

RESOLUTION NO. 1006

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING EXPECTATIONS TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCTIVE TO THE CIVIL CONDUCT OF THE PUBLIC'S BUSINESS IN POLSON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Polson, under the Charter approved by the voters and the laws of the State of Montana is charged to conduct the public's business in its meetings; and,

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges and welcomes the spirit and intent, as well as the letter, of Montana's open meeting and open government law; and,

WHEREAS, the Council desires to set forth specific expectations of individual behavior, believing that adherence to the standards by the Council and by the public during the meetings of the Polson City Council, or of any of its subordinate boards, commissions, or committees, will enhance and bolster the objectives of City government of, by, and for its citizens, by and through their duly elected or appointed Councilpersons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POLSON, MONTANA, LAKE COUNTY:

- SECTION 1. That the following three expectations are herewith adopted:**
- a. We focus on issues and not on people, and we do not tolerate abusive communication.**
 - b. We seek and encourage diverse points of view, and listen to learn and to understand.**
 - c. We seek creative solutions.**

SECTION 2. The foregoing expectations shall be listed on every agenda published by the City Council, or by any of its subordinate boards, commissions, or committees, and shall further be placed in printed form in City Hall both within and outside the council chambers, on the City's web site, and in further locations as the City Manager may, in his discretion, see fit.

SECTION 3. It is the intent of the Council in adopting these expectations to express its sense that the whole of the community working together in a civil and respectful manner towards resolution of issues in the common interest is the highest aim of government. No part of this resolution is intended to abrogate any part of a Councilperson's right and duty to vote their conscience.

SECTION 4. All Resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby amended to the extent of any such conflict.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of January, 20, 2010

Patricia DeVries, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Aggi Loeser, City Clerk

STATE OF MONTANA)
:ss.
County of Lake)

On this ____ day of _____, 2010, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared Patricia DeVries and Aggi Loeser, personally known to me to be the Mayor and the City Clerk of the City of Polson, Montana, the Municipal Corporation that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial Seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Notary Public for the State of Montana
Residing at _____ Montana
My Commission expires: