

*Amended
9/2/98
Rec Res No. 76*

**Resolution of Intent to Participate
Countywide Trunked Radio Project**

WHEREAS municipal public-safety radio communications are crucial to the preservation and protection of life and property; and

WHEREAS many existing municipal public safety radio systems experience interference, channel congestion, limited range, and the inability to coordinate communications with other agencies; and

WHEREAS available conventional radio channels are insufficient to accommodate future technology and the ongoing growth of expanding communications needs; and

WHEREAS an independent 1996 feasibility study recommended that local governments within Waukesha County implement a central Trunked Radio system with advanced features to facilitate public-safety communications throughout the County; and

WHEREAS adoption of a Trunked Radio system would enhance interdepartmental communications and cooperation; and

WHEREAS 800 MHz Trunked Radio technology offers wide-area interference-free radio communications, independent talkgroup "channels" for each agency, the capability of dispatching either independently or through a central dispatch center, the capability for growth, and advanced communications management tools; and

WHEREAS utilization of a countywide Trunked Radio system will result in better intergovernmental coordination and communications, and eliminate the need for municipalities to purchase, install, and maintain most of their own radio towers and fixed infrastructure; and

WHEREAS the financing of this project will be on a cost sharing basis among participants based on a formula that provides incentives which encourage initial participation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the *Village of Oconomowoc Lake* expresses its intent to be a participant in the operation and funding of a countywide Trunked Radio system, and supports utilization of this system for its municipal radio communications operations.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of August, 1998.

VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE

Raymond O. Foster, Jr.

Raymond O. Foster, Jr., President

ATTEST:

Cheryl Wierdsma

Cheryl Wierdsma, Village Clerk