

**Special Town Meeting of Electors Minutes
Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County 11/18/2021**

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm. Present were Kathy Sill, Tom Biasi, Dave Haan (non-resident), Joanne Schultz, Robert and Corrine Rasmussen, Jack and Carol McGregor, Jim Krueger, Arlene Skultety and Clerk Laura Bjork (non-resident). Robert Rasmussen presided as chair for the meeting.

To consider the adoption of a resolution by the town meeting endorsing a town board resolution which proposes that the town levy exceed the state allowable levy limit under s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat., specifically a proposed tax levy which would exceed the allowable town tax levy for 2021, before adjustments, by 20.04 percent, for a dollar increase of \$100,000 –MOTION made by Tom Biasi to approve Resolution 2021-05 to endorse Resolution 2021-04 by the Town Board to allow the Town Levy to exceed the state allowable Levy Limit for 2021 by 20.04 percent which would be a dollar increase of \$100,000. MOTION seconded by Corrine Rasmussen. 9 Aye. No Nay.

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on town tax levies for 2021 and thereafter under s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat.;

Whereas, s. 66.0602(5), Wis. Stat. 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 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 Namakagon;

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 2021 (to be collected in 2022) by 20.04 percent;

THEREFORE, the special town meeting of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors duly assembled and voting on this 18th day of November, 2021, hereby resolves and orders as follows:

1. The town electors of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin endorse the town board resolution to increase the town tax levy for 2021 (to be collected in 2022) by 20.04 percent over the allowable 2021 levy, which is a dollar increase of \$100,000 over the allowable 2021 town tax levy.
2. The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required by law under s. 60.80(1)(a), Wis. Stat. within 30 days of adoption.

Adopted this 18th day of November 2021 at a Special Town Meeting.

There was discussion. The tax increase seen on taxes would be \$38 for every \$100,000. This is just based on the towns levy, not the other levys that are affected by taxes. Kathy

Sill asked if the increase would continue into next year considering the loan payment will be done. Clerk Bjork responded that the increase will continue for possible increases in ambulance subsidies and to be able to set monies aside for equipment. Chairman Rasmussen stated that expenses are increasing everywhere, and this will allow the town to keep up with increasing prices.

MOTION carried.

To approve the 2021 total town tax levy to be collected in 2022 pursuant to s. 60.10(1)(a), Wis. Stat – MOTION made by Joanne Schultz to approve Resolution 2021-06 to adopt the Town Tax Levy for 2021 to be collected in 2022 in the amount of \$599,017. MOTION seconded by Carol McGregor. 9 Aye. No NAY.

Whereas, s. 60.10(1)(a), Wis. Stat. authorizes the town electors of a town to adopt the town tax levy at a town meeting of the electors;

Whereas, a special town meeting of the town electors has been called and properly noticed to approve the 2021 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2022), pursuant to s. 60.10(1)(a), Wis. Stat.;

Whereas, the town electors, after proper notice, have, via a special town meeting vote, authorized the Town of Namakagon to exceed the allowable state levy limit;

THEREFORE, the special town meeting of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors duly assembled and voting on this 18th day of November, 2021, hereby resolves and orders as follows:

1. The town electors of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin adopt the town tax levy for 2021 (to be collected in 2022) in the amount of **\$599,017**.
2. The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required by law under s. 60.80(1)(a), Wis. Stat. within 30 days of adoption.

Adopted this 18th day of November 2021 at a Special Town Meeting.

MOTION carried.

Chairman Rasmussen adjourned the Special Town Meeting of Electors at 7:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Laura Bjork, Town of Namakagon Clerk