

## **Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting and Building Committee Meeting held on Monday, January 4, 2021**

The Town of Newbold Town Board, met on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., for the Joint Special Town Board Meeting and Building Committee Meeting at the Town of Newbold Town Hall, 4608 Apperson Drive, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, 54501, Oneida County, Wisconsin.

The following were in attendance: Chairman, Dave Kroll, Supervisors, Mike Suefloh and Mike McKenzie, Jim Staskiewicz Supervisor and Building Committee member; Clerk and Building Committee member, Kim Gauthier; Treasurer, Jodie Hess, and Building Committee members, Jackie Cody and Kim Harron. Bob Metropulos was absent and excused. Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and verified the agenda was properly noticed to the public. Members of the public present, Pete Cody.

**Discussion and action on proposed building projects and referendum questions for the spring ballot.** Building Committee Chairman, Jim Staskiewicz read two draft referendum questions proposed by the Building Committee. Discussion on changes to the language and further discussion on the effects of two questions. The committee requested additional information from Funktion Designer, Melody Hamlin by telephone. Melody appeared by speaker phone at 7:04 p.m. to answer questions from those in attendance. There was a significant amount of discussion on either moving forward with presenting the remodel of the existing town hall with the garage/shop project and/or presenting obtaining the former Newbold School remodel as the town hall and inclusion of the garage/shop project. *Motion made by Jim Staskiewicz and Mike Suefloh to proceed with question number one and reject question number two of the proposed referendum questions. A roll call vote was taken with Mike McKenzie, aye; Mike Suefloh, aye; Jim Staskiewicz, aye and Dave Kroll, aye. That motion carried.*

The referendum questions reads as such: "Should the Town of Newbold borrow up to 4.1 million dollars for reconstruction of an ADA compliant town hall to include secure offices, essential meeting spaces, a new toilet room, kitchen and vestibule; along with the construction of a new town shop and garage which includes upgrading the existing shop to remain as cold storage?"

Explanation: A "yes" vote means the town may borrow up to 4.1 million dollars and move forward with the reconstruction of an ADA compliant town hall to include secure offices, essential meeting spaces, a new toilet room, kitchen and vestibule; along with the construction of a new town shop and garage which includes upgrading the existing shop to remain as cold storage.

The Town of Newbold has been awarded grant money in the amount of \$187,691 from the Oneida County Economic Development Corporation towards the town hall toilet room renovation. The Town of Newbold has also designated approximately \$54,187 savings towards the projects listed above. The purpose of the question listed above is to give the Town Board of Supervisors authority for the construction and financing of additional levy dollars for the town hall and town shop projects.

A "no" vote means the town should not borrow up to 4.1 million dollars for the reconstruction of an ADA compliant town hall to include secure offices, essential meeting spaces, a new toilet room, kitchen and vestibule; along with the construction of a new town shop and garage which includes upgrading the existing shop to remain as cold storage.

The town board also recommends the 5.5 million dollars project the board decided against, be mentioned at the presentations scheduled in March. The Clerk informed the board and

committee that she will have contact with the owner of the former school and update the owner of the board's decision.

**Administrative Review** and Action if necessary, concerning general government, public safety, recycling, sanitation, culture, education, job assignments, project updates, transportation, budget items, fund transfers, and future agenda items. *None*

**Public Comment** and Communication Period per Wisconsin Statutes whereby the Town Board may receive input on any matter raised by the public. *None*

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m. with a motion by Mike Sueflohn and Mike McKenzie. Motion carried with no objection.*

Respectfully submitted by  
Kim Gauthier, Newbold Town Clerk