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**MEMORANDUM** 

January 3, 2024

TO: Town of Beloit Board of Supervisors

FROM: Karry DeVault, Town Clerk

RE: Discussion and possible action on a resolution to combine polling locations for the

February 20, 2024, spring primary election only

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval of the resolution combining polling locations for the spring primary election.

### RECOMMENDED MOTION

I move to adopt the resolution combining polling places for the February 20, 2024, spring primary election to be held at the Survive Alive House.

#### BACKGROUND

Typically, February primary elections have a low voter turnout and opening all three poll locations in the Town is not fiscally responsible when one location is sufficient to allow voters to cast ballots.

### **ANALYSIS**

It is not known at this time if we will even have a primary election.

CC: Tim Wellnitz, Town Administrator

## RESOLUTION No. 24 -

# RESOLUTION COMBINING POLLING PLACES FOR FEBRUARY 20, 2024, SPRING PRIMARY ELECTION

Whereas, the Town of Beloit uses three polling places and 13 wards for all elections, and

Whereas, voter turnout for the February 20, 2024 Spring Primary is anticipated to be extremely low, possibly in the 3-6% range, and

Whereas, providing open and accessible polling places to the voters is extremely important, as well as considering the prudent use of Town of Beloit tax dollars.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that for the February 20, 2024, Spring Primary Election <u>only</u>, the usual three polling places will be reduced to <u>one</u>, using the Survive Alive House located at 911 Newark Road, and all efforts possible will be made to inform the voters of this temporary change in order to accommodate every voter the opportunity to vote.

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