

**Town of Wascott  
Douglas County, Wisconsin**

**Resolution 2009-22  
Resolution to Participate in the  
Wisconsin Length of Service Award Program**

WHEREAS, the Town of Wascott operates a volunteer fire department and utilizes the services of volunteer fire fighters; and

WHEREAS, “volunteer fire fighter” means a person that renders fire fighting or rescue services to the town and does not receive compensation under a contract of employment as a fire fighter; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin (“State”) and the Volunteer Firefighter and Emergency Medical Technician Service Award Board (“Board”) have designed a length of service award program (“Program”), which allows private vendors to offer plans that provide benefits to volunteer firefighters that render fire fighting services to a municipality that participates in the Program; and

WHEREAS, the State and the Board will match the annual contributions, made by a municipality choosing to participate in the Program on behalf of its volunteer firefighters, not to exceed the statutory maximum per individual; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wascott, Douglas County, Wisconsin wishes to participate in the Program for the benefit of its volunteer firefighters and agrees to abide by all pertinent local, state and federal statutes, regulations and rules and procedures pertaining to the Program, as well as any requirements of the private vendor chosen by the Town of Wascott; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wascott agrees to develop standards for determining the service required of its volunteer firefighters in order to qualify for an annual contribution.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Wascott Town Board ratifies the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Wascott hereby declares that it shall participate in the State of Wisconsin Length of Service Award Program for volunteer fire fighters and shall abide by all pertinent statutes, rules, regulations, procedures and other requirements of the Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED all funds necessary to provide for annual contributions now and in the future under the Program be appropriated, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the effective date of the Program shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2009, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the fire chief of the volunteer fire department shall by December 1, 2009, develop the standards for determining the service required for participation in the Program, subject to approval of the Town Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the standards for participation and the contract for the program administrator shall be presented to the Town Board for adoption on or before December 31, 2009.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2009.

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Janice Newsome, Town Chairperson

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Bob Beglinger, Town Supervisor

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Doug Bush, Town Supervisor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeannette Atkinson, Town Clerk

Fiscal note: Cost of the program in 2009 is \$312 per eligible participant. It is estimated that 16 volunteers may qualify for participation in 2009, for a total estimated cost of \$4,680.