

Draft
Town of Burns
December 21, 2010 Special Town Meeting Minutes

The special town meeting to reconsider both the 2010 tax levy payable in 2011 and salary increases for Town of Burns officials elected to office in April 2011 was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 by chairman Kitzmann. All board members were present.

Old Business:

No old business was discussed.

New Business:

Ed Schmidt motioned that the action regarding the 2010 tax levy to be paid in 2011 pursuant to s. 60.10 (1)(a) of Wis. Statutes at the December 01, 2010 town meeting be reconsidered. Ed Fitzgerald second. Objection to consideration of the question since it was already dealt with by Tom Bramsreiber. Chr. Kitzmann denied the objection for lack of grounds. Count off for vote to reconsider the levy 58 in favor, 23 opposed, met qualifications. Gary Schomburg motioned to discuss the budget. Gerry Fitzgerald second. Vote by show of hands, motion carried.

Budget and levy:

The 2011 budget approved by the Town board on December 01, 2010 was reviewed and discussed.

Damian Carter motioned to reconsider the wages of town officials. Ed Fitzgerald second. Vote by show of hands, motion carried. Chr. Kitzmann stated for the record the current board did not ask for a raise. Jerry Niedfeldt presented salary information. More discussion on salaries, non-town and the town tax levies. Doug Schwarz motioned to end discussion. William Brewer second. Vote by show of hands, motion carried. Doug Schwarz motioned to keep the wages for positions at what was set on December 01, 2010. William Brewer second. Vote by show of hands, 34 in favor, 36 opposed, motion failed. Damian Carter motioned to increase the Clerk's salary to \$7500, Treasurer's to \$4000, Chairman's to \$4000, and Supervisor's to \$2200 each. Chad Kime second. Vote by show of hands, 50 in favor, 20 opposed, motion carried.

Ed Fitzgerald motioned to set the 2010 tax levy to be paid in 2011 be set at \$160,392. Doug Schwarz second. Ed Fitzgerald motioned to amend the original motion to set the levy at \$175,000. Sid Jerome second. Ed Fitzgerald motioned to end discussion. Second. Vote by show of hands, motion carried. Vote on the amendment by show of hands, 51 in favor, 6 opposed, motion carried. Vote on the original motion by show of hands, motion failed. Ed Fitzgerald motioned to set the 2010 tax levy to be paid in 2011 pursuant to s. 60.10 (1)(a) of Wis. Statutes at \$175,000. Damian Carter second. Vote by show of hands, 56 in favor, 7 opposed, 12 abstained, 5 board members abstained, motion carried.

Adjournment:

Doug Schwarz motioned to adjourn. Linda Saley second. Voice vote all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 PM.

Jane Esser – clerk

Approved: _____