

## 2022 WCA CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

Final Action  
September 18, 2022

### 2022 Conference Resolution 1

Outagamie County

Opposing Pending Legislation That Would Make Changes to the State Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Oppose legislation that makes changes to the State Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program by eliminating the administration and oversight of these programs from county Land Conservation Committees and moving the administration of these programs to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

### 2022 Conference Resolution 2

Bayfield County

Encouraging Changes to State Legislation Allowing for an Increased Number of State Meat Processors

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Indefinitely postpone.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: Motion by Burnett County, second by Sawyer County, to adopt. Motion carried.

Captions: Encourage the state legislature to make necessary legislative changes that would increase the number of state inspectors that will be available to assist smaller, rural meat processors.

Encourage the state legislature and DATCP to advocate for and facilitate federal inspectors in Wisconsin's processor facilities and encourage consideration of new federal rules allowing for state inspection certificates to be valid in adjacent states.

Support funding for succession planning at current Wisconsin meat processors.

Support funding for costly animal science harvest center educational facilities.

Support the promotion and growth of the Wisconsin meat industry by encouraging legislative changes, funding, and regulatory amendments.

### 2022 Conference Resolution 3

Bayfield County

Enacting Stronger Regulations to Limit the Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Urge the State Legislature to make the following changes to state statutes and concordant administrative rules related to chronic wasting disease:

- Change ATCP 10.56(1) to eliminate the exceptions that allow the transport of live cervids without a Certification of Veterinary Inspection.
- Enact new rules to require the disposal of harvested cervid carcasses in landfills, rendering, or composting facilities capable of managing the carcasses safely.
- Enact new rules to prohibit the export of live cervid animals from areas within 10 miles of a known positive CWD detection within the last five years.
- Enact new rules to require all captive cervid operations to install solid perimeter or double fencing.
- Once a reliable live animal CWD test has been developed, enact rules to prohibit the transport of live cervids unless the animal tests negative for CWD.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 4**

Polk County

Concerning Wisconsin Wolf Population and Requesting Revision to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Wolf Management Plan

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Indefinitely postpone.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 5**

Eau Claire County

Authorizing a Countywide Advisory Referendum on Clean Water Now for Wisconsin

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Indefinitely postpone.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 6**

Polk County

Urging the State of Wisconsin to Adequately Fund State Agencies Regarding CAFO Regulations to Protect Groundwater and Air Quality

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Urge the State of Wisconsin to adequately fund the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection so they can vigorously monitor and regulate all of the existing and future CAFOs to the fullest extent of its authority.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 7**

Bayfield County

Supporting a Change in State Regulations and Legislation to Require Meaningful Local Input in the Siting of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt as amended by the Resolutions Committee.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support the efforts and ability of local residents and local governing bodies to participate in and provide meaningful authoritative and fact-based input into the siting, permitting, and development of CAFOs; support and urge the state to make the necessary changes to the laws and regulations to allow the maximum amount of input by local communities who are most impacted by the siting and development of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 8**

Ashland County

Supporting Increased County Child Support Funding

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt as amended by the Resolutions Committee.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Increase child support funding to meet increased service demands.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 9**

Sawyer County

Restructuring of Community Support Programs (CSP) for Mental Health and Substance Abuse

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt as amended by the Resolutions Committee.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support full state funding of the state (non-federal) share of the following programs: the Community Recovery Services (CRS) and Community Support Programs (CSP), as well as crisis services.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 10**

Bayfield County

Advocating for County Supervision Options for Public Safety

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support the necessary regulatory and statutory revisions allowing for counties to establish a county supervision process for certain offenders; work with the state legislature on a block grant funding program to transfer supervision responsibilities to volunteering counties.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 11**

Bayfield County

Addressing the Statewide District Attorney Staffing Crisis

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Urge the Office of Crime Victim Services within the Department of Justice to assess increased time needs associated with new legislation including Marsy’s Law and post COVID-19 crime surges.

**2022 Conference Resolution 12**

Bayfield County

Supporting Changes in State Regulations and Legislation to Support Emergency Medical Services in Rural Areas

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Refer to the Board of Directors.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: Motion by Eau Claire County, second by Waukesha County, to adopt. Motion by Barron County, second by Sheboygan County, to adopt the substitute resolution. Motion carried. Motion as amended carried.

Caption: Support legislative, policy and regulatory action that creates stronger county emergency medical services even though many of these services are traditionally municipal in nature.

**2022 Conference Resolution 13**

Polk County

Urging State Elected Officials to Use Expected 2021-2023 Budget Surplus to Fund Rural Fire and Ambulance Emergency Services

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support a new state allocation of \$30 per resident to fund all public/government owned and operated ambulance services and \$30 per resident to non-governmental ambulance agencies serving a rural area covering less than 15,000 residents and \$20 per resident to fund volunteer fire departments, both on a pro-rata share based upon population.

**2022 Conference Resolution 14**

Walworth County

Supporting the Need for Statewide Efforts for Enhanced Regulation and Enforcement Prohibiting Puppy Mills

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Indefinitely postpone.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

**2022 Conference Resolution 15**

Polk County

Supporting the American Police Officer

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Refer to the Board of Directors.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

**2022 Conference Resolution 16**

Vilas County

Requesting that the State Legislature Modify Levy Limits

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: Motion by Dodge County, second by Rock County, to adopt. Motion by Shawano County, second by Menominee County, to amend to strike from the resolved clause, “who have experienced an increase in population since the 2010 census.” Motion carried. Resolution adopted as amended.

Captions: Support levy limit adjustments on an annual basis that adequately reflect the increases in everyday costs incurred by Wisconsin counties.

Support a permanent one-time levy increase of no more than 10 percent for all local units of government.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 17**

Richland County

Imploring the State of Wisconsin to Increase State Shared Revenues and State Highway Aids for Richland County

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support increases in the shared revenue and highway aids programs.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 18**

Bayfield County

Supporting Counties During Labor and Housing Shortages

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Refer to the Board of Directors.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 19**

Outagamie County

Supporting Pending Legislation that Would Allow the University of Wisconsin Missing-in-Action Recovery and Identification Project (MIA Recovery Project) to Request the Joint Committee on Finance to Provide State Funding Allocations

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Indefinitely postpone.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

### **2022 Conference Resolution 20**

Richland County

Requesting the State of Wisconsin Support the UW-Colleges to Where it Was Supporting Them in 2015

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Implore the State of Wisconsin and the UW-System to increase their investment in the 13 UW Colleges to ensure that a viable educational institute be continued.

**2022 Conference Resolution 21**

Bayfield County

Conducting Additional Research on Chronic Wasting Disease to Improve Testing, Treatment, and Management Options

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Urge the State Legislature to direct state agencies, and provide funding, to conduct the following research and development in order to better manage chronic wasting disease (CWD):

- Develop a reliable, rapid, and easy to administer CWD test that can be conducted on live cervids.
- Develop a reliable, rapid, and easy to administer CWD test that can be implemented in the field on harvested cervids that will provide immediate test results.
- Develop a vaccine for CWD.
- Develop a cure for CWD in infected cervids.
- Breed inheritable resistance to CWD in captive cervids such that the cervids do not carry or shed CWD prions.
- Determine CWD prion longevity and virulence in contaminated soil, feed, and crops under a wide range of environmental conditions and soil types.
- Develop a better understanding of CWD prion movement in the environment once outside of a cervid.
- Expand monitoring of individual animal and herd health in CWD endemic zones to better understand the effect of CWD on population dynamics.
- Conduct epidemiological assessment of CWD prions on human health including whether humans are already carriers of CWD prions, the likelihood of CWD prions infecting humans and causing disease, and the impact of eating CWD positive deer, if any.
- Conduct additional research to determine the viability and methodology for composting CWD-infected cervids.

**2022 Conference Resolution 22**

Eau Claire County

Supporting the Continuation of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support long-term reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program provided that local participation in the program is sufficiently preserved as determined by stakeholders.

**2022 Conference Resolution 23**

Ashland County

Supporting Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Seek funding to equalize state payments to Aging and Disability Resource Centers.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 24**

Ashland County

Supporting Medicaid Expansion

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Captions: Support the continuation of Wisconsin’s medical assistance program at current or expanded eligibility levels.

Support the expansion of Medicaid in Wisconsin provided the increased costs to the county income maintenance consortia is fully funded by the state.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 25**

Bayfield County

Supporting Medicaid Expansion

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Captions: Support the continuation of Wisconsin’s medical assistance program at current or expanded eligibility levels.

Support the expansion of Medicaid in Wisconsin provided the increased costs to the county income maintenance consortia is fully funded by the state.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 26**

Polk County

Supporting the Elimination of the BadgerCare Eligibility Cliff

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support the elimination of the BadgerCare eligibility cliff and that this benefit cliff be eliminated based on a proportionate sliding fee scale so that as individuals and families earn additional dollars there is a corresponding, but smaller, contribution amount toward their health insurance coverage.

#### **2022 Conference Resolution 27**

Barron County

Requesting Elimination of BadgerCare Eligibility Cliff

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support the elimination of the BadgerCare eligibility cliff and that this benefit cliff be eliminated based on a proportionate sliding fee scale so that as individuals and families earn

additional dollars there is a corresponding, but smaller, contribution amount toward their health insurance coverage.

**2022 Conference Resolution 28**

Walworth County

Supporting Legislation to Provide an Increase in Criminal and Ordinance Violation Surcharge Retained by the Clerk of Courts

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Support legislation that would increase court costs in the amount of \$20 to be retained by the clerk of court for criminal and ordinance violations to align with a portion of the actual cost for courts to operate.

**2022 Conference Resolution 29**

Ashland County

Requesting the State of Wisconsin Allow Counties to Impose a Sales Tax to Support County Government Services

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt.

2022 CONFERENCE ACTION: By unanimous consent, the Resolutions Committee recommendation was adopted on Resolutions 1, 3-11, 13-15 and 17-29.

Caption: Allow counties to impose an additional sales tax above what is currently allowed by law in order to fund services in their county via a county board vote.