

**OUTLINE
TOWN OF MORGAN
CONVERSION OF
“ELECTED” TOWN CLERK AND TOWN TREASURER POSITIONS
INTO
TOWN BOARD “APPOINTED” OFFICES**

- (1) With a town population under 2,500 the change to “Appointed” offices is by Referendum only.
- (2) Subject was presented to Electors of Morgan at the Town’s Annual Meeting, April 13, 2010.
- (3) An Ordinance was drawn up by the Town Board (Attachment 1). This Ordinance may not take effect until approved in a Referendum called by the Town Board for that purpose in the General Election (November 2, 2010).
- (4) The Referendum question shall be:

“Shall the Office of Town Clerk and Office of Town Treasurer
in the Town of Morgan, Oconto County, be appointed
by the Town Board?”
- (4) Open Forum – Citizens discussion of “Appointed vs. Elected” at the Town’s Board Meeting, August 9, 2010.
- (5) This Ordinance was adopted by the Town Board (Town Board Meeting, August 9, 2010), and was “Noticed” by the Town Clerk a minimum of 45 days prior to the Referendum, s60.30(1e)(b), Wis Stat. (In this case, before September 18, 2010) Notice of this Ordinance will be posted in three places in the Town (Morgan Town Hall, Morgan Fire Station, Hilltop Bar).
- (6) A TYPE C Notice of Referendum will be published in the Oconto County Times-Herald and Reporter by Wednesday, October 27, 2010 (Attachment 2). This TYPE C Notice will also be posted in three places in the Town no later than a week before the election date.
- (7) If Referendum is approved at election, this Ordinance takes effect upon the expiration of the terms of the incumbent officers (April 12, 2011)
- (8) No sooner than two years after this Ordinance is approved in Referendum, the Town Board can enact an Ordinance to return to a system of “Elected” officials without a new Referendum.

(ATTACHMENT ONE)

PUBLIC NOTICE #2010-6
ORDINANCE #2010-1
CLERK AND TREASURER APPOINTMENT

The Town Board of the Town of Morgan, Oconto County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

That, pursuant to s.60.30(1e)(a), Wis. Stat., the Office of the Town Clerk and Office of the Town Treasurer shall be filled by appointment of a majority of the members-elect of the Town Board.

The term of office for the appointed office(s) shall be set by the Town Board, but may not exceed three years, s.60.30(1e)(c), Wis. Stat. (The Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer terms will be staggered.) The Town Board may re-appoint the officer(s) for additional terms. However, removal by the Town Board during a given term of office may only be for *cause*, as defined under s.17.001, Wis. Stat. and required by s.60.30(1e)(f), Wis. Stat. (*Cause* should be verified by "hard" documentation.)

This Ordinance is subject to approval by the Town Electors in a Referendum, which is hereby called by the Town Board to be held on November 2, 2010 (General Election).

The Referendum question shall be:

"Shall the Office of Town Clerk and Office of Town Treasurer
in the Town of Morgan, Oconto County, be appointed
by the Town Board?"

The salary of the appointed office(s) shall be set by the Town Board, and may not be reduced during the term of office.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its Town Board passage, "Notice" after passage per s60.80 Wis. Stat., and also its Referendum approval by the Town Electors as required by s60.30(1e)(b) Wis. Stat.

Adopted this 9th day of August, 2010.
Town of Morgan, Oconto County, Wisconsin

Fran Wranosky, Chairman

Attestation: Charlene Borghese, Morgan Town Clerk
Posted: 8/10/10 (Morgan Town Hall, Morgan Fire Station, Hilltop Bar)

PUBLIC NOTICE #2010-7

TYPE C NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

TOWN OF MORGAN, OCONTO COUNTY

GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 2, 2010

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the Town of Morgan, Oconto County on November 2, 2010, the following proposed Referendum will be submitted to a vote of the people. If approved, pursuant to s.60.30(1e)(a), Wis. Stat, the Office of Town Clerk and Office of Town Treasurer shall be filled by appointment of a majority of the members-elect of the Town Board.

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

“Shall the Office of Town Clerk and Office of Town Treasurer
in the Town of Morgan, Oconto County, be appointed by
the Town Board?”

The effect of a “yes” vote means “Elected” Town Clerk and Town Treasurer positions will be converted into Town Board “Appointed” offices in the Town of Morgan.

The effect of a “no” vote means, “Elected” Town Clerk and Town Treasurer positions will remain “Elected” positions in the Town of Morgan.

Done in the Town of Morgan on August 9, 2010

Charlene Borghese
Town of Morgan Clerk

REFERENDUM CONSIDERATIONS...

- (1) Short and long version of Job Description shall be made available.
- (2) Under the law, the "Board Appointed" Town Clerk and Town Treasurer will be treated the same as an "Elected" official.
- (3) Any pay increase approved during their term would take effect as designated by the Town's Wage Committee, and approved by the Town Board.
- (4) An "Appointed" Clerk and Treasurer cannot serve on the Town of Morgan Board of Review, but the Town Board can appoint the Treasurer to serve on the Board of Review, and the Clerk serve as the Recording Secretary, providing they are electors in the Town, and a Town Ordinance is drawn up specifying membership of the Board of Review.