

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING
Tuesday, November 20, 2018
Townsend Town Hall
6:00 p.m.

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

Roll call: Chairperson Carla Van Camp; Supervisor Dan Martin; Supervisor Linda Adamczyk, Treasurer Ellen Gruna, Clerk Linda Ziegler. 14 citizens

Verification of proper agenda notice: Ziegler posted the notice on October 30, 2018 at the Townsend Post Office, Townsend Town Hall, Karla's Kountry Kitchen and www.townsendwisconsin.org. Notice was in the Lakes Country Beacon October 29 and November 12 editions

Van Camp stated the Townsend Tax Levy for 2019 is \$585,337.92 and the mill rate is 13.71 per 1000, which is a 2.46% decrease from 2018.

There is net income over expense of \$25,000, however, the board will be hiring for the highway department early 2019.

The Fire Department loan was paid off in 2018, so there is still the highway truck loan. The town will have a three year loan for the ambulance of \$100,000.00. Three year payoff will save \$8000.00 in interest.

Depreciation funds, nothing additional in Assessors fund, since won't have a revaluation for 5-7 years. \$10,000 into Ambulance, \$18,000 to Hall & Grounds, \$8000 to Fire Department, \$9000 to Highway and \$500 to start an Emergency fund.

Tim McGuire asked if the \$500 Emergency fund carries over – yes it will and it's a start. Kathleen Marsh asked what line is for the new town hall. This is Hall & Grounds. Current Depreciation fund is \$41,729, not including the \$18,000 for 2019.

Mike VandeWalle said the Fire Department asked for \$91,000. The total budget is \$66,930. Instead of 5 turn out gear, the town budgeted for three. The LOSA from last year was incorrect and will be \$185.00 per person (\$2035.00). The loan is paid off and building repair and depreciation is taken care of by the town. Air pack budget was increased to \$8000.00. The board appreciated the detail the Fire Department gave them to work with this year.

Claude Bowman – how much in Highway repair? \$543,418.92.

K. Marsh – how much is going to the Library - \$9000.00, up \$500.00 from previous years.

C. Bowman – are employee raises included in the 2019 budget? Yes, for the Highway maintenance, and cleaning person.

Van Camp made a motion to adjourn at 6:16pm, 2nd by Adamczyk – M/A

**Special Meeting of electors of the Town of Townsend
November 20, 2018 6:16pm**

Van Camp called the meeting to order to approve the Town of Townsend Levy of \$585,337.92 for 2019. Tim McGuire moved to approve the Levy as presented, 2nd by Dwight Ziegler. Show of hands; 18 yea, 0 nay. Motion Carried. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Larry Market, 2nd by Tim McGuire. Meeting adjourned at 6:19pm.

Minutes approved December 11, 2018
Linda Ziegler, Clerk