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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018, 6:00 P.M.
CAMPBELL TOWN HALL
2219 BAINBRIDGE STREET, LA CROSSE, WI 54603**

1) Call To Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.

2) Roll Call & Verify Public Notice:

Present: Supervisor Kelsey Craig, Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Chairman Terry Schaller, & Supervisor Bob Wolfert

Excused: Supervisor Mitch Brohmer

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted on the public bulletin boards.

3) Public Comment:

Motion to receive public comment made by Supervisor Craig, seconded by Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 4-0**

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., asked if the Board was considering raising the sign permits in order to raise more revenue. Clerk Hawkins stated that was something that the Board can certainly look at but would have to be done with a resolution to amend the current fee schedule. Mr. Becker asked Supervisor Wolfert about the \$5000 attorney fee line item in the Utility Budget. Supervisor Wolfert mentioned that nothing specific but in case the City of La Crosse decides to make changes to the current agreement with the Town. Mr. Becker asked Fire Chief Nate Melby about the Fire Department's drone. Chief Melby stated that the Fire Association purchased the drone and was currently looking to get certified to fly the drone due to FAA rules. Mr. Becker also asked if there was any thought in raising the rates to rent the Community Center. Supervisor Craig stated that she would like to raise the rates but upgrades to the Center would have to be done first.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Wolfert, seconded by Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 4-0**

4) Business:

A) Working session for 2019 Town of Campbell General Fund and Utility Fund Budget.

The members of the Town Board discussed the proposed budget numbers as presented by Town Clerk/Treasurer Chadwick Hawkins with all updated budget numbers from the Tuesday, October 30, 2018 budget working session. Clerk Hawkins stated that after the adjustments, the budget still has a deficit in the amount of \$1,410,334.01. Approximately \$1,229,250.00 is money anticipated to be taken out of the reserve for funding 2019 streets projects, new fire truck, and police squad. The Board decided to adjust the proposed budget by the following leaving \$1,296,445.01 to be applied from the fund balance:

\$7,500.00 - \$6,500.00 for Police Department Training
\$4,000.00 - \$3,000.00 for Fire Department Training
\$73,000.00 - \$60,000.00 for Street Maintenance
\$22,000.00 - \$20,000.00 for Yard Waste
\$15,000.00 - \$12,000.00 for Community Center (General Ops)
\$135,000.00 - \$39,000.00 for Capital Outlay (General Gov)

The Board agreed to Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. to hold the Annual Town Budget Meeting.

Motion to use \$26,000.00 of unanticipated funds from the reserve made by Supervisor Thoren, seconded by Chairman Schaller.

Motion failed 2-2 (Supervisor Wolfert/Craig voted “against”)

Motion to approve the General Budget as presented made by Supervisor Wolfert, seconded by Chairman Schaller.

Motion carried 3-1 (Supervisor Craig voted “against”)

Motion to approve the Sewer Utility #1 Budget as presented made by Supervisor Wolfert, seconded by Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 4-0**

5) Closed Session: Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c).

A) Considering compensation for General Town Employees for 2019.

Supervisor Thoren motioned to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(b) & (1)(c) on a roll call vote, seconded by Chairman Schaller.

Supervisor Craig – yes, Supervisor Thoren – yes, Chairman Schaller – yes, & Supervisor Wolfert – yes. **Motion carried 4 yes – 0 no’s**

(Closed Session) (7:12 P.M.)

During closed session, the Board discussed a \$0.75 raise on 01/01/2019 and an additional \$0.75 raise on 07/01/2019 in lieu of a percent for Town Employee Brittany Schick. Also

the Board discussed a \$0.75 raise on 01/01/2019 in lieu of a percent for Town Employee Michelle Hammes.

Motion to reconvene in Open Session made by Supervisor Thoren, seconded by Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 4-0 (7:56 P.M.)**

6) Reconvene in Open Session:

A) Possible action on items discussed in Closed Session.

Motion to approve the item as discussed in closed session made by Supervisor Wolfert, seconded by Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 3-0 (Supervisor Craig “abstained”)**

7) Adjournment of Meeting:

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Wolfert, seconded by Chairman Schaller.
Motion carried 4-0 (7:57 P.M.)

Respectfully Submitted,

Chadwick Hawkins
Clerk/Treasurer