

TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

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MINUTES SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING: OCTOBER 12, 2011

- 1. Call To Order:** The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.
- 2. Roll Call:** Walt Camp, John Vojta, Lee Christensen, William Bates, Marion Janssen, Town Treasurer, Tom Martens, Town Clerk. Fred Radtke was absent. There were also three other people in attendance.
- 3. Approval of Agenda:** Motion Christensen seconded Bates that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chairman. Approved.
- 4. Approve Radar Run –February 3,4,5, 2012:** Motion Camp seconded Christensen that the town sanction the Radar Run on February 3, 2012 and on February 4, 2012 and also that the drag racing be approved for February 5, 2012. Approved.
- 5. Budget Workshop:** The board looked at each of the disbursement categories. Under general government, the zoning administrator, wages and expenses category was lowered from \$8,300 to \$800. The board felt that rather than receiving a salary, the zoning administrator should receive, at least, a portion of the permit fee. How much of the permit is to be worked out with the zoning administrator.

Under public safety, \$600 was added for the Vilas County Boat Patrol and the constable was raised from \$3,500 to \$4,500 to include mileage and possible expenses.

Under public works, the recycling employee and Landfill Venture Group categories were eliminated. The other categories remained similar to the 2011 budget.

Under culture and recreation, the contribution to the Walter Olson Memorial Library was raised from \$7,666 to \$8,803. Everything else remained the same.

Under capital outlay, \$25,000 was added for Phase II of the Bike & Hike Trail. The money is to come from the carry over balance from 2011.

Under debt service, the Baird Loan will increase to \$149,628. The M & I Loan and First National Bank Loan will remain the same. The refinancing of the bonding obligation will leave a payment of around \$182,000 with 46.5% of the payment coming from the golf course. The clerk also suggested a debt reserve of about \$115,000 so that in 2014 when the Baird Loan payment increases and in 2016 when the M & I Loan balloon is due, the town would not have to borrow more money. The levy for debt over the next five years could be kept level at about \$470,000.

At this time there was no discussion concerning employee insurance. The insurance will be addressed at another budget workshop. The board also didn't begin to look at the receipt portion of the budget.

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The clerk noted that he had to call the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. There is a new line on the levy limit worksheet that decreases the allowable levy by the amount of the decrease in loan payments for loans taken prior to 2005. By refinancing the bonding obligation, the levy would be reduced by over \$511,000. That wouldn't leave enough to pay our current debt service.

6. **Citizen Concerns:** There were none.
7. **Board Concerns:** There were none.
8. **Adjournment:** Motion Bates seconded Christensen that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 10:15 P.M.

Town Clerk

Chairman

Supervisor

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