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## MINUTES SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING: APRIL 30, 2015

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tom Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call, Establish A Quorum:** Tom Christensen, Marv Anderson, Alan Albee, John Vojta, Jim Swenson, Marion Janssen, Town Treasurer, Tom Martens, Town Clerk. There were also 6 other people in attendance.
4. **Open Meeting Verification:** Mr. Christensen noted that he had posted the agenda prior to 5:30 P.M. on April 27, 2015
5. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion Albee seconded Vojta that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chairman. By a voice vote Yes – 5, No – 0. Motion carried.
6. **Citizen's Comments:** Tim Clark thanked the finance committee for finding a way to save almost \$25,000 in interest payments over the next two years.
7. **Discussion /Action Items:**

- a. **Finance Committee Recommendations:** Mr. Albee noted that the finance committee recommended that the town board allocate \$30,000 of the 2014 carryover money to the fire department equipment fund and that two of the town loans be paid off as of May 1, 2015. . Mr. Anderson suggested that since there was already \$60,000 levied for the fire department equipment account the board should keep the carryover money from 2014 and if it wasn't needed by budget time it could be used to lower the tax levy for 2016. Mr. Christensen stated that he had accepted the challenge from Ted Ritter at the 2014 budget hearing to find money to put into the fire department equipment account. Motion Albee seconded Vojta that \$30,000 of the 2014 carryover funds be deposited into the fire department equipment account. By a voice vote: Yes – 4, No – 1. Motion carried.

Motion Albee seconded Vojta that the town board pays the balance on the M & I loan of \$350,091.65 as of May 1, 2015 with \$12,000 from the room tax account, \$38,023.65 from the money already levied for the payment, and \$300,068 from the debt reserve account. Tim Clark asked what this loan had been for. By a voice vote: Yes – 5, No – 0. Motion carried.

Motion Albee seconded Vojta that the town board pays the balance on the First National Bank loan for the 1-Ton Truck for \$45,348.61 as of May 1, 2015 with \$5,404.16 that had already been levied for the loan and \$39,944.45 from the debt reserve account. Mr. Anderson asked if there would be any money left for emergencies. Mr. Albee stated that there would still be around \$108,000 left in the debt reserve account. That money could be applied to another loan at a later date. By a voice vote: Yes – 5, No -0. Motion carried.

The clerk reminded the board that the plan was to try to pay off the remaining loans in the next two years. Since these two loans have been paid off, the board is going to have to ask the electors at the

annual budget hearing to approve levying enough money to keep the levy close to where it is now. If the electors are agreeable to that for a few years beyond when the loans are paid off, the town could pay cash for roadwork or equipment rather than borrowing.

8. **Adjourn:** Motion Albee seconded Vojta that the meeting be adjourned. By a voice vote Yes -5, No -0. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:18 P.M.

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