SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. <u>09</u> (2012/13)

Re: Reducing the Private On-site Wastewater System (POWTS)
Recordkeeping Fee

WHEREAS, by the enactment of Ordinance No. 6 (2005/06), the Sheboygan County Board established a \$7.50 annual Private On-site Wastewater System (POWTS) recordkeeping fee to be assessed against those persons utilizing such systems in order to pay for the costs of developing and maintaining an inventory tracking process for such systems as required by state mandated administrative regulations, and

WHEREAS, because the cost of developing and maintaining the inventory tracking process was costlier than originally anticipated, the annual fee was increased by the County Board to \$15.00 pursuant to Ordinance No. 5 (2009/10), and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0628, the County Board embraces the concept that any fees imposed should bear a reasonable relationship to the services for which the fee is imposed, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Conservation Department has determined that the expenses of administering the POWTS recordkeeping program have diminished;

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Sheboygan does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Reducing Private On-site Wastewater System (POWTS Recordkeeping Fee. Section 70.23(c) of the Sheboygan County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

(c) In addition to the foregoing fees, as allowed by Wis. Stat. § 145.20(4), each owner of a private sewage system shall annually be charged a fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00)Twelve and 50/100 Dollars (\$12.50) per private sewage system for the recordkeeping attributable to the inventory and tracking of the pumping and maintenance of each system, said fee to be recovered in the same manner as municipalities may make property assessments pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0703.

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Section 2. <u>Effective Date</u>. The herein Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of September, 2012.

PLANNING, RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND EXTENSION COMMITTEE*

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