TOWN OF GRAND CHUTE

RESOLUTION, SERIES OF TBR-06-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GRAND CHUTE, OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN, SUPPORTING THE WEIGHT OF THE FOX VALLEY (WOTFV)

WHEREAS, the WOTFV serves the (Calumet, Outagamie, Winnebago) tri-county region with a vision of communities that together achieve and maintain a healthy weight at every age; and,

WHEREAS, obesity is a medical term in which excess body fat has accumulated to the extent that it may have a negative effect on health, leading to reduced life expectancy and/or increased health problems; and,

WHEREAS, over 60% of Fox Valley residents are overweight or obese. The rate of Wisconsin residents who are obese has more than doubled in the last 24 years to 30%. Obesity-related conditions include heart disease, stroke, diabetes, high blood pressure, sleep apnea, liver disease, lung disease, arthritis, gout, certain types of cancer and also can impact mental health; and,

WHEREAS, the economic cost of obesity in Wisconsin is estimated to be $3.1 billion per year and going up; and,

WHEREAS, physical activity can improve health by lowering the risk for diseases associated with obesity. Physical activity can help with weight control, and improve academic achievement in students. Walking and biking has increasingly become a daily mode of transportation and better access to bicycle and pedestrian facilities has been shown to increase physical activity; and,

WHEREAS, the Appleton (Fox Cities) Transportation Management Area (TMA) and Oshkosh Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan seeks to increase physical activity and enhance safe and convenient active transportation options via a well-connected multimodal transportation network.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of Supervisors for the Town of Grand Chute, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, that Grand Chute is committed to battling this epidemic by supporting the efforts of WOTFV and supporting the policy and program recommendations found in the Appleton (Fox Cities) TMA and Oshkosh MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

Approved and adopted this 7 day of April, 2016.

Number Vote For 5
Number Voted Against 0

Town of Grand Chute

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Town Chairman

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