

**RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**Whereas;** The legislation known as "Smart Growth" has been adopted as 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, and,

**Whereas;** Smart Growth planning requires that all units of government which provide any regulation which relates to land use must be consistent with their comprehensive plan, which must be in place by January 1, 2010, and,

**Whereas;** Because s. 59.692 Wis. statutes mandate counties to zone shorelands, Smart Growth comprehensive planning is a defacto mandate to the county, and,

**Whereas;** A comprehensive plan under Smart Growth must address nine elements, which are common to county, town, village and city comprehensive plan requirements, and,

**Whereas;** Intergovernmental cooperation under s. 66.30 is one of the required nine elements, and,

**Whereas;** There are substantial economic advantages in cost savings, consistency across jurisdictional boundaries, preference in grant applications, and other benefits if Washburn county, and the individual towns, villages and cities agree to work together to develop a comprehensive plan for the entire county, and,

**Whereas;** The Comprehensive Plan development process is anticipated to run for about three years, from initiation of the project to adoption, and,

**Whereas;** Anticipated costs to the towns are projected to be \$2,000.00 per year, and,  
Anticipated costs to the villages are projected to be \$8,000.00 per year, and,  
Anticipated costs to the cities are projected to be \$16,000.00 per year, and,  
Anticipated cost to the county is \$50,000.00 in 2001,

**Therefore, Be It Resolved;** that the towns of Barronett, Bashaw, Bass Lake, Beaver Brook, Birchwood, Brooklyn, Casey, Chicog, Crystal, Evergreen, Frog Creek, Gull Lake, Long Lake, Madge, Minong, Saron, Spooner, Springbrook, Stinnett, Stone Lake, and Trego; the villages of Birchwood and Minong; the cities of Spooner and Shell Lake, and Washburn County, state their respective intents to enter into an intergovernmental cooperative agreement for the purpose of developing a comprehensive plan for Washburn County.

**Be It Further Resolved;** that this plan will be developed at the local government level and it is intended that the plan will constitute the comprehensive plans for both the local governments and Washburn County.

Adopted this 18 day of SEPTEMBER, 2000

By M. A. Ericson Jr. (unit of government)