

RESOLUTION 2018-04

Funding for Town Transportation

WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads, as well as city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and,

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF WRIGHTSTOWN of Brown County, and other local governments across Wisconsin have been highlighting our unmet transportation needs in many different avenues including events such as the historic Turnout for Transportation event in September of 2016, where local governments in every region of this state held simultaneous meetings calling on the state legislature to prioritize transportation and pass a sustainable funding package; and,

WHEREAS, while the increase in transportation funding for locals in the last budget was certainly appreciated, many still aren't back to 2011 levels when you adjust for inflation; and,

WHEREAS, local governments continue to struggle to meet even the most basic maintenance needs for our transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, states surrounding Wisconsin and across the country have stepped up with sustainable funding plans for their state and local roads; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin will be at a competitive disadvantage if it does not implement a revenue and spending plan that addresses both our Interstates that were built in the 1950's and 60's *and* our local and state roads; and,

WHEREAS, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and,

WHEREAS, local governments would not be forced to turn to local wheel taxes or increased borrowing or exceeding their levy limits if the state would finally pass a sustainable funding plan for transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Wrightstown of Brown County, recognizes that our state highway and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin, and that both local *and* state roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and,

WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint, Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Wrightstown of Brown County, to urge the Governor and Legislature to Just Fix It and agree upon a long term, sustainable solution that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately fund Wisconsin's transportation system. Furthermore, the Town Board directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker.

Dated at Greenleaf, Wisconsin, this 8th day of August, 2018.


William Verbeten, Town Chairman


Ron Diny, Supervisor


Jess Juedes, Supervisor

ATTEST TO:


Donna Martzahl, Town Clerk

TOWN OF WRIGHTSTOWN

Brown County, Wisconsin

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August 13, 2018

**Office of Governor Scott Walker
115 E. Capitol
Madison WI 53702**

In Re: Funding for Town Transportation

Dear Governor Walker:

Enclosed please find Resolution 2018-04 adopted by the Town Board for the Town of Wrightstown, Brown County, Wisconsin, on August 8, 2018. The purpose is to show our concern for funding for the deterioration of local roads.

The Board supports the necessity and urges you to agree upon a long term, sustainable solution that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjustment of user fees to adequately fund Wisconsin' transportation system.

Sincerely,

**Donna Martzahl
Town Clerk**

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*Also sent to
Senator Frostman
Representative Andre Jarque
WTA notified*

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
Town of Wrightstown
Brown County

I, Donna Martzahl, the town clerk of the Town of Wrightstown, Brown County, Wisconsin, attest and swear all of the following:

- 1) That **Resolution 2018-04 Funding for Town Transportation** posted on this 8th day of August, 2018, pursuant to Wis. Stats 60.80.
- 2) That the above-noted action was posted as required in the following 4 places in the Town of Wrightstown, Brown County, Wisconsin.

Dick's Family Foods, Wrightstown

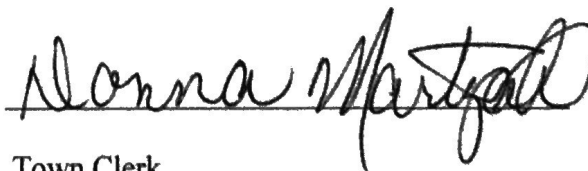
Greenleaf-Wayside Bank, Greenleaf

Wrightstown Town Hall, Greenleaf

Greenleaf BP Convenience Store, Greenleaf

That I then filed this affidavit in the records of the town clerk for the Town of Wrightstown.

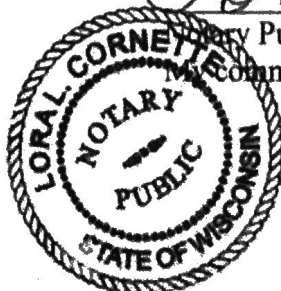
Dated this 13 day of August, 2018.



Town Clerk

Personally came before me this day of August, 2018, the town clerk of the Town of Wrightstown, Brown County, to me known to be the person who executed and acknowledged the foregoing instrument.





My commission expires 9-28-2018