

Chapter 130
TOWN BOARD

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Washington 6-19-1986 as §§ 2.01 to 2.06 and 2.16 of the 1986 Code. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Election of Supervisors — See Ch. 36.

Meetings — See Ch. 92.

§ 130-1. Legal status and general powers. ¹

The Town of Washington is a body corporate and politic, with those powers granted by law.

§ 130-2. Village powers.

The Town Board has been authorized to exercise powers relating to villages and conferred on village boards under Ch. 61, Wis. Stats., except those powers which conflict with statutes relating to towns and town boards.²

§ 130-3. Supervisors. ³ [Amended 12-15-1988 by Ord. No. 008-88]

The Town Board consists of the Supervisors of the Town. The number of Supervisors in the Town shall be five. Election of the Supervisors of the Town shall be in accordance with § 36-5 of this Code and Wisconsin Law.

§ 130-4. General powers and duties of the Town Board. ⁴

The Town Board:

- A. Charge of Town affairs. Has charge of all affairs of the Town not committed by law to another body or officer or to a Town employee.

1. Editor's Note: See § 60.01, Wis. Stats.

2. Editor's Note: This authorization was made by resolution of the Town Meeting dated 4-4-1972.

3. Editor's Note: See §§ 60.20 and 60.21(1), Wis. Stats.

4. Editor's Note: See § 60.22, Wis. Stats.

- B. Charge of actions. Has charge of any action or legal proceeding to which the Town is a party.
- C. Village powers. May exercise powers relating to villages and conferred on village boards under Ch. 61, Wis. Stats., except those powers which conflict with statutes relating to towns and town boards.⁵
- D. Pursue certain claims of Town. Shall demand payment of penalties and forfeitures recoverable by the Town and damages incurred by the Town due to breach of official bond, injury to property or other injury. If, following demand, payment is not made, the Board shall pursue appropriate legal action to recover the penalty, forfeiture or damages.

§ 130-5. Miscellaneous powers of the Town Board. ⁶

The Town Board shall have the powers enumerated in § 60.23, Wis. Stats.

§ 130-6. Powers and duties of Town Board Chairperson. ⁷

The Town Board Chairperson shall have the powers and duties prescribed in § 60.24, Wis. Stats.

§ 130-7. Eligibility for office. ⁸

Except as expressly authorized by statute, no member of the Town Board shall, during the term for which that member is elected, be eligible for any office or position which during such term has been created by, or the selection to which is vested in the Town Board, but such member shall be eligible for any elective office not otherwise prohibited by law.

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- 5. Editor's Note: Former Subsection D, regarding the Constable, which immediately followed this subsection, was deleted at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. II).
 - 6. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. II).
 - 7. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. II).
 - 8. Editor's Note: See § 66.0501, Wis. Stats.