

Resolution # 22-02

RESOLUTION TO APPLY TO THE MUNICIPAL FLOOD CONTROL GRANT PROGRAM and ENTER IN A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Forest (hereinafter "Village") has identified through the Vernon County Hazard Mitigations Plan, a goal, to reduce or eliminate repetitive loss or substantially damaged structures by flooding;

**WHEREAS**, the Town applied for a FEMA HMGP Grant to purchase homes through a voluntary purchase located in the floodplain in the Town of Forest; and,

**WHEREAS**, residential property owners in the Town have expressed an interest in further discussion of a voluntary buyout of their properties; and,

**WHEREAS**, the FEMA HMGP Grant requires a 12.5% match and the Department of Natural Resources (hereinafter the "DNR") has a state Municipal Flood Control Grant that requires a 50% match requirement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Flood Control Grant and FEMA HMGP Grant can be used together to match one another and meet ALL match requirements; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town is eligible to apply for the DNR Municipal Flood Control Grant; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town is qualified, willing and able to carry out all activities described in the state grant application; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town understands that DNR will accept appraisals completed in 2020 and recently approved by Wisconsin Emergency Management in 2021, such is the case with these two properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town will allow employees from the DNR to inspect grant project sites as needed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town will submit a final report to the DNR which describes all Municipal Flood Control Grant project activities, achievements and data collected, and documentation of project costs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town requests the funds and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the Municipal Flood Control Grant Program and will comply with state rules for the program; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 66.0301, the Town will enter into a cooperative agreement with Vernon County. The Cooperative Agreement will state that Vernon County will agree to cooperate in the implementation of the Municipal Flood Control Grant as approved by the DNR; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, County will coordinate funds from both the FEMA HMGP grant and the Municipal Flood Control Grant to implement the terms of the grant including assuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and Municipal Flood Control Grant project described in the application; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town authorizes Amy Holte, Vernon County Grants Officer, to act on behalf of the Town to submit an application to the state of Wisconsin for financial aid for Municipal Flood Control protection purposes, sign documents and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete and approved flood control project.

Adopted this day 14<sup>th</sup> of February, 2022  
By a vote of: 3 in favor, 0 against, and      abstain  
BY: Alice O'Keefe (secretary/clerk) of  
(city, village, town, Indian Tribe, or metropolitan sewerage district)  
Town of Forest