

Budget Hearing & Special Town Meeting of the Electors
Thursday November 20, 2025
6:00 pm
Boulder Junction Community Center
5392 Park Street, Boulder Junction, WI 54512

MINUTES

BUDGET HEARING

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- This Budget Hearing and Special Meeting of the Electors was noticed according to State Statute 65.90. Published and posted as required by law, media notified. Chairman Dennis Reuss called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Supervisor Laura Bertch, Supervisor Dylan Schutt, Clerk/Treasurer Dan Driscoll, 16 electors and 2 guests.

2. 2025 BUDGET PRESENTATION FROM TOWN BOARD

- Clerk Driscoll presented the 2025 allowable levy amount and 2026 budget
 - 2025 Town Assessed Value: \$515,899,700.00
 - 2024 Town Assessed Value: \$507,578,300.00
 - 2025 State Approved Levy Amount: \$ \$1,150,805.00
 - 2026 Debt Service amount: \$897,671.00
 - 2025 total town levy amount: \$2,048,476.00
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – Town: 3.97/\$1000.00 of valuation
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – NLS: \$1.93/\$1000.00 of valuation
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – LUHS: \$1.90/\$1,000.00 of valuation
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – NTC: \$0.21/\$1,000.00 of valuation
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – VC: \$2.33/\$1,000.00 of valuation
 - Estimated 2025 Mill Rate – STC: (\$.076)/\$1000.00 of valuation
 - Total Estimated 2025 Mill Rate: \$9.58/\$1,000.00 of valuation
- Clerk Driscoll presented the 2026 budget
 - 2026 Revenue
 - Property Taxes: \$2,048,476.00
 - Room Tax/PP Tax: \$295,542.00
 - Intergovernmental Revenues: \$561,079.00
 - Licenses and Permits: \$9,950.00
 - Public Charges for Services: \$41,850.00
 - Miscellaneous Revenues: \$50,500.00
 - Total Revenues: \$3,007,397.00
 - 2026 Expenses:
 - General Government: \$251,739.00
 - Public Safety: \$607,447.00
 - Public Works: \$648,260.00
 - Public Works Dump: \$143,148.00
 - Health and Human Services: \$6,520.00
 - Culture, Recreation and Education: \$182,440.00

- Debt Service: \$897,671.00
 - Other Expense: \$5,000.00
3. QUESTION AND ANSWER
 - Greg Van Grinsven asked if board was comfortable with lower road funding in 2026
 - Lori Aukstik asked for clarification on bank fees and charges
 4. ADJOURN BUDGET HEARING
 - The budget hearing was adjourned at 6:27 pm

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - Chairman Reuss called the meeting to order at 6:27 pm.
2. CONSIDERATION OF VOTING METHOD FOR APPROVAL OF APRIL 15, 2025 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS MINUTES AND APPROVAL OF THE 2025 TOWN TAX LEVY TO BE COLLECTED IN 2026
 - MOTION GREG VAN GRINSVEN/SECOND JIM GALLOWAY. For voting method to be a vote by hand. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. 20 – YES, 0 – NO
3. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
 - April 15, 2025 Annual Town Meeting of the Electors
 - MOTION MARY VAN GRINSVEN/SECOND JIM GALLOWAY. To approve the April 15, 2025 Annual Town Meeting of the Electors Minutes. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. 20 – YES, 0 – NO
4. RESOLUTION 2025-R-01 FOR ELECTORS TO ADOPT THE TOWN TAX LEVY: TO APPROVE THE 2025 TOWN TAX LEVY TO BE COLLECTED IN 2026, PURSUANT TO SECTION 60.10(1)(A) OF WISCONSIN STATUTES
 - MOTION JIM GALLOWAY/SECOND GREG VAN GRINSVEN. To approve the Resolution 2025 R 01 For Electors to adopt the 2025 town tax levy to be collected in 2026 pursuant to Section 60.10(A) of Wisconsin Statutes. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. 20 – YES, 0 – NO
5. AUTHORIZE THE TOWN BOARD TO DISPOSE OF SURPLUS GOODS AND PROPERTY
 - MOTION JIM GALLOWAY/SECOND BILL NIEMI. To authorize Town Board to dispose of surplus goods and property. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. 20 – YES, 0 – NO.
6. ADJOURN
 - The special meeting of the electors was adjourned at 6:31 pm