

Special Elector Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2015, at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:47 p.m.
Adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and all Town Board members were present. Also present were Tara Mager (Wrightstown Spirit), Edwin Schuh, Terry Vertz, Rick Van Vonderen, Dorothy Cashman, Ben Crocker, Wayne Carter, Glen Schwalbach, Michael Wier and Steve Gander.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. Chairman read the Special Town Meeting of Elector's Notice and Agenda.

Adoption of Resolution #2015- Authorizing the Town Board to exceed the 2016 Highway Expenditure Limit

Chairman Cashman explained that last week, 2015 Wisconsin Act 105, was approved by the legislature and is in effect. At the time of posting of this agenda, Special Elector approval was required. Due to the recent legislation, the electors no longer need to approve the highway expenditure limit.

Adoption of Resolution #2015-11 endorsing Town Board Resolution#2015-09

The electors received a budget packet which included a copy of Resolution #2015-09 and Resolution #2015-11. Chairman Cashman explained that the Board is requesting the \$15,000 to purchase and install fire address signs throughout the Town. The Board did not request the full \$20,000 because it did not want to increase the mill rate over last year's rate. So it opted to request \$15,000 and then cover the rest of the costs from the general fund.

Supervisor Lasee questions whether the fire address signs are absolutely necessary. He stated that there are numbers on resident's mailboxes and emergency vehicles have GPS systems in them.

Chairman Cashman stated that many of first responders do not have GPS systems in their vehicles. Cashman also noted that a passerby who sees an emergency situation may not be familiar with the area and would not be able to accurately share the location with emergency personnel.

Supervisor Van Vonderen stated that the local fire departments have encouraged the Town to require the signs.

Steve Gander, 5584 Highway W, asked when he calls 911 from a cell phone, whether emergency personnel would be able to locate him. There were conflicting responses as to whether 911 would be able to locate the location due to cell towers and coverage.

Ben Crocker, 2223 Lasee Road, asked if the majority of electors vote against this resolution, will the Town Board still purchase and install the fire address signs or will the \$15,000 need to be taken from another area. Crocker asked whether the Board had approved the purchase and installation of the signs. Chairman Cashman informed Crocker that the Board has not made any decisions yet. This is the first step toward moving in that direction.

M/M by Wayne Carter to adopt Resolution #2015-11, incorporated herein by reference; seconded by Terry Vertz.
Motion passed by hand vote: Ayes= 10; Nays= 1; Abstaining= 2.

Adoption of Resolution #2015-12 Electors' Adoption of the Town Tax Levy

Chairman Cashman explained that with the additional \$15,000 above the allowable levy, the tax levy for 2015 to be collected in 2016 would be \$ 464,438.00. The mill rate would be 2.4184 per \$1,000.00.

M/M by Rick Van Vonderen to approve Resolution #2015-12, which adopts the tax levy for 2015 to be collected in 2016, in the amount of \$464,438.00 seconded by Steve Gander. Motion passed by hand vote: Ayes= 11; Nays= 1; Abstaining= 1.

Adjournment

M/M by Steve Gander to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.; seconded by Rick Van Vonderen. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Jann B. Charette,
Town Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by Town Electors on Tuesday, April 17, 2016.

_____, Town Elector

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