Town of Newbold Special Town Meeting and Budget Hearing and Special Board Meeting of November 30th, 2023.

A Town of Newbold budget hearing, special town meeting and special town board meeting were held on November 30, 2023, at 7:00 PM, in open session at the Newbold Fire Station, 4588 Highway 47, Rhinelander WI 54501.

The budget hearing was called to order by Town Chairman Dan Hess. The following town board members were present; Supervisors Mike McKenzie, Scott Ritterbush, Petra Pietrzak, Brad White, along with Town Clerk Kim Gauthier and Town Treasurer Jodie Hess. Public Works Director and Fire Chief Mark Fetzer was present along with five citizen members.

Chairman Hess led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. The town clerk verified the meeting agenda was properly noticed to the public.

Presentation of the town 2023 Tax levy and 2024 town budget by the town clerk and treasurer. No other discussion. Adjourn at 6:15 PM.

The special town meeting was called by Chairman Hess. Motion by Dave Kroll and Lloyd Gauthier to adopt the 2023 tax levy of \$1,153,976.00. Motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.

The clerk read the annual meeting minutes of April 18, 2023, into the record. Motion by Bill Jaeger and Lisa Kroll to approve the annual meeting minutes as read. Motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.

Discussion and possible action to set compensation for town officers for April 2024 through April 2026 terms. There are currently two supervisor positions up for election expiring April 2024. The clerk provided information on the current Town Supervisor salaries at \$455.67 per month and training per diems of \$120/day or \$60/half day and mileage reimbursement at the federal rate.

Motion by Dave Kroll and Bill Jaeger to authorize supervisor per diem to remain the same and salary increase to \$750 per month. Mr. Kroll explained the reason for his motion for the salary increase is due to reductions that took place years ago. He also thanked the board for all they do. Motion carried on a voice vote of all aye and no opposition.

The special town meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM. Chairman Hess called the special town board meeting to order. Motion by Brad White and Petra Pietrzak to adopt the 2023 Levy and 2024 Budget as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote of all eyes. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kim Gauthier, Newbold Town Clerk