STATE OF WISCONSIN
Town of Beaver Dam
Dodge County

RESOLUTION 2026 - 008

The Town Board of the Town of Beaver Dam, Dodge County, Wisconsin, by this resolution, adopted by a majority of the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, resolves and declares as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beaver Dam established an ordinance regarding zoning regulations; said ordinance being Chapter 62 of the Code;

WHEREAS, said Chapter, among other things, includes regulations applicable to the keeping of pets and other animals, across zoning districts;

WHEREAS, the keeping of chickens as an incidental use on lands zoned residential has become more common, and the opportunity for impacts upon neighboring properties has increased;

WHEREAS, the town board believes the existing provisions of Chapter 62 do not adequately address the increasingly common activity of keeping chickens;

WHEREAS, the town board has reviewed this matter in detail; has studied the approaches of other municipalities in addressing the increasingly common activity of keeping chickens; has included this as an agenda item at regular town board meetings over the past several months, with an opportunity for public input at these monthly town board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the town board has determined that a set of amendments to Chapter 62 will facilitate a fair and appropriate governance of this activity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Beaver Dam hereby adopts the amendments to Chapter 62 as outlined on the attached addendum. These amendments impact Sec. 62-10; 62-14; and 62-64. In addition, a new section is created, Sec. 62-15, which establishes standards for the keeping of chickens. The Town Board directs that the proposed zoning changes are approved and incorporated into the ordinance.

Said changes and amendments are submitted to the Dodge County Board for approval.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required under sec. 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Adopted this 13 day of October, 2026.

Town Chairman

Joe Kern

Town Board Supervisors

Dave Raue

Liz Kern

Dean Hughes

Jesse Hankes

Attest: _____
Aimee Mallon, Town Clerk