

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

**Resolution No. 76**

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; and

WHEREAS, although the municipality generally favors the Countywide Trunked Radio Project, the full costs and benefits of the same to this municipality are not yet known and therefore the municipality does not intend to be bound at this time;


THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Oconomowoc Lake expresses its non-binding intent to be a participant in the operation and funding of a countywide Trunked Radio system, and generally supports utilization of this system for its municipal radio communications operation, subject to such re-consideration and change of intent as the municipality deems appropriate.

Passed and Approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 1998.

VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE

  
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Paul M. Fischer, Acting President

Attest:

  
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Cheryl Wierdsma, Clerk-Treasurer