

**COUNTY OF RACINE  
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Chairman  
Scott Maier, Vice Chairman  
Nick Demske, Secretary  
Supervisor Emily Lawrence

Supervisor John A. Wisch  
Supervisor Fabi Maldonado  
Supervisor Steve Smetana

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

DATE: TUESDAY, July 21, 2020  
TIME: 6:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Join Virtual Meeting by Video or by Phone

Video:

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**A G E N D A**

1. Public Comments
2. Chairman Comments
3. New Business
  - a. Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)
  - b. Report No. 2020-24 Report By The County Executive Making An Appointment To The Local Emergency Planning Committee
  - c. Resolution No. 2020-43 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
4. Communication Referrals from The County Board
  - a. Resolution No. 10-2020 Crawford County (To Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum On Creation Of A Nonpartisan Procedure For The Preparation Of Legislative And Congressional Redistricting Plans And Maps)
  - b. Resolution No. 34 Dunn County (To Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum On Creation Of A Nonpartisan Procedure For The Preparation Of Legislative And Congressional Redistricting Plans And Maps)
  - c. Resolution No. 14-06-20 Waushara County (Supporting the Commitment To Veterans Support And Outreach (CVSO) Act)
5. Adjournment

July 14, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-43**

**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**, there are numerous indicators that the citizens of Wisconsin are concerned about the practice of redistricting by whichever party holds the majority, because it may stifle political participation and competition, discourage collaboration and compromise, and lack 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 November 3, 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,

10 **INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISORS**

11 1st Reading \_\_\_\_\_

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13 2nd Reading \_\_\_\_\_

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15 Nick Demske

16 **BOARD ACTION**

17 Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

18 For \_\_\_\_\_

19 Against \_\_\_\_\_

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21 Donald J. Trottier

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23 Fabi Maldonado

24 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority  
25 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**

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DATE: TUESDAY, June 16, 2020

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Join Virtual Meeting by Video or by Phone

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**\*\*\* A M E N D E D \*\*\*  
A G E N D A**

1. Public Comments
2. Chairman Comments
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4. New Business
  - a. Presentation from Sheriff Christopher Schmaling: General overview of the Racine County Sheriff's Office and of the duties and responsibilities of County Sheriff
5. Adjournment

July 14, 2020

**REPORT NO. 2020-24**

**REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT  
TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

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

A vacancy exists on the Local Emergency Planning Committee due to a board member's retirement. To fill the remainder of this term and appoint for an additional term, I hereby appoint, for a term to expire on September 30, 2022:

**LT. BRIAN PHILLIPS**  
Racine Fire Department  
810 – 8th Street  
Racine, WI 53403

I ask that you confirm this appointment.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Delagrave  
County Executive

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RESOLUTION NO. 10-2020

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

WHEREAS, the Crawford County Board of Supervisors on February 19, 2019 unanimously passed a resolution 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 current 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Crawford County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve that the following question be placed on the November 3, 2020 General Election 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 \_\_\_\_\_

A YES vote indicates that you agree with creating a nonpartisan procedure for creating redistricting plans and maps.

A NO vote indicates that you disagree with creating a nonpartisan procedure for creating redistricting plans and maps.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and the referendum be filed with the Crawford County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the November 3, 2020 election at which the question will appear on the ballot.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send results of the referendum 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 Board.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Duane Rogers
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Greg Russell

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CLERK
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DUNN COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
RESOLUTION NO. 34

**To Conduct a Countywide Advisory Referendum on the Creation of a  
Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and  
Congressional Redistricting Plans and Maps**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, 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, because state and federal legislative redistricting is controlled by the majority party at the time of the redistricting, legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have been subject to partisan influence that puts the desires of politicians ahead of the electoral prerogative of the people. Redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is done by Republicans or Democrats; and

WHEREAS, the state and congressional districts belong to the citizens of Wisconsin and not to any legislator, interest group or political party. The redistricting process should not be a tool used by those in power to protect and bolster their power, but should be designed with the best interest of Wisconsin's democracy and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's historical practice of redistricting by the majority party in each legislative chamber is an outdated practice that stifles political competition, discourages compromise, ensures continued control by the party in power, and lacks the transparency necessary to reinforce citizens' faith in the democratic process; and

WHEREAS, a non-partisan process would promote accountability and transparency and prohibit 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; and

WHEREAS, there is a critical need at this time to restore trust, compromise and fair competition to Wisconsin politics;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dunn 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 Dunn County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve and direct that the following question be placed on the November 3, 2020, Fall election 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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20 JUN 24 AM 8:01  
CLERK  
DUNN COUNTY CLERK



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 Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee on Administration is directed to transfer funds needed to conduct this referendum from the Contingency line item of the General Fund Budget to the appropriate line item(s) for expenditure.

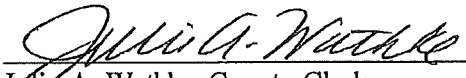
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OFFERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

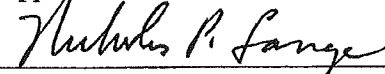
Adopted on: June 17, 2020

  
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David Bartlett, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Julie A. Wathke, County Clerk

Approved as to Form and Execution:

  
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Nicholas P. Lange, Corporation Counsel

**Budget Impact:** Approval of this resolution will result in expenditures in the 2020 adopted budget that have not yet been appropriated. Costs for election equipment programming, ballot printing, and publication, are estimated at \$8,050.00.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 14-06-20  
SUPPORTING THE COMMITMENT TO VETERANS SUPPORT  
AND OUTREACH (CVSO) ACT**

WHEREAS, the number of veteran suicides has continued to rise nationwide. Approximately 14 of the 20 veterans who die by suicide are not under Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) care. This is a public health crisis that requires a national approach where the veterans are located; and

WHEREAS, County Veterans Service Officers (CVSOs) are often the first point of contact in the community for veteran's services and they provide assistance on a wide range of benefits, including service-connected benefits, enrollment in VA health care, VA home loans, education benefits and available job placement assistance; and

WHEREAS, veterans are not always aware of available benefits, and CVSOs are often the first to inform veterans of their eligibility. CVSOs are county employees who are nationally accredited by the VA to prepare, present and prosecute VA claims. Currently there is no federal funding available for CVSOs; and

WHEREAS, there is currently pending in Congress legislation known as the "Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act" (CVSO Act) that authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with States or to award grants to States to promote health and wellness, prevent suicide, and improve outreach to veterans. The CVSO Act will authorize \$50 Million annually for five years to expand and support CVSOs or similar local entities who currently assist veterans in obtaining over \$50 Billion in benefits annually.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waushara County Board of Supervisors does hereby support pending legislation in the United States Congress known as the "Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act (CVSO Act) which authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with States or to award grants to States to promote health and wellness, prevent suicide, and improve outreach to veterans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Waushara County Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to all Wisconsin Counties, The Waushara County Veterans Service Officer, The State of Wisconsin Department of Veteran's Affairs; The National Association of Counties (NaCo) and the National Association of County Veterans Service Officers (NACVSO).

**Resolution No. 14-06-20**

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MENDI A. CHRISTENSEN  
WAUSHARA COUNTY CLERK


**Resolution No. 14-06-20**

Ayes \_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_ ~~A~~ Voice Vote

Approved and adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020.

Denied this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.


Approved as to Form:

  
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Ruth Zouski  
Corporation Counsel


Submitted by:

  
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Mike Kapp, Chair  
Veterans Service Committee

Attest:

  
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Megan Kapp  
Waushara County Clerk

Signed by:

  
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Donna R. Kalata, Chair  
Waushara County Board of Supervisors