STATE OF WISCONSIN Town of Saint Germain, Vilas County

Resolution SG16-10-1

- WHEREAS the Town of St. Germain has accumulated various ordinances addressing a wide range of topics over a period of several decades; and
- WHEREAS there is evidence of some of the ordinances having been properly adopted by the Town Board of Supervisors, and properly posted or published by the Town Clerk as required under s. 60.80, Wis. stats., such evidence does not exist for all of the ordinances; and
- WHEREAS the Town currently has neither a municipal judge and court system to enforce its ordinances nor procedures in place for issuing citations for violations of ordinances, processing citations through the County Circuit Court, and representation by an attorney to follow up with civil actions when necessary; and
- WHEREAS the Town has an obligation to the landowners and residents of the Town and to its visitors to maintain reasonable rules of conduct and to employ reasonable methods of enforcement of those rules as needed,
- BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Town Board shall commence a review of its ordinances with the objectives of rescinding those no longer deemed necessary, and updating, re-codifying, and re-adopting those worthy of enforcement, as well as developing any new ordinances deemed appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town Board shall:

- 1. Maintain with the Vilas County Clerk of Courts a <u>Town of St. Germain Code of Ordinances</u> as prescribed in 66.0103, WI Statutes.
- 2. Achieve an understanding of and compliance with 60.80(1), 60.80(2), 985.02 and 985.07, WI statutes and any additional requirements of the Vilas County Circuit Court in order to bring ordinance citations to the Vilas County Circuit Court for enforcement and collection of forfeitures.
- 3. Commit to working with an attorney to represent the Town, at the discretion of the Town Board, in civil actions where defendants alleged to have violated Town ordinances refuse to pay required forfeitures and/or comply with the findings of the Vilas County Circuit Court.
- Allocate in the Town's annual operating budget an amount of money dedicated to offsetting expenses associated with enforcement of Town ordinances.

Adopted this 10th day of October, 2016.

Tom Christensen, Town Chairman

Tom Martens, Town Clerk