

RESOLUTION 2011 - _____

Re: Withdrawal of County Forest Land for Cell Tower

1 **WHEREAS**, a lease agreement is currently in effect between Vilas County (Lessor) and
2 American Tower Company (Lessee) for the purpose of construction and maintenance of a cell
3 tower on Vilas County Land located in the Town of Cloverland in the SESW, Sec. 21, T.40N. –
4 R.9E; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the American Tower Company has requested a perpetual easement for the
6 above described tower site; and

7 **WHEREAS**, it has been determined by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
8 that the existence of cell towers on County Forest Land is not consistent with the intent of the
9 County Forest law (§28.11, Wis. Stats.); and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee has determined that it would
11 benefit the citizens of Vilas County to withdraw the tower site from the County Forest Law and
12 negotiate an easement with American Tower Company; and

13 **WHEREAS**, monies received for this easement should be earmarked for the following
14 purposes: purchase land to be entered into the County Forest Law pursuant to §28.11, Wis.
15 Stats., and reforestation of the County Forest.

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Vilas County Board of Supervisors
17 in session this 21st day of June, 2011 that the Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee make
18 application to the Wisconsin DNR for withdrawal of the cell tower site described above, from the
19 County Forest Law.

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee
21 negotiate an easement with American Tower Company, considering present and future interest
22 Vilas County may have in placing appurtenances on said tower.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all monies received for a cell tower easement for
24 American Tower Company shall be used to purchase land to be entered into the County Forest
25 Law and for reforestation on the Vilas County Forest.

SUBMITTED BY:
Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee

Fiscal Impact Statement:

Included within Resolution

See Attached

Not applicable

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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