Resolution No. 24-07/17

Opposing Changes to County Shoreland Zoning Proposed in the State of Wisconsin 2017-2019 Budget Bill

Moved/Sponsored by: Land Conservation Committee

WHEREAS, Shoreland Zoning is an important tool for counties to maintain safe, clean lakes and the economic, recreational and tourism benefits they provide to residents and visitors to the State of Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, Walworth County has a long history of providing protection of its resources through tools such as Shoreland Zoning; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of and visitors to the State of Wisconsin and Walworth County enjoy and expect a high standard of lake protection consistent with a long history of protection; and,

WHEREAS, the State Legislature continues to erode lake protection with changes to Shoreland Zoning laws with each new biennial budget bill; and,

WHEREAS, any proposal to change the current statutory requirement of counties to adopt Shoreland Zoning should be made in a stand-alone bill, not in the budget bill, so that it can be vetted on its own merits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors does hereby; oppose any changes to the current statutory structure mandating that counties adopt Shoreland Zoning regulations and further supports a return to allowing counties to have more restrictive standards than the State minimums.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to our state legislative representatives and the Governor of the State of Wisconsin.

Nancy Russell
County Board Chair

County Board Meeting Date: July 11, 2017

Action Required: Majority Vote X Two-thirds Vote 

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.

Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

David A. Bretl Date
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel

Nicole Andersen Date
Deputy County Administrator - Finance

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.
Resolution No. 27-09/17
Supporting Proposed Legislation Permitting Inmates Confined to County Jails under a Department of Corrections Contract to Leave the Facility to Participate in Employment-Related Activities

Moved/Sponsored by: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, legislation has been proposed to allow the Department of Corrections to contract with county jails to send inmates back to their county of origin to participate in local work release or other approved programs; and,

WHEREAS, the intention is to allow inmates with a good record of behavior and completion of training programs that are close to their release date to return to their county of origin, establish a relationship with a local employer, and ease the overall process of re-entry upon release; and,

WHEREAS, participation would be optional for county sheriffs, tribal jails and houses of correction; and,

WHEREAS, if county sheriffs, tribal jails and houses of correction choose to participate, the contractual obligations of the Department of Corrections and the county would be articulated in a memorandum of understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Walworth County Board of Supervisors hereby supports proposed legislation permitting inmates confined to county jails, county houses of correction or tribal jails under a Department of Corrections contract to leave the facility to participate in employment-related activities or other approved programs designated by the Department of Corrections in its contract with the local unit of government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Walker, the Walworth County Legislative delegation, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

County Board Meeting Date: September 5, 2017

Action Required: Majority Vote X Two-thirds Vote Other

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.
Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.