

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS  
OF THE TOWN OF MENASHA  
Municipal Complex - Assembly Room - Tuesday, November 27, 2007  
(Following the Public Hearing)

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Town Chairman Arden Tews called the Special Town Meeting to order at 8:48 p.m.

Town Residents Present: Annette Look, Eileen Tews, Arden Tews, Pat Dobberke, Ralph Grundy, Joe Nemecek, Debbie Swiertz, Barb Knaack, Dale Knaack, Jeff Sturgell, Randy Gallow, Jeff Roth, Mike Lynch, Jay Schroeder, Ray Kurtz, Paul Eisen, Barbara Hanson, Rick Timm, Patti Haase, Allen Haase, Dale McNamee, Dale Youngquist, Rachel Youngquist, Bill Krull, Keith Kiesow, Martha Andrew, Clarence Peterson, Maureen Gebhard, James Gebhard, Willis Timm, Melvin Schultz, Pam Mueller, Randy Mueller, Kate McQuillan, Rod McCants, Judith Youngquist, Guy Hegg, Tom Vandeyacht

Non-Residents Present: Karen Tweedie, Michael King, Chuck Koehler, Steve Laabs, Susan Phillips, Michael Kading, Richard Eiberger, Tim Plagenz, Joan Burrill, Myra Piergrossi, George Dearborn

2. PURCHASE OF LAND FOR STORMWATER PURPOSES

MOTION was made by resident Guy Hegg to vote by secret ballot to withdraw the purchase of land for stormwater purposes from the budget. The motion was not seconded. Attorney Koehler stated it was an improper motion; the citizens cannot pass/deny a budget and this vote would be up to the Board. He suggested waiting and voting on the resolution as either a yes or no vote. Mr. Hegg withdrew his motion.

MOTION was made by Resident Guy Hegg to deny authority of the Board to deny the purchase of land. There was no second motion.

MOTION: Resident Guy Hegg, seconded by Resident Barb Knaack to deny authority of the Board. Attorney Koehler stated it was an improper motion and it cannot be acted upon. Guy Hegg and Barb Knaack then withdrew their motions.

MOTION: Resident Rod McCants, seconded by Resident Martha Andrew to approve the 2008 purchase of land for stormwater purposes in the maximum amount of \$1,000,000. pursuant to s. 60.10(2)(e) of the Wis. Statutes.

MOTION TO AMEND: Resident Patti Haase, seconded by Resident Dale McNamee to vote for the land purchase by secret ballot.

By a show of hands on the amendment, motion carried with 26 voting YES and 5 voting NO, to vote by secret ballot.

On the main motion to approve the 2008 purchase of land for stormwater purposes in the maximum amount of \$1,000,000., by secret ballot motion carried with 21 voting YES and 12 voting NO, with 1 UNREADABLE.

3. APPROVE THE 2008 HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES PER STATUTE 81.01(3)(a)(b)  
MOTION: Resident Keith Kiesow, seconded by Resident Martha Andrew to approve the 2008 highway expenditures. By a show of hands, the votes were 27 - YES and 4 - NO.

Resident Paul Eisen, Brighton Beach Road, brought to the Board members' attention that the statute number presented on the agenda was not a valid statute number. Attorney Koehler researched and gave the correct number as State stat. 82.03(2)(a). Residents questioned whether there was a valid vote due to voting for a different statute number. Attorney Koehler stated it was valid, the statute number had simply been updated but the statute was no different in its meaning.

On the main motion, motion carried to approve the 2008 highway expenditures.

4. ADJOURN  
At 9:08 p.m., MOTION: Resident Clarence Peterson, seconded by Resident Debbie Swiertz to adjourn. On voice vote, motion carried with all townspeople voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Tweedie, Town Clerk