

**Ordinance Relating to the Confidentiality of Information about Income  
and Expenses Requested by the Assessor in Property Assessment  
Matters in the Town of Washburn**

WHEREAS, as part of the Budget Adjustment Act, 1997, Wisconsin Act 237 a number of significant changes regarding property tax assessment appeals and Board of Review procedures were enacted; and

WHEREAS, at Section 279(K) of the 1997 Wisconsin Act 237, Section 70.47(7)(af) of the Wisconsin Statutes was created; and

WHEREAS, WI Stat. 70.47(7)(af), requires that the municipality provide by ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the Assessor under WI Stat. 70.47(7)(af), and shall provide exceptions for persons using the information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office or by order of the court.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Washburn, Bayfield County, Wisconsin DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Whenever the Assessor, in the performance of the Assessor's duties, requests or obtains income and expense information that is provided to the Assessor shall be held by the Assessor on a confidentiality basis, except, however, that the information may be revealed to and used by persons: in the discharging of duties imposed by law, in the discharging of duties imposed by office (including, but not limited to use by the Assessor in performance of official duties of the Assessor's office and use by the Board of Review in performance of its official duties), or pursuant to order of a court. Income and expenses information provided to the Assessor under WI Stat 70.47(7)(af), unless a court determines that it is inaccurate per WI Stat 70.47(7)(af), not subject to the right of inspection and copying under WI Stat 19.35(1).

SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY - The several sections of this ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section or portion thereof shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unlawful or unenforceable, such decision shall apply only to the specific section or portion thereof directly specified in the decision and shall not affect the validity of any other provisions, sections or portions thereof of the ordinance. The remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Any

other ordinance whose terms are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to those terms that conflict.

SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE - This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and posting or publication as provided by the law. Dated this 11th day of May, 2020.

Town Board of Washburn

  
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Chair, Town of Washburn

Attested by:

  
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Town Clerk

## Ordinance to Appoint Alternate Members for Board of Review

Whereas, WI Statute 70.47(6m)(c) authorizes the appointment of alternate members to serve on the Board of Review when standing members are removed from individual cases:

Now, Therefore the Town of Washburn, Bayfield County does ordain as follows:

### 1. ADOPTION

Pursuant to WI Stats. 70.47(6m)(c) and 70.46(1), the Town Board hereby provides for the appointment of alternates to serve on the Town Board of Review in the event a standing board member of the Board of Review is removed or unable to serve for any reason.

### 2. APPOINTMENTS

The following electors of the Town of Washburn are hereby named as alternates in the order indicated to serve as alternate Board of Review members:

Alternate 1: Kim Bro

Alternate 2: Ellen Avol-Law

### 3. EFFECTIVE DATE


The appointments made in this ordinance are for the year 2020 Board of Review proceedings and succeeding years until such appointments are rescinded by action of the Town Board and effective upon posting as provided by law.

Passed on the 11th day of May, 2020

By the Town Board of Washburn

  
Town Chair

Attested by

  
Town Clerk