Town of Merton PO Box 128 North Lake, WI 53064 Minutes of Public Hearing November 9, 2020

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisors Olson, Morris, Fleming and Herrick, Highway Superintendent Griffin, Treasurer Kempen and Clerk Hann.

Also in attendance: Robert Rusch, Ken Ellingsen, Greg O'Hearn, and Deputy Reither

Absent: Attorney Chapman

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., at the Town of Merton Town Hall; at W314 N7624 Hwy 83 North Lake, WI a PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed 2021 Town of Merton Budget will be held pursuant to sec 65.90. A detailed copy of the proposed 2021 budget is available at the Town Hall during regular office hours.

<u>Public Hearing was Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:30 pm</u> - Clerk Hann read the notice. Treasurer Kempen reviewed the 2019 Budget. There were no comments from the floor. The public hearing was closed at 6:37

> Town of Merton PO Box 128 North Lake, WI 53064 Minutes of Special Town Meeting of Electors November 9, 2020

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 9, 2020, immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed budget which begins at 6:30 at the Town of Merton Town hall, W314 N7624 Hwy 83, North Lake, WI 53064; a special town meeting of the electors called by the town board pursuant to sec. 60.12(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statues, will be held for the following purpose:

The Special Town Meeting of the Electors was Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:37 pm- Clerk Hann read the notice for the special town meeting.

<u>To adopt the 2021 Town Tax Levy Payable in 2020 Resolution pursuant to \$60.10(1)(a) of the Wisconsin</u> <u>Statutes</u>. A motion to adopt the 2021 Town Tax Levy was made by Dick Morris and seconded by Jim Fleming. The levy amount is \$2,855,251.00. Motion carried.

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On Monday, November 9, 2019 the Town Board will meet immediately following the completion of the Special Town Meeting of Electors for the Town Board Meeting at the Merton Town Hall, W314N7624 Hwy 83, North Lake, WI.

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink 6:37 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes of October 26, 2020 and October 12, 2020 Town of Merton Town Board Meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Fleming/Herrick Motion Carried.

• Citizen Comments and Concerns: Robert Rusch from the Arrowhead School Board talked to the board recent talks on the Annexation Request that Arrowhead School Board started with the Village of Hartland. He stated that the first step was to meet with the Village of Hartland. Chairman Klink stated the main problem is that School Board never contacted the Town and many calls were received from resident questioning what was going on. Mr. Rusch acknowledged that the nothing was given to the town.

Old Business: None

New Business:

<u>Consider/Act on the 2021 Budget.</u> A motion to approve the 2021 Budget was made by Morris/Fleming. Treasurer Kempen recommended that the approval be contingent on the Town Hall Library Board approved their budget reflected in the Town's budget. Motion was amended contingent on approval from the Town Hall Library Board by Morris/Fleming. Motion Carried.

<u>Consider/Act on Special Event Application for Elf Run on November 15, 2020</u>. Ken Ellingsen presented the request to the board. Discussion followed. A motion to approve the Special Event Application for Elf Run on November 15, 2020 was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion Carried.

Clerk, Board, Highway and Attorney Reports - Clerk Hann reported on 2020 General Election. There were 6154 ballots cast which is around a 94% turnout. Of that total 66% were absentee ballots. Comparing that to the 2016 General Election there was a 90% turnout and only 44% were absentee which shows a great increase in absentee voting. Clerk thanked the staff, board and the poll workers that helped with this election. There was an issued with painter's tape that was used on the gym floor at North Lake School that caused some damage and will be working with North Lake School. Clerk Hann read a Proclamation from the Governor's Office thanking the work involved with the election process. Waukesha County Clerk held a conference call to review the possible request for a recount for the November 3 Election and what would be needed. The deadline for the request is November 18. North Lake Management Lake District is working with the DNR on opening up lake access on land that is owned by the DNR and the DNR contacted the Highway Department about setting up an address sign for the property. Herrick stated that there is a meeting for Lake County Municipal Court coming up. Chairman Klink reviewed the letter from Town of Oconomowoc to the Stone Bank Fire Department addressing the closing of accounts.

<u>Vouchers as Presented</u> - A motion to approve the vouchers as presented was made by Morris/Fleming. Motion carried.

<u>Adjourn</u> - A motion to adjourn was made by Fleming/Herrick. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Donna Hann, Town Clerk

Notice is hereby given that a majority of the Town Board or Plan Commission may be present at the above scheduled meeting(s) to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.