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**RESOLUTION: Amend Rule 10.2 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to limit the time supervisors may speak on a subject.**

**TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

**WHEREAS**, Rule 10.2 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors limits members from speaking more than twice on the same question without leave of the Board, except to answer questions from the Chair or the Floor; and

**WHEREAS**, Rule 10.2 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors currently reads:

"10.2 No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Board, except to answer questions from the Chair or the Floor. The Chair must enforce this rule when a violation is called to the attention of the Chair."

**WHEREAS**, the Winnebago County Board Chair solicited recommendations from members as to ways to shorten the length of Board meetings due to the length of the meetings and the attention span of the average adult.

- On April 19, 2022, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors meeting ran 5 hours 52 minutes.
- On April 26, 2022, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors meeting ran 3 hours 40 minutes.
- On May 3, 2022, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors meeting ran 4 hours 30 minutes.
- On May 17, 2022, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors meeting ran 4 hours 42 minutes.
- On June 21, 2022, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors meeting ran 6 hours 16 minutes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby amends Rule 10.2 to read as follows:

No member shall speak more than 2 minutes AND twice on the same question (a total of 4 minutes per question) without leave of the Board, except to answer questions from the Chair or the Floor. The Chair must enforce this rule when a violation is called to the attention of the Chair.

**FISCAL NOTE:** No fiscal impact.

Respectfully submitted by:

**THOMAS EGAN, DISTRICT 33**

Respectfully submitted by:

**JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Committee Vote: **3-2**

Vote Required for Passage: **two-thirds of those members present**

Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Jonathan D. Doemel  
Winnebago County Executive