

TOWN OF POLK  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

**RESOLUTION 14.2020**  
**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TOWN OF POLK MEETINGS**

The Town Board of the Town of Polk, Washington County, Wisconsin by this Resolution, hereby resolves and orders as follows:

WHEREAS, the residents of the Town of Polk place a high value on respect and civility in their lives and they understand that these characteristics are essential to any healthy community, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Polk supports opportunities for civil discourse and discussion, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, as well as other Committees, sometimes address controversial issues about which people often feel passionately, and


WHEREAS, an atmosphere of incivility and disrespect can have a damaging effect on the proceedings, on the quality of debate, and on the practice of democracy itself;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POLK, WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town shall conduct all meetings according to Robert's Rules of Order and shall promote civil discourse and discussion in conducting the business of the Town.
2. Town Board and Committee meetings shall be conducted in a courteous manner. Citizens, Board and Committee members shall be allowed to state their positions in an atmosphere free of slander, insults, obscene remarks, threats of violence or for use of Board or Committee as a forum for politics. Sufficient warnings may be given by the Board Chairman or Committee Chair at any time during the remarks and in the event that any individual shall violate the rules of decorum heretofore set forth, such person may then be cut off from comment or debate.

Resolution 14.2020: Resolution Approving the Code of Conduct for Town of Polk Meetings as adopted by the Town Board this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2020.

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Albert J. Schulteis, Chairman

  
Robert Roecker, Supervisor

  
Dennis Sang, Supervisor

ATTEST:

  
Sandra Rotar, Town Clerk