

**TOWN OF MARTELL  
PIERCE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
ORDINANCE# 24-02**

An Ordinance to provide the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer shall be separate positions filled by appointment by the Members-Elect of the Town Board.

**WHEREAS**, at present the position of Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Martell are filled by election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board believes it expedient and necessary to change the method of selection of the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer, each of which shall be separate offices, so that these offices shall be filled by appointment of the Members-Elect of the Town Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. Sec. 60.30(1a)(a) provides the Town Board may enact an Ordinance that provides for the appointment of a person by a majority of the Members-Elect of the Town Board to fill the offices of the town clerk and town treasurer; and

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. Sec. 60.30(1e)(b) provides an Ordinance calling for the appointment of persons to serve as town clerk and town treasurer cannot take effect until approved by a Referendum called by the Town Board to be held not sooner than seventy (70) days after the Referendum is called;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Town Board of the Town of Martell does hereby ordain as follows:

1. The office of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer shall be separate, not combined, offices.
2. The Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer shall be appointed by the Members-Elect of the Town Board for terms not to exceed three (3) years.
3. This Ordinance shall not take effect until approved by a Referendum called by the Town Board for that purpose at the next general election (November 5, 2024), and if the Referendum approves the Ordinance then the appointment of a new Town Clerk and a new Town Treasurer shall not be made until expiration of the current term of each.
4. By this Ordinance the Town Board does hereby call for a Referendum of the general electors at the next general election, November 5, 2024, to answer the question: "Shall the person holding the office of town clerk and the person holding the office of town treasurer in the Town of Martell be appointed by the Town Board?"

5. This Ordinance shall take effect only in the event the referendum question is approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the electors who vote on same in the next general election.

Passed May 14, 2024.

**TOWN OF MARTELL**

By: *Bradley A. Taplin*  
Bradley Taplin, Town Chair

Attest: *Dale R. Olson, Town Clerk*  
Dale Olson, Town Clerk

**ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION**

I, Dale Olson, being the Town Clerk of the Town of Martell, Pierce County, Wisconsin hereby certify that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024, Ordinance No. 24-02, a true and accurate copy of which is attached, was duly enacted by the Town of Martell, Pierce County, Wisconsin, and entered into the Town of Martell record books. This Ordinance was posted in the following three locations in the Town of Martell on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024:

Martell Town Hall - W5581 800th Avenue, Spring Valley Wisconsin 54767

Martell Town Shop - W5594 800th Ave. Spring Valley, Wisconsin 54767

Martell Town Recycling Center - 780th Ave. (1/4 mile East of Hwy. 63),  
Spring Valley, Wisconsin 54767

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024

*Dale R. Olson, Clerk*  
Dale Olson, Clerk

## **REFERENDUM QUESTION**

Shall the person holding the office of town clerk or town treasurer in the Town of Martell be appointed by the Town Board?