TOWN OF MINOCQUA ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

October 30th, 2025

The Town of Minocqua Annual Budget Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hartzheim at 5:00 p.m. on October 30th, 2025 in the Board Room of the Minocqua Center.

Present were: Chairman Mark Hartzheim; Supervisors, Billy Fried and Erika Petersen; Clerk Roben Haggart; Treasurer Kim Strasburg; Miranda Schmitz (new Treasurer); Lynn Wildes, Deputy Clerk; Superintendent of Public Works, Mark Pertile; Minocqua Fire Chief, Rich Carani; Assessor Kitt Koski and Kelly Raddatz Library Director. There were three electorates present.

Motion by Billy Fried, seconded by Erika Petersen to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Billy Fried, seconded by Erika Petersen to waive the reading of the minutes from the Annual Budget Meeting held on November 21st, 2024. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Erika Petersen, seconded by Billy Fried to approve the minutes from the Annual Budget Meeting held on November 21st, 2024 as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED BUDGET

The 2026 budget was presented by Roben Haggart, Town Clerk. She reviewed the budget in detail including each individual department budget proposals, revenue & debt service. The Town has the borrowing capacity of \$171 million, currently carrying debt in the amount of \$9.46 million which is 5.5% of debt capacity and a healthy fund balance of approximately \$500,000.

Chairman Hartzheim asked for public input. Clerk Haggart answered a few questions pertaining to the Thirsty Whale lease and equipment depreciation.

Motion by Billy Fried, seconded by Kitt Koski to adjourn meeting. Voice Vote: Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Roben Haggart, CMC Town Clerk

Chairman Hartzheim called to order a Special Town Meeting pursuant to Section 60.12 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

Motion by Erika Petersen, seconded by Michael Tautges to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Michael Tautges, seconded by Kitt Koski to adopt the 2025 general levy of \$5,132,107 to be paid in 2026. Voice Vote: Unanimous approval.

Motion by Erika Petersen, seconded by Billy Fried to adjourn meeting. Voice Vote: Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Roben Haggart, CMC Town Clerk

Immediately following the Budget Meeting a Special Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Hartzheim.

Motion by Fried, seconded by Petersen to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Fried to adopt the 2026 budget as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Fried to adjourn meeting. Voice Vote: Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Roben Haggart, CMC Town Clerk