

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09
STATE OF WISCONSIN
City of Menomonie
Dunn County

A RESOLUTION RELATING TO CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE FOR THE CITY OF
MENOMONIE

WHEREAS, climate change poses a serious threat to natural resources, public safety and economy.

WHEREAS, the City has a responsibility to current and future generations to act to prevent continuing damage to our climate and to invest in solutions that help to mitigate the changes that have already occurred.

WHEREAS, local investments will support the City's goals to "promote energy and natural resource conservation methods and the increased use of renewable energy sources" as stated in the City's Comprehensive Plan¹.

WHEREAS, this is consistent with the goals stated in the *Conference of Mayors Climate Protection Agreement*, signed by the City in 2005.

WHEREAS, the City envisions a future process that will reflect community values and stakeholder participation to develop means to reach these goals. Stakeholders include residents, low-income and minority populations, large and small businesses, local utilities, the educational community, institutions, the building and construction sector, transportation providers, waste companies and others.

WHEREAS, the process to achieve these goals needs to be realistic and sensitive to unintended impacts. Careful and ongoing planning is necessary to understand what is practical.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Menomonie that it supports the following:

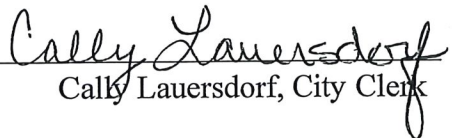
- 1) Move towards municipal carbon reduction with incremental drawdown targets of 25% by 2030 and 60% by 2040.
- 2) In partnership with other state, county, local agencies, local businesses and utility providers, achieve a goal of ensuring all electricity consumed within the State of Wisconsin is 100 percent carbon-free by 2050.
- 3) Support a state clean energy plan to assist in adapting to and mitigating the harm from climate change by using clean energy resources and technology. The Office of Sustainability and Clean Energy shall coordinate with other state agencies, Native nations, local governments, utilities, businesses, and other stakeholders to develop and implement the clean energy plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Menomonie that the City will support initiatives to assist the municipality and state in achieving these sustainability goals.

¹: *City of Menomonie 2016-2036 Comprehensive Plan* _ Chapter 8: Utilities, "Goal 2: Promote energy and natural resource conservation methods and increased use of renewable energy sources. Objectives: 1. Provide continued education to residents related to water and energy conservation. 2. Increase the use of renewable energy sources to meet residential, business, and industry needs."

Adopted this 20th day of April, 2020.


Randy Knaack, Mayor

Attest: 
Cally Lauersdorf, City Clerk