

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWN OF EAU PLEINE PROPOSED 2027 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026, a public hearing of the proposed 2027 budget will be held at the Town of Eau Pleine municipal building, 3191 State Highway 34, Junction City, at 5:30 PM. The following is a summary of the proposed 2027 budget. If additional information is needed, please email: clerk@tn.eaupleineportage.wi.gov.

REVENUES:	Proposed in 2026:	Proposed in 2027:
Property Taxes	\$303,525	\$301,294
Intergovernmental Funds (includes DNR MFL & Road Aid)	\$299,461	\$302,200
Liquor Licenses	\$745	\$645
RVFD Rent	\$23,159	\$24,357
Recycling	\$3,600	\$3600
Cash Applied	\$5,000	\$5,000
Totals:	\$635,490	\$637,096

EXPENDITURES:	Proposed in 2026:	Proposed in 2027:
Insurance	\$12,000	\$15,000
Building	\$9,000	\$15,000
Tractor Debt	\$13,187	\$0
General Government	\$75,000	\$80,000
Animal Control	\$2,200	\$2,500
Recycling	\$23,500	\$23,500
Public Works	\$269,616	\$247,476
Equipment Fund	\$5,000	\$0
Fire Department	\$225,987	\$253,620
Totals:	\$635,490	\$637,096

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF ELECTORS

Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County

Notice is hereby given that a special town meeting of the electors of the Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County, Wisconsin will be held at the town hall located at 3191 State Highway 34, Junction City, Wisconsin, on the 11th day of November, 2026, immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2027 town budget, which begins at 5:30 PM, for the following purposes:

1. To consider the adoption of a resolution by the electors at the town meeting endorsing a town board resolution which proposes that the town levy exceed the state allowable levy limit under Wis. Stat. § 66.0602, specifically a proposed tax levy which would exceed the allowable town tax levy for 2026, *after* adjustments, by 10.097%, for a dollar increase of \$27,632.
2. To approve the 2026 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2027), pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a).
3. To consider changing the established compensation for elective town offices, which will become effective with the start of the next term on April 20, 2027.

Dated this 26th day of October, 2026.

By: Stacy Martin, Town Clerk of the Town of Eau Pleine

RESOLUTION OF TOWN BOARD PROPOSING TO EXCEED LEVY LIMIT VIA TOWN MEETING

Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County Resolution No. 2026-03

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on town, village, city, and county levies for 2025 and thereafter under Wis. Stat. § 66.0602;

Whereas, Wis. Stat. § 66.0602 limits the allowable local levy for 2026 to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) zero percent of the 2025 payable 2026 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law* or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed, which for the Town of Eau Pleine is 0.756%;

Whereas, the town board of the Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County, believes that for the 2026 tax levy (to be collected in 2027) it is in the town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than 0.756% for increasing fire and EMS service costs;

Whereas, the Town of Eau Pleine's 2025 payable 2026 adjusted actual tax levy was \$272,085, and further whereas the state law would limit this year's increase to \$2,057 (\$272,085 x 0.756%), for a total allowable town tax levy after adjustments for 2026 (to be collected in 2027) of \$273,662**;

THEREFORE, the town board of the Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The town board supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2026 that will exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit.
2. The town board directs that the question of increasing the allowable town tax levy for 2026 (to be collected in 2027) by 10.097% (\$27,632 ÷ \$273,662 x 100), which would increase the town levy by \$27,632, for a total tax levy (after adjustments) of \$301,294 shall be placed on the agenda for the special town meeting to be held on November 11, 2026.

Adopted this 14th day of October, 2026.***

Signature of Town Chair: 

Attested by Town Clerk: 

* The starting point for this year's levy may not always be last year's actual levy. In some cases the allowable levy for this year may be "adjusted" if there is a reduction due to a debt payment coming off the levy or a reduction for services transferred to other governmental units, etc. Please contact the Wisconsin Department of Revenue at (608) 266-8618 if you have questions about your allowable levy for this year.

** The total town tax levy may include positive or negative adjustments from Sections B, C, and/or D of the Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet.

*** The town clerk must post or publish a Class 1 notice of this resolution within 30 days after its adoption. See Wis. Stat. § 60.80(1)(c). Further, this resolution must be adopted by the town board at least 15 days prior to the special town elector meeting at which it will be voted on. This is because the special town elector meeting must be noticed at least 15 and not more than 20 days in advance. See Wis. Stat. § 60.12.

**RESOLUTION BY TOWN ELECTORS TO ENDORSE THE TOWN BOARD'S
RESOLUTION TO EXCEED THE LEVY LIMIT**

**Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County
Resolution No. 2026-04**

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on town tax levies for 2026 and thereafter under Wis. Stat. § 66.0602;

Whereas, Wis. Stat. § 66.0602(5) allows the town electors in a town with a population of less than 3,000 to exceed the maximum allowable levy limit by adoption of a resolution at a town meeting of the town electors;

Whereas, the town board has adopted a resolution supporting an increase in the town tax levy which would exceed the maximum allowable state levy limit for the Town of Eau Pleine;

Whereas, a special town meeting of the town electors has been called and properly noticed to consider the adoption of a resolution to endorse a town board resolution to exceed the state levy limits, specifically by increasing the allowable town tax levy for 2026 (to be collected in 2027) by 10.097%;

THEREFORE, the special town meeting of the Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors duly assembled and voting on this 11th day of November, 2026, hereby resolves and orders as follows:

1. The town electors of the Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County, Wisconsin endorse the town board resolution to increase the town tax levy for 2026 (to be collected in 2027) by 10.097% over the state's allowable 2026 levy limit, for a dollar increase of \$27,632 over the allowable 2026 town tax levy.
2. The town clerk shall post or publish this resolution as required by law under Wis. Stat. § 60.80(1)(a) within 30 days after its adoption.

Adopted this 11th day of November, 2026, at a Special Town Meeting of the Town Electors.

Number of town electors voting aye _____

Number of town electors voting nay _____

Number abstaining or not voting (if determined) _____

Signature of Town Meeting Chair: _____

Attested by Town Clerk: _____