

RESOLUTION # 86-2024

Resolution for the Register of Deeds to increase the Bulk Copy Agreement amount.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, the Register of Deeds, as per Wisconsin Statutes 59.43(2)(c), has entered into contracts and agreements to provide copies on daily recordings with the approval from the Oneida County Board; and

WHEREAS, the Register of Deeds has provided copies of daily documents in bulk to title companies and related businesses since 1981 with an initial resolution in 1981 and increases in 1989 and 2005 thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Register of Deeds, based on a resolution from 2005, currently has an approved fee amount of \$350.00 per month for any company that wishes to enter into an agreement with this office and receive copies of our daily documents; and

WHEREAS, the Register of Deeds currently has five (5) accounts under the Abstractor Fees line account that generates an annual revenue of \$21,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, there are currently 53 other counties in the state that offer bulk images to similar customers with an average fee amount of \$480.00 per month; and

WHEREAS, the Register of Deeds would like to increase this monthly fee amount from \$350 per month to \$500 per month to keep pace with neighboring counties for similar services and the ongoing increase with software maintenance fees; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that the monthly fee charged to these companies be increased from \$350 per month to \$500 per month and that the County Board Chairman may execute said documents accordingly.

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, _____, Date:

9-12-24

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Records Committee this 10th day of September 2024.

Consent Agenda Item: YES _____ NO

Offered and passage moved by:

[Signature]
Supervisor
[Signature]
Supervisor

Consent Agenda

Jensen / Cushing

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Taugtes	X			
Fisher	X			
Newman	X			
Fried	X			
Almekinder	-		X	
Ives	-		X	
Hess	X			
Cushing	X			
Showalter	-		X	
Schreier	X			
Briggs	X			
Schultz	X			
Oettinger	X			
Timmons	X			
Jensen	X			
Hanus	X			
Sorgel	X			
Harris	X			
Condado	X			
Lopez	X			
Holewinski	-		X	
TOTALS	17		4	
TAGS				

Resolution # 84 – 2024: Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee to convey part of TL-1135-15 to Carl Raymond Bacon Jr.

Resolution # 85 – 2024: Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee to add a user fee with online credit card customers when using RecordEase online services with the Register of Deeds.

Resolution # 86 – 2024: Offered by the Supervisors of the Land Records Committee to increase the Bulk Copy Agreement amount.

Resolution # 87 – 2024: Offered by the Supervisors of the Planning and Development Committee recommending denial of Rezone Petition #04-2024 in the Town of Woodboro.

Appointments to Committees, Commissions and other Organizations:
 Appoint Lenore Lopez to the Horsehead Lake District

Register of Deeds – Bulk Copy Agreements

As per Wisconsin Statute 59.43(2)(c), ...*"the register of deeds with the approval and consent of the board may enter into contracts with municipalities, private corporations, associations, and other persons to provide noncertified copies of the complete daily recordings and filings of documents pertaining to real property for a consideration to be determined by the board which in no event shall be less than cost of labor and material plus a reasonable allowance for plant and depreciation of equipment used."*

- 1981 the fee started at \$75/month plus \$.15/copy over 850 copies.
- 1990 the fee changed to \$125/month plus \$.15/copy over 850 copies
- 2005 the fee went to \$350/month, with unlimited copies.
- There are currently 5 agreements/contracts in place.
- 2 local title companies and 3 private corporations.
- Daily documents are uploaded to an FTP site each night for retrieval.
- Agreements automatically renew each year unless they cancel, or fees change.
- This fee is a Revenue Account and currently generates \$21,000/year.

53 counties (74%) offer some type of Bulk copy agreements for purchasing daily documents.

27 counties have set fees like Oneida: amounts range from \$850 in larger counties to \$50 in a much smaller one. The average fee is \$480 per month.

26 counties pay by the image or page. ranges from \$.10 per image in larger counties to \$.30 in smaller ones. This fee structure is specific to counties that use the Fidlar systems.

Oneida has averaged 760 documents/month over the last 20 months.

My recommendation is to increase the Bulk Copy Agreement to \$500 per month.

Total revenue would be \$30,000/year, if all 5 accounts remain.

This would be a potential increase of \$9,000 to my Abstract Fee revenue account.