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MINUTES ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING: NOVEMBER 30, 2004

The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws.

Board members present: Wendt, Ritter, Odette, Nimz, Schuettner, Martens.

There were 24 qualified voters present along with one visitor.

Mr. Wendt summarized the proposed budget.

The Budget Hearing was adjourned.

Ed Siergiej asked about the bike trail. Mr. Wendt explained that \$2,000 had been added to the budget for trail maintenance.

Tom Christensen asked how the debt retirement section was so far over budget. Mr. Wendt explained that the town had refinanced the State Trust Fund Loan. That payment had been included.

The town clerk asked for a raise from a salary of \$10,000 to \$15,000 to bring the salary more in line with the rest of the town clerks in the county. He also asked that the voters consider a contingency fund. Mr. Wendt explained that the board would rather keep the levy low as to fund a contingency fund. He also stated that if a levy freeze were to be imposed, that the town board could always turn to the voters by way of a referendum. There was a lengthy discussion concerning raises for the elected officials.

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