CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1.00. Town of Lyons Code.

- 1.01. Title. This code of ordinances shall be known and cited as the "Town of Lyons Code of Ordinances".
- 1.02. Amendments. Any additions or amendments to this code, when passed in such form as to indicate the intention of the Town Board of the Town of Lyons to make the same a part of this code, are incorporated in this code, so that a reference to the Town of Lyons Code of Ordinances shall be understood as including them.
- 1.03. Numbering of Sections. Each section number of this code shall consist of two component parts, separated by a period referring to the chapter number and the figure after the period referring to the position of the section within the chapter.
- 1.04. Additions. The decimal system shall be used for additions or amendments to these ordinances. When a chapter or section is added, the new chapter or section shall be given a decimal character.

SECTION 1.10. Terms and Definitions.

- 1.11. Statutory Terms. Terms used in this code, unless otherwise specifically defined in this code, shall have the meanings prescribed by the statutes of the State of Wisconsin for the same terms.
- 1.12. Person. A person is defined as any individual, firm, copartnership, corporation, company, association, club, joint venture, estate, trust or any club or combination acting as a unit, and the individuals constituting such group or unit, and the plural as well as the singular number; and the singular masculine pronoun includes the feminine neuter and plural; unless the intention to give a more limited meaning is disclosed by the context.
- 1.13. Town. Town shall refer to the Town of Lyons, Walworth County, Wisconsin.
- 1.14. <u>Town Board</u>. Town Board shall refer to the Town Board of the Town of Lyons.
- SECTION 1.20. Repeal of Ordinances. All ordinances heretofore adopted by the Town of Lyons of a general nature, and relating to the subject matter herein contained, are repealed. The provisions of this code, so far as they are the same in substance as those of heretofore existing ordinances, shall be construed as a continuation of such

ordinances, and not as new enactment. Any act done, offense committed or right accruing, accrued or acquired, or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred prior to the time of such repeal, shall not be affected by such repeal, but the same may be injoined, asserted, enforced, prosecuted or inflicted as fully and to the same extent as if such repeal had not been effected.

SECTION 1.30. Ordinances not Re-enacted. No ordinance or part of any ordinance previously repealed shall be considered reordained or re-enacted by virtue of this code, unless specifically re-enacted. The repeal of any curative or validating ordinance shall not impair or affect any cure or validation already effected thereby.

SECTION 1.40. Penalties.

- 1.41. Standard Penalty. Unless another penalty is expressly provided by this code for any particular provision or section, every person convicted of a violation of any provision of this code, or any rule or regulation adopted or issued in pursuance thereof, or any provision of any code adopted herein by reference, shall be punished by a forfeiture of not more than \$500 and the costs of prosecution. Each act of violation, and every day of any such violation shall constitute a separate offense.
- 1.42. Applicability. The penalty provided by this section shall apply to the amendment of any section of this code or any code adopted herein by reference whether or not such penalty is re-enacted in the amendatory ordinance.
- 1.43. Reference to Sections. Reference to any section of these ordinances shall be understood also to refer to and include the penalty section relating thereto, unless otherwise expressly provided.

SECTION 1.50. <u>Separability of Provisions</u>. It is the intention of the Town Board that each section, paragraph, sentence, clause, and provision of this code is separable, and if any provision shall be held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this code, nor any part thereof, other than that affected by such decision.

Town of Lyons Chapter 1 Section 1.60 Extend Town Officer Terms In Response to Election Law Changes

Whereas, the term of elected town officers (other than elected assessors) have previously begun on the 2nd Tuesday in April;

Whereas town officers (other than assessors) elected in April 2012 and thereafter will now have their terms of office commence on the 3rd Tuesday in April due to recent state election law changes;

Whereas this law change results in a week long "gap" between the end of the current terms of office for those town officers elected in either 2010 or 2011 and the start of the new terms of office for those officers elected in April 2012 or April 2013;

Whereas, 2011 Wis. Act 115 provides that a town board may enact an ordinance providing that the terms of any elective officers in the town who were elected or appointed to serve for terms expiring on the 2nd Tuesday in April 2012 or 2013 may be extended to the 3rd Tuesday in April in the same year in which the terms would otherwise have expired;

Therefore, be it hereby ordained by the Town Board of the Town of Lyons, Walworth, County, that the terms of elected town officers which shall expire after 11:59 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of April in either April 2012 or April 2013 shall be extended until the 3rd Tuesday of April in the same year in which the terms would otherwise have expired.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication or posting by the town clerk as required, pursuant to s. 60.80, Wis. Stat.

Adopted this 9th day of April 2012.

By the Town Board of the Town of Lyons, Walworth County, Wisconsin:

By:

Chairman

Supervisor

Supervisor

ATTEST:

Clerk