

**TOWN OF LIBERTY GROVE**  
**RESOLUTON 1-14**  
**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE NINE TOOLS OF CIVILITY**

WHEREAS, the residents of the Town of Liberty Grove place a high value on respect and civility in their lives and they understand that these characteristics are essential to any healthy community, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove supports opportunities for civil discourse and discussion in the community, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove sometimes addresses controversial issues and wants to insure civil behavior even in discussion of issues which people feel passionate about, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove understands that an atmosphere of civility and respect can have a positive effect on the proceedings, on the quality of debate, and on the practice of democracy itself,

NOW THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove in Door County, Wisconsin, that we recognize nine tools of civility that will provide increased opportunities for civil discourse in order to find positive resolutions to the issues that face our Town. These tools include:

1. Pay attention
2. Listen
3. Be inclusive
4. Don't gossip
5. Show respect
6. Be agreeable
7. Apologize
8. Give constructive criticism
9. Take responsibility

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Liberty Grove shall promote the use and adherence of these tools in conducting its business.

Adopted at a properly noticed meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.

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John Lowry, Chairman

*I, Walter L. Kalms, Clerk/Administrator of the Town of Liberty Grove, hereby certify that the above resolution was passed at a properly noticed meeting of the Liberty Grove Town Board on January 15, 2014.*

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Walter L. Kalms