

ORDINANCE 27-10

Ordinance to Transfer Duties and Responsibilities of Lime Quarry Committee to the Highway Committee

WHEREAS, oversight of the Lime Quarry Department is presently under the University of Wisconsin Extension, Land and Water Resources and Lime Quarry Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Lime Quarry Committee is part of the University of Wisconsin Extension, Land and Water Resources and Lime Quarry Committee, as matter of convenience, established by home rule, Wisconsin Statute Section 59.03, as state law neither requires the existence of the Lime Quarry Committee nor provides a requirement with respect to the composition or structure of a Lime Quarry Committee.

WHEREAS, a representative of the Farm Services Agency (FSA) sits on the Land and Water Resources Committee, which serves as the Land Conservation Committee, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chapter 92.

WHEREAS, the Polk County Board of Supervisors have been advised of potential conflict of interests in having a representative of the agricultural community serve on the Lime Quarry Committee; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Polk County Board of Supervisors had considered the consolidation of county functions, including committee responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.03 and 83.015, the Highway Committee may perform duties and responsibilities of other committees as the County Board may establish by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, reorganization of the University of Wisconsin Extension, Land and Water Resources and Lime Quarry Committee through a transfer of the Lime Quarry Committee functions to the Highway Committee will continue to allow the interests of the agricultural community to be heard on lime issues and avoid altogether the existence and appearance of a conflict of interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.03 and 83.015, the Polk County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows:

1. The duties and responsibilities of the Lime Quarry Committee shall be transferred to the Highway Committee, in all respects.
2. The Lime Quarry Department, as a stand-alone department, shall report to the Highway Committee for policy and advisory matters.

3. The University of Wisconsin Extension, Land and Water Resources and Lime Quarry Committee shall be renamed the University of Wisconsin Extension and Water Resources Committee. The FSA representative shall continue to serve on the University of Wisconsin Extension and Land and Water Resources Committee.
4. The Lime Quarry Committee is dissolved.
5. The respective composition and structure of the Highway Committee and the University of Wisconsin Extension and Land and Water Resources Committee, as depicted in the Polk County Rules of Order, shall not change.

Funding Amount: N/A Funding Source: N/A
 Finance Committee Advised: N/A Finance Committee Recommendation: N/A

Approved as to form: Jeffrey B. Fuge
 Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

Date Submitted to County Board: April 20, 2010
 Effective Date: Upon passage and publication

Submitted and Sponsored By:
B. R. Masters 4/9/10 _____
 Brian Masters

County Board Action: defeated

The above ordinance was adopted by the Polk County Board of Supervisors by a vote of _____ for and _____ against on the _____ day of _____, 2010.

_____, Chairperson

Attest: _____ <SEAL>
 Carole Wondra, County Clerk

The above enacted ordinance was published on the _____ day of _____, 2010.

 Carole Wondra, County Clerk