

**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM  
TOWN OF CLYMAN, DODGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the Town of Clyman, Dodge County, Wisconsin, on November 3, 2020, the following proposed Ordinance 2020-02 of the Town Board will be submitted to a vote of the people.

**INITIAL ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CLYMAN TO APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK  
AND THE TOWN TREASURER**

The Town Board of the Town of Clyman, Dodge County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:  
That, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.30(1e)(a), the office of the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer, shall be filled by appointment of a majority of the members-elect of the Town Board.  
The term of office for the appointed positions shall be set by the Town Board, but may not exceed 3 years per § 60.30(1e)(c). The Town Board may re-appoint the officers for additional terms. However, removal by the Town Board during a given term of office may only be for "cause" as defined under § 17.001 and required by § 60.30(1e)(f). This Ordinance is subject to approval by the town electors in a referendum, which is hereby called by the Town Board to be held on November 3, 2020. The Salary of the appointed positions shall be set by the Town Board and may not be reduced during the terms of office.

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

***"Shall the persons holding the office of the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer be appointed by the Town Board?"***

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AND EFFECT OF VOTE.**

The referendum election ballot will ask Town Electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election question as set forth above.

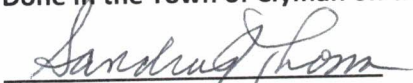
A "YES" vote on the question is a vote to approve an ordinance allowing the appointment of the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer to their perspective positions. Over the years the Clerk and Treasurer positions have become more demanding and more education is needed for the positions. The proposed ordinance will allow the Board to hire qualified individuals for the Clerk and Treasurer positions.

A "NO" vote on the question is a vote to keep the Clerk and Treasurer positions as elected positions. Candidates will be nominated for the positions at the January caucus and those candidates would be placed on the ballot for the April Election. The election of an unqualified individual creates a likelihood of missing important deadlines and puts the Town at risk of losing state or federal monies and of potential lawsuits.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "yes", the Town will be authorized to Appoint a Town Clerk and a Town Treasurer when the current terms expire in April 2021 for these positions.

**POLLS WILL OPEN AT 7:00 AM AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 PM November 3, 2020**

Done in the Town of Clyman on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2020

  
Sandra Thoma, Clerk