#### **ENROLLED ORDINANCE 171-63**

## AMEND SECTION 7-94 OF THE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO MODIFY THE COMPENSATION FOR ELECTION TABULATORS

WHEREAS, Chapter 7, Division 8, Section 7-94 (9) of the Waukesha County Code of Ordinances establishes the per diem compensation for individuals serving as election tabulators, and

WHEREAS, recount processes are infrequent and difficult to plan for, including obtaining a sufficient number of volunteers willing to devote extended hours of time over a fixed time period with short notice, and

WHEREAS, the current per diem rate has been determined to be insufficient to attract and retain individuals who are willing, able, and experienced in the election process to make the recount and tabulation process accurate and efficient, and

WHEREAS, under certain circumstances, the County may be reimbursed for the costs associated with a recount, including the compensation of the election tabulators.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS that Section 7-94 (9) of the Waukesha County Code of Ordinances shall be repealed and recreated to read:

Compensation of election tabulators shall be on a per diem basis and shall be as follows:

- A. For meetings of three (3) hours or less, a per diem of thirty dollars (\$30.00); and
- B. For meetings of more than three (3) hours, a per diem of sixty dollars (\$60.00).

### BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section 7–94 (10) be created to read:

In those circumstances where the County will be reimbursed for expenses associated with an election recount, the compensation for election tabulators shall be as follows:

- A. For meetings of three (3) hours or less, a per diem of thirty dollars (\$30.00); and
- B. For meetings of more than three (3) hours, a rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) per hour worked.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that these amendments will be effective as of 12/1/2016.

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### FISCAL NOTE

## AMEND COUNTY CODE TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR ELECTION TABULATORS

This ordinance modifies the County Code to increase the compensation for election tabulators. Current per diem rates which have not changed since 1994, have been determined to be insufficient in attracting and retaining individuals to assist with the accurate and timely tabulation of election results. The current and proposed per diem rates are displayed in the table below.

Election Tabulator Per Diem Rates	Current	Proposed	Change
Meetings of three (3) hours or less	\$25	\$30	\$5
Meetings of three (3) hours or more	\$50	\$60	\$10

Per diem election costs have ranged from \$650 to \$2,500 since 2012 based on the number of elections. The proposed change is estimated to increase costs from \$150 to \$500, based on the requirements of each election year.

In addition, the ordinance modifies the County Code to create rates for election tabulators when County recount costs are reimbursable, proposing a \$30 per diem for meetings of 3 hours or less and \$10 per hour for meetings of 3 hours or more. These costs are not budgeted for and are only allowed if they are reimbursed. If additional County expenditures appropriations are required for a recount, an ordinance or contingency fund transfer will be required. The above mentioned amendments will be effective December 1, 2016.

Linda Witkowski Linda Witkowski Budget Manager 11/30/2016

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	Presented by: Executive Committee	Approved by: Finance Committee
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	The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executiv	re on:
	Date: 13/20/16, Kathleen Nov	ack, County Clerk
	The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Wisconsin, is hereby:  Approved:  Vetoed:	
	Date: Jan 2, 2017, July	I fam
	Paul Farrow,	County Executive

Majority Vote >	Passed (24 Y - 0 N - 1 Absent)	Passed (24	171-0-064
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AYE	D24 - Whittow	AYE	D11 - Howard
AYE	D23 - Hammitt	AYE	D10 - Swan
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AYE	D21 - Zaborowski	AYE	D8 - Michalski
AYE	D20 - Schellinger	AYE	D7 - Grant
AYE	D19 - Cummings	AYE	D6 - Walz
AYE	D18 - Nelson	AYE	D5 - Dondlinger
AYE	D17 - Paulson	Notified	D4 - Batzko
AYE	D16 - Crowley	AYE	D3 - Morris
AYE	D15 - Mitchell	AYE	D2 - Zimmermann
AYE	D14 - Wood	AYE	D1 - Kolb