

1 Ordinance To Declare the County of Polk Self-Organized
2 (Wisconsin Statute Section 59.10(1))

3 NOW, THEREFORE, the Polk County Board of Supervisors ordains the above titled ordinance, as
4 follows:

- 5 1. This Ordinance is adopted under authority granted by §59.10, Wisconsin Statutes.
6 2. This ordinance shall be known as the Polk County Self-Organized County Ordinance.
7 3. For the purpose of improving the ability of the county government to organize its
8 administrative structure, Polk County elects and declares to become a self-organized county
9 and to avail itself of those provisions of §59.10 (1), Wisconsin Statutes.

10 a. *Terms of office for and election of county supervisors.* Supervisors are county officers
11 and shall be elected for two-year terms at the election to be held on the first Tuesday
12 in April in even-numbered years and shall take office on the third Tuesday in April of
13 that year.

14 b. *Method for filling vacancies on the county board.* Supervisory district vacancies shall
15 be filled by appointment by the Chairperson until the next regularly scheduled
16 election.

17 c. *Compensation of county board.* The method of compensation for supervisors shall be
18 determined by the county board. The county board shall, at or before its annual
19 meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members entitled to a seat, fix the compensation
20 of the board members to be next elected. The board may also, at or before its annual
21 meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members entitled to a seat, provide additional
22 compensation for the chairperson. In addition to the salary, the supervisors shall
23 receive mileage for each attendance at board meetings and for each attendance at
24 committee meetings at the rate to be established by the board pursuant to section
25 59.22, Wis. Stats., as the standard mileage allowance for all county employees
26 and officers.

27 d. The maximum total amount of compensation of salary and/or per diems and
28 reimbursements of travel and mileage expense that a supervisor, other than the
29 chairperson, receives in any year may not exceed per diem for sixty-two
30 meetings, twelve hotel rooms, and mileage. The Wisconsin Counties Association
31 Annual Conference is exempt from the sixty-two meeting total.
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33 4. The County Clerk shall file a certified copy of the Self-Organized County Ordinance with the
34 Secretary of State, State of Wisconsin, upon passage by the County Board of Supervisors.

35 5. Any prior Polk County ordinance or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this
36 ordinance insofar as they regulate the establishment of Polk County as a self-organized
37 county are hereby repealed and rescinded effective with the effective date of this ordinance.

- 38 6. The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that
39 the County Board of Supervisors of Polk County would have passed the other provisions of
40 this ordinance irrespective of whether one or more provisions may be declared invalid, and if
41 any provisions of this ordinance, the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held
42 invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other
43 persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
- 44 7. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage, publication as provided by law and upon
45 filing.

History: Enacted, Ordinance No. 48-13; Amended, Ordinance No. 58-17).

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4 TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD
5 OF SUPERVISORS,

6 WHEREAS, pursuant to §59.10 (1), the Polk County Board of Supervisors is authorized to enact an
7 ordinance which declares the County of Polk, as a self-organized county government; and

8 WHEREAS, as a self-organized county, the Polk County Board of Supervisors would have greater
9 flexibility than provided in Wisconsin Statutes to establish and to determine administrative and
10 organizational features of county government; and

11 WHEREAS, an ordinance declaring the county of Polk must be enacted by affirmative majority vote
12 of the entire board membership and then the County Clerk must file a certified copy of such enacted
13 ordinance with the Wisconsin Secretary of State; and

14 WHEREAS, following requisite filing, the Polk County Board of Supervisors may adopt policies as
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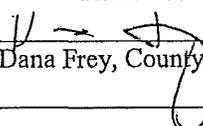
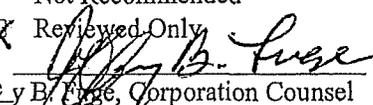
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Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Finance Committee Advised:	Not Applicable
Finance Committee Recommendation:	Not Required
Effective Date:	Upon Passage, Publication and Filing
Date Submitted to the Polk County Board:	December 17, 2013

Submitted By: William Johnson

Review By County Administrator: <input type="checkbox"/> D Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> D Not Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input type="checkbox"/> - Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> D Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> D Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Reviewed Only  Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel
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Count Board Action

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William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest: Carole Wondra
Carole Wondra, Polk County Clerk

Certification of Publication

POLK COUNTY ORDINANCE No. 48-13; Ordinance To Declare the County of Polk Self-Organized, was published in the Inter-County Leader on the 8th day of January, 2014

Carole Wondra Dated: 1-9-14
Carole Wondra, County Clerk

Confirmation of Filing with Wisconsin Secretary of State

On the 15th day of January, 2014 the State of Wisconsin Office of Secretary of State confirmed that on the 15th, day of January 2014, the filing of a certified copy of the above entitled ordinance in said office. Dated: _____

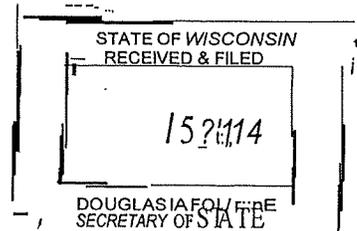
Carole Wondra 1/21/14
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CERTIFIED COPY OF THE POLK COUNTY ORDINANCE

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I, Carole T. Wondra, Polk County Clerk do hereby certify that the attached hereto and incorporated herein is a full, true and correct copy of the Polk County Ordinance to Declare the County of Polk Self-Organized, adopted by the Polk County Board of Supervisors on the 17th day of December, 2013.

Carole T. Wondra 12-19-13
Carole T. Wondra, Polk County Clerk, Date



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