



RESOLUTION # 23-7/10

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 7-14

BOARD ACTION

Adopted: ✓
For: 32
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 3
Vote Req: _____
Other Action: _____

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted: X
For: 8
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 1

RE: AUTHORIZE FORMATION OF THE AD-HOC REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. s. 59.10(3)(b) sets forth the ground rules for counties in the State of Wisconsin for creating supervisory districts; and

WHEREAS, the County Board shall "within 60 days after the population count by block, established in the decennial federal census of population, and maps showing the location and numbering of census blocks become available", but no later than July 1st following the year of each decennial census (July 1, 2011), propose a tentative county supervisory district plan setting forth the number of supervisory districts and tentative boundaries, hold a public hearing on the proposed plan and adopt a tentative plan; and

WHEREAS, the formation of an ad-hoc redistricting committee will assist the County Board in complying with the requirements of federal and state law in creating the new supervisory districts; and,

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the Ad-hoc Redistricting Committee consist of 12 members as follows: 7 County Board members and 3 citizen members appointed by the County Board Chair, the City of La Crosse Council President or her/his designee, and a representative from the League of Women Voters; and,

WHEREAS, the Ad-hoc Redistricting Committee shall be responsible for creating a proposed supervisory district plan that complies with federal law principles governing state election-law requirements including the "one person, one vote" principle said to be embodied in the Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution; and,

WHEREAS, as part of their responsibilities, the Ad-hoc Redistricting Committee shall make recommendations to the County Board as to the size of the Board and the boundaries of the supervisory districts and that such recommendations shall be subject to Board approval; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee/County Board shall follow the requirements of Wis. Stats., notably s. 59.10(3)(b), when creating supervisory districts in La Crosse County:

- The proposed plan may be amended after the public hearing.
- The Board shall solicit suggestions from municipalities concerning the development of an appropriate plan.
- The Board shall "transmit to each municipal governing body in the county the tentative plan that is adopted."
- Each district shall consist of "whole wards or municipalities."
- Each district shall be "designated to be represented by one supervisor, and all districts shall be substantially equal in population.
- "In the tentative plan, the Board shall, whenever possible, place whole contiguous municipalities or contiguous parts of the same municipality within the same district."
- The Board is required then to hold another public hearing and adopt a final districting plan; and
- The Chairperson of the board shall file a certified copy of the final districting plan with the

secretary of state.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby authorize the County Board Chair to form the Ad-hoc Redistricting Committee to consist of a total of 12 members including the following: 7 County Board members and 3 citizen members appointed by the County Board Chair, the City of La Crosse Council President or her/his designee, and a representative from the League of Women Voters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ad-hoc Redistricting Committee shall recommend to the County Board a proposed supervisory district plan that is in compliance with state and federal law regarding redistricting and that sets forth the number of supervisory districts and the boundaries of the districts and the plan shall be subject to approval by the County Board.

FISCAL NOTE: No monies were appropriated for redistricting in the 2010 budget. Any costs needed for redistricting could be included in the 2011 budget or approved by the County Board at a later date.

Date: 7-7-10
[Signature]
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 7/7/10
[Signature]
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	<u>SO</u>	_____	_____	Requested By: Steve Doyle Date Requested: June 9, 2010 Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Fin. Director	<u>GT</u>	_____	_____	
Corp. Counsel	<u>WAS</u>	_____	_____	
Board Chair	<u>SD/mw</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15TH Day of JULY, 2010

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE
I, Linda A. Stone, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 15th day of July, 2010.

[Signature]
Linda A. Stone, La Crosse County Clerk