

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2012

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF
CHAPTER 2 OF THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES
REGARDING THE USE OF THE CAUCUS FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES
FOR NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS**

The Village Board of the Village of Arlington, Columbia County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

1. Section 2.05 is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

SECTION 2.05 Nomination of Candidates for Non-Partisan Elections.

- (a) All elections held in the Village of Arlington shall be non-partisan elections.
 - (b) Every candidate for an elective Village office shall be nominated by use of a caucus as prescribed by § 8.05(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes, or by a caucus and selection at the primary if a primary is held.
 - (c) Notice of the election shall be given under §§ 10.01(2)(a) and 10.06(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 - (d) A primary election shall be held only when the number of candidates for an elective office in the Village exceeds twice the number to be elected to the office. When the number of candidates for an office does not exceed twice the number to be elected, the names of all candidates shall appear on the official ballot for the election without a primary. Those offices for which a primary has been held shall have only the names of candidates nominated at the primary appear on the official spring election ballot.
 - (e) The Village of Arlington may call special elections for any purpose authorized by law. If a special election is called, the procedures of this Section shall be followed, and the Village Board shall determine the appropriate time frame for use of the caucus procedure.
2. Severability of Provisions. Should any section, sentence, phrase or other portion of this Ordinance be declared invalid, such portion shall be deemed as a separate and distinct provision and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
3. Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be enforced upon its passage and publication or posting as provided by law. Except as provided herein, all of the terms and provisions of Chapter 2 of the Village of Arlington Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

Dated and effective this 12th day of March, 2012.

VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Ordinance Adopted: _____

Ordinance Posted: _____

By: _____

James Laatsch
Village President

Attest: _____

Michael McKinney
Village Clerk