE COUNTY CLERK

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Resolution #2019 - 50

RESOLUTION BY THE SAWYER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Nonpartisan Procedure for Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans Supported.

WHEREAS, currently under the state constitution, the legislature is directed to redistrict legislative districts according to the number of inhabitants at its next session following the decennial federal census by the majority party; and at the same intervals, the legislature also reapportions congressional districts pursuant to federal law, and

WHEREAS, legislative and congressional redistricting plans enacted pursuant to this procedure are used to elect members of the legislature and members of congress in the fall of the second year following the year of the census, and

WHEREAS, historically, legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have been subject to partisan influence that put the desires of politicians ahead of the electoral prerogative of the people, and

WHEREAS, the 2011 process to draw the maps and fight litigation contesting those maps cost taxpayers nearly \$1.9 million and

WHEREAS, a panel of federal district court judges has ruled that the redistricting that was done in Wisconsin in 2011 was unconstitutional, and

WHEREAS, redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is done by Republicans or Democrats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors insists upon the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans.

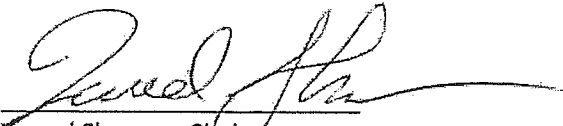
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the process promotes more accountability and transparency and prohibits the consideration of voting patterns, party information, and incumbents' residence information or demographic information in drawing the maps, except as necessary to ensure minority participation as required by the U.S. Constitution.

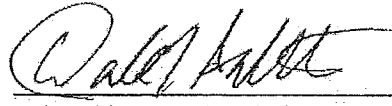
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Wisconsin Towns Association, the Wisconsin League of Municipalities, all members of the state legislature, and to each Wisconsin county.

Recommended for adoption by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on November 12, 2019 by the Sawyer County Administration Committee this 7th day of November, 2019.

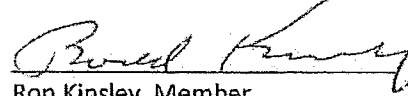
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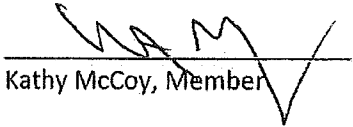
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Tweed Shuman, Chairman


Dale Schleeter, Vice Chair

Brian Bisonette, Member


Ron Kinsley, Member


Kathy McCoy, Member

This Resolution is hereby adopted by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors this 12th day of November, 2019.


Tweed Shuman, Sawyer County Board of Supervisors Chairman

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Resolution No. 67-19

CLERK OF COURTS AND REGISTER IN PROBATE OFFICES CHARGE FOR COURT COSTS, FEES AND SURCHARGES

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To encourage the Wisconsin legislature to revise the statutes for a consistent charge for court costs, fees, and surcharges in the offices of the Clerk of Courts and Register in Probate.

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 814 covers court costs, fees, and surcharges. Subsection 814.66 applies to the office of the Register in Probate. Probate and Juvenile Court handles other case types for which fees are not covered in Sec. 814.66 or other statutes. The result is cases filed with the court without a filing fee; and

WHEREAS, some fees and costs collected by the probate office are different from fees collected by the Clerk of Court for the same items. This can cause confusion. Different fees and costs for an identical item seem inappropriate; and

WHEREAS, employees of the Clerk of Court and Register in Probate are all county employees, usually working in proximity to the court, if not in the same office using the same equipment. The employees use CCAP provided computers and printers as well as county provided copiers. There is no discernable difference in these two offices related to copying and issuing certificates; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature should revise the statutes for consistency. Require fees and costs charged by the Clerk of Court and Register in Probate to be the same for the same item or service. Require fees for probate and juvenile court as indicated below:

Probate Copy Fees increase from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per page

Probate Certification of Document Fees increase from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per document; and

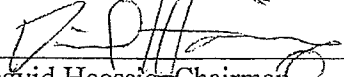
WHEREAS, the Judicial and Legislative Committee supports revising the statutes to collect fees and costs associated with probate cases and juvenile court proceedings as outlined herein.


NOW, THEREFORE, THE WASHBURN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to support the Wisconsin Register in Probate Association in its efforts to revise Wisconsin Statutes consistent with the resolution and further urges the Legislature to revise and amend the related statutes to further consistency between the fee structures outlined in the statutes.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, all members of the State Legislature, and to each Wisconsin County.


Fiscal Impact: Minimal increase in fees collected

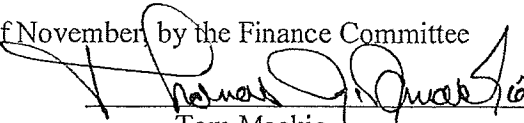
Recommended for Adoption on this 7th day of November by the Finance Committee


David Haessig, Chairman

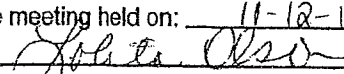

Chris Thompson, Vice Chair


David Masterjohn


Linda Featherly


Tom Mackie

Motion: Haessig Second: Quinn
(Voice) (Roll) vote: Yes X No

I, Lolita Olson, as County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the County of Washburn at the meeting held on: 11-12-19


RESOLUTION NO. 2019-98

RESOLUTION BY INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISORS TO CONDUCT COUNTYWIDE ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON CREATION OF NONPARTISAN PROCEDURE FOR THE PREPARATION OF LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING PLANS AND MAPS

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, the Racine County Board of Supervisors on August 28, 2018, passed Resolution No. 2018-46 calling for nonpartisan legislative and congressional redistricting maps; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 3 of the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Legislature is directed to redistrict state legislative districts "according to the number of inhabitants" at its next session following the decennial federal census. The legislature also reapportions congressional districts at the same interval pursuant to federal law; and

WHEREAS, the practice of redistricting by the majority party stifles political participation and competition, discourages collaboration and compromise, ensures continued control by the party in power, and lacks the fairness necessary to our democratic process, by undermining the principle of one-person-one vote; and

WHEREAS, the current procedure allows the legislature of the majority party to prepare redistricting plans and maps that may result in unfair partisan plans and maps, allowing the legislature to choose its voters rather than the voters choosing their representatives, which is commonly called gerrymandering.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Racine County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve that the following question be placed on the April 7, 2020 ballot as an advisory referendum question:

Question: Should the Wisconsin legislature create a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional district plans and maps?

YES _____ NO _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Corporation Counsel prepare a Notice of Referendum to be published by the Racine County Clerk in accordance with statutory requirements; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and the referendum shall be filed with the Racine County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the election at which the question will appear on the ballot; and

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4 **BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Clerk is directed to send
5 results of the referendum to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin
6 Counties Association, the Wisconsin Towns Association, the Wisconsin League of
7 Municipalities, all members of the state legislature, and to each Wisconsin County
8 Board.

9 Respectfully submitted,

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INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISORS

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Fabi Maldonado

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15 BOARD ACTION
16 Adopted _____
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Janet Bernberg

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21 Don Trottier

22 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority
23 Prepared by: Corporation Counsel

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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: _____
Vetoed: _____

Date: _____,

Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive