

TOWN OF HOLLAND BOARD MEETING

January 20, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT	Chair Steve Michaels, Supervisors Jeff Herlitzke, Steve Mieden and Jerome Pedretti
EXCUSED	Ben Filter
STAFF PRESENT	Clerk Marilyn Pedretti

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Michaels called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Notices and an addendum were posted.

RESOLUTION: REFERENDUM

Clerk Pedretti read the following into the record:

RESOLUTION 2021-2

PROVIDING FOR AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL CHARGE FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has placed levy limits on towns, villages, cities, and counties under s. 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes;

WHEREAS, s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat. limits the local levy to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of either a) 0% increase over the maximum allowable levy based on the state's levy limit law or b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction; which for the Town of Holland is estimated to be 3% percent;

WHEREAS, the cost to provide efficient and dependable fire and emergency services has increased and continues to increase at a rate higher than the levy limit will allow; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Holland, La Crosse County believes it could be in the Town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit using a special charge for fire and emergency services and asks for Town resident input;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Holland, La Crosse County does hereby resolve and order an advisory referendum be added to the April 6, 2021 ballot as follows:

"Are you, as a resident of the Town of Holland, in favor of paying a special charge of \$75 a year with the possibility of yearly increases to improve our fire protection and emergency services."

Dated this 20th day of January, 2021.

Motion by Mieden/Herlitzke to approve Resolution 2021-2: A resolution providing for an advisory referendum on establishing a special charge for fire and emergency services, with language "per household" added after "\$75 a year". **MOTION** carried unanimously.

CHIPPER: WARRANTY

Discussion took place concerning the offer of a three year warranty on the new chipper. It was the consensus not to pursue.

RESOLUTION: TRANSFER FUNDS

Clerk Pedretti read the following into the record:

**RESOLUTION 2021-3
GENERAL FUND TRANSFER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Holland, at their January 13, 2021 board meeting, passed a motion to authorize the purchase of a chipper; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Holland Board has accepted the quote of \$28,730 from Vermeer; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such equipment was not allocated in the 2021 Budget and will need to be transferred from the general fund;

***NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Holland hereby authorizes a fund transfer of \$28,730 from the general fund to the 2021 Budget.*

Dated this 20th day of January, 2021.

Motion by Herlitzke/J Pedretti to approve resolution 2021-3. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mieden/Herlitzke to adjourn. **MOTION** carried. Adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn J. Pedretti, Town Clerk