Public Hearing on the Proposed 2027 Budget

Town of Fond du Lac, W5990 W Pioneer Road, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin

Date: October 29, 2026
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Location: Town of Fond du Lac Town Hall

1. Call to order - Chairman Montsma called the hearing to order at 4:00pm.

2. Roll call - Board members present: Chairman Montsma, Supervisors Newton, Allender, Janeczko and Washkoviak.
Also present: Clerk Klapperich, Treasurer Post, and two members of the public.

3. Proof of notice -Clerk Klapperich confirmed that notice of the hearing, including a summary of the proposed 2027 budget, was published and posted as required by Wis. Stat. § 65.90 on October 13, 2026. The detailed budget was made available for inspection by appointment and on the Town website.

4. Presentation of the proposed 2027 budget

Chairman Montsma presented the proposed 2027 budget and reviewed the following:

- **Debt reporting:** Following the auditor's recommendation, Town debt is now shown "above the line" in the budget.
- **Accounting correction:** A $98,000 entry recorded as miscellaneous was intended for trash and recycling and will be reclassified to the proper line.
- **Revenue comparison:** Revenue in 2026 was higher because of one-time inspection fees from WLA Redeemer and Spark Ops, which are not expected to recur.
- **Fire department:** The budget sets aside $50,000 annually toward future fire department equipment needs.
- **Future costs:** The Board noted an upcoming bridge replacement estimated at nearly $1 million and the need to build a rainy day fund.

5. Public comment - No members of the public spoke.

6. Close of hearing – Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Janeczko, seconded by Supervisor Allender. Motion carried 5-0. Chairman Montsma declared the public hearing closed at 4:11 p.m.

Submitted by Terri Klapperich, Town Clerk

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Special Town Meeting of the Electors

Town of Fond du Lac, W5990 W Pioneer Road, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin

Date: October 29, 2026
Time: Immediately following the public hearing on the proposed 2027 budget
Location: Town of Fond du Lac Town Hall

1. Call to order – Chairman Montsma called the special town meeting of the electors to order at 4:12p.m.

2. Attendance – Town officials present: Chairman Montsma; Supervisors Newton, Allender, Janeczko & Washkoviak; Clerk Klapperich & Treasurer Post.
Electors present: 2

3. Proof of notice - Clerk Klapperich confirmed that the special town meeting was noticed as required by Wis. Stat. § 60.12 on October 13, 2026.

4. Purpose - To adopt the town tax levy to be paid in 2027, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a).

5. Discussion of the 2027 tax levies

Chairman Montsma explained the two levies before the electors:

- **Town-wide levy:** Supports general Town operations as set out in the proposed 2027 budget.
- **Water utility district levy:** Services the debt on the water tower. Three years remain on the current loan, with payoff expected in 2028.

It was explained that rates differ between properties within the water utility district and the town-wide rate, but that both support town-wide benefits, including the water infrastructure serving businesses in the industrial park such as Spark Ops. Electors asked questions about how the rates are calculated on a per-person basis, and these were answered.

6. Adoption of the 2027 tax levies - Motion by Chairman Montsma, seconded by Supervisor Janeczko, to adopt the 2027 town-wide tax levy in the amount of $306,348 and the 2027 water utility district levy in the amount of $183,878, for a total levy of $1,210,382. **Motion carried unanimously 8-0.**

7. Adjournment - Motion by Cathleen Seffern, seconded by Supervisor Janeczko, to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:14p.m.

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Town Board Meeting

Town of Fond du Lac, W5990 W Pioneer Road, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin

Date: October 29, 2026
Time: Immediately following the special town meeting of the electors
Location: Town of Fond du Lac Town Hall

1. Call to order – Chairman Montsma called the Town Board meeting to order at 4:15p.m.

2. Roll call - Board members present: Chairman Montsma; Supervisors Newton, Allender, Janeczko and Washkoviak.
Also present: Clerk Klapperich, Treasurer Post, and two members of the public.

3. Proof of notice – Clerk Klapperich confirmed that the meeting was properly noticed and posted on October 13, 2026.

4. Adoption of the 2027 budget - Motion by Supervisor Janeczko, seconded by Supervisor Allender, to adopt the 2027 Town of Fond du Lac budget as presented at the public hearing. **Motion carried 5-0**.

The Clerk will correct the $98,000 miscellaneous entry in the budget system so it is recorded under trash and recycling.

5. Compensation of elective town offices

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(b), the Board considered compensation for elective town offices.

Motion by Supervisor Janeczko, seconded by Supervisor Newton, to keep compensation for Town Chair, Supervisor 2, and Supervisor 4 at current levels. **Motion carried 5-0.**

6. Town Hall roof bid award

The Board reviewed roofing bids compiled by Doug Hoerth, Town Building Inspector, who ranked the contractors on price and product quality. Bidders included HP Roofing, Custom Craft Roofing & Construction, Northern Metal Roofing Company, Crafts, Inc., Nasi Roofing, Tighe Roofing and Custofoam.

Custom Craft Roofing and Construction was recommended. Its bid was approximately $2,000 higher than the next closest bid, but it offers a superior Carlisle roofing product. Because of concerns about rotting boards beneath the existing roof, the Board also considered adding a half-inch cover board for $6,800 to improve the roof's longevity.

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Motion by Supervisor Washkoviak, seconded by Supervisor Newton to award the roofing contract to Custom Craft Roofing and Construction, including the additional $6,800 for a half-inch cover board, for a total estimated cost of $105,418.00. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Staff will confirm with Custom Craft whether 50% of the contract is due upon acceptance of the bid and clarify the timing of payment, possibly in December.

7. Adjournment - Motion by Chairman Montsma, seconded by Supervisor Newton, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Submitted by Terri Klapperich, Town Clerk

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