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RESOLUTION #47-2012

**GENERAL CODE OF ONEIDA COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #**

Ordinance Amendment offered by Supervisor Jack Sorenson,

WHEREAS, currently all County Board meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to the Oneida County Code; and

WHEREAS, Committees of the Oneida County Board are not required to hold meetings at any specified time, most meetings of the Committees are held during the hours that the Courthouse is open for business; and

WHEREAS, more people in Oneida County could run for the position of County Board Supervisor or attend meetings of the County Board or the Committees if meetings were held at night;

WHEREAS, the County Board was previously provided with a petition, signed by local residents, requesting that County Board and Committee meetings be held in the evening hours.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Sections 2.16 and 2.31 of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is amended as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

2.16 RULE 16: MEETINGS OF THE BOARD AND COMMITTEES.

(1) **DATE OF MEETING.** (Am. #24-90; #61-2002; Am. Res. #20-2009) Except as provided in sub. (3), below, the Board shall meet in the County Courthouse in regular meetings on the following dates and shall be in session until adjourned:

- (a) The 3rd Tuesday in January.
- (b) The 3rd Tuesday in February.
- (c) The 3rd Tuesday in March.
- (d) The 3rd Tuesday in April (organizational meeting).
- (e) The 3rd Tuesday in May.
- (f) The 3rd Tuesday in June.
- (g) The 3rd Tuesday in August.
- (h) The 3rd Tuesday in September.
- (i) The 3rd Tuesday in October.
- (j) The 1st Tuesday following the second Monday in November (annual meeting). (Am. #133-99)

(2) **HOUR OF MEETING.** Except as provided in sub. (3), below, the starting time for all regular meetings of the County Board shall be 59:30 p.a.m. ~~and the time of reconvening after lunch shall be 1:30 p.m.~~ The Board may, by majority vote upon the adjourning motion, set the hour of reconvening of the Board.

(3) **BOARD MEETINGS AT COUNTY LOCATIONS OTHER THAN COURTHOUSE.**

(Am. Res. #92-2009) The Board may schedule regular meetings at locations in the County other than the Courthouse if it is determined that a change of location would be in the best interest of the Board. A proposed change of location shall be approved not less than 30 days before the scheduled meeting date. An explanation shall be set forth in the notice of the meeting and the place of the same shall be readily accessible to the public and members of the news media who wish to attend.

(4) RECORDS OF MEETINGS. Accurate copies of all notices of meetings and minutes of meetings shall be promptly filed in the County Clerk's office.

2.31 RULES GOVERNING COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (Rep. & recr. #55-2011)

[Sections 2.31(1) – (7) remain unchanged]

(8) Committee meetings shall be commenced no earlier than 4:30 p.m. This rule applies only to Committees of the County Board that have a majority of members that are County Board Supervisors.

Approved by Supervisor Jack Sorenson this 23 day of MAY., 2012.

Vote Required: Majority = _____ 2/3 Majority = _____ 3/4 Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes No _____ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, [Signature], Date: 5/23/12

Offered and passage moved by: [Signature]
Supervisor

Seconded by: _____
Supervisor

_____ Ayes

_____ Nays

_____ Absent

_____ Abstain

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_____ Enacted

by the County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of JUNE, 2012.

_____ Defeated

Mary Bartelt, County Clerk

Ted Cushing, County Board Chair

