

September 16, 2020

TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS  
OF THE BROWN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE STATE SENATE CONVENE  
TO ADDRESS 13 “WATER BILLS” PASSED BY THE STATE ASSEMBLY**

**WHEREAS**, Brown County requests the State Senate to convene in “extraordinary session” to address the 13 “Water Bills” passed in the Assembly earlier this year; and

**WHEREAS**, a clean, plentiful supply of rural drinking water is necessary for the health and well-being of Wisconsinites; and

**WHEREAS**, keeping Wisconsin’s rural drinking water free of pollutants, especially nitrogen and phosphorous, benefits not only citizens but also Wisconsin’s tourism industry as well as rural economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 Speaker’s Task Force on Water Quality brought attention to state legislators and the state’s residents, as a whole, the immensity of this problem; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Assembly took a step in addressing the problem by passing (most unanimously) 13 “Water Bills” (AB 789 through AB 801) on February 18, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Senate never had the opportunity to consider these “Water Bills” when its last scheduled session on March 24, 2020 was postponed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Brown County Board of Supervisors hereby resolves to request the State Senate convene in “extraordinary session” to address the 13 “Water Bills” passed in the Assembly earlier this year, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Brown County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to all 72 Wisconsin counties, members of the assembly who represent Brown County, all State Senators, the WCA and the WTA.


*Fiscal Note: This resolution does not require an appropriation from the General Fund. The mailing cost to carry out this resolution is \$36.59, and is within the existing 2020 Budget.*

Respectfully submitted,

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

(SPECIAL) ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE

Approved By:

  
TROY STRECKENBACH,  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date Signed: 9/16/2020

20-090R

Authored by: Land and Water Conservation

Approved by: Corporation Counsel's Office

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ROLL CALL # 11e

Voice Vote Taken

Motion made by Supervisor Dantinne

Seconded by Supervisor Chel

SUPERVISORS	DIST. #	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	EXCUSED
SIEBER	1	1			
DE WANE	2				X
CHU	3				
DORFF	4				
JACOBSON	5				
LEFEBVRE	6				
FRIBERG	7				
BORCHARDT	8				
EVANS	9				
VANDER LEEST	10				
BUCKLEY	11				
LANDWEHR	12				
DANTINNE, JR	13				

SUPERVISORS	DIST. #	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	EXCUSED
BRUSKY	14				X
MURPHY	15				
KASTER	16				
VAN DYCK	17				
HOPKINS	18				
LUCIA	19				
COENEN	20				
SCHULTZ.	21				
PETERS	22				
SUENNEN	23				
SCHADEWALD	24				
LUND	25				
DENEYS	26				

Total Votes Cast 24

Motion: Adopted X Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE SUBMISSION TO COUNTY BOARD**

DATE: September 2, 2020

REQUEST TO: Land Conservation and SPECIAL Administration Committees, and Co Bd

MEETING DATE: 08-25-2020 (already went to LC), 09-16-2020 and 09-16-2020, respectively

REQUEST FROM: Mike Mushinski, County Conservationist

REQUEST TYPE:  New resolution  Revision to resolution  
 New ordinance  Revision to ordinance

**TITLE:** RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE STATE SENATE CONVENE TO ADDRESS 13 "WATER BILLS" PASSED BY THE STATE ASSEMBLY

**ISSUE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The State Assembly passed 13 "Water Bills" on February 18, 2020 but due to COVID-19 the State Senate never had the opportunity to consider these bills. This resolution requests the State Senate meet under extraordinary circumstances to address these bills.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Request approval of resolution.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

*NOTE: This fiscal impact portion is initially completed by requestor, but verified by the DOA and updated if necessary.*

1. What is the amount of the fiscal impact? \$36.59 in mailing cost
2. Is it currently budgeted?  Yes  No  N/A (if \$0 fiscal impact)
  - a. If yes, in which account? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. If no, how will the impact be funded? Potential increase in state funding
  - c. If funding is from an external source, is it one-time  or continuous?
3. Please provide supporting documentation of fiscal impact determination.

**COPY OF RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE IS ATTACHED**