

PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING MINUTES  
FOR 2011 & TOWN BOARD MEETING  
TOWN OF NEWTON  
NOVEMBER 23, 2010

A public budget hearing meeting for the Town of Newton proposed budget for 2011 was held at the Newton Town Hall, 6532 Carstens Lake Road, Manitowoc, WI at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2010.

Present: Kevin Behnke, Chairman; John H. Karbon, Jr., Supervisor; Donald Schuette, Supervisor; Barbara Pankratz, Clerk; Peter and Judy Polster; and Gary Truettner.

The budget hearing meeting was opened by Chairman Behnke. The same was published in the Herald-Times-Reporter, posted on the web site of the Town of Newton and also posted in the official posting places for the Town of Newton. Chairman Behnke opened the public hearing for comments and questions from the public.

Gary Truettner questioned the clerk on what items were in different categories on the budget as well as whether or not there was a budget sheet each month. He was informed what were in the categories that he questioned and also told that there is a monthly budget sheet printed each month which is on file with the clerk. He also questioned the budgeted contingency money which Chairman Behnke explained is money used toward over drawn accounts which can be balanced by transferring money from contingency to that account by resolution toward the end of the year. The money is also designated for a new fire truck in the future.

Mr. Truettner also noted chart of account number 55300 which is designated as Holiday/Celebrations which at this point has zero budgeted and questioned what the town is going to do about any events for the benefit of the citizens of Newton. Donald Schuette, Supervisor indicated that there is the Newton Fireman Park which is for the benefit of everyone. Kevin Behnke asked Mr. Truettner what ideas he would have about what to do for the citizens of Newton and computer classes at the Hall were mentioned. He also stated that different townships have different things going on in their townships. Kevin stated that to do many of those kind of things would require a director to oversee the events.

Mr. Truettner also questioned the large allotment for highway maintenance and Kevin Behnke informed him about the high costs of gravel, blacktopping and materials necessary to effect road construction and maintenance in the Town.

There being no further questions, Chairman Behnke asked for a motion to approve the 2011 highway expenditures. Mr. Truettner made said motion which was seconded by Pete Polster. Motion carried.

Gary Truettner made a motion to approve the 2011 tax levy for the Town of Newton. Pete Polster seconded the motion which carried.

Gary Truettner made a motion to adopt the 2011 Town of Newton Budget as presented. Said motion was seconded by Pete Polster. Motion carried.

Said Proposed Budget Meeting was closed by motion made by Kevin Behnke and seconded by John H. Karbon, Jr.

Immediately following the Proposed Budget Hearing Meeting, Kevin Behnke opened the regular town board meeting. A Resolution Regarding Application Review Fee (Community Bank-Pine Creek Conservancy North) was submitted and put in a motion for adoption by Supervisor Donald Schuette. John H. Karbon, Jr. Supervisor seconded the motion which carried. Kevin Behnke abstained from voting on the motion.

An Agreement between the Town of Newton and Community Bank and Trust of Sheboygan, WI was also submitted by Supervisor Schuette stating that the Community Bank shall pay all fees and expenses for third party services incurred with respect to this project. This Agreement was accepted by motion made by Donald Schuette and seconded by John H. Karbon, Jr. Motion carried. Kevin Behnke abstained from voting on the motion.

There being no further business to come before the meeting we adjourned by motion made by Donald Schuette and seconded by John H. Karbon, Jr.

Barbara Pankratz, Clerk