

APPROVED
Minutes of July 26, 2022
BEAVER DAM TOWN BOARD MEETING
Beaver Dam Town Hall, W8540 Cty Hwy W, Beaver Dam, WI

Meeting called to order 7PM.

Present: Joe Kern, Liz Kern, Dave Raue, Dean Hughes, Jesse Hanks

Meeting posted July 25, 2022 as well as a postcard to the entire Town.

Joe Kern presents referendum information to audience

Tom Castillo - Cody Ct – asked about the cost difference in borrowing versus passing a referendum

Wayne Siegfried - asks about the reassessment, clerk explains the reassessment raises everyone's assessment, we still get the same levy limit

Tim Ahearn asks about abuse of ambulance service, fire chief explained that there really is little we can do about that because they can't refuse services to anyone

Jeanie Gudion - Airport Rd – asked about why she should pay more for fire & ambulance services that she's not using

Tim Ahearn - asks why the city keeps annexing the town and thinks they should give something back to us

John Kuzniewicz - questions regarding fire and ems contract

Bob Neuman - discusses other referendums that will affect the Town taxpayers

Nathan Stafford - asking if this vote is about the money or about contracting with the city, Joe Kern clarifies that we are already contracted with the City, this vote is to pass a referendum or not

Ahearn – asks if we need a police department, clerk explains that the police department has a total budget of under \$60,000

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Ken Biel – asks if insurance would be cheaper if we didn't have a squad car

Craig Habermann - what representation does the township have in the budgetary decisions of the Beaver Dam Fire Department? Joe Kern explains that we currently don't however, as part of the new contract, the Rural Fire Association will have an advisory committee.

Chad Enright - comments what a great service we have in BDFD

Mark Bubolz - asks about assessments

Ahearn - who gets the money for boat launch, Al Mannel answered that the Lake Association does

Craig Hoffman – states that we should have “thought of this 5 years ago”

Nathan Stafford - asks if we are out of time and that's the reason, Joe Kern explains that we currently have more liabilities than assets

John Kuzniewicz - tells entire room that we should have waited until after the reassessment

Al Mannel - states that we need to do this now as it should have been done years ago

Judy Sell - Thompson Rd - asks if we get aid from state or federal government for roads, Clerk explains, yes, usually about \$150,000

Tom Castillo - can we put the powerpoint on the website, yes Liz will upload

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Ahearn - asks how much we've paid to BDFD, Joe Kern answers

Bubolz - asks about what we're doing with ARPA money, Clerk states that we will need to use it to cover bills and the rest will go to roads

Steve Hughes - asks about how roads were overspent on, Joe Kern explains that previously, there was a misunderstanding that

Motion (Raue/E.Kern) to adjourn at 8:17PM. Motion carried unanimously.