

Public Budget Hearing
Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Townsend Town Hall
6:00 pm

Chairperson Carla Van Camp called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Roll Call: Chairperson Carla VanCamp, Supervisor Linda Adamczyk, Supervisor Joe Heyrman, Treasurer Beth Hartman, Clerk Linda Ziegler. 43 Citizens

Verification of proper agenda notice: Ziegler posted the Notice, October 31, 2022 at the Townsend Post Office, Townsend Town Hall, Laona State Bank, Townsend branch, Oconto County Lakes/Forest Beacon and www.townsendwisconsin.org

Motion made Mike Vande Walle to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2021, Budget meeting with corrections. 2nd by Roger Wight.

Van Camp touched on a few of the items determining the 2023 town budget. Presbyterian road will be done from Cathedral to Bull Frog Ln. The cost is up \$50,000 over the original estimate due to the price of oil. The Town will be getting approx. \$19,000.00 in grant money to help with repaving in 2024.

Wages for the highway, recycle and cleaning employees will be increased. The Town has bridge inspections schedule for 2023. We are purchasing a "shaker" for one of the highway trucks, the Ball Park will have some upgrades made and the fire works currently are budgeted for \$16,500.00.

The town will begin paying for the new Fire truck. The 1st interest payment is \$7598.00, and the 1st installment is \$32,000.00. This scheduled payment was included in the allowable levy limit.

Ron Nowak asked in the Town board will be getting a raise. Van Camp explained that elected official wage increases would need to be brought up and voted at the April annual meeting of the electors and only on off election years.

Claude Bowman made the motion to adjourn at 6:17, 2nd by Curtis Kee.

(2023 budget meeting will be Tuesday, November 21, 2023)

**Special Town Meeting of the Electors
Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Townsend Town Hall**

Chairperson Carla Van Camp called the meeting to order at 6:21pm. This meeting is to approve the Town of Townsend Levy of \$644,691.00 for 2023.

Julie Karch asked how the Fire Truck payments were figured into the levy. The scheduled principal/interest payments of \$40,002.00 are added to the allowable levy.

Clerk Ziegler read Resolution 03-2022: Resolution by Town Electors to endorse the Town Board's resolution to exceed the levy limit. 1) The town electors of the Town of Townsend, Oconto County, Wisconsin endorses the town board resolution to increase the town tax levy for 2022 (to be collected in 2023) by 7.249% over the allowable 2022 levy, which is a dollar increase of \$43,577.00 over the allowable 2022 own tax levy.

Mike VandeWalle asked how much this levy increase would increase the taxes. Treasurer Hartman said it would be \$13.67 per \$100,00.00.

Van Camp asked for all in favor of this increase to raise their hand. Ziegler counted 41 Aye's
Van Camp asked for those not in favor of this increase. 0 Nay's
Ziegler determined there were 2 abstained.

VandeWalle made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29pm, 2nd by Robert Habeck.

Linda Ziegler, Clerk