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**WOOD COUNTY ORDINANCE #906
SELF-ORGANIZED COUNTY**

Chapter 906 .01 Authority.

This Ordinance is adopted under authority granted by Section 59.10, Wisconsin Statutes.

Chapter 906 .02 Title.

This ordinance shall be known as the Wood County Self-Organized County Ordinance.

Chapter 906 .03 General Provisions.

(1) For the purpose of improving the ability of the county government to organize its administrative structure, Wood County elects to become a self-organized county and to act under the provisions of section 59.10 (1), Wis. Stats.

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

(b) *Method for filling vacancies on the county board.* Method for filling vacancies on the county board. Vacancies in the office of county supervisor shall be filled by the appointment of the County Board Chairperson as soon as practical if the vacancy arises more than three months prior to the next election of Wood County Board Supervisors. The appointment is subject to confirmation by the County Board.

(c) *Compensation of county board.* The method of compensation for supervisors shall be determined by the county board. The county board shall, at or before its annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members entitled to a seat, fix the compensation of the board members to be next elected. The board may also, at or before its annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members entitled to a seat, provide additional compensation for the chairperson.

In addition to the salary, the supervisors shall receive mileage for each attendance at board meetings and for each attendance at committee meetings at the rate to be established by the board pursuant to section 59.22, Wis. Stats., as the standard mileage allowance for all county employees and officers.

(2) The County Clerk shall file a certified copy of the Self-Organized County Ordinance with the Secretary of State, State of Wisconsin, upon passage by the County Board of Supervisors.

Chapter 906 .04 Conflicting Ordinances.

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of this ordinance insofar as they regulate the establishment of Wood County as a self-organized county are hereby repealed and rescinded effective with the effective date of this ordinance.

Chapter 906 .05 Severability.

The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the County Board of Supervisors of Wood County would have passed the other provisions of this ordinance irrespective of whether one or more provisions may be declared invalid, and if any provisions of this ordinance, the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Chapter 906 .06 Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.