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MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

2014 Budget Hearing

Wednesday, December 3, 2013-7:00 p.m.

1. Chairperson Roger Anclam called the Special Town meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. The pledge was said.
3. Roll Call- Board members present were Bill Brewer, Dave Bomkamp, Tim Kopp, Ron Splan and Chair Roger Anclam. A quorum was present.
4. Minutes of Budget Hearing November 14, 2012-Josh Jones moved to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2012 budget hearing. Second by Larry Turner. Motion carried with a voice vote.
5. Motion from Floor-Voice, hand, or paper ballots-Mike Birkholz moved to have vote done by paper ballot. Second by Jim Brandenburg. Motion carried with a voice vote.
6. Volunteers for Vote Counting-Betty Walter, Connie Crouse and Mary Abegglen volunteered to be vote counters.
7. Head Count-There was 141 people in attendance; 138 residents and 3 nonresidents.
8. Purpose of meeting-Attorney Henderson stated the purpose of the meeting.
 - a. Power Point-Roger Anclam gave a power point presentation. All questions were answered.
-7 additional residents arrived the resident count is now at 145.
 - b. Special Town Meeting
 - i. Adopt Resolution to Exceed the Levy Limits-The Board proposed \$342,732 for levy to be collected in 2014. Tim Huffman moved to adopt a resolution to exceed the levy limits by not more than 21.8%. Second by Joyce Splan. Several questions were asked of the Board; they were as follows-Fran Patch, 9028 S Butterfly Road asked for clarification to the motion. Jim Brandenburg 7420 S Petter Rd asked for clarification as to what a yes vote meant and what a no vote meant. John Weitzel, 4361 E Wood Trail asked for explanation to some of the chart of accounts. Bob Lang, 4139 E Colley asked the levy limit amount-\$281,192. Larry Turner, 5125 E County Road S inquired regarding forestry, Michelle Wilson, 4262 E. Circlewood asked about office equipment expense (a new tabulating machine for elections is budgeted for), 531-Consultant was also questioned-this is for boundary/annexation negotiations legal representation. Floyd Johnson, 5237 E County Road J asked for an explanation from the 20% of the Board that did not vote in support of the levy limit amount-this was Bill Brewer. Bill Brewer explained his reason, Chair Roger Anclam reviewed cash reserves amount. Norma Woodman, 5138 Shopiere Road moved to call to question and end the discussion. Second by John Weitzel. Motion carried with a vote of 13-nayes and 129 ayes. The vote was taken on the motion to adopt the resolution to exceed the levy limit. The motion failed with the following vote-54-yes and 89 nays. Fran Patch moved to set the levy amount to not exceed a 3.-183 increase for the amount of \$281,192. Second by Roger Fleener. The motion carried with the following vote-102-yes and 27-nayes.

ii. Highway Expenditures-The 2014 proposed highway expenditures total. Robert Lang moved to approve the 2014 proposed highway expenditures of \$313,534. Second by Josh Jones. Motion carried with the following vote-82-yes and 46-nayes.

iii. Salaries of Elected Officials- Chair Roger Anclam moved to leave the elected officials salary as is. Second by Mike Birkholz. Motion carried with the following vote-110-yes and 9-nayes.

9. Adjournment-With all business complete Chair Roger Anclam adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Bennett, WCMC
Clerk/Treasurer