



Portage County Clerk

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CERTIFICATION

I, Shirley M. Simonis, Clerk of the County of Portage, Wisconsin do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2018-2020
RE: SUPPORT FOR CENTRAL SANDS
GROUNDWATER COUNTY COLLABORATIVE

which was considered by the County Board by a vote of:

24 for

_____ against

_____ abstained

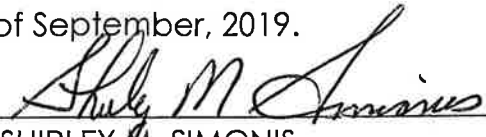
_____ absent

1 excused Supervisor Splinter

_____ vacant

at an Adjourned Session of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, held on the 17th day of September, 2019, and recorded in the minutes of said meeting, a quorum of members being present.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the County of Portage, Wisconsin, this 19th day of September, 2019.


SHIRLEY M. SIMONIS
Portage County Clerk (SEAL)

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2018-2020

TO: THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

RE: SUPPORT FOR CENTRAL SANDS GROUNDWATER COUNTY COLLABORATIVE

WHEREAS, good quality groundwater in sufficient quantity is a basic resource that all citizens and businesses in the State of Wisconsin, as well as Portage County, rely upon; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and businesses of our great State and County expect State government to monitor and protect the groundwater in our State in such a way that we may all prosper; and

WHEREAS, County Land and Water Conservation Departments, Public Health Departments, UW Madison-Extension Departments, and County Board Supervisors in the Central Sands area of Adams, Juneau, Marquette, Portage, Waushara, Wood and Sauk Counties have joined together to form the Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative (CSGCC); and

WHEREAS, the CSGCC is to work to meet the present and future needs for safe, high quality, reliable and sustainable drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the County officials and partnering organizations of CSGCC are collaborating through collective research, data management, education, and community outreach to address the current and emerging human and environmental health challenges of groundwater management in this region; and

WHEREAS, the CSGCC has identified three primary strategies to assure safe drinking water for residents of and visitors to our communities; and

WHEREAS, CSGCC seeks to understand current groundwater conditions by developing a sampling strategy to collect baseline water quality information across the counties in the Central Sands Region. This information will be used to identify areas with elevated nitrate levels. In areas considered "hot spots," further analysis will be conducted to evaluate likely sources of nitrate contamination; and

WHEREAS, CSGCC seeks to gain a uniform understanding of methods to prevent nitrogen contamination in groundwater based on information from previous studies conducted in the central sands and similar settings; and

WHEREAS, CSGCC seeks to understand where areas most vulnerable to groundwater contamination exist to guide the development and use of ordinances, practices, and other preventative responses for land use; and

WHEREAS, participating Counties alone are unable to completely fund this project. Financial support will be sought to assure the safety of groundwater in the Central Sands Region.

FISCAL NOTE: There are no fiscal obligations for the County associated with this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors does hereby support County staff participation in the activities of the CSGCC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors respectfully request State funding to carry out the strategies to address groundwater issues in an environmentally sensitive and economically responsible manner. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to all State Legislators representing constituents in Portage County and the Portage County Townships.

DATED THIS 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2019.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

PORTAGE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Date: August 27, 2019

Barry Jacowski
Barry Jacowski, Chairman

Julie Morrow
Julie Morrow, Member

Larry Raikowski
Larry Raikowski, Member

Charles Gussel
Charles Gussel, Member

Excused
Mike Splinter, Member

PORTAGE COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Date: August 27, 2019

Barry Jacowski
Barry Jacowski, Chairman

Dale O'Brien
Dale O'Brien, Member

Julie Morrow
Julie Morrow, Member

Gerry Zastrow
Gerry Zastrow, Member

Bob Gifford
Bob Gifford, Member

Excused
John Ruzicka, Member

PORTAGE COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Date: August 29, 2019

Chris Doubek
Chris Doubek, Chairman

David Medin
David Medin, Member

Bob Gifford
Bob Gifford, Member

Gerry Zastrow
Gerry Zastrow, Member

Jeanne Dodge
Jeanne Dodge, Member

Absent
Ntxhais Chai Moua, Member

Excused
Dr. Joseph Jarabek, Member

Donna Warzynski
Donna Warzynski, Member

Excused
James Clark, Member