

Approved 12/16/2020
SPECIAL NOTICE
TOWN OF FREEDOM
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON THE PROPOSED 2021 BUDGET
December 7, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.
TOWN OF FREEDOM TOWN HALL
W2004 COUNTY RD S, FREEDOM, WI 54131

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on the Proposed Budget of the Town of Freedom for the year 2021 at the Town Hall, W2004 County S, Freedom, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020. Copies of the Proposed Budget are available for review at the Town Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to Noon on Friday.

Public Hearing called to order by Chairman Charles Kramer at 6:00 p.m.

Board members present: Supervisors Jason Vandenberg, Brandon Conrad and Kevin Schuh. Supervisor Dave Rickert excused. Also present Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Laha.

Also present: 4 town residents - See sign in sheet attached.

Chairman gave residents time to look over proposed budget for 2021. Chairman asked if there were any questions.

Darin Tiedt questioned the assessed value only went up 1% with the new Belgioioso Building. It was explained that Belgioioso's new building was not on the tax role yet. The increase in assessed value from Belgioioso's new building will be on next year. One percent is a substantial increase for the town.

Tim Maass commented that the tax rate went up 19%. Maass also discussed what was put away for the new fire truck. Supervisors Conrad and Vandenberg explained that there was \$56,743.00 in the general fund. They had to make cuts. Not all of it is for the fire truck. No specific amount has been allocated for the truck.

Darin Tiedt asked if the public works budget included everything needed. The two miles of road reconstruction is not included in that number. We did increase the maintenance budget. We did put roughly \$600,000.00 for major projects. We are looking at Elk Lane, Bell Court and parts of Murphy Rd in 2021. Tear Drop Lane was done in 2020 with the landscaping being completed in the spring of 2021.

Tim Maass inquired if Bell Court and Elk Lane was being considered for curb and gutter or ditches. Maass comment that a previous board told the residents that it would be discussed with the residents. The board did talk with residents and will be discussing the policy.

*Motion by Brandon Conrad with second by Kevin Schuh to adjourn Public Hearing at 6:13 p.m.
Public Hearing closed at 6:13 p.m. MC*

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, December 7, 2020 immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget which begins at 6:00 p.m., a Special Town Meeting of the electors will be held for the following purpose:

Special Town Meeting of Electors called to order by Town Chairman Charles Kramer at 6:14 p.m.

To adopt the 2020 Town Tax Levy to be paid in 2021

Motion by Brandon Conrad with second by Jason Vandenberg to approve the 2020 Town Tax Levy to be paid in 2021 in the amount of \$2,290,184.00. 3 Yes 1 No (Charles Kramer) MC

Adjourn

Motion by Brandon Conrad with second by Kevin Schuh to adjourn at 6:16 p.m.

Special Town Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Colleen M. Laha, Clerk/Treasurer