

**Town of Oconto Falls Public Hearing on the Budget Minutes
Special Town Elector Meeting to Approve the Levy Minutes
Special Meeting to Approve the Budget Minutes
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes
5:30pm Monday, November 7, 2022, at the Town Hall**

Chairman Alsteen called the Public Budget Hearing to order at 5:30pm.

Alsteen, Kaczmarek, Peterson, Rieth, Mogged present for the board.

Roger Kane, Mary Renel, Virgie Damp, Sharon and Wayne Wenzel, Robert April present for the public.

Mogged reviewed the 2023 Proposed Budget and explained the 2 increases. One is for the curbside garbage pickup special assessment due to increased energy costs, from \$110 to \$123 annually. The other is for the principal and interest payment of \$36,860 for the 2023 plow truck.

Virgie Damp made a motion to close the public budget hearing, Mary Renel second, motion carried.

Chairman Alsteen called the Special Town Elector Meeting to order to set the Levy of \$227,651 as explained by Mogged in the Public Budget Hearing. \$190,795 plus the \$36,856 debt payment.

Roger Kane made a motion to set the levy, Virgie Damp second, motion carried.

Mary Renel made a motion to close the Special Town Elector Meeting, Virgie Damp second, motion carried.

Chairman Alsteen called the Special Town Board Meeting to approve the budget to Order at 5:45.

The motion to Adopt the 2023 Town of Oconto Falls Budget was made by Roger Kane, second by Mary Renel, motion carried.

Virgie Damp made a motion to close the Special Town Board Meeting second by Mary Renel, motion carried.

Chairman Alsteen Called the Regular November Town Board Meeting to order at 5:50.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Kaczmarek and second by Peterson to amend the agenda to add a report by the Ad-Hoc Building Needs Committee. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes of the October Meeting and the minutes of the

budget planning meeting on 10-10-22 was made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Rieth. Budget shortfalls in the clerk expense category, due to the 4 elections this year, and the solid waste disposal category, due to the increased energy charge, were explained by Mogged. A motion to adjust budget expense amounts between budget items was made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek, motion carried. The \$10,000 truck down payment was not used and will be split between the 2 expense categories.

Motion to pay bills made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson, motion carried.

A motion to approve the OFFD contract of \$54,231, a 2% increase was made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson, motion carried

A motion to approve the OFAJAS contract of \$55,684, a 2% increase was made by Peterson, second by Alsteen, motion carried. They are more than tripling their runs from years past. They have also replaced the lighting in the ambulance garage, installed a system for cleaning the vehicles, installed new flooring in the meeting room and replaced some computers and the phone system.

A motion to approve Ordinance 27 concerning the Town's Garbage and Recycling procedures was made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek, motion carried.

Town Hall Needs Ad-hoc Committee Report-Last month they discussed the bids for the board identified repairs that were received over the summer and compiled a list of needs including, but not limited to secure office space, secure storage, a secure mail box and ADA compliance.

Town Board Discussion-Kaczmarek attended the WTA county meeting held at the Town of How. Jon Spice talked about the need for emergency management personnel to work together toward the same goals. Another presenter talked about increased security needed for our computers. The new county IT department has listed that as one of the things they will offer to help us with. The new plow truck is here. The election on November 8th should be very busy.

The motion to Adjourn was made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek, motion carried.

Susan Mogged, Clerk