

**RESOLUTION 2024-02-1**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM FOR THE WALDO MILLPOND DAM; VILLAGE OF WALDO, SHEBOYGAN COUNTY WI**

**WHEREAS**, The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is requiring the Village of Waldo to repair/modify the Millpond Dam to withstand a 500-yr flood, to be in compliance with Wisconsin Administrative Code NR333.

**WHEREAS**, The State of Wisconsin has a Municipal Dam Grant for dam repair/modification of 50% of the first \$1,000,000. The Waldo Millpond Dam project has been estimated to cost \$700,000. The Village of Waldo's portion for the grant would be up to \$350,000.

**WHEREAS**, The State of Wisconsin also has a Municipal Dam Grant for dam removal of 100% of the first \$1,000,000. The Waldo Millpond Dam removal is estimated to cost under \$1,000,000. There could be a cost to the Village of Waldo, if approved.

**WHEREAS**, The Waldo Village Board of Trustees is not comfortable making the decision without the input of the village residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Village of Waldo Board, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve that the following question be placed on the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, ballot as an advisory referendum:

Which of the following option should the Village of Waldo pursue;

- REPAIR: Repair and improve the Onion River Dam and retain the Waldo Mill Pond by borrowing and repaying up to \$350,000 over the next 20 years.
- REMOVE: Remove the Onion River Dam and Waldo Mill Pond and rehabilitate the Onion River (provided the Village was awarded the dam removal grant) with the Village responsible for additional rehabilitation costs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village of Waldo Attorney prepare a Notice of Referendum to be published in accordance with statutory requirement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution and the referendum shall be filed with Sheboygan County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, election at which the question will appear on the ballot.

Adopted this 12th day of August 2024

By a vote of: 3 in favor 2 against 0 abstain

ATTEST: Lisa Gillette  
Lisa Gillette, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED: Gary Dekker  
Gary Dekker, Village President