

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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BLACK EARTH MEAT MARKET, LLC,  
and KEMPER BARTLETT DURAND,

Plaintiff,

v.

VILLAGE OF BLACK EARTH,  
PATRICK TROGE, PATRICK FREY,  
TED PRITCHETT, THOMAS PARRELL,  
JAMES COYLE, BETH MARTY and WALT MILLER,

Defendants.

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ORDER

14-cv-674-bbc

Defendants Village of Black Earth, Patrick Troge, Patrick Frey, Ted Pritchett, Thomas Parrell, James Coyle, Beth Marty and Walt Miller removed this case on October 3, 2014 under 28 U.S.C. § 1331. On November 4, 2014, Magistrate Judge Stephen Crocker entered a scheduling order that gave the parties until December 12, 2014 to amend their pleadings without seeking leave from the court. Dkt. #8. The order also set the dispositive motions deadline in August and trial in January 2016. Id. On December 12, 2014, plaintiffs filed a second amended complaint, dkt. #11; defendants filed their answer on December 23, 2014. Dkt. #30. On January 23, 2015, defendants filed a motion for leave to amend their answer to add the affirmative defense of absolute immunity. Dkt. #42. Plaintiffs do not

oppose this motion, and I see no reason why defendants' proposed amendment would prejudice plaintiffs or this court. Accordingly, defendants' motion will be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the motion for leave to amend the answer, dkt. #42, filed by defendants Village of Black Earth, Patrick Troge, Patrick Frey, Ted Pritchett, Thomas Parrell, James Coyle, Beth Marty and Walt Miller, is GRANTED.

Entered this 18th day of February, 2015.

BY THE COURT:

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BARBARA B. CRABB  
District Judge