

Resolution of Town Board to Propose Exceeding Levy Limits

TOWN OF BROOKLYN, GREEN COUNTY, WI

Resolution # 10-19-15

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has adopted levy limits on town, village, city and county levies for 2015 and thereafter under s. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes;

WHEREAS, s. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes limits the allowable local levy for 2015 to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) 0% of the 2014 and 2015 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law** or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to new construction, which for the Town of Brooklyn is 1.703 percent;

WHEREAS, in 2014, the electors of the Town of Brooklyn approved an increase in the 2014 payable 2015 levy that exceeded the limitations contained in s. 66.0602, Wis. Stats. By \$125,000, but with the condition that the \$125,000 increase above the statutory limit survive for only one year;

WHEREAS, without further approval by the Town's electors, the Town Board would be required to calculate the 2015 payable 2016 levy using the permitted base levy before the \$125,000 increase authorized in 2014; i.e., a base of \$355,558, and that using that base, the greatest increase permitted when applying the percentage equal to new construction would be \$6,055.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Brooklyn, Green County believes that for the 2015 tax levy (collected in 2016) it is in the town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above, in that additional improvements to town roads and highways are necessary at costs that would drive the 2016 town budget above the permitted levy limit.

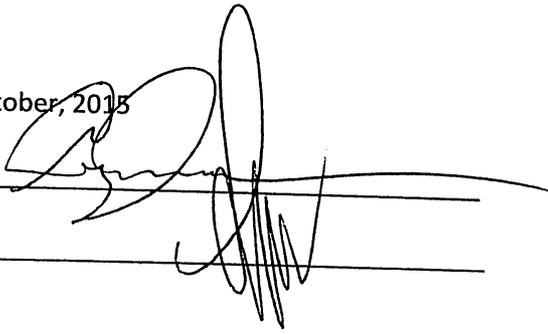
WHEREAS, the Town of Brooklyn 2014 payable 2015 adjusted actual levy excluding permissible debt service is \$355,558; And further whereas the 2014 directives of the town electors and applicable state law would limit the increase to \$6,055 for an allowable town tax levy of \$361,613 before adjustments, for 2015, collected in 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Brooklyn, Green County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The town board supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2015 that will exceed the otherwise applicable levy limit of \$361,613.
2. The town board directs that the question of whether to increase the town tax levy for 2015 (to be collected in 2016) by 36.396 percent, which would increase the town levy by an additional \$125,000 over that permitted by state law using the reduce base of \$355,558, for a total town tax levy of \$487,171, excluding debt service, shall be placed on the agenda for the special town meeting to be held on November 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Brooklyn Town Hall, 400 West Main Street, Brooklyn, WI 53521.

Adopted this 19th day of October, 2015

Signature of Town Chair:

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, written over a horizontal line.

Attested by Town Clerk:

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several vertical strokes and a horizontal base, written over a horizontal line.

Posted on October 20, 2015 at all four posting locations and on the town website:
www.townofbrooklyn.org directly following the town board meeting.