

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Special Town Board Meeting
Budget Workshop #3
October 24, 2016

Chairman Allen Opall called the October 24, 2016 Special Town Board meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 12:00 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present included Pete Kachel, Gerry Klein, Fred Schaefer, and Jim Legner.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Community Development Director Steve Kunst, Finance Director/Clerk Jessica Trautman, and Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner.

On October 21, 2016 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center and Town website.

Update of Budget Proposal

Administrator Rhoden went through her memo. She presented some additional things the Town Board could do to reduce the levy below \$3.61. The options include using fund balance for the Code Enforcement Officer's vehicle and/or using fund balance for half the cost of the server. Both uses would be within the policy as one-time expenses. Finance Director/Clerk directed the Town Board to look at the Fund Balance spreadsheet and graph. The Town Board discussed what our current projected fund balance was, and what affect purchasing one or both items with fund balance would have on the percentage of fund balance to expenses. Currently we are projected to be at 33%, using the fund balance for the two items would bring it down to 32%. The Town Board decided to use fund balance for both the Code Enforcement Officer's vehicle (\$16,600) and the half the cost of the server (\$12,500). This will bring the Town levy down to \$3.57.

Street Park/Superintendent Turner Presented to the Town board a couple of ideas of where he would spend the \$100,000 for street overlays. Turner said the \$100,000 is coming from the future street designated fund. Discussion on increasing the amount used in 2016 to include this year's amount to bring the total up to \$130,000. It was decided to keep it at \$100,000 for now.

Discussion of Dog Park for FY 2017 Budget – Administrator Rhoden said one item added in the budget since our last meeting was the purchase of property for the dog park. An estimated amount of \$7,000 was added for the purchase of the property and legal fees. The Town Board discussed the options of fund balance, parkland funds and tourism funds to fund the property cost. The Town Board agreed to take the full amount for the purchase of the property and legal fees from Tourism.

Set budget Hearing Date - The Budget Hearing is scheduled for Monday November 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., with Regular Town Board following.

Adjourn – **Motion by Legner/ Schaefer to adjourn at 12:36 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Submitted by
Jessica Trautman
Finance Director/Clerk

Note: These minutes are not to be considered official until acted upon at an upcoming regular meeting, therefore, they are subject to revision.