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**ORDINANCE NO. 4-0211**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING IOWA COUNTY ETHICS CODE**

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Committees has recognized that there is an increasing absence of a civility at all levels of government; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Committees recognizes that the actions of government and the public's trust in their representatives can be strengthened by the responsible and respectful interaction by their representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa County Board has adopted rules and provisions regarding an ethics code which pertains to all County officials and County employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Committees has reviewed the ethics code and determined that it is appropriate to include a provision regarding a code of conduct and civility for County officials and employees;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that Section 701.205 be created and added to the Iowa County Ethics Code:

**701.205      STANDARD OF CONDUCT; CODE OF CONDUCT AND CIVILITY BY COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.**

County officials and employees shall comport themselves in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin and shall behave in a manner that tends to maintain and strengthen the public's trust and confidence in the integrity of the County institutions which they serve. County officials and employees shall not engage in personal attacks, ill considered accusations of impropriety, taunting, harassment, personal or legal threats or other uncivil behaviors. Conduct which tends to incite, inflame or negatively impact the efficiency of operations or the reputation of the County, its Officials, or employees, when made in bad faith will not be tolerated. The County endorses and encourages the constructive free exchange of opinions and points of view and encourages the examination of methods, processes and ideas which will further strengthen the functioning of the County government.

**SIGNED:**  
**The Committee on Committees**

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Dave Bauer, Chairman

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Carol Anderson

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Ronald Benish

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Dwayne Hiltbrand

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John M. Meyers

**Fiscal Note:**

No fiscal impact anticipated.

**Legal Note:**

Simple majority vote required.  
§ 19.59, Wis. Stats. WEM

STATE OF WISCONSIN            )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF IOWA                )

I, Greg Klusendorf, County Clerk in and for Iowa County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Ordinances adopted by the Board of Supervisors on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011.

Dated at Dodgeville, Wisconsin, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011.

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Greg Klusendorf  
Iowa County Clerk